

IS CHILD CROSS, FEVERISH, SICK

Look, Mother! If tongue is coated, give "California Syrup of Figs."

Children love this "fruit laxative," and nothing else cleanses the tender stomach, liver and bowels so nicely. A child simply will not stop playing to empty the bowels, and the result is they become tightly clogged with waste, liver gets sluggish, stomach sour, then your little one becomes cross, half-sick, feverish, don't eat, sleep or act naturally, breath is bad, system full of cold, has sore throat, stomach-ache or diarrhea. Listen, Mother! See if tongue is coated, then give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," and in a few hours all the constipated waste, sour bile and undigested food passes out of the system, and you have a well child again. Millions of mothers give "California Syrup of Figs" because it is perfectly harmless; children love it, and it never fails to act on the stomach, liver and bowels.

Ask at the store for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly printed on the bottle. Adv.

The Beautiful.

"Snow in the city is pestiferous, in the suburbs a poem," opines the Baltimore American. To which the Syracuse Post-Standard rejoins: "Snow is a delight in city and country when it doesn't degenerate into slush."

Infections or inflammations of the Eyes, whether from external or internal causes, are promptly healed by the use of Roman Eye Balsam at night upon retiring. Adv.

Too Suggestive.

First Tramp—I wish I could get off dese fast freights for a ride in a first-class coach.

Second Tramp—Every cloud has its silver lining. In de passenger coach dere is an ax and saw to remind you of a wood pile.

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Foolish Striving After Happiness. We all seek happiness so eagerly that in the pursuit we often lose that joyous sense of existence, and those quiet daily pleasures, the value of which our pride alone prevents us from acknowledging.—Sir Arthur Hall.

Shutting Him Off.

Newpup—I have a three-eyed boy that is unusually smart. Nagsby—Yes, so I have. Newpup (flattered)—And you? Nagsby—You did—a

Still on the J.

Hyker—My wife's mother is dying for the last five days. Pyter—And she isn't? Hyker—No, she's very well. You see, when her husband left her his dyehouse.

Translation.

"What on earth did that fellow mean when he said he was a peregrinating pedestrian, castigating his itinerary from the classic Athens of America?" "He meant he was a tramp beating his way from Boston."

Its Lead.

"I see that your woman reporter has a decided tendency for military happenings." "I guess that is because she puts too much powder on her nose for news."

Not an Occasion for Praise.

In doing what we ought we deserve no praise, because it is our duty.—St. Augustine.

You can't always judge the dinner by the price.

Before starting the youngsters to school give them a piping hot cup of

Instant Postum

School teachers, doctors and food experts agree on two points—that the child needs a hot drink, and that the drink shouldn't be coffee.

Postum fills the need admirably and its very extensive use among thoughtful parents, coupled with the child's fondness for this flavory, nourishing food-drink, show how completely it meets the requirement.

"There's a Reason"

No change in

SOME IMPORTANT ROAD MEASURES

GENERAL ASSEMBLY HAS SEVERAL MEASURES TO IMPROVE STATE ROADS.

WITH THE STATE LAWMAKERS

Resume of the Doings of the General Assembly During the Past Week Told in a Brief and Interesting Way. For Our Many Readers.

Raleigh.

Maintenance and that the remaining 30 per cent be used in the expense of collection with the residue, which will be considerable, to be expended in the weaker counties. The special purposes of the bill is to enable the state to get the federal fund for road building which in process of multiplication will in a few years grow to as much as \$2,000,000.

There were most important bills affecting road building in the state in both houses of the Legislature. Senator Cameron, who is a member of the State Highway Commission, introduced a bill to provide that the State Highway Commission handle the automobile license tax fund so that the commission shall expend 70 per cent of the fund in the counties in which the licenses are taken out for good.

In the House Representative Dough-ton introduced a bill to make the appropriation for the work of the Highway Commission \$75,000.

The joint committee on health, having voted for an unfavorable report on the State Board of Health bill for "open formula" on the labels of proprietary medicines, for which there was a most strenuous hearing some days ago, and then decided to return it in the House "without prejudice." Representative Page served notice on the House that he would claim the right to submit a minority report in support of the measure, preferring to bring up the fight on the floor in the argument and vote on passage.

Representative Perry Stubbs, who has offered a "constitutional convention" bill in at least three sessions past, turned in such a measure for this Legislature. It would have delegates to a constitutional convention elected at the next state election and he would bar all discussion of prohibition from the convention if called. Representative Roberts, of Buncombe, procured the setting of his bill to give municipalities woman suffrage when so voted by the majority of the qualified voters as a special order for February 6. The bill will likely have sharp opposition and its adoption is by no means certain.

