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OF TOWN RULE

He Introduces General "Commission Form" Bill, Prepared by Experts, and Will Press Its Passage.

APPEAL BY RED CROSS FOR STARVING CHINESE

Many More Bills, Some Important, Are to Be Introduced, and Legislature Will Be Rushed to Finish Work in 60 Days.

Gazette-News Bureau. Chamber of Commerce Rooms, Hollemon Building,

Italeigh, Ech. 15. entirely new "commission form of government" bill for cities and towns of from 500; population and up is introduced in the house of Representatives by General Julian S. Carr of Durham. He says he has had it prepared by experts with the greatest care and proposes to press its passage through the assembly. It is to be applicable to any town adopting it. It proposes three commissioners, one "mayor and commissioner of public accounts and fin sace," one a "commissioner of puldle works" and "a commissioner of publie safety," the three to be subject to recall on petition of 25 per cent, of year; cities of not over 15,000 shall nopolistic \$1,200 and \$1,000; up to 25,000, \$1. 500 and \$1200; up to 30,000 shall \$1.500 and \$1,500; over 30,000 shall pay \$2,400 and \$2000. The bili require daily public sessions of the commis the public schools being also under the direct control of the commis on. All public franchises are limifed to 50 years and subject to vote of the people. The commission has con trol of rates of charges for public sertice corporations subject to appeal to commission cannot effect an agreement between commission petitioners and orporation; one of the commissioners is to be city treasurer without extra pay, his bend to be paid by the city Ad valorum tax is limited to \$1 o the \$100 valuation. A doc tax no exceeding \$5 each is allowed and maximum franchise taxes are named with telephone and electric light companies named at not over \$100. Near beer is mentioned with all other drinks of as much as one-half of one per cent alcohol at \$500 per year tunicipal ownership of water

light plants is prescribed. Appeal for Starving Chinese.

As president of the North Carolina board of the Aemerican Red Cross association Governor Kitchin has issued an appeal for donations of money and provisions in this state for 'he relief of the starving Chinese, all donations to be reported to Treasurer Joseph G. Brown of Raleigh.

Governor Kitchin was at Halifax dress at the unveiling of a handsom monument erected of the memory of Past Grand Master Munford, of the

A charter is issued to Conyers & Sykes (Inc.) of Greensboro, to con duct a drug store, capital \$25,000, to The incorporators are Z. V. Con-rg, R. J. Sykes and E. D. Broadbegin business when \$5,000 is pair yers, R. J. Sykes and E. D. Broadhurst. A charter is also granted to Rigby-Morrow company, of Hender-sonville, to deal in lumber; authorized capital \$50,000, to begin business with \$8,000. J. C. Morrow, J. A. Fletcher and L. T. Dermid are the incorpor ators. The Tarrymore Hotel company of Wrightsville, changes its name to the Oceanic Hotel company to conduct Tarrymore hotel under the name of Oceanic hotel in the future.

Legislature Will Be Rushed. Up to today 281 bills and 11 resolutions have been ratifled by the present general assembly Several hundred measures are pending and many more new bills are to be introduced, some of them of great importance, and the legislators will be rushed to death to wind up the business within the 60 days prescribed by law for them to

PRICE OF EGGS IN CHICAGO IS LOWEST IN THREE YEARS

receive pay.

Withdrawal of Cold Storage Eggs From Markets Send Product to Sixteen Cents Dozen.

Chicago, Feb. 14.-The withdrawa! of cold storage eggs from the open en the brother of Pressley came to market followed the announcement of the house inquiring for his brother a further decline of two cents a dozen and the negroes showed him the body. in the price of fresh products. This reduction brought the price of fresh product, best selected eggs, to 16 cents a dozen, the lowest price toached by Morris eggs in the Chicago market in three years. Receipts yesterday 10.062

Rev. Erskipe Norman White Dead.

