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RATTLESNAKE JIM.

O Rattlesnake Jim was an ornery lub, who waded knee-deep in gore; he carried a gun that weighed half a ton, he snorted and ripped and swore. He painted things red and buried his dead, and bluffed all the people down, till Alkali Jay, on his eye-necked bay, came pestering into town. This Alkali Jay had a pleasant way of shooting at people's hats; he shot the brim from the lid on Jim, and the latter cried: "Dog my cats!" Then the guns they popped and the shootists dropped, both winged in a frightful style, and their forms we bore to a sycamore, a distance of half a mile. And Rattlesnake Jim swung from one limb, and Alkali Jay swung near; and the robins sang where the bad men swung, and their song was sweet and clear. And it seems to me that that lynch- ing bee was the best that I ever knew; and the guests agreed it was fine indeed, when the function all was through. If you go your way like Alkali Jay, or Rattlesnake Jim, my friend, if you're mean and bad, then we'll all be glad when your journey has an end.

WALT MASON.

A CALL TO BUSINESS MEN.

Committees having in charge the work of securing subscriptions to the proposed interurban are today canvassing the city, and it is hoped that by night the remainder of the \$300,000 will have been raised. A mass meeting has been called at the Selwyn this evening, and every business man should attend. The coming of the interurban means the beginning of a new day for the city. Its benefits will be shared by all classes of business men alike, and each one should take an active interest in meeting the conditions which are imposed by the promoters. The hearty manner in which moneyed men responded to the call for subscriptions the other night shows the right spirit. Let others who have not as yet taken a hand join in with the promoters and guarantee the success of the undertaking. The action of the city is being watched closely all over the state, as the following from the Greenville Daily Reflector will show:

"It is certainly refreshing and inspiring to observe the way the city of Charlotte does things when she goes at them. A movement is on foot to build an interurban trolley road connecting the towns throughout that section, and the amount of stock in the enterprise allotted to Charlotte was \$200,000. The Greater Charlotte Club held a smoker Friday night at which two or three thrilling speeches were made on the subject of the interurban line and when subscriptions were called for responses aggregating \$222,000 came in a few minutes, and the remainder was subscribed the next day. There is nothing short about Charlotte, and we would be glad to see the spirit of enterprise existing there permeate the state. You will just have to 'Watch Charlotte Grow.'"

NEW ROAD BENEFITS TOWNS.

The early establishment of regular train service along the line of the Winston-Salem Southbound is a cause of genuine delight to the towns of Stanly and Anson counties, for it means the culmination of long-hoped-for opportunities. Especially is this true of Wadesboro and Ansonville, in Anson county. Wadesboro will receive possibly more direct benefit from the new road than any other town along the line, for the capital of Anson will be given another road for the solicitation of jobbing business. Already one of the jobbing firms of Wadesboro has put another man on the road and his territory is to be the Winston-Salem Southbound. It is the purpose of this firm to do business as far north as Lexington and south to Florence, S. C. Other business interests will see the opportunity and the new line will mean much to the growth of the capital of Anson. Ansonville, a pretty little village, of 'befo' de war' times, is located ten miles north of Wadesboro and has al-

ready received marked returns from the coming of the new road. A number of business houses have been erected and several new interests established, among them two banks, both with sufficient financial backing to handle the business of the community. The future of this town is bright and the prospect is that within a very short time it will be doubled in population.

GIVE US MORE LIGHT.

The News is anxious to hear more details of the plans of the bond advocates. What means are to be adopted to increase revenue to such an extent as to meet heavily increased interest burdens? And if such plans are formulated, where is the million to be spent—exactly where and how? Also who is to handle the amount? Will all sections of the city share alike the vast investment of improvement funds? These are matters about which the average voter, who pays the freight, desires to know more. As will be seen from a story appearing on the front page of The News today, the present debt of the city is about \$1,340,000. The revenue from all sources is estimated at \$200,000. Were an additional million added to this amount, the interest on the city's debt would aggregate a sum equalling about \$125,000. This deducted from the present annual revenue would leave \$75,000 with which to meet all the demands encountered in administering the affairs of the city. It is all right to advocate the heavy issuance of bonds, if means are provided with which to meet the increased burden of interest thereby taken on. This is a matter which should be considered in all soberness. The city needs improvements. There is no doubt of this, and The News yields to none in its desire to see the pressing needs supplied. But, before we bond future generations, is it not the course of wisdom to sit down and soberly count the cost?