Both houses have now duplicate bills through Senator Scales and Representative Dalton for creating a board of three examiners to examine applicants for law licenses; the examiners to pass on the examination papers and the Supreme Court to issue the licenses as at present. President Brooks, of the bar association, said that he feels sure the bill will pass. No committee hearing is yet set.

The Senate voted down the Pender county free range bill when it came up on a minority favorable report signed only by Senator Burnett, of Pender. He made a stand for the measure on the floor, speaking strenuously in its favor but "the cards were stacked" against him in the conviction of Senators that the free range is a menace to the whole cattle and hog raising industry and that Pender is not an exception to this rule.

Judiciary committee No. 1 gave a hearing to a bill designed to give any citizen in the state a right to appeal from a ruling of the Corporation Commission and voted more than two to one against the measure. It was denominated an effort to write into law the dissenting opinion of Chief Justice Clark of the Supreme Court, in the noted Anson case growing out of the contest over the passenger station of the Winston-Salem South-bound, the commission ruling for the location the railroad company insisted was necessary and the Supreme Court holding that the ruling of the commission was final, the party desiring to appeal having no more interest in the case than any other citizen.

Bills by Harding in the senate and Pearson in the house would increase the annual appropriation for the State Geological Survey from \$10,000 to \$20,000. Senator Justice put in a bill to authorize special contracts for the payment of 8 per cent interest but leaving 6 per cent the legal rate. Senator Oates offered a bill to appropriate \$50,000 for a woman's building at the A. & M. College for women and girls taking special courses and taking advantage of extension work.

The joint committee on pensions has decided to adopt the pension bill of Senator Cranmer as the basis for the pension legislation that the joint committee will recommend. This bill provides for a fourth class pension on the same basis as the other classes.

Senator Oates introduced a bill designed to solve the knotty problem of meeting the demand of so many counties to elect their boards of education. It would have the majority party in the state nominate in all the counties in 1918 and the minority party in each county in 1920 and the minority party in the state again for each county in the next biennial election. These nominees would all be appointed by the Governor under the bill. In this way the people would nominate and the Governor appoint and the minority party would have representation in their counties, but the dominant factor on all boards would be Democratic as long as the state is Democratic. Senator Oates is chairman of the committee on education and it is the bill that the Administration will hold out for, if the bill for a state commission to appoint should fail.

In the Senate, Senator Warren put in the hopper a revised bill for a special commission to investigate and recommend as to revision of the state taxing system. It would have the Governor, the chairman of the State Tax Commission and two laymen constitute this commission to report to the next Legislature.

The senate passed the bill by Senator Jones, of Buncombe, to raise the age of consent from 14 to 16 years after much discussion and rejection of a number of amendments. The house spent much time discussing a bill by Clarke, of Pitt, to amend the law as to appeals, being a change proposed by the special commission on judicial reform, the vote being 71 to 23 against the measure.

Senate bills passed final reading as follows:

Authorize special appropriations for Confederate veterans in Durham county.

Amend the usury law of 1915 relating to insurance company exemptions. Regulate the fees of the prosecuting attorneys in recorder's court in Robeson county.

A bill providing for service of summons in certain cases was tabled after number of counties asked to be exempted.

Investigate State Farm.

The joint committee on penal institutions, Senator Turner presiding, heard a remarkable series of charges and comments on the conditions at the state farm, and arrangement of the management of the convicts there, by Roy Traywick, of Union county, presented through Representative Beasley of Union. It was a manuscript of 35 pages and was to the general effect that the convict quarters are unfit for human habitation; that the white prisoners are made to use a water pail in common with negroes, eat in the same room, and that the supervisors and guards are cruel and that the whole atmosphere of the place hardens the convicts and intensifies their hatred of society, making them worse than when they were sent to the farm.

Traywick is a young white man, who became involved with others in some insurance high financing in Union county, and received a penitentiary sentence. Forgery was among the charges involved in the conviction and sentence. He was pardoned by Governor Craig, just before Christmas, and has not, according to Mr. Beasley, who believes in him strongly, yet secured employment, but seems to be making a strong effort to take a renewed hold on life.

Chairman Turner, Senator Jones, Senator Brenizer, Senator Holderness and others commented on the representation of the conditions and all agreed that investigation should be made. Senator Brenizer took the view that there is need in this state for adopting prison reforms that have been successful in many other states, including paroles, probation indeterminate sentences and payment of part of the earnings of prisoners to convicts' families. He moved that a special committee be appointed to investigate and report. This was seconded by Gray, of Forsyth, and the following committee was appointed: Senators Brenizer and Holderness, Representatives Grier, Beasley and Renfrow, of Mecklenburg.

