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## BONUS BILL TO BE PUSHED IN SENATE

### Approval by Senate Finance Committee of Measure Following House Plan with Loan Feature Forecast

Washington, May 29.—Approval by the senate finance committee on Wednesday of a soldiers' bonus bill following closely along the lines of the house measure with its bank loan provision was forecast today by members of that committee. Republicans and Democrats, after the subject had been discussed for nearly two hours, in an informal canvass of the committee today indicated that the members were divided nine to six for the house measure with some modifications—the so-called McCumber plan. Five members, all Republicans, were reported to favor the Smoot proposition of paid up life insurance for the veterans in lieu of all other forms of compensation, while one committee member, Senator Williams, Democrat, Mississippi, was understood to be opposed to any bonus legislation. A "reclamation" provision is to be included in the McCumber plan in an open question and consequently it may be some time before a bonus bill is reported to the senate. Chairman McCumber is anxious, however, that the bill be reported out in the immediate future and he expects to press for action as speedily as is possible.

After reaching the senate the bill in the usual course, would go to the senate calendar to remain until called up by Senator McCumber. There is a difference of opinion among Republican leaders as to whether the bonus should displace the tariff bill at any time soon so the probable time at which the senate will get into the bonus fight is indefinite.

Senator McCumber is of the opinion that the senate can dispose of the measure with a few days of consideration, but this view is not shared by all leaders. Opponents of a bonus in any form as well as opponents of the amended house bill are prepared for a long discussion of the question.

Both the McCumber and Smoot plans have been outlined in some detail to President Harding with a view of obtaining an expression of opinion from him, but the committee went ahead today with their consideration without having received any word from the executive. Proponents of the McCumber proposition believe that he will approve that form of bonus if passed by congress, but publicly, at least, the president has given no indication of a change of mind since he told the house ways and means committee to finance the bonus with a sales tax or post-pone enactment of the legislation.

Aside from a provision to pay cash to veterans whose compensation would not exceed \$50, the McCumber plan would provide for adjusted service certificates on which banks would be authorized to loan funds during the first three years and the treasury thereafter during the twenty years of the life of the certificates. The certificates would have a face value equal to about three times the amount of the veterans' adjusted service credit at the rate of \$1 a day for domestic service and \$1.25 a day for foreign service and the total would be payable at the end of twenty years or sooner upon the death of the holder.

There also would be provisions for vocational training and home and farm aid. These and the cash and certificate features are almost identical with those in the house bill, but the land settlement, or reclamation feature, in the house measure has been eliminated. There is a movement in both the senate and house to have some kind of a reclamation provision put back into the bill and a special subcommittee of Republican members of the senate finance committee opened hearings today on the question.

Washington, May 31.—The bill commonly known as the McCumber soldier bonus plan has been ordered favorably reported by the senate finance committee by a vote of nine to four. The effective date of the bill was changed, however, from next October 1st to January 1st, 1923. After Senator Walsh, Democrat, of Massachusetts, told the majority members that it would take six months to get the bonus machinery in operation.

The Smoot plan providing for paid up life insurance instead of all other forms of compensation was defeated by a vote of eight to five.

## Philadelphia Society Leader Arrested

Berwick, Pa., June 1.—Carter Leidy, a socially prominent young Philadelphian, whose elopement with Fifi Widener, a daughter of Joseph Widener, created a sensation in society circles, and who subsequently came here to do overalls for work in the steel mills, is charged with larceny, driving an auto while intoxicated and reckless driving. The case will come up June 6th.

## GERMANY NOT DEFIANT SAYS PREMIER

### Lloyd George in Speech in House of Commons Praises Attitude of Former Enemy

London, May 31 (By the Associated Press).—With Germany undefiant, Premier Lloyd George had planned to make a brief statement on reparations in the house of commons this afternoon, but when John Robert Clynes, labor member, opened the debate and attributed the present difficulties to the government's election pledges of 1918, the prime minister launched into a lengthy defense of the reparations commission. "Whatever lack of balance was evident in the working of the treaty and likewise the workings of the League of Nations, he asserted, was due to the absence of the United States, who, having no claims with respect to reparations, was friendly to France, Italy, Great Britain and Germany, and was concerned in seeing that reparations were not driven to extremes, to upset the balance of world trade.

