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CAPITAL BILL HEARING SET FOR FEB. 27TH

Hawkins Introduces Bill For Paying Cherokee Jurors and For Support County Home And Jail

OTHER NEWS OF LEGISLATURE AFFECTING W. N. C.

Cherokee Scout, Raleigh Bureau
RALEIGH, Feb. 21.—Representative John C. Herbert's bill to abolish capital punishment in North Carolina in three of the four instances in which it applies will be heard before the house committee February 27, by special request.

At that time a large number of the backers of this bill from all parts of the state will be in Raleigh for the regular meeting of the welfare organization which they represent and Representative Herbert has been requested to hold the hearing at that time.

This bill, or rather these bills since there are three, one for the three crimes covered, murder, burglary and arson. No attempt is to be made to repeal the death penalty in the case of rape but a vigorous fight is expected to be put on the other three crimes with the possibility that one and maybe two of them will get through. It is a recognized fact that sentiment against capital punishment has been growing in the state but whether or not it has reached a stage where the bills can be safely put through is a question to be answered when the matter comes up on the floor of the house.

Representative Ernest Hawkins, of Cherokee county has introduced a bill in the House to authorize the county commissioners of his county to levy a special tax not to exceed fifteen cents on the hundred dollars.

The bill sets forth that an emergency exists in the county and empowers the commissioners to use the money for the purpose of paying jurors and state's witnesses, support the home for the aged and infirm and maintain the county jail.

Representative George Brock, of Graham county has introduced a bill providing for the establishment and maintenance of a county home for the aged and infirm in Graham county. Action on this measure is expected to be taken during the coming week.

In connection with this measure Representative Nash from Richmond county remarked that it would be cheaper to board the inmates at the best hotel in the county than to build and maintain a home for them. He said the same would be true of most of the counties in North Carolina.

An interested visitor to the halls of the general assembly this week was Bob Phillips, prominent attorney of Robbinston, Graham county, and a former member of the General Assembly from Graham. Courtesies of the floor were extended to Mr. Phillips by Speaker A. H. "Sandy" Graham at the request of Representative J. A. Porter, of Macon county.

Representative Porter has introduced a measure which would require a vote of the people on all bond issues before the bonds could be sold by the county commissioners of Macon. A similar bill to this has been introduced by Representative H. B. Leavitt and Don C. Young of Buncombe county and other counties in the state are taking up the idea. This is regarded here as the evidence of the reaction that has set in against extravagant and huge expenditures for public improvements and is in line with the views of Governor O. Max Gardner who
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REGAL HOTEL UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT

Chester Secures Lease and Will Personally Manage Business

The consummation of a business transaction was completed last week, whereby W. M. Chester becomes proprietor of the Regal Hotel. Mr. and Mrs. Chester came to Murphy several months ago from Chattanooga, intending to be here only for the winter. They liked the town so well and the business that they secured the lease of and are now to operate the hotel themselves.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester are hotel people of wide experience, having been in charge of the Lookout Mountain Hotel, Chattanooga, before coming to Murphy. The hotel is a summer resort, and closes down during the winter season.

In taking over the operation of the Regal, Mr. Chester stated that he had leased the hotel for a term of years.

"In making Murphy my home, I want to join in and do my bit for the little city and county," he continued. "I must have the good will of the public and the only way to get this is by fair and honest dealing.

"Any way I can serve the people, I will gladly do so. I want my friends to come to the Regal and feel at home. My policy is not to knock any business or competitor. Never have, and when time comes that I have to lower the standard and become a knocker, I pull up and leave. I want the business of the people of Murphy and can assure them of the best accommodations and best the market affords in the way of food properly prepared.

"I am very optimistic in the future of Murphy, the proposed new industries that are about to come, and the new highway to Chattanooga and that portion of the country, will be a great inlet for tourist business as the greater part of that Southwestern travel will come by Murphy. It cannot be estimated just the value this road will be to this section.

"I want the friendship of all the people both local and those from other parts. I have to have their friendship and business. I am dependant upon the public and it will receive at all times the very best accommodations that I have to offer."

