

News From State Capital.

The General Assembly Elects Senator and is Now Settling Down to Work. * * *

Raleigh, N. C., February 2.—The solution of the Senatorial problem on the sixty-first ballot, after three weeks of caucusing and fruitless balloting, by the election of Hon. Lee S. Overman, gives entire satisfaction to the Democracy of North Carolina, and not a single complaint has been heard.

It was a clean, honestly conducted contest on the part of all the candidates, and no suggestion of unfair methods or dishonest practice has been heard from any quarter. The vote on the last ballot (Overman 73, Watson 58, Craig 11) showed that six former Watson men and only three Craig men went over to Overman at the final wind-up. So, Mr. Overman does not owe his nomination to Mr. Craig or to Mr. Craig's contingent (over half of whom had already gone to Watson), but to the independence and judgement of those who after vainly voting for Mr. Watson night after night, and becoming convinced that he could not win, turned to Mr. Overman, whom they believe they could elect.

One month from next Wednesday it will be "Senator Overman" and "ex-Senator" Pritchard. Every Republican in the Legislature voted for Mr. Pritchard, and he received 21 votes, Mr. Overman's vote on Friday at the joint session of the Senate and House being 138.

Senator-elect Overman is exactly forty-nine years and one month old to-day, in the very prime of life, and there is probably no man in North Carolina better qualified at the very outset of his career to fill the place to which he has just been chosen.

This is not the first time the Democrats of the legislature have nominated Mr. Overman for the Senate. He was the caucus nominee eight years ago, to fill the unexpired term of Senator Vance, but was defeated by Mr. Pritchard, whom he now, in turn, defeats for reelection.

Personally and socially our new Senator is a most compassionate and lovable gentleman. Possessed of sufficient dignity (and not burdened with that generally unpopular possession), a manly physique and handsome face, a richly stored mind and eloquent tongue, and with a legislative experience that will now stand him in good stead, he will go to Washington as well equipped perhaps as any new man ever sent to the United States Senate. And he will soon take a high stand among his associates there—as the successor of his own father-in-law (Mr. Merrimon) and of the great Vance whose private secretary he was for several years while Vance was Governor of North Carolina.

LEGISLATIVE LORE.

The whiskey question, precipitated by the introduction of the Watts and London bills, and discussion during the past week before the joint committee, is red-hot and still a heating. The whiskey interests are unquestionably stirred up, the distillers, wholesalers, all classes of them. And will they may be, for there has not been such a widespread temperance sentiment in the State among the legislators in a generation as that which exists now. The meetings of the joint committee on Propositions and Grievances, which were addressed by scores of leading men and women, representing all callings, were so largely attended that the legislative hall could not hold all who would have entered if they could. It now looks as though a compromise bill, retaining most of the important features of the Watts and London bills, will be reported and passed.

Liquor cannot now be sold in two-thirds of the counties of this State, and if such a bill as the

temperance people ask for is passed John Barleycorn must soon bid farewell to North Carolina, as a licensed commodity at least. The liquor men have a number of lawyers here fighting the efforts of the temperance people.

An "industrial school" or reformatory for young and inexperienced criminals and neglected or forsaken or homeless youngsters prone to go to the bad, will be established. This result is due to the efforts of the good women of the State, representatives of whom have secured a favorable report for a \$5,000 appropriation to erect the initial building and dormitory. It is anticipated that a site, with a considerable area of farming and timber lands, will be donated. The counties will be required to support the inmates until the institution gets on a self-sustaining basis, each contributing \$100 a year for each inmate from that county.

The child labor bill has not been taken up yet, but it is stated that it may come up next week. There is no doubt of the passage of a wise and sensible anti-child labor bill. Public sentiment demands it. The law-makers here are fully aware of that fact, and they will enact the law when the time comes, be it next week or later.

A bill passed the Senate Friday allowing certain divorced parties to re-marry, but before it was passed the bill was amended by Senator Henderson so as to provide for the repeal of the Acts of 1895 and 1899, making abandonment for three years a ground for divorce. The bill will probably pass the House also.

Senator Glenn, chairman of the Senate Committee on Asylums for the Insane, wants an investigation of these three institutions by the joint legislative committee, and he will this week offer a resolution to that effect. He says he is influenced to take this course because of certain "rumors" involving the mistreatment of patients, etc., which have reached him, at the same time stating that he does not credit them. Still, he thinks an investigation by the committee (empowered to "send for persons and papers") advisable.

Senator-elect Overman and Senator Simmons are both graduates of Trinity College, and that famous and splendid institution is naturally proud of them. Among the hundreds of telegrams and letters received by Mr. Overman since his election was one from his old society at Trinity, the "Columbian."

The joint meeting of the Senate and House Committees on Manufactures have set next Thursday, February 5, as the day for initial hearing on the anti-child labor bills. Advocates and opponents of the measure will be given opportunity to be heard by the committee at that time. A bill of this character will unquestionably be passed, but there are some differences as to what its provisions shall contain.

Now that the Senatorship is settled the Legislature will get down more earnestly and systematically to work. It is really astonishing how many "bills," of all sorts, can be originated in the fertile brains of the law-makers, especially the "new member." Of course a large percentage of them are killed, and many never get beyond the committee-rooms.

