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THE LEGISLATURE.

The Watts Liquor Bill has passed both houses and is now a law. We will publish it in full in our next issue so that our readers may see all of its provisions.

The Revenue Bill will be completed this week and then the appropriation bills will come up.

Three bills pertaining to Louisburg were introduced this week, viz: The Graded School bill, the Town Extension bill, and the bill regarding water works and sewerage.

At the caucus last night we learn that N. Y. Gullett, T. B. Womack and W. B. Rodman were selected as the Code Commissioners.

The Legislature will probably adjourn the latter part of next week.

This being the last week of the North Carolina General Assembly, the sixty days constitutional limit of the session expires Saturday, and if legislators remain in session after that they serve without pay. As they are not likely to do this long, practically all legislation for the session will be disposed of this week, and after one or two days next week devoted to ratification of acts passed a formal adjournment will be taken.

The trial of Arthur L. Bishop, the drummer who shot and killed Tom Wilson in the latter's home in Charlotte last December, was concluded in Mecklenburg Superior Court on Thursday of last week and given to the jury that night. The jury did not reach an agreement until noon Sunday and Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock returned a verdict of manslaughter. Monday morning Judge Neal sentenced Bishop to five years in the penitentiary. It is understood that his case will not be appealed.

E. G. CONYERS DEAD.

The editor regrets to learn of the death of his friend Ephraim G. Conyers, who passed away at his home on Saturday last. He had recently moved over into Wake county, to teach. Mr. Conyers was a most estimable gentleman, and had a host of friends in Franklin who held him in high esteem. He was a member of the Baptist church and was a Christian. For several years he was Superintendent of Schools of this county, and in 1886 was one of the Democratic nominees for the legislature. By a fusion of Republicans and Independents that year he was defeated by only 26 votes. He was popular and the county has lost a good citizen.

A WISE PLAN.

The Washington Post of Tuesday contains the following:

"Alabama Democrats," said Mr. Albert E. Pace, a prominent lawyer of Dothan, in that State, at the Riggs House, "have come to the conclusion that it is the wisest policy to keep sending the same men to the Senate and House. I have no idea that either of our Senators will have opposition as long as they are physically able to perform their duties. Senator Pettus, despite his great age (he often says jocosely that he is a hundred), had no opposition in our legislature a few weeks ago, and when Mr. Morgan's present term is out I think he will have the same experience."

"In our Congressional district the people are eminently pleased with the record of their Representative, Hon. Henry D. Clayton, and the probability is that he can keep coming to Washington as long as he desires to remain in public life. I think the idea is gaining ground all over the South that it is bad policy to make frequent changes of men elected as national legislators."

The plan of Alabama is a very wise one, and now that North Carolina has such a good list of Representatives in both Houses of Congress, her people would do well to follow the example and keep them there. It is this plan that has enabled the Northern States to "get all that was coming to them." By keeping their Senators and representatives in Congress for a long term of years they have acquired an influence which never fails to be felt in all legislative matters—especially for their various sections.

DR. RIDDICK'S POSITION.

YOUNGSVILLE, N. C., Feb. 25th 1903

EDITOR TIMES:—This writer was recently in Raleigh upon the attendance of the legislature. The Watts bill was under discussion in the Lower House. Your readers will remember that this bill does not embrace a large self government idea with respect to the liquor question. When the vote was taken, our representative, Dr. I. G. Riddick, explained his vote and in doing so used substantially the following language: "Gentlemen, I vote No. When I was elected to a seat on this floor, I promised myself and my constituents that I would, as far as I could, represent their best interests. My people are capable of determining the matter themselves. Therefore, I wish to be regarded as having voted for no measure or no bill while a member of this General Assembly that would curtail the liberties of the people of Franklin county. This sentiment, in my opinion, presents the true idea of a democratic people and should appeal to every liberty-loving citizen of the state."

Yours truly, L. H. ALLEN.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

FEB. 23RD, 1903.

The unfortunate deadlock in the Senate which threatens the success of the Panama Canal, the Cuban treaty and, unless soon broken, will precipitate an extra session of Congress is finally reaching a point where it occasions alarm to the republican leaders, and alarm increased by the President's insistence that he will call an extra session of the Senate if either the Panama or the Cuban treaty fail of ratification. The annoyance of the republican leaders has been recently manifested by their abuse of Senator Quay, who is contributing to the filibuster. Mr. Quay, knowing that he represents a considerable majority of the Senate, and having subjected to a protracted filibuster on the Statehood bill, has determined to fight fire with fire and is accordingly filibustering on the Panama treaty. What the end will be it is impossible to predict with certainty, although it is known that the republican leaders are contemplating a compromise on the Statehood bill and are prepared to yield, at least to some extent, to the demands of the democrats if by so doing they can secure the prompt ratification of both treaties.

Senator Morgan has thus far conducted a most remarkable filibuster on the Panama treaty. He has spoken over 200,000 words, equal to a very big book, in his arguments against the convention as framed and still seems as fresh as ever. One evening last week a night session was held with the hope of tiring out the venerable Alabamian. He spoke for three hours, from 7 to 10 o'clock, when the Senate took a recess until next morning. Your correspondent happened to leave the Capitol just behind Senators Morgan and Pettus, who were walking arm in arm, and heard in the former say, "Pettus, what shall we do with the rest of the evening? I'm not tired and it is too early to go to bed. Can you suggest some way of enjoying ourselves for an hour or two?" When it is realized that Mr. Morgan is 79 and Mr. Pettus is the humor of the incident is apparent.