New York, Peb. 14 .- Rev. Erskin

TIMBER MONOPOLY RAPIDLY FORMING

Framework of an Equally Sinister Land Monopoly-Findings Contained in Exhaustive Report of Herbert Knox Smith-Largest Holders Not Selling at All-Timber Now Standing Will Be Used up in 55 Years.

very few hands, vast specplative holdings "far in advance of any use thereof," an enormous in-crease in the value of this diminishing "natural resource with great profits to its owners" and incidentaly "an equally sinister land monopoly and "closely connected railroad domination"—these are the lindings re-ported to President Taft by Herbert Knox Smith, commissioner of corpor-ations, in the first justaliment of his long awaited report on the lumber the consuming public will have to industry of the country. The report hay such prices for lumber as will was made public today when submitted to congress by the president. It constituts the "first comprehensive and methodical investigation of the mount and ownership of our standng timber." The report itself come prises 38 printed pages but a sum-mary of its contents is contained in a letter submitted by Mr. Smith.

A Combination in the Making. "There are many great combina tions in other industries." says the commissioner, "whose formation complete. In the lumber industry or the other hand, the bureau now finds in the making a combination caused, fundamentally, by a standing public policy. In the last 40 years oncentration has so proceeded that 195 holders, many interrelated now have practically one-half of the privately owned timber in the investigaion area (which centains 80 per cent petition of 25 per cent, of of the whole). This formidable pro-Salaries are scaled so that cess of concentration, in timber and the voters. Salaries are scaled so that cess of concentration, in timber and towns of 500 shall pay mayor \$300 in land, certainly involves grave fund other two commissioners \$600 per ture possibilities of impregnable mowhose farconditions pay \$900 and \$800, cities of 20,000 reaching consequences to society it is over-estimate.

"The foremost facts shown are (1) The concentration of a dominat-ing control of our standing timber in a comparatively few enormous holdings, steadily tending toward a central control of the lumber indusvast apeculative purchase (2) and holding of timber land far in advance of any use thereof; (3) an encemons increase in the value of this diminishing resources, with great profile to its owners. This value by the very nature of standing timber the holder neither created nor substantially enhances.

Result of Our Public Land Policy.

"These are the underlying facts, of remendous significance to the public welfare. They are primarily the resuits of our public land policy, long continued. The laws that represent that policy are still largely operative, The past history and present status of us the imperative necessity of revis-

mources, The commissioner then traces the

wnership. yosterday of deliver the principal ad-dress at the unveiling of a handsome bureau. This area ficludes the Pa-timber has been cut the land remains. North Carolina Grand lodge of Ma- about 80 per cent. of all the private timber monopoly but also an equally national forest and about 90 billion in minerals."

AND LODGED IN PRISON

Kelley Was Killed by Blunt Instru-

ment in Pressley's Hands.

men, lifelong friends, had

place near the home of a negro family who saw two men leave the field where the fight took place and

they saw another man lying on the

ground but did not investigate. Lat-

This was several hours before day-

An inquest was held by Coroner Morris yesterday and the jury re-

turned a verdict that the deceased

came to his death by means of some

Walter Pressley.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Con- on other non-private lands. Thus the centration of the control total assessment. centration of the control total amount of standing timber in of the standing timber in continental United States is about 2800 billion board feet. The present annual drain upon the supply of saw timber is about 50 billion feet. At this rate the timber now standing, without allowance for growth or de-cay, would last only about 55 years.

Worth Six Billion Dollars "The present commercial value The commission declares that thre oldings alone, the greatest in the country, those of the Southern Pa the company, the Weverhauser Timr company and the Northern Pa Railway company (including subsidiary companies) togethe have 228 billion feet, or nearly 11 ser cent, of all the privately owner imber of the country

The Southern Pine Region. "In the southern pine region," says be commissioner in taking up the tescription of various sections of timer lands, "there are 634 billion feet than in the Pacific northwest. There however, a high concentration in the more valuable species, long leaf yellow pine and cypress. Sixty-seven holders own 20 per cent, of the long af yellow pine, 29 per cent, of all the cypress, 19 per cent, of the short leaf and lobiotly pine and 11 per cent. of the hardwood."