Mr. Lloyd George praised the German attitude toward the reparations commission and indicated that so long as Germany was not defiant Germany could count on Britain's sympathy and understanding of the difficulties involved in meeting the treaty conditions. He declared, however, that there was no cause for disagreement between France and England, for should Germany refuse to attempt to fulfill the commission's claims, Great Britain's place would be at the side of the Versailles signatories, despite the misrepresentation which were being made.

Great Britain believed in the traditional policy of moderation and fulfillment, continued the premier, and he gave warning that isolated action on the part of any one of the allies would be disastrous to the entente between them. "It is the policy pursued after Waterloo toward France, when Prussia and Russia and the other victors urged that France be trampled," said Mr. Lloyd George. "The government in that day refused to countenance such a policy; we are pursuing the same course. But, if Germany is defiant, if she should say: 'This treaty we decline to carry out,' it would be different. A German policy of non-fulfillment would be a policy of immediate disaster."

## GOING SLOW ON PARDONS

### Gov. Harvey Who is Being Flooded With Petitions Will Not Act Hastily

Columbia, June 1.—Gov. Harvey is already being flooded, as governors usually are, with petitions for executive clemency in favor of prisoners, but it appears that the new executive will take a firm stand against upsetting of court decrees. Effort is being made to have the chief executive change to life imprisonment the sentence of death against Jesse Gappins, one of the murder trio sentenced to die in the chair on June 16 for the killing of William Brazell, a Columbia taxi driver. Petition has also been filed in the governor's office for the pardon of Dan Murphy, the aged lifer who some months ago refused to take a pardon recommended by the pardon board.

Governor Harvey has not indicated what final disposition he will make of these petitions, but he has stated that he does not believe in extreme freedom in the use of the executive pardoning power. In the case of Dan Murphy he stated that while he had not yet had time to give the case close consideration, he felt that the prisoner should have taken advantage of the recommendation in his favor some weeks ago. At that time the pardon board recommended a full pardon for "Old Dan," the old man of the case, sent to the pen more than a quarter of a century ago for murdering a woman. The prisoner told Superintendent Sanders of the prison that he didn't want a pardon. For this reason Governor Cooper took no action on the recommendation.

In the case of Gappins, the mother of the prisoner has called on the chief executive, as have other interested Columbians. One prominent Columbia woman has been among those asking the governor to commute to life imprisonment the sentence against the young man who claims that he was dragged into the murder plot by his bad companions and that he did not have a part in the actual slaying of Brazell. On the witness stand the three men confessed to their parts in the murder. It is not expected that the sentence of death will be interfered with.

Cincinnati, June 1.—Edward H. Fitzgerald, grand president of the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks, freight handlers, express and station employees, announced that sixteen chiefs of railroad brotherhoods and other executive officers of railroad unions, will meet Tuesday to discuss matters vital to the common welfare of all railroad workers.

## IRISH PROBLEM BECOMING MORE COMPLEX

### Agreement Between Political Factions of South in Conflict With Free State Treaty

London, May 31.—Winston Spencer Churchill, secretary of colonies, asserted in the house of commons that an agreement has been reached between the political factions in Southern Ireland which strikes directly at the provisions of the Anglo-Irish treaty. It seemed probable, he said, that the Irish people would not be able to give a free expression to their views as a consequence of the agreement.

## Temporary Calm In North Ireland

Belfast, May 31.—The tension along parts of Ulster-Free State border still rather high, although little additional fighting had been reported up till noon. Each side is apparently occupied with taking measures for protection against possible attacks.

## Ulster Officials Called to London

Belfast, May 31.—Sir James Craig, the Ulster premier, and the Ulster minister of education, are going to London tonight at the British government's invitation, to confer regarding the Irish situation.

## STATE OF WAR IN NORTH IRELAND

Belfast, May 30 (By the Associated Press).—Strong forces of the Irish Republican army are now well within the six county territory and are consolidating the ground won. It became necessary for the special constables comprising the Ulster forces to withdraw from a considerable section known as the Belleek salient in Fermanagh county and this is now in possession of the Republicans.

The military are confining themselves to sending out observation parties which remain for a brief time and then return to Enniskillen.

The Omagh garrison was reinforced this afternoon by a large contingent of the Staffordshire regiment, and soldiers also arrived at Castlebar, Tyrone county, three miles from the border.

