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NEWS FROM RALEIGH

Closing Week in Legislative Halls.

BILLS PROVOKE HEATED DISCUSSION.

Provisions of Interest to Randolph and Neighboring Counties—Immigration and Railroad Rate Bills.

Gov. Glenn sent a message to the General Assembly on Friday of last week calling attention to the promises of the Democratic party made in its state platform...

Carolina, resulting in keeping many enterprises away which would locate here, but for the excessive freight rates.

Judge B. B. Winborne on last Saturday arose in the House to a question of personal privilege.

The Times had charged that the conference committee on railroad rates had allowed Josephus Daniels, of the News and Observer, to have the committee include all roads over sixty miles long in the two and a quarter cent rate...

He understood that one H. E. C. Bryant had sent charges similar to those published in the Times to the Charlotte Observer...

The appropriation committee on Saturday determined to raise no salaries of State officers and to put State insurance commissioners on salary of \$3000 a year...

A bill has been introduced to amend the charter of the Randolph and Cumberland Railroad.

Col. Wood has introduced a bill to require and resident hunters to procure license from clerk of court before hunting in Randolph.

Senator Blair has introduced a bill to give commissioners of Montgomery authority to build a bridge across Little River.

Mr. Foushee has introduced a bill to extend corporate limits of the town of Liberty.

Col. Wood has introduced a bill to provide for improving side walks of Asheboro. Also a bill to provide for a township in Randolph to vote on having special tax for good roads when two fifths of the qualified voters petition for it...

Mr. Wood has introduced another bill providing that any township in Randolph may upon the petition of the majority of the qualified voters of such townships change the present methods of working the public roads in such townships from six days to four days or upon the payment of three dollars and all persons over 18 and under 45 years be released from working the public roads. The bill provides that townships adopting this method are to have a road commission of three members and a road superintendent. This law is in force on more than half of the counties in the State and in our opinion is the best possible law our people can have with present conditions.

Mr. Wood has also introduced a number of other bills, a synopsis of all will be given in this column when we can find space.

The flat passenger rate of two and one fourth cents as reported by the conference committee of the two houses was enacted by both houses on Saturday. This is a reduction of from three fourths to one cent on passenger rates and meets the popular demand. It applies to all roads having sixty miles of trackage in the State. It includes the Asheboro and Aberdeen and the Raleigh and South Port.

Monday at Raleigh.

Monday's sessions of Legislature were filled with heated discussions, principally on the Immigration bill which appropriated for five years the sum of \$5,000 annually from funds of agricultural department and equal sum from state treasury,

\$10,000 in all, to inducing desirable immigrants to North Carolina. An amendment was offered exempting various counties from Sec. 5, which provides that effort to obtain immigrants shall be confined to Canada, the United States and other nations of Saxon, Celtic or Teutonic origin and the committee amendment exempts many eastern counties from the operation of that provision, so these can secure immigrants from Italy or elsewhere.

It was said the farmers of North Carolina was clamoring for laborers, there being a great and growing disposition among young men to leave the farm and go to the cities; where many of them become leading business and professional men. The time has come when the State should turn to other countries to secure new citizens; and the effort along this line by this Legislature is one of the most important matters of the time. Blair and Turner offered amendment excepting Montgomery, Camden and Currituck from section 5. Greer of Columbus, the largest strawberry market in the world, spoke in support of the bill, saying it was impossible to obtain enough labor, and advocated the exemption covered by the amendments, saying his own labor had been tied in the east and was entirely satisfactory and argued that people from northern Europe could not become acclimated to eastern North Carolina, this having been tried, and failed and that if the exemptions are not permitted, the east would not be benefited by the bill.

The bill with amendments passed second reading.

The child labor bill providing that no child under 14 shall work in a factory between 8 a. m. and 5 p. m. also passed second reading in the senate.

Bills introduced in the House Monday were: Allow Randolph county to issue bonds for Trinity township and levy special tax. Wood.

Allow Randolph county to levy special tax for courthouse and jail. Wood.

The bill allowing Asheboro to vote bonds passed final reading Monday night.