Granville county court meets today at Oxford. It was expected by some that the "celebrated case" of Gattis against Kilgo and others would come up at this term for its fourth airing in court, but I am informed that it cannot be reached on account of a heavy criminal docket.

The question of who shall be the

next Governor of North Carolina—in other words, the Dem. nominee next year—is being discussed by the legislators and other visitors to the capital, so many of whom have been here during the last three weeks. The names of Col. John S. Cunningham of Person, R. B. Glenn of Forsyth, W. D. Turner of Iredell, T. F. Davidson of Buncombe and Julian S. Carr of Durham are already "mentioned" by "many voters" and "Vox Populi" writers. Gen. Carr, however, states that he is not a candidate—but that does not mean that, if his friends insist on nominating him, he will not accept the nomination.

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New Bern Will Vote on This Question Affecting the P. O. and W. Road.

(Special to News and Observer.)
New Bern, Jan. 30.—At a meeting of the board of aldermen of the city of New Bern, held tonight the proposition to subscribe fifty thousand dollars to the Pamlico, Oriental and Western Railroad Company, was acted upon favorably and an election was ordered to be held in the city. Tuesday, March 24th, 1903, to satisfy same. This is quite an important step for this place and it is confidently expected and believed that the election will be carried by a very handsome majority. There is very little opposition to the measure and the action of the board of aldermen is very heartily approved by all the citizens.

The North Carolina Farmers' Protective Association.

The following is a copy of the measure which will be presented to the General Assembly, and which ought to pass promptly: "The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That for the purpose of organizing the farmers of the State for mutual protection and improvement—and their associates and successors are hereby created a body corporate under the name and style of the North Carolina Farmers Protective Association, and by such name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded; shall have perpetual succession and a common seal and shall have and enjoy all the rights, privileges and immunities granted to corporations by the general laws of the State, as well as and in addition to the rights privileges and immunities specifically granted in this act.

Sec. 2. That said corporation shall have power to establish, conduct or carry on by and through its duly appointed and authorized agents mercantile, manufacturing and other business in all branches; to erect or purchase, manage and operate stockyards, warehouses, grain elevators and packing establishments; to erect or purchase, own and operate mills and factories of any kind whatsoever; to own, operate and conduct one or more newspapers and to do any and all such things as may be necessary or advisable for its profit and advancement, or that may contribute to the accomplishment of the general design and purpose for which it is created.

Sec. 3. That said corporation shall have power to organize and establish a department for the purpose of mutually insuring the property of members of the association against loss by fire, wind or lightning, upon such terms and under such conditions as may be fixed by the by-laws of the association. No member of the association shall become liable under this section unless he shall insure his property in such department. Every member insuring his property in such department shall be bound to pay his portion of all losses and expenses accruing to said insurance department. No policy of insurance shall be issued by the department hereby authorized until not less than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) in not less than 200 separate risks upon country property located in North Carolina has been subscribed for.

Sec. 4. The said association may by its by-laws authorize and

regulate the formation of county and township associations. Such county and township associations shall be subject to rules and regulations prescribed by the State association. The State association shall prescribe rules and regulations for the general management of the affairs of the subordinate associations and shall provide for the proper presentation of the same in the meetings of the State association.

Sec. 5. That the said association shall by its bylaws prescribe the dues and assessments to be collected from its members. In addition to the dues so prescribed there shall on the death of any member, be collected from each of the members of the county or township association of which such deceased person was a member, an assessment of not more than (\$1.) for the benefit of the widow and the dependent minor children of such deceased member; Provided, that the aggregate amount of any such assessment be not more than three hundred dollars (\$300).

Sec. 6. That for the purpose of engaging in any of the mercantile and manufacturing enterprises authorized in this act the said association may associate with itself other persons, but in all such cases the association shall have and retain the controlling interest in the enterprise.

Sec. 7. That said association may make by-laws for its government, prescribe the necessary officers and the duties of each, and require bonds from such of its officers as occupy positions of trust.

Sec. 8. That no member of this association shall be personally responsible for any of its debts or liabilities.

Sec. 9. That all laws and clauses of in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed in so far as the same apply to this corporation.

Sec. 10. That this act shall be considered for all purposes and in all respects a public act.

Sec. 11. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

There is Something Beyond a Salary.

A boy or man who works simply for his salary, and is actuated by no higher motive, is dishonest, and the one whom he most defrauds is himself. He is cheating himself, in the quality of his daily work, of that which all of the after years, try as he may, can never give him back.

If I were allowed but one utterance on this subject so vital to every young man starting on the journey of life, I would say: "Don't think too much of the amount of the salary your employer gives you at the start. Think, rather, of the possible salary you can give yourself, in increasing your skill, in expanding your experience, in enlarging and ennobling yourself." A man's or a boy's work is material with which to build character and manhood. It is life's school for practical training of the faculties, stretching the mind and strengthening and developing the intellect, not a mere mill for grinding out a salary of dollars and cents.—O. S. Marsden in "Success."

Both are Trinity Men.

Both of the United States Senators from North Carolina—Hon. F. M. Simmons and Hon. Lee S. Overman—are graduates of Trinity College, and were educated by that great man, the lamented Dr. Craven, one of the biggest men this state has produced. It was said of him that he always succeeded in making every student feel that Craven was the biggest man in the world and he was the next biggest. However that may be, he put worthy ambition into them and many of them to this day rise up and call him blessed.—News and Observer.

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