Fighting has occurred at various points the most significant in the vicinity of Pettigo, county Donegal, where the military forces were under fire for the first time in the border troubles. There were sharp clashes also between Ulster and Southern Irish forces near Lifford and Straban on the Tyrone-Donagall border, armored cars and machine guns being brought into action.

Refugees are fleeing in large numbers from the invested area, leaving their worldly possessions behind.

It is not so much the territorial loss as the plight of the refugees from the abandoned Fermanagh area which is causing most concern. Refugees are flocking to relatives throughout Fermanagh where every able bodied citizen is either an A or B special, and the tide of wrath is surging.

A thousand Republicans are reported concentrated on the North-west Tyrone front, but this is not as serious as the Fermanagh situation for the invasion of Derry is not anticipated.

The northern government's difficulties have been aggravated by today's mobilization of the Irish constabulary on a large scale; this will practically be completed tomorrow.

Ulster bears painful resemblance to a war zone and it is considered likely to do so increasingly in the near future. Despite the widespread trouble and unrest, however, Belfast had a day of unusual quiet, there being only a solitary case of wounding and no fires.

London, May 30 (By the Associated Press).—Another day has passed without announcement of progress towards avoiding what the colonial secretary, Winston Spencer Churchill, speaking in the house of commons, termed "one of the recurrent crises in the Irish situation," while from the Ulster borderland reports indicate that the question is rapidly passing from one of an approaching crisis to an actual conflict with the northern and southern military engaged across the border. A more optimistic feeling prevailed in official circles late in the day, however, and serious though the situation is, the difficulties of the negotiations are expected to be surmounted.

The morning cabinet meeting was preceded by a long conversation between Premier Lloyd George, Arthur Griffith and Michael Collins, which, it was said, ended satisfactorily. But it was not followed by the government's expected announcement in the house in the afternoon. After a shower of questions and vigorous hecklings Mr. Churchill said he would deal with the situation tomorrow morning. It is expected that the Irish conference will continue during the next two days but Mr. Griffith and Mr. Collins will return to Dublin

## And They Eat Sea Food



A New York restaurateur has made his place a miniature Deauville by covering the floor with six inches of sand, painting marine scenes on the walls—and dressing waitresses in beach costumes.

## THE TRUTH ABOUT IRELAND

### Winston Spencer Churchill Makes Full Statement of Situation to House of Commons

London, May 31 (By the Associated Press).—The facts of the Irish situation were presented in a statement by Winston Spencer Churchill, secretary for the colonies, in the house of commons, today, but the fate of the treaty which serves to bridge the difficulties between Great Britain and Ireland can not be determined until after the Irish elections, when those chosen at the polls will be put to the test of a treaty oath.

Mr. Churchill, in the commons, and Lord Chancellor Birkenhead, in the house of lords, announced Great Britain's position as rigid adherences to the treaty, which the pact entered into between Eamon de Valera and Michael Collins is declared to have menaced.

The return of Mr. Collins to Dublin with Arthur Griffith remaining in London, together with the announcement of a further postponement of the daily sittings of further negotiations after conversations between Collins and de Valera to see how far the points made at London can be met at Dublin.

Mr. Churchill's speech seems to have created general satisfaction, according to reports from Dublin and Belfast, while Collins and Griffith, who heard the statement from the gallery, adjudged it "a fair presentation of the facts."

Sir James Craig, the Ulster premier, speaking in the northern parliament, said there was not a single word in Churchill's speech to cause the slightest misconception or misunderstanding in Ulster and there seemed to be running through it the right tone of dealing with those who would in any way attempt to overthrow the honorable understanding arrived at in the treaty.

Lord Birkenhead told the house of lords the British government stands for the treaty with Ireland to the letter and spirit and would not go an inch beyond it. Under no conceivable circumstances would the government consent to the republicans becoming ministers in the Irish government, and would such a crisis arise the resources of Great Britain were by no means exhausted.

The government's policy corresponded with the wishes of the democracies of the two islands for whose political fortunes the government was the trustee.

Belfast, May 31 (By the Associated Press).—At 9 o'clock tonight in time for the adjourned session of the daily council on June 2 while Mr. Lloyd George plans to take a holiday.

