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RAILROAD RATE BILL.

AS PASSED BY THE RECENT EXTRA SESSION.

The Agreement Between the Governor and the Railroads Ratified—A Flat Rate of 2 1-2 Cents on all big Roads.

Section 1. That no railroad company doing business as a common carrier of passengers in the state of North Carolina shall charge, demand or receive for transporting any passenger and his or her baggage, not exceeding in weight two hundred pounds, from any station on its railroad in North Carolina to any other station on its road in North Carolina, a rate in excess of 2 1-2 cents per mile, for transporting children under twelve years and over five years of age one-half of the above prescribed, and for transporting children under five years of age, accompanied by any person paying fare, no charge whatever shall be made; Provided, that where the amount of the ticket at the prescribed rate would amount to any figure between two multiples of five, the price of the ticket shall be the multiple of five which is nearest the price of the ticket at the rate above mentioned, or in the event that the amount is equidistant between two multiples of five, the price charged for the ticket shall be on the basis of the higher of these two multiples of five: Provided further, that no charge of less than ten cents shall be required: Provided further, that independently owned and operated railroad companies in North Carolina whose mileage of road in said state is one hundred miles or less may charge a rate not exceeding three (3) cents per mile; Provided further, independently owned and operated railroad companies in North Carolina, whose mileage of road in said state is ten miles or less may charge the same rate which is now in existence on said roads. This provision shall not extend to branch lines of railroad companies controlling over one hundred miles of road, whether chartered in or out of the state; also, that newly constructed railroads or the portion of railroads which may be constructed shall be exempt from the operation of this act for two years after completion, to the extent that they may charge a rate in no case to exceed three cents per mile. A charge of fifteen cents may be added to the fare of any passenger when the same is paid on the train, if the ticket might have been procured within a reasonable time before the departure of the train. That the North Carolina Corporation Commission, its employes and assistants, shall have no power or authority to fix, change or to in any manner enforce the provisions of this act fixing the passenger charges on railroads at two and one-half cents per mile, or to fix, change, or in any manner enforce the rates permitted to be charged by this act. And the North Carolina Corporation Commission, its employes and assistants shall have no power to enforce the penalties provided for in section 4 of this act.

Section 2. In the case that any railroad company operating as a common carrier of passengers in the state of North Carolina is owned, controlled or operated by lease or other agreement by any other railroad company doing business in the state, the rate for carrying passengers thereon as prescribed by this act shall be determined for said railroad company by the rate prescribed by this act for the railroad company, which owns, controls or operates the same.

Section 3. That any railroad company, violating any of the provisions of this act, or counselling, ordering or directing any employe, agent or servant to violate any provisions of this act by charging, demanding or receiving any rate greater than that

fixed by this act, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction shall be fined not less than \$500 and not more than \$5,000; any any agent servant or employe of any railroad company who shall violate this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction shall be fined or imprisoned, or both, in the discretion of the court.

Section 4. That any person or persons, except those permitted by law, who accept free transportation shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction shall be fined or imprisoned, or both, in the discretion of the court; and any railroad or its employes or agents giving free transportation of any kind whatsoever, except that permitted by law, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction shall be fined not less than \$500 nor more than \$2,000 for each offense.

Section 5. That an act entitled "An act prescribing the maximum charges railroads may make for transporting passengers in North Carolina," ratified on the second day of March 1907, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Section 6. That no railroad company, or agent, servant or employe of any railroad company, shall be held liable to any person or found guilty of any offense in any action, civil or criminal, whether heretofore or hereafter instituted or begun, by reason of anything done or attempted to be done in violation of said act mentioned in the preceding section hereof, or of any provision thereof.

Section 7. That section 2618 of the Revisal of 1907 is hereby repealed, and all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Section 8. That this act shall be in force from and after April 1, 1908.

Board of Education.

The Board met on the 3rd, and in addition to the regular routine attended to the following business:

Committee appointed for special tax district (Moulton), No. 2, Sandy Creek: D. T. Fuller, J. B. Smith, W. H. Bledsoe.

H. D. Egerton was authorized to sell old house in above district.

Upon application and payment of requisite amount, libraries were ordered as follows:

Regular library at Pearce's, No. 1 Dunns. Supplementary library at Bunn, No. 6, Dunns. Supplementary library at Pilot, No. 4, Dunns. A correction was made in Centreville School apportionment—making it \$240.

The Treasurer was authorized to pay State amount due on loans.