Coming then to the probable effect of this concentration, the commis-sioner remarks, "such concentration in standing timber if permitted to ontinue and increase, makes proible a final central control of the whole lumber industry. A few strong interests, ultimately holding the bulk of the timber, can set the price of timber and its products.

"Certain further factors, not exact y measurable, increase still more the real concentration. First, a further interweaving of interests, corporate and personal, connects a great many holdings which the bureau has treated as separate; second there are ver large areas of timber so scattered in small tracts through larger holding that they are substantially 'blocked in,' or 'controlled,' by the large hold ers; third, the concentration is much higher in the more valuable species. Largest Holders Cutting Little.

The largest holders are cutting ittle of their timber. They thus re serve to themselves incalculable profits which are still to accrue with the our standing timber drive home upon growth of the country; the diminishing of timber supply and the further control management of our remaining natural Many of the very men who are protesting against conservation and the national forest system because of the interval during which timber land tying up of natural resources are passed from government to private themselves deliberately tying them up far more effectively for private gain "There is now left," he continues, The fact that mature timber is in continental United States about withheld from use is clear evidence two thousand billion feet of privately that great additional profits are exowned standing timber, of which pected to accrue through further in-1747 billion is in the investigation crease in value. Standing timber i cific northwest, the southern pine re- There has been created, therefore, not gion and the lake states and contains only the frame work of an enormous timber of the country. In addition sinist - land combination in extensive there are about 539 billion feet in the sections involving also a great wealth

ANTI-TYPHOID VACCINATION IS URGED FOR THE MILITIA

Communications Addressed to Organ ized Militia by the General Staff -Satisfactory Results.

Washington, Feb. 14.-So striking Coroner's Jury Decides That Dewane have been the benefits realized by the regular army through the adoption of the anti-typhold vaccination that, through General Weaver, in charge staff has addressed communications Walter Pressley of Black Mountain, to organized militia evidently for the who is accused of killing Dewane Kelpurpose of preparing guardsmen for such vaccination in future. The comley, a young white man also of the munication to the militia of the states Black Mountain section, is now in jail, having been arrested by Deputy Sheris based on startling figures illustraiff Lyda yesterday afternoon. He as-tive of the havoc wrought by typhoid serts that the killing was done in the armies of recent wars. It is self-defense. It seems that the young shown in the Spanish-American cam-men, lifelong friends, had been paign there occurred 20,738 cases of drinking together and with another typhoid fever among 107,973 men with man were passing along the road 1580 deaths. With no serious results when Pressley accidentally stumbled following over 31,000 inoculations in against Kelley. From the the trou-ble originated, which resulted in the killing. The tragedy took the army already this procedure is in regarded as absolutely safe.

Fatal Accident on ley Pavement.

Detroit Feb. 14 .- One man was in stantly killed, one possibly fatally injured and three men and two women hurt when a touring car, going at a high rate of speed skidded on the ley payement and crashed into a telephone pole on Jefferson avenue. The dead: Harry Nederklander, automobile agent; Caul McKenney, perhaps fatally injured.

Negroes Attack and Kill Aged White Man.

English Jockey's Estate Valued at \$500,000.

New York, Feb. 14.—Racing men learn that the will of the late Tom ed fight, two being killed by the netten proved, showing the estate to be used on nearly 1000,000.

Lexington, Ky., Feb. 14.—A Stanford, Ky., special says three negroes attacked three aged white mea, attacked three aged white show tempting burglary. The whites show tempting burglary. The whites show the nearly says to be used to be the negroes were captured of nearly 1000,000. Lexington, Ky., Peb. 14.—A Stanford, Ky., special says three negroes attacked three aged white men, at-

Election of Senators by Vote of People Measure May Be Enacted By the Senate Before Close of Present Session.