From Dublin, it is reported, that the prolongation of the London conference has given rise to the general hope of the success of the negotiations and Mr. Churchill's announcement is eagerly awaited. In the meantime increased political activity for the forthcoming election is evident.

Belfast, May 30.—About 75 serious fires have taken place during the present outbreak of incendiarianism. The damage is estimated at 5,000 pounds. This includes mansions burned in the rural districts. The O'Neill family is claiming 61,500 pounds for Shanes castle alone.

## HOOVER WILL FIX COAL PRICES

### Assumes Responsibility for Action That Coal Operators Cannot Legally Take

Washington, May 31.—Secretary Hoover today assumed responsibility for fixing a reasonable price on spot coal during the continuance of the present coal strike.

In opening the conference between union and non-union operators, Secretary Hoover declared that any agreement between operators looking toward the fixing of prices, even though in the interest of the public, would be illegal and, therefore, he asked the individual operators to agree with him upon a reasonable price in their respective districts.

## BLOODY RIOT AT MACAO

Manila, June 1.—Seventy-four Chinese were killed and many wounded at Macao in a clash between Chinese strikers and Portuguese troops, according to Hongkong advices. The destroyer Tracy is ready to protect American interests.

## Knows Something About Ward

Los Angeles, June 1.—Martha Kendall, who once fled suit charging criminal conspiracy against Walter S. Ward, who is under bond at White Plains, N. Y., for killing Clarence Peters for alleged blackmail, has been located at Hollywood by the Los Angeles Times.

"I can throw light upon the mystery," the Times quotes her. "I know a few things that those interested in the prosecution of Ward would like to know. I'll tell all if they ask me—not till then."

Dublin, May 31 (By the Associated Press).—Winston Churchill's speech in the house of commons today was published by the late editions of the evening newspapers. It was well received, the general opinion being that it shows an intention to stand by the treaty.

It is looked upon as certain that the representatives in the coalition government to be formed under the Collins-de Valera agreement will have no office in the provisional government and would refuse to take such office as implying acceptance of the treaty. The belief is held that there will be two governments, working side by side some members belonging to both and some holding exclusive offices in each, as has been the case up to now.

## VIRGINIA AVIATOR KILLED

### William Austin Sydnor, Jr., Fell to Death Near Hampton

Richmond, Va., May 31.—As his loved ones watched him perform stunts in the air, Second Lieut. William Austin Sydnor, Jr., aged 22, United States army aviator, plunged 700 feet to earth in an aeroplane that had become unmanageable within sight of the home of his uncle, Eugene B. Sydnor, president of the Richmond Dry Goods company, at West Hampton this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock and was probably instantly killed.

In its descent the plane, which, according to eye witnesses, was acting erratically, dove into two cedar saplings, one of which it snapped off. The other it uprooted.

Immediately after striking the second tree, the careening plane was seen to emit a thin spiral of black or blue smoke and a few seconds later struck the ground with a thud that was heard at the country club and the Richmond university grounds at West Hampton, both some distance away.

Divining from the unusual antics of the plane that something was amiss and fearful that the aviator would be unable to right the machine before it reached the ground, scores who had been witnessing the stunts of young Sydnor in mid-air hastened to a field in which it was apparent the machine would land. Before the first of these spectators could reach the scene, the plane had struck the ground and almost immediately a burst of flame was seen. By the time aid had arrived, the machine was a mass of flames and the body of the youthful flier, who was motionless, rapidly was being consumed in the fire that partly consumed both plane and the body of the officer.

The body, burned beyond recognition, was lifted from the tangled wreckage left by the destruction of the plane. Then began a feverish search for some trinket or other means by which the body might be identified. First, the searchers uncovered from the ashes and bits of charred wood a metal watch, which, however, did not bear the identification. Next, a pocket knife was brought to light. Neither did this throw any light on the identity of the victim.

Then a gold signet ring was brought to light by searchers, who persisted after others had abandoned the quest. After the ashes and grime were wiped off the initials of a monogram "W. A. S." were deciphered. It was identified by the uncle of young Sydnor.