The Committee of Youngsville township was authorized to make necessary repairs to No. 1, (Garners) in that township.

A. C. Perry, J. M. Mullen, H. H. Beddingfield, Wm. Tant and W. M. Pearce were appointed committee for Pine Ridge special tax district, in Dunns.

List of Letters.

Remaining in the post-office at Louisburg, N. C. uncalled for:

Alfred Askew, E. L. Hunter, Mrs. A. L. Aycock, Pattie Bailey, John Dunston, R. Y. Dickerson, James Caulty, Julia Dednam, Fulton & Co, Anna Rich King, I. H. Hagwood, Mrs. S. B. Hall, Len Johnson, Marion A. Lee (2), Annie Loyd, John Moorer, Emma More, Allen Mitchell, Calvin William McAdoo, Lillian Perry, Mrs. Eugenia Perry, Mrs. Lou Perry, Lula B. Perry, J. W. Pritcham, Mrs. Neil Perry, Louisa Richmond, Mrs. Francis Ruffin, Mrs. Evelyn D. Rogers, I. H. Rowland, Cornelia E. Stallings, Annie L. Williams, Samuel Walls, Mrs. Pattie Williams, Mrs. Elnora Williams, Justa Williams, The Young.

Persons calling for any of the above letters will please say they saw them advertised.

R. R. HARRIS, P. M.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD IN ATTENDANCE.

Regular Routine Business Attended to—Board Decides to Erect a Stockade Near Jail for the Road Prisoners.

The Board met on the 3rd and 4th, all members present.

Property of Green & Yarbore Co., was ordered to be listed in Cypress Creek township.

Miss Siddle Green was relieved of \$12.25 tax, the same having been paid by P. G. and M. G. Smith.

A petition for road from W. G. Faulkner's to Warren county line was granted, with no cost to county, a report having been made that everything was satisfactory, and the sum of \$10 had been paid to Primus Jones.

The Board decided to postpone the purchase of an adding machine.

E. M. Gupton was appointed to have bridge built over Lyon's creek near Bledsoe's.

Report of Dr. R. F. Yarborough, Superintendent of Health, was received and filed.

T. S. Collie was appointed to look after bridge on road leading from Red Bad to Warrenton.

Report of Grand Jury was received and filed.

The Board met at jail and decided to erect a stockade for road hands near the jail, and to provide extra cell for female prisoners.

R. G. Winn was re-elected Standard Keeper for a term of two years.

N. B. Young was appointed a committee to look after bridge at Polly Solomon Ford on Crooked creek.

Petition for a road leading from Gupton P. O., near Sandy creek church was granted, no expense to fall on county. The commissioners to lay off same are as follows: J. W. Griffin and Peter Gupton, from Sandy Creek, and J. R. Gupton, G. W. Nelson and S. N. Nelson, from Gold Mine.

Sallie Morton was placed on outside pauper list at \$1 per month.

E. D. Robbins was relieved of tax on 47 1-2 acres of land in Harris township, the same having been paid by E. J. Frazier.

The report of C. S. C., of fines, etc., was received and ordered recorded.

Report of E. N. Williams, who reported 6 white and 19 colored inmates, was received and filed.

T. W. Bickett, attorney to the Board, was appointed to take up the road matter near Franklinton with the Seaboard Air Line Railway. Unless the Railroad authorities make proper repairs to the public road at once indictment will follow.

Messrs Collie and Uzzell were appointed to draw up specifications for the erection of a stockade for Road hands, which will be let to the lowest bidder on February 24th.

Clerk of the Court, J. J. Barrow, was allowed the expense of a clerk to assist him during Court weeks.

Claims to the amount of \$1,055.22 were allowed on general fund, \$210.12 on roads and \$88.89 for County Home.

Board adjourned to meet on February 24th to open sealed bids for the erection of a stockade near jail.

BENNETT-ROGERS.

Announcement of the Marriage of Mr. Samuel J. Bennett to Miss Eva Estelle Rogers which Took Place in December.

Apex, N. C., Feb. 3. A reception was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Rogers last night, to which a large number of their friends were invited. Despite the cold and otherwise unfavorable weather pre-

valing, there was a large attendance.