The following bills become laws: To give power to build and operate an electric or steam road railway on the Jefferson & Wilkesboro Turnpike built by the State. Incorporating Vass, Moore county. Incorporating Broadway, Moore county.

Honor Roll for February.

- FIRST GRADE: Hazel Kivett, James Burns, John Brittain, Lucie Ward, Pearl Way, Lena Williams, Gusta Humble, Edith Betts, Eunice Bulla, Alva Betts, Ruth Cox, Garret Allen, Howard Dickens, Hazel Spoon. SECOND GRADE: Maud Paisley, Ernest Spencer, Clyde Cox, Ursie Williams, Nettie Newby, Simon Fox, Joe Hendricks, Lila Slack, Ruth McPherson, Lura Jones, Bertie Kivett. THIRD GRADE: Clara Pressnell, John Plummer, Nannie Plummer, Fred Plummer, Harvey Rogers, Rilla Spoon, Kate Tucker. FOURTH GRADE: Annie Davis, Gertrude Free, Lillian Hendricks, Edith Hunsucker, Fannie Newby, Everett Newby, Fred Styles, Ben Allen. FIFTH GRADE: Mildred Burkhead, Janette Dickson, Blanch Miller, Henry Rush. SIXTH GRADE: Virginia Dickens, May Bird, Enotie Pressnell, Faria Spoon, Allie Spoon, Lizzie Winslow, Windom Allen. SEVENTH GRADE: Bertha Cox, Blanche Cox, Isley Cox, Maggie Davis, Annie Fox, Cora Redding, Lynette Swain, James Swain. EIGHTH GRADE: Maude Dickens, May Dickens, Lela Hall, Lottie Jones, Mada Bulla, James Davis, Wayland Hayes, Cons Ridge, Everett Winslow, Robah Betts. NINTH GRADE: Daniel Sharp.

SERIOUSLY INJURED.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Fox Lies Near Death's Door.

Frank Fox, the 12-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Fox, was seized with an epileptic fit while sitting on a horse in front of his father's store on North Street Saturday afternoon. He fell to the ground, striking his head on the curb, inflicting a serious wound just above his right eye. The boy has never recovered consciousness and now lies in his father's home in a very critical condition. It is feared that the injury will prove fatal. He also has a bruise on his side where it is thought he was mashed under the horse's hoof.

TRAGEDY AT FAYETTEVILLE.

Negro Proprietor of Blind Tiger Kills Officers While Searching House.

Policeman Owen Lockamy was shot and instantly killed; Chief of Police A. Chason was mortally wounded, and Policeman Fred Buckingham was dangerously wounded by Tom Walker, a desperate negro, in the outskirts of Fayetteville, near Cross Creek cemetery Saturday night between 7 and 8 o'clock. The officers had gone to quell a disturbance at a house, and to make a search for whiskey as the common report was that Walker ran a blind tiger. While the men were in the house making the search, it is the report that he ran out in the yard and under the cover of darkness emptied the chambers of one or more revolvers into the officers, Policeman Lockamy falling dead at the first shot. The negro then made his escape, but was captured at an early hour Sunday at Raleigh. He will be kept in the penitentiary for safe keeping until arrangements are made for his trial, which is to be just as speedy as possible.

To this end Gov. Glenn says he is ready and anxious to call a special term of the Superior Court whenever the Fayetteville authorities desire it for the trial of Walker.

Murdered Officer's Funeral.

Fayetteville, March 5.—The verdict of the inquest over the body of Policeman Lockamy was that he came to his death by a pistol-shot wound inflicted by one Tom Walker. The dead policeman was buried yesterday afternoon from the Episcopal church of St. Phillip the Apostle in East Fayetteville, attended by an immense concourse of friends and the officials of the city and the Junior Order United American Mechanics.

At last accounts from the hospital it was stated that there was nothing to give out for publication except that both wounded officers, Chason and Buckingham, are still in a critical condition.

BANK AT SILER CITY.

