

**SEEK INFORMATION ABOUT COUNTY'S PROPOSED LAWS**

**Councilmen Want to Know For Benefit of People**

A variety of matters came before the councilmen in regular session yesterday, the range being from a desire to know something about some proposed measures to be put before the general assembly on behalf of the county of New Hanover to a hearing of proposed anti-mosquito work and a query into the why for raising electricity rates in the city.

The council unanimously voted to request a draft of the proposed laws concerning Wilmington and New Hanover county. The resolution was offered by Councilman Joseph H. Curtis, and announced that he had been informed that there are some matters affecting the interests of the people that will come up before the general assembly that he thought the public should know about. The resolution, introduced by Councilman L. M. Bunting, was unanimously adopted.

The resolution reads: "Whereas, there is strong sentiment in our county at this time to have all proposed legislation brought before the public prior to being enacted into law; and

Whereas, the people are entitled to the privilege of democracy;

Therefore, be it resolved that city councilmen of Wilmington request our representatives in the general assembly to be published in the newspapers of Wilmington a reasonable time before being introduced a draft of all proposed legislation affecting the welfare of our citizens that all may have an opportunity of informing themselves and expressing themselves as to such measures.

**BODY IS FOUND**

It was reported to the police yesterday that colored boatmen had found a body in the marshes near Big Island, four miles below the city on the Cape Fear river, the badly decomposed remains of a negro man that appears to have been drowned some time ago. The police believe that the remains are those of Luther Ward, the negro man who disappeared from the city ten days or two weeks ago, and of whom nothing has been heard since. The body will be turned over to the coroner of Brunswick county.

**ALLEGED VIOLATOR OF MANN ACT NOW IN JAIL**

Charlie C. Walker, well known young white man of this city, who has been wanted here by the federal authorities for some time on a charge of violating the Mann act, was yesterday brought to the city from Washington, and placed in the county jail without bond to await trial at the May term of the United States court before Federal Judge Henry G. Connor. The Wilmington girl whom Walker is charged with having illegally carried away from here and with whom he is alleged to have lived with as his wife, was also brought back and is being held in custody as a material witness.

Although the grand jury in session at the last term of federal court returned a true bill in the case of Walker, charging him with white slavery, it was only recently that he was apprehended in Washington. After it was found that he and the young woman were being held at the national capital it was not until certain papers were arranged by Federal Judge Connor could the couple be returned to this state. They were brought to Wilmington yesterday morning by United States Deputy Marshal Bennett, of Washington.

From the best information obtainable from the office of United States Marshal Bellamy, in the custom house building, Walker is alleged to have left the city about August of last year, carrying with him to South Carolina a local young woman. They are supposed to have lived in several places in South Carolina as man and wife for some time and then to have gone to Washington. They were being held by federal authorities when it was learned that they were wanted in North Carolina. Just what charge they were being held on in Washington could not be learned.

As first issued, the paper authorizing the return of Walker and the girl to North Carolina, signified that they were to be tried in the United States court at Elizabeth City. However, this was recently changed so that the trial could be held here.

It is understood that Walker was fined \$500 by Judge Connor at the last term of federal court on a charge of selling liquor.

**COUNTY TO GET A NEW MEMBER IF BILL WINS**

**Representative Bellamy Makes a Fine Speech**

Morning Star Bureau, **Yarborough Hotel.**  
By R. E. POWELL

RALEIGH, Feb. 16.—New Hanover will get an additional member of the house of representatives under the reapportionment bill, which will be introduced tomorrow by Representative Cox, of Forsyth. Union and Iredell will each lose a member and New Hanover and Forsyth will gain one each. There are no other changes in the membership which will remain at 120.

Representative Bellamy made one of the best speeches of the morning, pleading for the road bill. It was the first time the young member from Wilmington had really "opened up" and the other fellows were watching him rather sharp today.

He has introduced the bill in the house to take Topsail township away from Fender, and add it to New Hanover. A public hearing will be held on the bill before the counties, cities and towns committee one day next week.

**REPUBLICANS NOT UNIT ON DOUGHTON BILL**

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Mr. Dixon will be invited what is more he will have accorded him a courtesy that is seldom shown a distinguished guest of the general assembly. The resolution, drawn and sponsored in the house by Mr. Bryant, Republican, Taskin, directs the two presiding officers to name a committee to wait on Mr. Dixon when his arrival is made known tomorrow. It is generally assumed that he will accept the invitation.

The fight over the resolution in the senate this morning centered chiefly around his known antagonism to the censorship bill. Some of the members were afraid it would not be proper for him to talk, inasmuch as he is coming

**NEW ENGLAND SENATOR BITTERLY ASSAILS THE BILL AND SUPPORTERS**

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"driving at high speed in the wrong direction" in passing the bill, saying he had not been so much opposed to the proposition as it was sent over from the house, but that amendments by the senate finance committee and the senate had put it out of the class of emergency legislation. In its broadened scope, Mr. Edge asserted, the measure was nothing less than an invitation for other nations to begin retaliation.