After supper when the guests had reassembled into the parlor, Mr. Percy J. Olive arose and stated that as a friend of the family he had an announcement to the other friends assembled, an announcement which he stated Rev. Mr. R. C. Craven, pastor of the First Methodist church of Henderson would have made, had his presence not been prevented by illness in his family. Mr. Olive then read a letter from Rev. Mr. Craven, stating that Miss Eva Estelle Rogers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Rogers, and Mr. Samuel J. Bennett were united by him in matrimony on the 18th day of December last. After this announcement, which took a large number of the guests by surprise, and after a few remarks on the part of Mr. Olive, expressions of the well wishes of the assembled guests, the friends of the young couple went forward and extended their most cordial well wishes.

Among the guests present were: Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bann, of Raleigh; Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hughes and Mr. and Mrs. Junius Lassiter, of Apex; Mr. Joseph Bland, of Raleigh; Miss Minnie Franklin and Messrs. L. L. Olive, W. B. Johnson, Percy J. Olive, Estes Baucom, Elbert Lassiter and Miss Mitchell, of Apex.

Mrs. Bennett, as Miss Eva Estelle Rogers, was one of the most popular young ladies of this section. Possessed of beauty, a highly cultivated mind and a most pleasant disposition, she has been blessed with an unusually large number of friends.

Mr. Samuel J. Bennett came to Apex about two years ago from Louisburg, as the manager of the clothing house at Apex, of Messrs. Strickland & Wheelless, of Louisburg. He recently purchased the business of Strickland & Wheelless here. Mr. Bennett has given close attention to his business here and has been very successful. In addition he has made many friends by his uniform courtesy and fair dealing.

Mr. and Mrs. Bennett will make their home in Apex, and they start upon life's journey under the most favorable circumstances.

Honor Roll

Of Ingleside Academy for January:

1st, grade—Gladys Sledge, Wayland Sledge, Eugene Wilson.

2nd, grade—Lessie Dickerson.

Miss SUEBIE MACON, Teacher.

5th, grade—Bessie Beal.

Miss LOULIA JARMAN, Teacher.

6th, grade—Mary Belle Dement Ester Edwards.

T. H. SLEDGE, Teacher.

On the night of Feb. 14th there will be a box-party at the Academy. The proceeds will be used for the benefit of the school.

On Feb. 21, at 7:30 p. m., Supr. R. B. White will give us an address.

Mr. White is one of the best of speakers, so a treat is in store for those who may be so fortunate as to hear his address.

Honor Roll.

The following is the honor roll for Bab Rock, the week ending Jan. 31, 1908:

First grade—Richmond U. Church, Bertha Bowden.

Second grade—Bessie Hays, Belle and Reuben Bunn.

Third grade—Pauline Bowden, Albert Medlin, Viola Bowden, Ethel Edwards, Willie Bowden.

Fourth grade—Annie Medlin, Lizzie Bunn, Talmage Moses, Robert Layton.

Fifth grade—Agnes Medlin.

Sixth grade—Johnnie and Bonnie Bunn, Oscar and Roger Moses, George Bowden, Mamma Jackson, Lippus Medlin.

ALICE M. HINZ, Teacher.

Big Sales at the Racket Store. Nice goods sold at half cost.

THE MOVING PEOPLE.

THEIR MOVEMENTS IN AND OUT OF TOWN.

And Those Who Come and Go, Some for Pleasure, Some for Business and a Large Number Because They Like It.

Miss Daisy Allen came home and spent last Sunday with her people.

Mr. B. T. Holden visited his people near Youngville the past week.

Messrs. W. H. Yarborough, Jr., W. M. Boone and J. M. Allen went to Raleigh Tuesday.

Col. W. L. McGhee and Maj. C. L. McGhee, of Franklinton, were in Louisburg yesterday.

Mr. Robt. Etheridge, of Selma, has taken a position with the Boddie Perry Drug Company.

Mr. P. H. Cooke and Dr. F. K. Cooke, arrived home this week, and their friends are pleased to see them looking so well.

10 THE CITIZENS.

An Address From the Anti-Saloon League.

TO THE PEOPLE OF NORTH CAROLINA:

We, and others of the Anti-Saloon League, called the temperance forces together to meet in convention in the city of Raleigh on January 21st. The great convention that assembled unanimously asked the present Legislature to give the State a statutory law against the manufacture and sale of liquor at the present session, but a majority of the members of the Legislature, after considering the matter, decided to submit the question to a vote of the people. The "Long-Dowd" bill is now a law. It is a compromise bill prepared by the best thought of temperance men in the State. It is not as stringent as some of us would like it to be, but it is an extension of the Watts and Ward bills to the whole State. On Tuesday, May 20th, the issue will be presented to the people of North Carolina, are you "For or against" the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors?