## SENTENCE FOR THEFT OF AUTO

Manning, May 31.—J. C. Johnson has recovered his automobile which was stolen about three weeks ago from his garage. Sheriff Hill of Calhoun county located the car in Chatham county, North Carolina. Mr. Johnson had followed the trail through Sumter, Camden, Cheraw, Fayetteville and Rockingham but without success. Sheriff Hill arrested G. W. Miles, and a negro. The three came to St. Matthews in the car that was stolen where they met Johnson who claimed the automobile. Miles and the negro were tried for stealing the car from Johnson and sentenced for three years and six months, after which they will be tried for stealing 13 other cars. The car was estimated as damaged over half its value.

## A. C. L. Will Accept Reduction in Rates

Wilmington, N. C., May 31.—The Atlantic Coast Line Railway company will accept the 10 per cent. general decrease in freight rates called for in a recent semi-order of the interstate commerce commission. President John R. Kenly announced tonight.

President Kenly also stated that practically every road included in the Southern group would voluntarily make the reduction suggested by the commission.

In making the announcement tonight that the Coast Line would accept the reduction, President Kenly stated that his road would find it necessary to cut wages of employees in proportion to the decrease in freight rates.

An increase in the volume of business as a result of the cut in rates is looked for by President Kenly, but he expects this to be only temporary. "I do not look for any permanent increase in freight traffic," Mr. Kenly said, "until economic conditions are stabilized in Europe."

## INJUNCTION AGAINST MARRIAGE

Chicago, June 1.—The unusual situation of an injunction petition to prevent the international marriage of the Oser-McCormick sort will likely head Mathilde McCormick's romance to the higher court, it was stated today.

## REPUBLICANS KEEP NO PLEDGES

### Party Without a Leader and What Congress Has Done is All Wrong

Wilmington, N. C., May 30.—With the assertions that the Republican party is without a leader, that it has failed to keep its promises made in the last presidential election, Senator Pat Harrison of Mississippi, speaking at a luncheon tendered him here today by the chamber of commerce, predicted that the next congress will have a Democratic majority and that President Harding will be succeeded by a Democrat at the end of his present term.

Senator Harrison was the principal speaker at memorial exercises held here today in memory of New Hanover county men who paid the supreme sacrifice in the world war. In connection with the memorial exercises a monument to the World War dead of the county was unveiled and dedicated.

In Senator Harrison's memorial address he steered clear of politics and factional political wrangles, but in his address before the business men which was made at the luncheon given in his honor, he left off the solemn vein which characterized his memorial address and warmed up on the political issues of the day.

The Republicans have fallen down badly, the senator stated. That which the Republican congress has done has been all wrong, he said, while it has left undone those things which are most needed and should have been the first to be disposed of.

The passage of certain tax bills, the seating of Senator Newberry and the pending "iniquitous" tariff measure are some of the things which Senator Harrison declared have had much to do with getting the Republicans in bad with the people and causing dissatisfaction throughout the country. He said that the Republicans would be held to strict accountability for these in the November election and predicted a majority for the Democrats.

"I do not believe there is a Republican here," the senator said, "and I want to tell you that there are many less of them now than there were at the last election."

A few Democrats supported Harding, but they know better now. They have seen the error of their way and never again will they be led away from the party that stands for all the people."

In his memorial address Senator Harrison paid a beautiful tribute to former President Woodrow Wilson. The speaker was loudly applauded many times during his address but nothing brought such an outburst as his reference to Mr. Wilson, whose childhood home was in Wilmington.

"Woodrow Wilson was the greatest pilot who ever guided the ship of state," the speaker stated, adding that Mr. Wilson is as much a wounded soldier as any veteran now in the government hospitals."

## INCOME FROM GASOLINE TAX

### Collections For April Totalled More Than \$70,000

Columbia, May 30.—The South Carolina tax commission announced yesterday that during the month of April a total of \$72,010.04 had been collected on the gasoline tax for South Carolina, this being an increase of a little over \$5,000 for the March collection.

During March the commission collected \$67,000 and the April collection of \$72,000 brings the total for the two months to \$139,000, approximately. At this rate the collection for the ten months of this year should be around \$690,000.

Some attempts to evade the law have been discovered by the tax commission and considerable effort on the part of a number of dealers to delay the payment of the tax has been noted by the commission.