A CONFERENCE WAS HELD BY DEMOCRATIC SENATORS

Prospect for Favorable Action Is Enhanced Somewhat-Congress Likely to Regulate the Franchise in Congressional Elections.

ASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Notwithstanding the injection of ission of the resolution tooking to he election of sensions by direct voted the people, this measure may pass he senate, at the present session.

The prospect for bevorable action vas enhanced somewhat by a discussion of the subject at a conference to-day of the democratic senators, After the recent bitter exchange on the sen ate floor between Senators Root and of privately owned timber. Concentration in total timber is much less Eacon, after the former had spoken in opposition to Borah's resolution, it predicted that the resolution would not receive the necessary two thirds vote in the senate.

The democratic renators feel sure the Southerland amendment or some other amendment, reserving to concress the right to regulate the fran-

Chief Witness for the Prosecution Subjected to Severe Cross-Examination.

The entire morning session of Supcourt was taken up with the trial of George Cathey, who is chara ed with selling whiskey and it rest of the day. There are still two or three witnesses to be examined and the arguments are to be heard,

This is a very interesting case, con ing waged by both sides. The case that though be did not buy whiskey from Mr. Cathey, he secured it at the establishment of Mr. Cathey on Col-Cathey for it. Mr. Cathey on the paid him by Mr. Reed was some money that Mr. Reed already owell

him for other purposes.

Mr. Cathey is ably defended and Mr. Reed underwent a severe cross examination at the hands of the deendant's course! this morning. The osecution was instituted by the Lay Enforcement league who had a numdence against Mr. Cathey at the time ne was in licted.

If the use is finished this after

on the trial of Will McDonald for the killing of Henry Lyles will begin

omorrow morning.

The taking of evidence in the Cathey case was concluded o'clock this afternoon and Solicitor Reynolds opened with an able presentment of the state's contentions of the militia division, the general that Cathey had sold whiskey to Reed. Mr. Reynolds argued that no matter what were the views of the jurymen as to the prohibition law, nor what were their views as to Mr. Cathey, they should weigh the evidence without fear or favor. Before the Jury he exhibited the re-cipt which Mr. Cathey is alleged to have given Reed for the 85 cents, claimed have been due for four drinks of whiskey and one cigar. Mr. Reynolds is making a strong presentment of ultimate destinations in this country the case. For the defense R. M. and in Europe. The complaint in the Wells, W. G. Fortune and Judge T. first case alleges unjust discrimination first case alleges unjust discrimination. A. Jones will speak. Col. Lusk, representing the Law Enforcement league, will conclude. The case will hardly reach the jury before 7:30

> Several cases were disposed of yeserday afternoon. Ed. Matthews plead guilty to re talling and was fined \$100 and the

> The case against Bal Burrell wa nol promed with leave, Foster Orr and Will Moore, capi-

George Jackson and L. E. Jackson, called and failed; judgment entered al. st. sci. fu. and capins. On a larceny charge Jack Reed plead guilty of forcible trespass Prayer for judgment was continued costs to be paid at this term of court.

REP. ROBERTS English Countess Accuses Broker Fraudulent Deals



Villiam T. Wintermute, a broker, by Ville and Miss Henrietta Elout copie of prominence in an alleged mute. The countess was for rooked mining stock deal attracted Miss Leonora Van Marter of he fact that the charges were married.