As is stated in a story appearing elsewhere, there is today an outrageously low system of tax assessment in effect. Much valuable property is taxed only about 10 per cent and yet assessments are supposed to represent 75 per cent of valuation. Supposing all property in the city were assessed according to its true value, would there be any necessity for issuing one million dollars in bonds? The city needs improvements, and every one appears to realize the necessity of providing funds for same. And if there are no other means by which these needs can be supplied, The News favors bonds—that is for specific purposes, and under certain conditions.

As stated before, it is a matter upon which it is almost impossible to form an intelligent opinion until more light is thrown upon the subject. A movement is on foot in Anson county for a bond issue for the purpose of building a county system of graded and macadamized roads. This is certainly a step in the right direction and should receive the support of every citizen. Good roads will do more for the upbuilding of a county than any other one thing, and it has been fully proven in Mecklenburg county.

Spartanburg is in line with the other progressive cities and shows its interest in the proposed interurban railway system in a practical way. The meeting held in the South Carolina city was a splendid success and the promoters of the electric line were shown that the business men and capitalists of that progressive city would do their part.

Aiken Wants Extra Session. By Associated Press. Aiken, S. C., Jan. 25.—The Aiken board of trade yesterday afternoon put itself on record as favoring an extra session of congress to consider a revision of tariff thus carrying into instant effect the expression of the country's sentiment at the November elections and to seek to reduce the high cost of living. The resolution was unanimously passed.

To Install New Minister. Special to The News. Union, S. C., Jan. 25.—At a meeting of the Enoree Presbytery held in Spartanburg this morning arrangements were made for the installation of Rev. John F. Matheson, who took charge of the First Presbyterian church here a few weeks ago, to take place on the third Sunday in February making it Feb. 19th at 11 o'clock.

Death of Mrs. E. H. Canfield. Lula, Miss., Jan. 25.—Mrs. Edward H. Canfield, widely known as a teacher of music and one of the founders of the New York philanthropic society, is dead at her home here. The body will be taken to Syracuse, N. Y., for interment.

PARSON'S POEM A GEM. From Rev. H. Stubbenvolt, Allison, Ia., in praise of Dr. King's New Life Pills. "They're such a health necessity. In every home these pills should be. If other kinds you've tried in vain, USE DR. KING'S. And be well again. Only 25c at W. L. Hand & Co's."

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For Colored Reformatory.

Editor The News: Permission has been granted us by the superintendent of the schools of your city to ask each child to contribute something to the Colored Reform School Association of this state. Whose object is to purchase a farm and erect suitable buildings for the training of wayward colored youths. We have purchased a farm of 360 acres of land in Mecklenburg county, on which we promise to make a payment of \$2,000 Feb. 1st. When this amount has been paid we have been assured that the legislature will give us an appropriation to put up the building. We are now striving to raise this amount by that date. We are, therefore, asking every school child in the state to make a contribution to this cause on Monday Jan. 30th.

Now, my dear sir, I know you will do what you can to help in this laudable cause of saving the boys of our state. We are also asking each teacher and principal to contribute. Trusting you will do what you can to help us, I am yours respectfully, C. H. WATSON, Chairman Committee.

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New Counterfeit Bill.

By Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 25.—A new counterfeit \$10 national bank note has been discovered by secret service officers. It is on the Merchant National Bank of Providence, R. I., and bears the check letter "B" of the series of 1902. The note carries treasury number V 13529 and the portrait of former President McKinley. Two Italians arrested at Taylor, Pa., had 118 of these notes.

Rev. Thurston Consecrated Bishop.

By Associated Press. Minneapolis, Minn., Jan. 25.—The Rev. Theodore Payne Thurston, rector of St. Paul's church here, was consecrated bishop of the Eastern Episcopal diocese of Oklahoma, formerly known as the Indian territory today. The consecrator was Right Rev. Daniel Sylvester Tuttle, bishop of Missouri, and presiding bishop of the church.

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The Roosevelts to Arizona.

By Associated Press. Madrid, Jan. 25.—Theodore Roosevelt, accompanied by Mrs. Roosevelt, will visit Arizona March 18th. He will participate in the dedication of the irrigation dam that bears his name. He will spend the night at the dam and the following day go to Mesa and visit his son Archie, who is in school there. The colonel and family will leave Sunday night, March 19th, for Los Angeles.

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