Mrs. Chester, in commenting on taking up her residence here said:

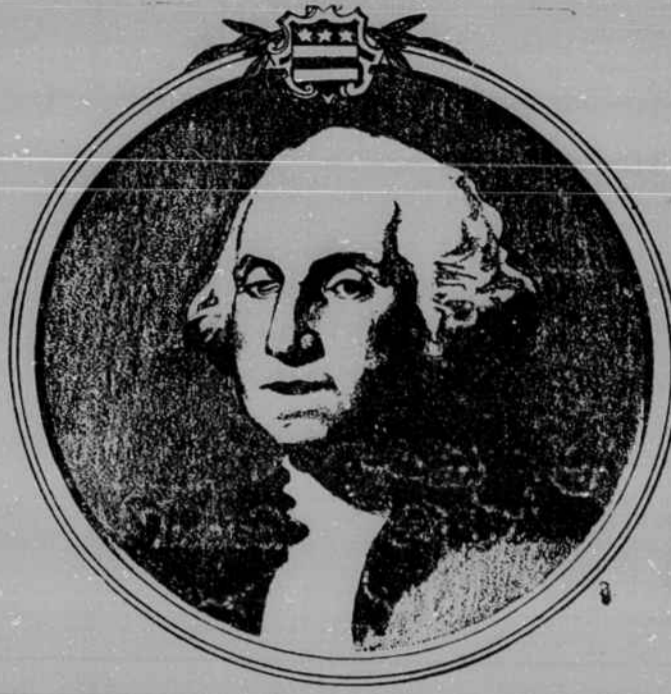
"At first I didn't think I would like Murphy, but after being here for some time I have become attached to the place and the people whom I have met have been so very lovely that I decided that Murphy would be hard to beat. I am right here to do my best for our little city, too. We are prepared to take care of your bridge luncheons, church banquets, and, in fact, any gathering, large or small, and will appreciate the business of the people of Murphy and this section."

Lowe Takes Charge Arcade Pressing Club

Otis Lowe, of Canton, widely known pressing club man, has taken charge of the Arcade Pressing Club, located in the Adams Building at the rear of the Cherokee Drug Company, according to announcement this week by the management.

Mr. Lowe has had a wide experience in the pressing, dry cleaning and repairing business in some of the largest shops in this section, and comes to Murphy highly recommended. The business of which he will have charge is owned by Jerry W. Davidson and Elbert Mallonee, Andrew Wiley, who had charge of

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REV. POWELL LEADS STUDY OF MISSIONS

On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, February 11, 12, 13, Rev. Howard P. Powell, pastor, Murphy M. E. Church, conducted a School of Missions in observance of the January-February period of Missionary Cultivation. At this time, "The Methodist Evangelist" by Dr. O. E. Goddard, was studied and to those attending this book proved to be one of the most interesting yet studied. Dr. Goddard has presented in a most inspiring way the Missionary Policy of the Methodist Church "Evangelism." The classes were attended by the majority of the Women's Missionary Society together with other members of the church and visitors, and to those who could not attend the classes, this book is recommended as a helpful study of the secret of the influence and progress of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

Women Of County To Hold Meetings

Monday February 25, 2:30 o'clock Marble Women's Club meets at the home of Mrs. Mae Farmer: Demonstration: "Smocking."

Tuesday February 26, 10:00 o'clock: Kimsey Club. 2:00 O'clock: Suit Club.

Wednesday February 27, 2:30 o'clock: Brasstown Women's Club.

Thursday February 28, 10:30 o'clock: Girls Club at Peachtree school.

2:30 o'clock: Slow Creek Women's Club to be held at home of Mrs. Phil Ferguson.

At each of these meetings a demonstration in the preparation of biscuits will be given. This lesson is to be followed by a community biscuit contest in each of these communities to be held in connection with the March meetings of the Clubs. At each time small prizes are to be offered to the girl or to the woman submitting the best biscuits.

Friday March 1st, 10:30 o'clock: Martin's Creek Girls' Club: Continuation of sewing course.

2:30 o'clock: Martin's Creek Women's Club: Biscuit demonstration as preliminary to the biscuit contest.

MRS. SARAH PORTER ELLIS.

the plant up until several weeks ago, has taken charge of the Hughes business next to the Regal Hotel.

FEDERATION GETS POULTRY BID IN W. N. C.