The recent arrest in New York of brought by the Countess of Tankerthe postoffice inspectors on a charge Glendale. England, who assert that they jointly invested more than \$50,f having defrauded several English and in mining ventures of Winter-The countess was formerly nternational attention on account of York and said to be most happily

RECIPROCITY BILL MAY PASS TONIGHT

Motion to Cut Off Debate Will Be Made About 5 O'clock, and There Are Enough Votes in Sight to Put It Through the House-Will Be Read for Amendments, with Debate Limited Under the Five Minutes Rule.

though no argreement as to before adjournment. reached by unanimous consent, therecourt where Mr. Cathey was tried and is a chance that the Canadian reciprocal sentence of four months on the roads. There were several witnesses for the state but the one on whose testimeny the state most relies motion to cut off general debate will the measure might be delayed two chose testimony the state most relies motion to cut off general debate will the inclusive magnification of the cut off general debate will the inclusive magnification of the cut off general debate will the inclusive magnification of the cut off general debate will the inclusive magnification of the cut off general debate will the inclusive magnification of the cut off general debate will the inclusive magnification of the cut off general debate will the inclusive magnification of the cut off general debate will the inclusive magnification of the cut off general debate will the inclusive magnification of the cut off general debate will the inclusive magnification of the cut off general debate will the inclusive magnification of the cut off general debate will the cut of general debate will be any of the cut of general debate will the cut of general debate will be any of the cut of general debate will be any of the cut of general debate will be any of the cut of general debate will be any of the cut of general debate will be any of the cut of general debate will be any of the cut of general debate will be any of the cut of general debate will be any of the cut of general debate will be any of the cut of general debate will be any of the cut of general debate will be any of the cut of general debate will be any of the cut of general debate will be any of the cut of general debate will be any of the cut of general debate. cates of the measure have votes today. The conference was held on favor by Rawls, of Pamlico, and enough to put it through. The bill the floor this morning when it apwill then be read for amendments, peared an agreement was impossib and debate will be limited under the Members were tardy reaching the

five minutes rule. A large number house, and the point of no quorum of proposed amendments may delay was raised by Representative Dwight, the final vote, but it is believed the republican, when a call of the house

eration of the bill, shortly after

Issued for Arrest of Provision-

al President.

El Paso, Tex., Feb. 14.-The pro-

irional president of Mexico, Francis-

co 1. Madero, is in El Paso, unless he

cers that the directing head of the

Mexican revolution is still here that

they had a warrant issued late yes-

The warrant was issued by United

States Commissioner George B. Oli-

on the person of Martin de Cassillas

trip to El Paso. The papers were in

ed military expedition against

en ordered to make the arrest.

Martin Camilas, Mexican revolu-

terday afternoon for his arrest.

UNJUST DISCRIMINATION CHARGED BY COTTON MEN MADERO BELIEVED TO Important Cases Respecting

Shipment and Compression Be-Washington, Feb. 14.-Two of the most important cases respecting the United States Cause Warrants to Be

shipment and compression of cotton that ever have been brought before at 3 the interstate commerce commis vesterday were assigned for hearing at Montgomery, Ala., beginning March 3, and at Atlanta, Ga., beginning on March 6.

The cases are those of the Comnercial and Industrial association of Union Springs, Als., against the Central of Georgia railroad and other slipped out in the last 24 hours. So carriers and the railroad commission confident are the United States offiof Alabama against the Central of Georgia railroad and others,

Both cases affect the rates on the shipment of cotton from every part of the cotton belt in the south, not only to points of compression, but to and in Europe. The complaint in the as a result of the capture of papers against cotton buyers, cotton mer-chants and compressors; and the sec-turning to Mexico on Sunday from a ond avers that the railroads invoke unreasonable and discriminatory reg- the handwriting of Madero and were ulations respecting the transports tion of compressed cotton. Not only runy 12 at El Paso. The warrant every cotton planter and every cotton charges that Madero planter and charges that Madero planter as a charge that Madero buyer, but every railroad in the cotton belt is interested directly in the adjudication of the cases. They are ammunition to be sent to Mexico from regarded as of so much importance the United States in violation of the that Judge Clements, chairman of the emmission, himself will go south to hear the testimony in them.

May Send American Troops Into Mexico.