E. B. Parks is Cashier—Begin Business with \$15,000.

The Siler City Grit contains an account of the organization of the Siler City Loan & Trust Company. O. A. Hanner is president; vice president, Lee S. Edwards; and E. B. Parks, cashier.

The capital stock of \$15,000 is paid in and the company will open its doors for business as early after March 1st as possible.

E. B. Parks, the cashier, is well known in this county and is a young man of sterling character. He is a son of J. R. Parks, who until a few years ago lived at Cape. For years he was in the employ of the Randolph Mfg. Co., of Franklinville. For several years he has held a position as book keeper with a Greensboro Trust Company.

MAIL ROUTES THREATENED.

Department Says Routes Nos. 1 and 2 are Far Below Requirements.

The postmistress at Asheboro has received a letter from the department, at Washington calling his attention to the condition of Rural Mail routes from Asheboro. The department says Routes No 1 and No 2 are far below the requirements in respect of patronage and amount of mail handled, and many families on the route do not take advantage of the service. The letter states that unless more interest is manifested and the amount of mail handled materially increased the service will be changed from daily to every other day.

Mrs. McCain is required to give a report to the department June 1st, giving the condition of the route from now until June 1st.

MILLBORO CHAIR CO.

Mr. Shaw Has Resigned—Successor not Yet Named.

Mr. Shaw, secretary and treasurer of the Millboro Chair Co., has resigned to devote his whole time to the interests of the Randleman Chair Company. For some time Shaw has had charge of both plants, but the business of both concerns has reached such proportions as to demand independent management. Mr. J. W. Pugh, president of the Millboro Company was in Asheboro Monday and stated that the Company had not yet determined on Mr. Shaw's successor.

NEWS NOTES FROM TROY.

Interesting Happenings From Montgomery—Book Club Meeting.

Troy, March 5.—Nathan Russell died Saturday of pneumonia and was buried in the Baptist cemetery Sunday.

Miss Lola Allen and Mrs. J. Reece Blair returned from Baltimore Wednesday. Mrs. Blair stopped over in Raleigh with her husband, the Senator from this district.

Martin Sedberry died Sunday at his home at Pekin. He had been in feeble health for several years.

Sheriff Rush, who has been sick with lagrippe for several weeks is improving.

Mrs. Robt. Beamon, living three miles in the country, died Sunday and was buried Monday at Mt. Olive church.

Chas. Miller and Luan Batten, of Biscoe, spent Sunday in town.

Mrs. W. H. Watkins Jr., of Rousear, is spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Bruton.

Messrs. W. B. Cochran and C. L. Cox, of Mr. Gilend, were in town Monday.

Dr. Shamburger, of Star, was a visitor in town Monday.

J. C. Bruton, who is operating a crossarm business at Fayetteville, spent Sunday with his family in town.

The Trojan Book Club met on Saturday with Miss Carrie Lilly at the home of Mrs. Eldridge Parker. The program for the afternoon was very interesting.

Maidenhood Reading—Miss Bon Wade. Origin of Montgomery County—Miss Hester Allen. Music—Miss Bruton. Selected Quotation—The Club. The social hour followed during which the hostess served ices.

DEATH OF A YOUNG LADY.

Miss Mary Gardner Passed Away in Greensboro.

Greensboro, March 5.—Miss Mary Gardner, a bright and lovely young woman, not yet out of her teens, died at nine o'clock Monday morning at the home of her cousin, Mr. Leon J. Brandt. Miss Gardner's home was near Carabonton in Moore county, and she came here several weeks ago to visit her cousin, Miss Ellen Brandt. About two weeks ago she became ill and cerebro spinal meningitis soon developed in such form that her young life was despaired of. Her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. John M. Gardner, were with her when she died.

The remains were taken to Fayetteville, where the funeral was held and interment made at four o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

DEATH AT BISCOE.

Mrs. O'Quinn was Highly Esteemed—Locky Monroe Dead.

Biscoe, March 5.—Mrs. S. A. O'Quinn died at the home of her son, Mr. W. H. O'Quinn, at Biscoe, N. C., early Monday morning, and was buried at the cemetery near the Isaac Smith place Tuesday. Mrs. O'Quinn was a highly respected widow lady, and leaves two sons, Mr. W. H. O'Quinn, of Biscoe, with whom she had lived for several years, and John O'Quinn, of Raleigh.