The praise for this issue being submitted to the people of North Carolina is due to the great heart of the masses of its citizenship demanding this reform, the ministers of the Gospel of peace and good will towards men, those Senators and Representatives, who voted for the bill, most of the press of the State, the educators of the State, and to those splendid men: Senator F. M. Simmons, Judge Jeter C. Pritchard, ex-Governor Thomas J. Jarvis, Governor Robert B. Glenn, ex-Governor C. B. Aycock, Josephus Daniels, Hugh G. Chatham, S. McIntyre, J. A. Hartness, Henry A. London, G. W. Watts, T. H. Vanderford, J. J. Rogers, Henry A. Page, Frank R. McNeill, W. C. Newland, A. D. Watts, H. G. Fennell, J. H. Tucker, J. D. McColl, Settle Dockery, A. D. Ward, J. H. Post, W. N. Jones, L. I. Smith, N. B. Broughton, W. H. Sprunt, E. T. Canlier, James I. Johnson, Clarence H. Poe, George P. Pell, H. B. White, W. I. Everett, Cameron Morrison, F. S. Blair, Thomas J. Shaw, Q. K. Nimocks, W. S. O'B. Robinson, E. F. Aydtett, A. M. Scales, R. Lee Wright, J. W. Bailey, W. F. Snider, R. L. Madison, W. T. Shaw, J. L. Choat, W. B. Cooper, Virgil S. Lusk, W. B. Smoot and others. The bill leaves intact the higher local prohibitory laws now in force in the several counties.

We have patiently borne for years the galling yoke of the saloon, distillery and drink evil with all their attending curses and woes. The time has come when this enemy to the human family must be destroyed. No family, high or low, rich or poor, but has felt the awful curse of the

drink habit. It is the cancer worm that has eaten into the heart of the body politic; it has made the sweet water of life bitter; the tears that have been shed by an army of mourners speak to our heads as well as our hearts.

"In the sweetest bed,
The eating cancer dwells."

No race is exempt, especially is it injurious to the negro, to whom the white race owes a duty. The people of the state, in the generations gone by, have resisted to the last ditch tyranny and oppression, cruelty and wrong. The power is with them, and they are once more called upon to battle in a righteous cause. Be not deceived with false arguments. The business man and corporation no longer want one who drinks in their employment. The Mill and Manufacturing towns of the State have refused to license the traffic fraught with such evil to the moral and material prosperity of the community. How wonderfully they have prospered by so doing!

This issue appeals to men of all parties; to men of all creeds; it is above party, above creed, above nationalities; it is a matter of conscience. With malice toward none, and with an eye single to the public good, we call upon all to join with us in the contest. If any have made, wittingly or unwittingly, entangling alliances harmful to themselves, or the good of the human family, we appeal to them to sever their connection with the "body of this death," renounce their freedom and manhood and enter the contest. We especially appeal to those who have been against us in the past to forget all differences for the public good and enter the contest. It is a contest against the saloon, distillery and drink evil, and not against the man; an issue of merit and morals, and not of men and politics.

Friends of temperance, organize, work and pray. If this is done victory is ours.

JOHN A. ORTER,

Chairman Executive Committee.

HAROLD CLARKSON,

President of State Convention.

R. L. DAVIS,

State Organizer.

Recital at Youngville.

The Music Class of the Youngville Graded School will give a recital in the school building Friday the 7th of February. After the recital oysters and other delicacies will be served in the recitation rooms.

Doors open at 6:30 o'clock. The seats are all free and the public is cordially invited to attend and spend a pleasant evening.

(Miss) E. L. VINES, Teacher.

Deaths.

During the past week the following deaths have occurred in this section:

On the 31st, Mrs. Martha Fuller, mother of D. T. Fuller, aged 81 years. She was a most highly esteemed woman.

On Tuesday night, J. G. Swanson, aged 83 years, departed this life.

On Tuesday evening at his home in Harris township, John W. Horton, after a short illness, passed away at the age of 72.

Died.

At her home in Franklin county on the night of Jan. 26th, Mrs. B. C. Perry, (New Amayville Station.) This estimable woman passed away in the 60th year of her age after a long and tedious illness, three daughters, Mrs. Henry Dickerson, Miss Lavinia and Ora Perry, three little grand-children, with her husband, survive her; they have the sincere sympathy of a large number of friends who hope they all may meet her again.

A FRIEND.