In adding to the bombardment of the two Republican senators, the eight-hour session produced a continuous fusillade on the measure from the Democrats, starting with Senator Reed,

**TAYLOR THINKS HARDING IS SURE TO NAME SOUTHERNER**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—Representative Taylor, Republican, Tennessee, declared in a statement today he was confident that President-elect Harding would give a southern man a place in his cabinet because of the "magnificent showing" which the Republicans of the southern states made in the last election.

"I have taken the position ever since the election that we have earned at least one cabinetship and I believe the president-elect will take the same view," Mr. Taylor asserted.

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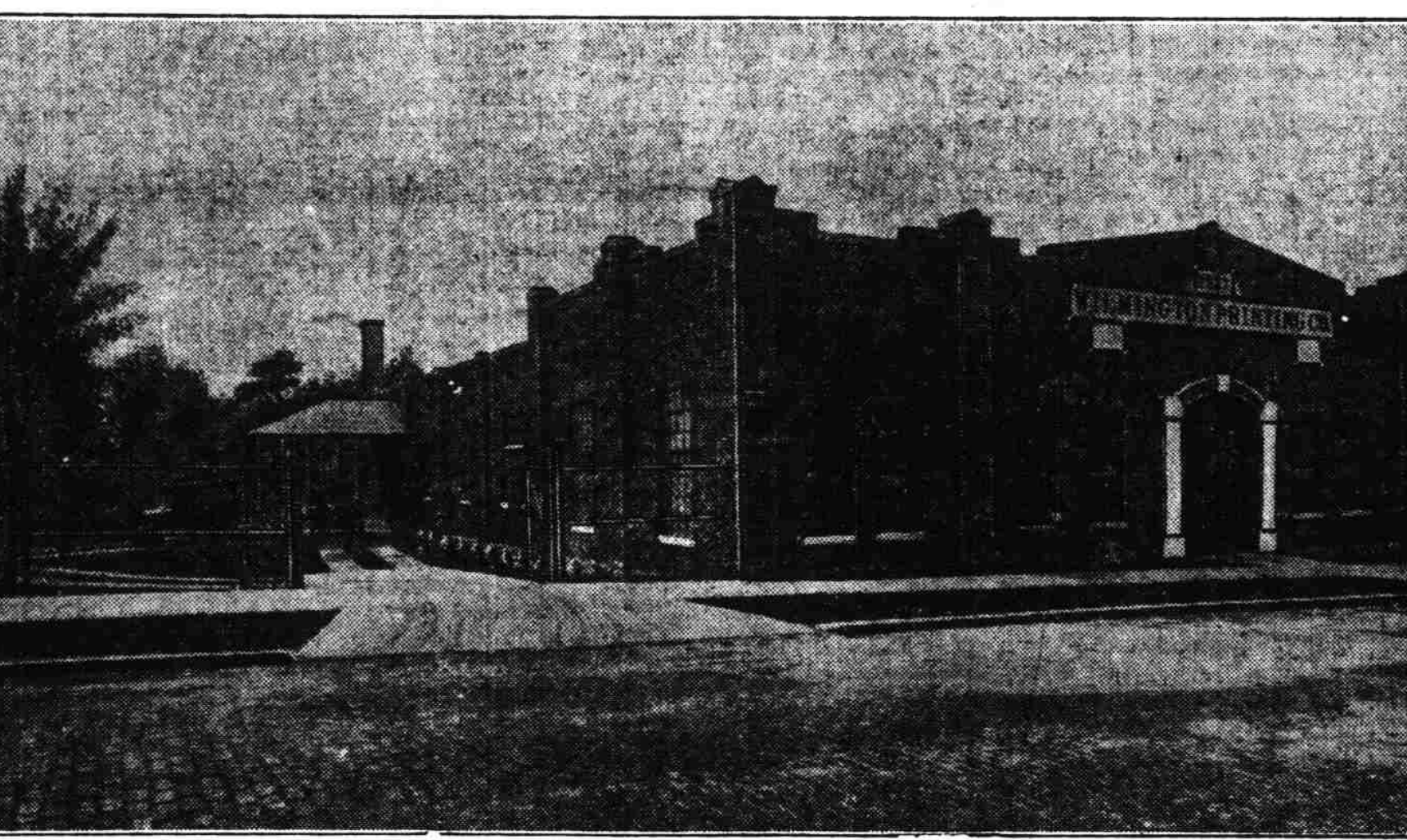
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