## FORTUNE FOUND?

### Believed Money Buried Made Away With

Aiken, May 31.—James C. Garvin, an octogenarian farmer of the Wagoner section, died suddenly on April 23, at his farm home. "Uncle Jimmie," as he was called by the people of Wagoner was supposed to be very wealthy, but upon his death it was found that his fortune amounted to about \$40,000. Last Saturday, Andrew Ward of Wagoner discovered a newly dug hole near the home of "Uncle Jimmie" and an old iron pot around which was scattered several old coins and the belief prevailed in the neighborhood that parties in search of the old man's buried treasure, found a pot of money and got away with it before relatives discovered the fact. It was the boast of Mr. Garvin that he had one thousand dollars for every year of his life, and he died, aged 83 years old. Pope L. Courtney of Aiken, a brother-in-law of the deceased, gives it as his opinion that the fortune buried by the old man was dug up and carried off.

## MURDERER JEFFORDS APPEALS

### Chief of Gang That Killed Arnette Will Not Go to Death Chair June 15

Columbia, May 30.—Frank M. Jeffords, convicted with Ira Harrison and Glen Treece of the murder of John C. Arnette and with Ira Harrison sentenced to die in the electric chair June 15, yesterday afternoon in 24 words stayed the hands of the law by serving notice of his intention personally to appeal his case to the state supreme court. The notice of appeal, which was signed by Jeffords himself, was served upon Judge W. H. Townsend, Solicitor General A. Fletcher Spigner and Clerk of Court J. E. Hinant at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon. This action automatically stays the execution of the sentence of death.

Jeffords signed the brief notice of appeal in his own name, so availing himself of the right under the laws of the state to act as his own attorney in appealing to the state supreme court. No indication of the grounds upon which the appeal will be based was given in the notice. The notice written on a typewriter, follows:

"You will please take notice that the defendant, Frank M. Jeffords, intends to appeal and hereby appeals from the verdict and sentence in the above case this 29th day of May, 1922." The notice was headed by the name of the case.

Under state law he will be allowed 30 days in which to perfect his appeal. Should it be perfected the case could not come up before the supreme court until the second Tuesday in October when the next session of the court will be held. The case would then have to be argued before the court and if the appeal is sustained the case probably retried. If the appeal should be denied Jeffords would then have to be resentenced before execution.

In case, however, the appeal is never completed, as was the appeal of S. J. Kirby, Solicitor General will be forced to wait the expiration of the 30 days before he can take any action in the circuit court to secure the dismissal of the appeal. This will carry the delay beyond the next term of court, and will postpone the resentencing until the session following.

Harrison as yet has made no move toward an appeal and it is not known whether he will follow Jeffords' lead or not. Under the law notice of appeal to the supreme court may be filed at any time after conviction and within ten days after the rising of the court. The session of the court at which the three men were tried will last through this week and Harrison therefore will be allowed ten days after Saturday in which to file notice of appeal. He would then be allowed the usual 30 days in which to complete and perfect the appeal. It is possible also that the state may secure the postponement of its execution by a series of reprieves from the governor until the case of Jeffords has been finally decided.

Treece also has made no move but is now serving his life sentence in the state penitentiary. James H. Hammond and John Quinn, who were appointed by the court as Jeffords' attorneys during the trial were in no way connected with the making of the appeal. Today it was announced that both having withdrawn from the case "without prejudice" as soon as the trial was completed, Jeffords is as far as is known the first man, convicted in the Richland courts, to appeal in person to the supreme court and so stay the execution of his own sentence.

## HINKLE IS HEARD FROM

### Former City Manager of Columbus Writes Mayor

Columbus, Ga., May 28.—Mayor J. H. Dignon late today received a letter from H. Gordon Hinkle, whose office as city manager was declared vacant Saturday, the day after he had left town, in which Hinkle asserted he let the city commission know he was leaving with his wife for their former home at Altoona, Pa., as she was ill.

The letter which was mailed from Athens, Ga., added that since the commission had taken action regarding the office Hinkle would consider his connection with it severed. He reiterated that he had had the cooperation of the city commission in most matters affecting the administration of the municipal government, he had no "real authority over the police department, which he criticized and declared had been working against the commission form of city government."

## COL. R. E. LEE VERY ILL

Washington, May 31.—Col. Robert E. Lee, grandson of the great Confederate chieftain, is precariously ill at the Virginia Hot Springs, and his death is momentarily feared. His wife who was Miss Mary Middleton and afterwards Mrs. Gustavus M. Pickens of Charleston, is at his bedside.