The House has been devoting its attention to appropriation bills recently and has passed a number, including the Naval and Fortification bills. It is now engaged in debating the Fowler "rubber currency" measure which has for its chief object the turning over to the banks and bankers the virtual control of the money of the nation. The bill may pass the House, Mr. Fowler says it will, but it cannot pass the Senate. The Naval bill authorizes the construction of the three new battle ships, an armored cruiser, two steel training ships and a wooden brig. It also appropriates \$500,000 for the Secretary of the Navy to thoroughly investigate the subject of submarine boats and to purchase such as he deems wise and the appropriation will permit. It is known that the Lake boat will be thoroughly investigated under this provision. The bill also authorizes the doubling of the number of midshipmen at Annapolis, a course made necessary by the coming into commission of many new naval vessels.

The Anti-anarchy bill has finally been agreed upon by the conferees. As it stands it provides for capital punishment for any person who shall kill or attempt to kill the President or any of his legal successors. Advice or assistance to kill any of these persons will be regarded as a principal offense. The advice to kill, or teaching that any officer of any civilized government should be killed will be punished by a fine not exceeding \$5,000 or imprisonment not exceeding twenty years or both. It was this last provision which Senator Bacon so ably opposed both in the Senate and in an interview printed in these letters a year ago. It is regarded as doubtful if the conference report will be agreed upon by the Senate because of the objection of the democrats.

A final attempt was made last week by the friends of Admiral Schley to secure for him the recognition of Congress. A resolution was offered in the committee on Naval Affairs providing that he be given the pay and allowances of a rear admiral on the active list. The resolution was laid on the table by a vote of all the republicans except Mr. Mudd. It is well known that if the resolution could be brought before the House it would be adopted but the will of a majority of the House is defeated by the Naval committee.

Representative Bankhead recently told your correspondent that he feared the democrats in the Senate were making a mistake by following the leadership of Mr. Quay and attaching the Omnibus Statehood bill to an appropriation bill. He said, "I am afraid it is not good politics, nor is it wise legislation for the democratic party to go on record in favor of political riders to appropriation bills. It may come home to haunt us before long in connection with the constantly growing desire on the part of republican leaders to reduce the Congressional representation from the southern states, as a result of the present agitation of the race problem. Whenever two or more republicans get together to talk politics and the negro question comes up you will hear them declaring themselves in favor of reducing the southern representation in Congress as an offset to the negro disfranchisement. The President is most extreme on this question and the result of establishing the precedent of attaching a general legislation rider to an appropriation bill may some day be made the means of humiliating the south."

Albert B. Cummins, the republican governor of Iowa, is in Washington and has had several conferences with the President. As a result it is said to have been agreed that there will be a "stand pat" tariff plank in the next Iowa platform. The President has been made to feel that any interference with the tariff schedules will incur the enmity of the protected interests of the country and defeat his chances of nomination. He therefore sent for Governor Cummins and has talked very plainly to him, telling him he must placate the advocates of an ex-

treme tariff and, for the present at least, must abandon what has come to be known as "the Iowa idea". This will doubtless come as cheerful news to the tariff revision republicans, especially those of Iowa and Minnesota but it is the protected interests of New York state of which Mr. Roosevelt is thinking.

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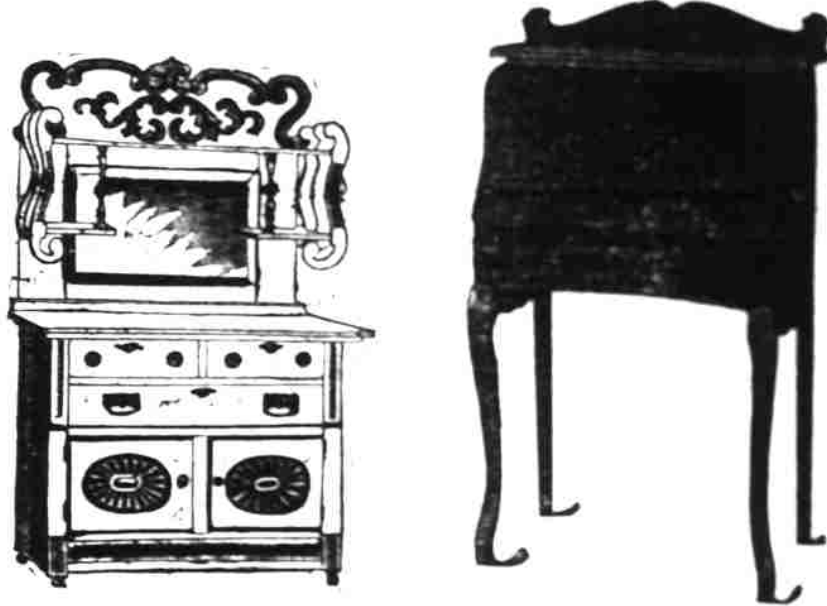
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