The Senate committee on appropriations, Senator Holderness chairman gave a lengthy hearing on the Scales bill to reorganize the State Board of Charities into a State Board of Public Welfare and voted a favorable report unanimously leaving the matter of the appropriation open for adjustment later in the session, the plan being to appropriate \$20,000. The bill would add two members to the present board and provide a specialist to direct the enlarged work. The special work will be the improvement of living conditions in those fields not already covered by boards of education and health and others in conjunction with subsidiary county welfare organizations, and have special oversight of the various state institutions, spending \$2,000,000 annually. The bill was advocated and explained by Senator Scales, President Graham, of the State University, and Mr. McAllister, of Greensboro.

Senator Oates in the senate and Representative McLendon in the house offered bills appropriating \$50,000 for a special campaign for elimination of illiteracy in this state.

The senate tabled a resolution to invite Miss Kate Barnard, of Oklahoma, to address a joint session. The house passed a duplicate of the bill Senator Linn introduced the senate resolution, saying that he did so by request and would oppose it. Representative Beasley offered the bill in the house and it passed without discussion.

NO CHANGE IN LEAGUE

All Teams Board Base Ball Band Wagon For 1917 Season in the North Carolina League.

Greensboro.—With four of the six clubs represented and the remaining pair expressing their intention through proxy of boarding the band wagon, the 1917 season of the North Carolina League became a surety at the annual directors' meeting, held in this city. Although the time limit for the posting of the \$1,000 forfeit checks was extended to February 15, positive assurance was forthcoming from each city of the league that the respective organizations would be ready to start the season on schedule time. Those present at the annual gathering, were, in addition to President W. G. Bramham, of Durham; Dr. R. O. Apple and K. E. Shore, of Winston-Salem; Chas. Woodall, of Raleigh; J. E. McIlwaine and George W. Wearn, of Charlotte, and L. G. Brandt and John Rees, of Greensboro. Durham and Asheville were not represented by officials, President Bramham presenting the proxies of these clubs at the opening of the meeting.

The most drastic change effected by the assembled moguls was the elimination of the Class "C" ruling, adopted last year, which provides that only three men would be permitted on each club, exclusive of the manager, who had participated in 15 or more games in a league higher than "D," the classification of the North Carolina League. According to the terms of the agreement reached at today's meeting, each team may be composed in its entirety of higher class players, provided that it remains within the salary limit, which was retained at its former figure.

With the necessity of cutting expenses urged by various delegates, it was agreed that the roster limit of each club be placed at 12, inclusive of the manager, instead of 13, as was the case last season. Since with the possible exception of Winston, where Charley Clancy may be returned, there will be only actively performing pilots in the circuit, this new ruling is not expected to weaken the various line-ups. At the opening of the 1916 semester, there were but two playing managers in the circuit.

N. C. Guardsmen Promoted.

Raleigh.—Announcement was made at North Carolina National Guard headquarters here of a number of promotions applying to guardsmen now in service on the Mexican border. Second Lieutenant W. H. Peschau, of Wilmington, is made first lieutenant of Company A of Engineers vice Haywood R. Faison, resigned. Walter Clark is appointed captain of Company B, Raleigh, to succeed Judge Cox, resigned; C. F. Lumsden is made first lieutenant and brigade adjutant vice Clark; W. C. Holder is made first lieutenant and F. B. Parrish is advanced to second lieutenant.

Oldest Negro is Dead.

Raleigh.—Lemon Shaw, probably the oldest colored man in the state, died at Garner at the age of 108 years, four months and five days. He was born September 11th, 1809, and had spent his entire life in Wake county with the exception of a short period he spent in Dismal Swamp in the eastern part of the state, where he went during the war and remained until its close. Six years ago he was tried in the superior court for the murder of David Hall, colored, but was acquitted on account of his age, he then being 102 years old.

Guard Measure Completed.

Raleigh.—The special legislative committee of the North Carolina National Guard Association has just completed its work of drafting and finally shaping up the bill that is to be introduced to make the North Carolina laws as to the National Guard conform to the new Federalized National Guard regulations. The bill will be introduced simultaneously in both houses very soon now and is expected to go through with little, if any, objection.

NORTH CAROLINA BRIEFS.

Governor Bickett is being urged to attend the meeting of the U. S. Good Roads Association at Birmingham April 17 to 21.

J. A. Taylor, foreman on the big dam at Badin, was killed when a work train ran over him last week.

A modern ferry is soon to be constructed at Bluffett Mills.