Washington, Feb. 14.—The question of sending American troops into Mexica spent his second night in the Ellico to protect the American dike being constructed on Mexican soil to control the waters of Colorado river in Mexica after a trip to El Paso to a under consideration by the state

PRESENTS BILLS Buncombe County Representative Introduces Four Local Measures of Consider-

REFUNDING OF CITY'S BONDS ONE MEASURE INTRODUCED

able Importance.

Another Measure Has Reference to **Prompt Payment of County Taxes** -Other Legislative News from Capital.

Gazette-News Bureau, Chamber of Commerce Rooms, Hollemon Building, Raleigh, Feb. 14. yesterday afternoon Representative Roberts of Buncombe, one of the leaders in the general assembly at this session, introduced several measures of interest to the people of his county and sec-

tion. One of the measures introduced by Mr. Roberts had to do with the refunding of a part of the city's bonded nichtedness, another was designed to allow the county of Buncombe to work convicts outside of the county; a third measure was for the purpose of encouraging the prompt payment of county taxes and the fourth to allow the county commissioners to ollect mileage.

The house last night passed on second reading the Ewart bill reducing railroad fares to two cents on trains where companies refuse to pull mile-age on trains. Vote was 43 to 35. Objection by Dillard, of Cherokee, to nal reading forced the bill over to another day. The minority report was signed by Teague of Alexander, Alespaugh of Forsyth, Taylor of Hertord, and Smith of Greene,

Chairman Ray, of Macon, of the public service corporations committee nsisted that the committee voted unanimously to report the bill unfavorured on misrepresentation as to the en! meaning of the bill, not dreamng that it would open up all the old rouble which caused the extra session of the legislature in 1908. He said the Baggett senate bill is underdond to be the proper bill and not

he Ewart bilt. Sminhour, of Burke, did not care who introduced the bill. He only knew that Governor Kitchin recommended it in his message; that the bill does not put the rate at two cents. out only puts the rate at two cents. but only puts the rate at two cents

nilenge book nutsance. Judge Ewart spoke for his bill, givng a history of the railroad legis'alayed that his measure simply carries out the governor's recommendation. Carr of Dunlin, moved to re-refer; argument against the bill was made

Spainhour, of Burke. Alfred of Johnston, offered as a betitute the Baggett senate bill. Dillard of Cherokee opposed the bill n the ground that the people who do not wish to do so, do not have to buy nileage books, the trouble being that the rilroads have the right to withmileage book privilege. Battle of Wake also opposed the nill. saying matters would be better if left as at present though to exchange BE HIDING IN EL PASO 69 to 8. The substitute was lost by a vote of

The bill then passed second reading 42 to 35, going over for third reading on objection of Dillard, of Cherokes.

Speaker Pro. Tem. Doughton con-sered the house today at 11 o'clock, prayer by Rev. Mr. O'Kelly of the 'irst Baptist church.

Petitions were sent forward by Mc-Williams from citizens of Hyde county in opposition to the fish commis-Hyde, Cartaret and Dare counties against the fish commission bill; by Koonce from citizens of Onslow for Cornwell in favor of Torrens land title

Among bills favorably reported from committees were: Provide legislative library ; provide for the estabishment of traveling libraries; Spain hour bill for \$400,000 additional state appropriation for public schools. New Bills Introduced.

Brown: Protect game in Stanty. Koonce: Amend fish laws of Car-

Koonce: Increase pensions to old oldiers to one million dollars. Shipman; Increase salaries of commissioners of Columbus county. Shipman: Appoint trustees for Lake Wacamaw

friendly nation and caused arms and and Columbus counties. Floyd: For good roads in Franklin county.

neutrality and customs laws. The Alired: United States troops and all United stock law. States federals on the border have Dillard. Amend , Wayne county Dillard of Cherokee: Save costs in

criminal cases. Validate the tionary leader, yesterday was held in sue and special tax in Cherokee \$10,000 by United States Commissioncounty.
Spainhour: Amond the sub-con-tractor lein law.