

AFFAIRS AT STATE CAPITAL

Insurance Affairs in State—Life of Hon. Richard Battle Deceased of Tax Affairs in Cherokee. Other News Notes.

(Special Star Correspondence) Raleigh, N. C., March 25.—State Commissioner of Insurance Young reports that an investigation of inquiries that have come to him develops the fact that Tyson & Co., Northern insurance brokers, have been writing into North Carolina offering citizens insurance in five different insurance concerns, the officers in all of which assure him that the brokers have no authority whatever to represent them and that, furthermore, they know nothing of the brokerage concern.

At the Church of the Good Shepherd Sunday morning special prayers were offered for Hon. Richard H. Battle, the senior warden, who is in a very critical condition at his home here. He has been growing weaker for several weeks now, the infirmities of old age being his principal malady. His son, Dr. Lewis Battle, of New York, is here with him. There is still a hope that the opening of the Spring weather conditions may enable this honored and most esteemed citizen to take a new hold of life. His health has declined steadily ever since, at the insistence of Democratic leaders here two years ago, he undertook the arduous duties of representing Wake county in the Legislature.

Judge J. L. Webb convened a two weeks' term of criminal court for Wake county today. Two negroes are to be tried for murder and there are a great number of defendants for minor offenses with 24 jail cases waiting to be disposed of.

Governor Kitchin has gone to Sparta, Alleghany county, to deliver an address in connection with a big educational and railroad rally there tomorrow in connection with county court week. He will be in his office again Wednesday.

Chairman Franklin McNeill, of the Corporation Commission, is just back from Murphy, Cherokee county, where he and Commissioner Lee went to adjust a number of complications that have arisen over the assessments made by the county board of assessors against various properties there. Commissioner Lee stopped over at his home in Waverlyville for a day or two. The orders will be made adjusting the tax assessment issued within the next few days.

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week there will be in session the District Association of County Superintendents at City School Superintendents for this central district, comprising 20 counties. State Superintendent of Public Instruction Joyner will preside. He is now perfecting the programme and is confident of a very successful meeting.

Commissioner of Insurance James E. Young has applications from the Augusta Fire Insurance Co., of Augusta, Ga., and from the Order of the Golden Seal, New York, to enter the State. The applications are for license. Mr. Young is sending through the State a bulletin on "Individual Responsibility for Fires," in which he declares that no real progress can be made in checking fire waste, enormous as it is, until it comes to pass that the men who have fires are not regarded as unfortunate, but looked upon as a public offender. He says "individual legal responsibility for losses by fire seems drastic, but is a real necessity. He is also issuing notable circulars on "The Original Fire-Prevention Match" and on "The Gasoline-Silk Folly."

JAIL DELIVERY AT NEWBERN Six Prisoners Pick Lock and Climb To Ground on Blankets. Newbern, N. C., March 24.—Between the hours of 2 and 3 o'clock this morning six colored prisoners, three awaiting trial on the charge of burglary and three Federal prisoners, escaped from Craven county jail and although a thorough search has been made by the police and county officers, all of the fugitives are still at large. The prisoners were all confined in one department. In some way they picked the lock on their cell door, climbed to a skylight in the jail corridor on the second floor and in this manner reached the roof. Fastening a number of blankets together, they descended to the ground. Jailor Williams heard one of the men strike the ground as he jumped from the rope. He ran to the door, but the man was more than half a block away. Every effort will be made to capture the fugitives.

REVIVAL IN ONSLOW. Rev. E. C. Glenn Preaches to Large Congregation Nightly. (Special Star Correspondence) Jacksonville, N. C., March 25.—Jacksonville and vicinity have just passed through one of the best revivals she has enjoyed in several years. The whole country seems aroused. Old people as well as young seem greatly benefited. Rev. E. C. Glenn, an evangelist of the M. E. Church, has been here several days conducting the meeting in the Methodist Church, assisted by his noble wife, and Revs. Mr. Woodard, of the M. E. Church, and Liles, of the Baptist church. At least 25 or 30 additions to the M. E. church and a good number to the others. Many backsliders were reclaimed and the church greatly strengthened and great good is to follow the works of Mr. Glenn and his noble assistants.

Glorious News. comes from Dr. J. T. Curtis, Dwight, Kan. He writes: "I not only have cured bad diseases of eczema in my patients with Electric Bitters, but also cured myself by them of the same disease. I feel sure they will benefit any case of eczema." This shows that thousands have proved that Electric Bitters is a most effective blood purifier. It's an excellent remedy for eczema, tetter, salt rheum, ulcers, boils and running sores. It stimulates liver, kidneys and bowels, expels poisons, helps digestion, builds up the strength. Price 50 cents. Satisfaction guaranteed by Robt. R. Bellamy.

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DARING STORE ROBBERY.

Over \$125 Worth of Goods Taken From Mr. G. E. Burnett's Store. The first serious storebreaking and robbery for several months occurred yesterday morning between the hours of midnight and 1 o'clock, when the grocery store of Mr. Geo. E. Burnett, at Sixth and Dawson street, was entered by unknown parties and goods taken amounting in value to about \$125. The police have no clue as to the identity of the guilty parties.