A film company is soon to stage and re-fight the battle of Kings Mountain and make a picture of the famous Revolutionary battle.

Indications now are that the crop of Irish potatoes which will be grown in Craven county during the coming season, will be the largest in the history and thousands of barrels of them will be grown in each section of the county.

The First North Carolina Infantry is expected to be at home by February 10th.

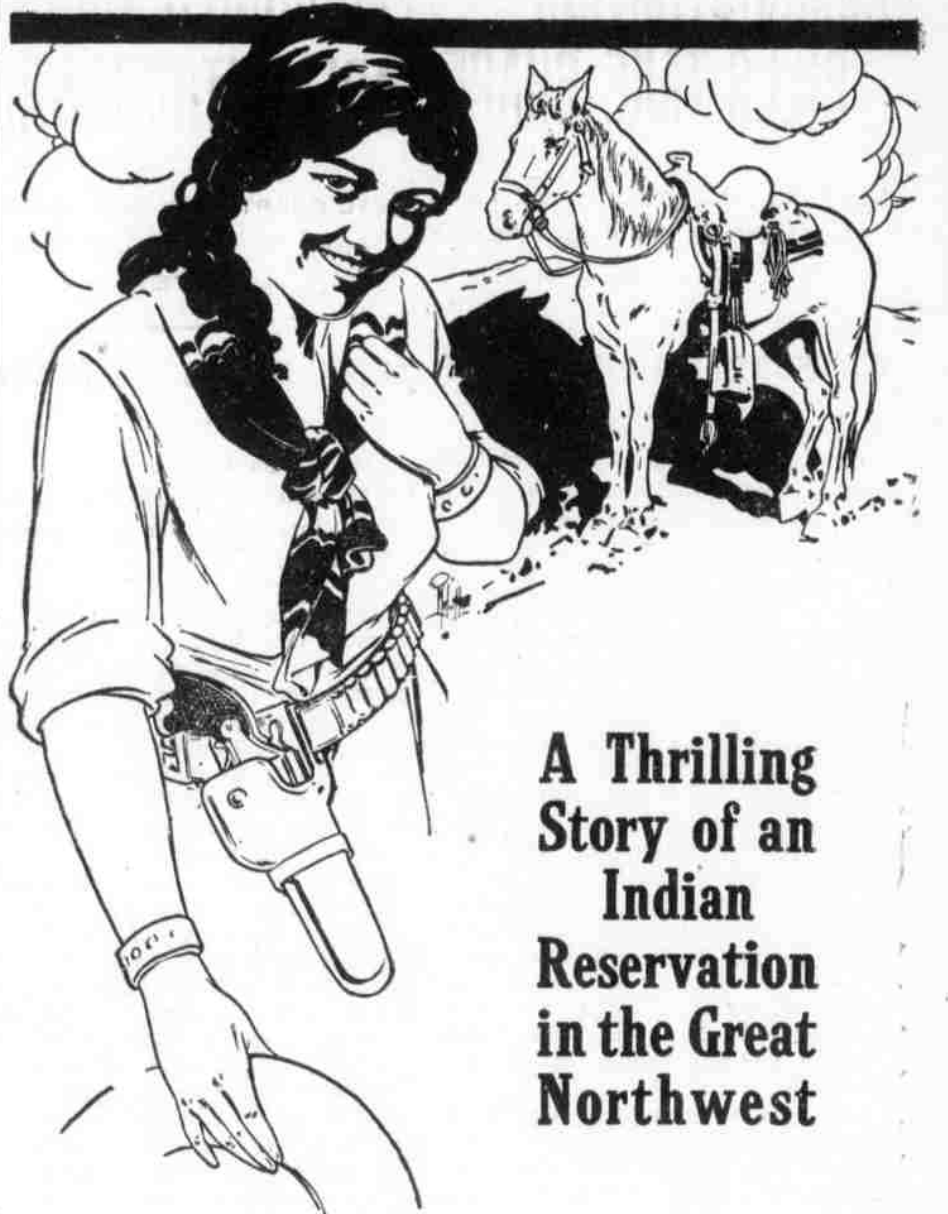
Wilson is soon to have a \$30,000 opera house.

The Atlantic Coast Line and Norfolk Southern railroads have been ordered by the Corporation Commission to build a union station at Kinston.

Contract for the erection of a bridge across the Catawba River, between Charlotte and Rock Hill, S. C., was awarded the Virginia Bridge & Iron Co., of Roanoke and Charlotte, by York county, S. C. The contract price for the structure is \$42,000.

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