Mr. Locky Monroe, a highly respected old gentleman of Bensalem, Moore county, died Sunday, and was interred at Bensalem Church Monday, March 4th.

Mr. Bray Buys Mining Property.

The Lula mining property at Thomasville was sold at public auction yesterday and was bid off by C. A. Bray, of Greensboro, the purchase price being \$28.75 per acre. The property contains seventy acres.

There will be a special communication of Balfour Lodge, No. 188, A. F. & A. M. next Friday night, Degree work. Members are urged to attend. J. M. WAY, W. M.

field open for all kinds of diversified industries.

The movement to improve Asheboro's streets is well under way; our new Graded school building is now nearing completion and with a refined citizenship, churches and schools, and enterprises to give employment to those desiring it, Asheboro is an ideal home town. Our climate is equal to any section in the State.

BUSINESS THRIFT.

Asheboro Manufactories In Prosperous Condition.

ROLLER MILLS, WOOD WORKING PLANTS AND FOUNDRY.

Yet There is Room for New and Diversified Industries—Some of Our Needs—Good Locations Available.

Asheboro manufactories are in a most prosperous condition. This is the conclusion from facts gathered by the reporter by a visit to many of our manufacturing concerns during the past week.

The Home Building and Material Company, of which W. J. Miller is president and Arthur Ross is secretary, has since the first of the year added new machinery and thus increased its capacity and facilities for turning out doors, sash, blinds, —in fact all kinds of building material. Their patronage not only covers this immediate section, but lots of business is done abroad. Their product is executed by skilled workmen and the business of the company is given the constant and personal attention of Mr. Ross, the energetic manager. Last year the volume of business done paid a handsome dividend and this year the prospect is even greater.

The Asheboro Wheelbarrow & Mfg Co is another of Asheboro's successful enterprises. This company is improving its equipment from time to time and besides the foundry and repair shop, manufactures all kinds of wooden and steel barrows of best grade and have recently installed machinery for making handles of all kinds.

The chair factories and furniture factories all had good years, and several of them have added new machinery to meet the demands of their trade.

The roller mills are doing the best business in their history. The Asheboro and the Crown mills are both equipped with the latest improved machinery, and last month the Crown Milling booked over \$15,000 of orders and collected an amount almost equal. This backs us up in our statement that our mills are the most prosperous in the state when the capacity is considered.

In speaking of the business, one of the mill men remarked that his only regret is that he is compelled to buy all his grain from foreign markets and therefore the people of the county do not receive full benefits from his mill. He suggests that our farmers, who have untold agricultural advantages devote more time and thought to the cultivation of grains, and thus reap thousands of dollars in the county now going west for grain. In as much as the best timber has been cut in this section, the probability is that our farmers, who have been devoting most of their time to timber, will now cultivate the land which would mean thousands of dollars to this and surrounding counties.

Asheboro's mercantile enterprises are at the top of the ladder of success. We cannot go into details with each but their alertness in procuring the latest and best for each season has made Asheboro a recognized shopping point in this section. Two wholesale grocery stores, the Lexington Grocery Company, which has operated a branch here three years, and the Asheboro Grocery Company, established last fall, are both in a most healthy condition. E. H. Younts, local manager of the Lexington, and Messrs. C. T. Loflin and H. T. Cavness, of the Asheboro company are energetically and successfully pushing their lines.

The department stores, dry goods stores, the hardware, implement and grocery stores and others carrying a general merchandise stock, conducted by wide awake business men are quietly contributing to the upbuilding of the town.

Asheboro needs much more, however, before she acquires her merited position as the commercial centre of the best agricultural and manufacturing section of the state.

Knitting mills and factories for making hosiery, underwear, pants, and overalls, would be found a paying business here, and our business men are in a position to offer inducements to persons desiring to make this adventure. Several projects that will mean much for the success of the town are now being considered but there is room for and a good