A whole window was removed on the Dawson street side of the store and the robbers made their entrance in this manner. The upper and lower sashes of the window were found yesterday morning in the yard of a neighbor next door. Among the goods taken were cigars, tobacco, cigarettes, hams, etc., all in the original cases, and a number of large sacks of flour. Here the guilty parties managed to carry away all their plunder is not known, but it is supposed that they used a push cart or dray.

The robbery was discovered when the store was opened yesterday morning. Police headquarters was immediately notified and officers went to the scene and made a thorough investigation, but failed to discover any clue that gives promise of leading to the capture of the robbers. It is believed that the guilty parties were colored as several suspicious negroes were seen in the neighborhood of the store in the earlier part of the night.

This is the first serious store breaking since the epidemic of the latter months of 1911. In the daring nature of its accomplishment and the character of the goods taken it bears the earmarks of some of the robberies occurring at that time, and some of the officers have theories that the same men are at work again. It is hoped that some development will occur which will lead to the capture of the robbers and discourage another outbreak similar to the one which terrorized the citizens and business men several months ago.

Report was also made to the police station that some one tried to enter the residence at No. 51 South Third street Saturday night, but that the would-be burglar had been frightened away.

KINSTON AFFAIRS.

Men and Religion Forward—Municipal Concerts. Kinston, N. C., March 25.—Kinston's committee on delegates to the "conservation congress" of the Men and Religion Forward Movement, to be held in New York next month, has decided that the minimum number which this city will send will be four. The delegation will be a mixed one of ministers and laymen and will be strong representative of the city's religious and business interests. No difficulty was experienced in financing the work here.

Kinston is to have Sunday afternoon concerts this summer by the Second Infantry Band, and it is proposed to erect a temporary stand on the courthouse green for the purpose. An experiment last year, when Parrott's park was utilized for the purpose, proved immensely popular, although the distance was too great to benefit the public as was desired. The city will probably erect the stand, and the musicians will give their services gratis.

Efforts will be made to hold an aviation exhibition in Kinston some time during midsummer. The Chamber of Commerce and individual sportsmen will back the movement, and with the large outlying country to draw an attendance from, there is no doubt that the event could be made a financial success. Beachey or Curtis will possibly be secured for the flights.

CONTEST IN SOUTH CAROLINA But "Lily Whites" And Opposing Faction Favor Taft. (Special Star Correspondence) Spartanburg, S. C., March 25.—14 of South Carolina's 18 delegates to the Republican National Convention have been chosen by the original, or "Black and Tan," wing of the party. 12 of the 14 have been instructed for President Taft and the other two are not instructed. It is practically certain that two of the four yet to be selected will be instructed for Mr. Taft.

The "Lily Whites," who are controlled by John G. Capers, national committeeman, will head a State convention on May 4th and call Congressional district conventions immediately afterward. A full delegation will be sent to the National Convention to contest the seats of the "Black and Tan" delegates.

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BATTLE STILL RAGES.

Five Hundred Dead in Battle of Corralitos. Jiminez, Mexico, March 25.—At 3 o'clock this afternoon the battle of Corralitos began yesterday, continued furiously. In the rebel camp the Federal dead were estimated at 400, and the rebel mortality at 100. Among these wounded today it is reported was Gen. Blanquet, one of the most daring and desperate of the government leaders. The report that Gen. Salas was wounded is incorrect and was due to the omission of a mark of punctuation in a dispatch.

The rebels hold a superior position on the heights, on the flanks and in front of the government troops. The latter, despite their losses and disadvantages of position and numbers, show no signs of surrender.

As viewed by Gen. Campa, however, the only chance of continuing the fight any longer is the arrival of Gen. Trucy Aubert with 500 cavalry from Torreon. Aubert is reported to have started from Torreon.

Mexico City, March 25.—Apparently reliable messages received by the imperial report a complete Federal defeat at Jiminez. General Gonzalez Salas, commander-in-chief of the Federal army is reported to have committed suicide. Both Generals Blanquet and Tellez are reported wounded; other officers were killed and 50 officers taken prisoners to Chihuahua, together with many privates. Orozco, with 164 carloads of Rebel soldiers is reported moving toward Torreon. All Federal troops are said to have already withdrawn to that point.

MR. B. F. SUGG DEAD.

Passed Away Rather Suddenly in Washington, N. C. Hospital. Washington, N. C., March 25.—Mr. Benjamin Franklin Sugg, a former resident of this city, died very suddenly at the Washington Hospital about 1 o'clock this morning from heart failure. Mr. Sugg and family arrived at the hospital last night from Farmville, where he had been visiting relatives and feeling slightly indisposed, went to the hospital accompanied by his son. Some time during the night he grew rapidly worse. Before his son could arrive he passed away. Deceased was in his 66th year.

He is survived by one son, Mr. T. J. Sugg, of this city, and two sisters, Mrs. Susan Harding and Mrs. Jacob Joyner of Greenville, N. C. The remains were taken to Greenville this afternoon, where the funeral will take place.

Mr. Sugg was at one time a representative in the State Legislature from this county, a member of several secret orders and had many friends here.

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