Smoky Mountain Mutual Exchange Awards Yearly Contract Here Wednesday

The Farmer's Federation of Western North Carolina, with main offices at Asheville, was awarded the yearly poultry contract for the coming year at a meeting of the Smoky Mountain Mutual Exchange, a corporation composed of poultry raisers, dealers and shippers, of Cherokee, Clay, Jackson and Swain counties.

The exchange association met here Wednesday for the purpose of awarding contract on poultry for the coming year, and the Farmer's Federation bid was the best of two presented. The contract calls for two poultry cars to be operated on the Murphy Branch of the Southern monthly, or oftener if the poultry products of this section warrant it. One car will be in Murphy for loading on Wednesday at intervals of two weeks apart, leaving during the day for loading at other towns in the western section between Murphy and Sylva.

The prices governing the contract are to be based on quoted prices of the New York market on Wednesday week in advance of each sale week, the prices paid for poultry here being 3 cents under the New York market. A sum in addition to this of 1/4 cent per pound will be paid the poultry associations of the several counties comprising the Smoky Mountain Mutual Exchange.

The contract places the Farmer's Federation under bond of \$10,000.00 as a guarantee that checks on all poultry bought will be honored without delay which has caused misunderstanding and confusion in the past.

Geo. E. Evans, promotion manager of the Farmer's Federation, told the meeting of the extensive educational work his organization was doing in the promotion of the poultry industry, pointing to the Hatchery at Sylva as one of the steps being undertaken in this immediate and extension work being carried on at the present time by his organization included the development of every branch of the agricultural program.

Mr. Evans stated that the minimum amount of poultry needed by the Farmer's Federation at the present time is about 100,000 birds.
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HOSIERY MILL FOR MURPHY NOW ASSURED

Papers Of Incorporation Applied For and Machinery Expected To Arrive Next Week

The Nu Fashion Hosiery Mills, a \$100,000.00 corporation composed of outside and local business men, is a new industry for Murphy that is now an assured fact, according to announcement this week by those promoting the movement to secure the plant.

Papers of incorporation were applied for the first of this week, and are expected to be granted during the next ten days. The machinery is scheduled to arrive in Murphy next week and the work of installing it begun without delay.

The new corporation will occupy the Fair knitting mill building. The stockholders of the building have taken the amount of their holdings in the building in stock in the new corporation, which amounts to \$30,000.00. A working capital of \$12,000.00 has been subscribed by local people. G. T. Whitlock, of Hendersonville, has put in the machinery valued at \$60,000.00, thus making the new corporation a concern capitalized at \$102,000.00 to begin with.

The proposition on which local people have been at work during the past week follows:

To the Citizens Regarding Hosiery Mills:

G. T. Whitlock offers the following proposition as regards the hosiery proposal, to-wit:

To accept a certain building located in the city for an agreed amount of the common stock of the hosiery mill corporation.

2. To install an equipment of 126 full automatic hosiery knitting machines for the production at full capacity of 2000 dozen pairs per week of rayon hose for women, and accent stock in the hosiery mill corporation for the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars in the common stock of the incorporation under the following terms and conditions:

1. That the citizens pledge to subscribe and pay to the common or proposed stock to an extent of \$30,000.00 in the hosiery mills corporation at par: (This amount was later reduced.)

2. That not less than ten percent of the \$30,000.00 stock shall be paid in stock at once and other payments to be made as promptly as possible. Stock certificates of denominations of \$100.00 each shall be attached to any and all notes for stock in the hosiery mill corporation, and being released to such subscribers as payments in full may be made, each subscription to be secured by bankable notes.

G. T. Whitlock agrees, if necessary to show his faith in the project, to place any and all of his stock in escrow for a period of eight months to prove his ability to pay not less than 6% on the entire stock for such period based on twelve months time, and further agrees to get the entire machinery in operation as fast as sufficient help may be trained on units to do so, and further agrees to within a period of twenty-four months to have an equipment of 400 machines either in operation or ready to operate.

The full production of first unit of 126 machines will be about 2000 dozen per week or 100,000 dozen per year of fifty weeks, minimum profit of 30c per dozen, which will mean about 40% net profit at the above minimum, and of this amount a reasonable per cent will be paid as dividends.

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