

WILL PUSH NEW RAILROAD.

Contractor Will Take New Road in Hand About January 1.

High Point, Dec. 13.—Dee Allen, who is president of the new road to be built to High Point, says that work will be aggressively pushed, just as soon as the contractors can take the matter in hand, which will be about the first of the year. All in all, there are 111 miles of road to be built. Thomasville will be left out of the route, if she does not come up with \$50,000. Wadesboro and Rockingham are the two points at which connection with the Seaboard can be made, and the distance to either is about same, 72 miles to Wadesboro and 77 to Rockingham. At the same time there is probability of an extension to Hamlet a distance of only five miles. Mr. Hargood, head engineer to Oliver & Co., of Knoxville, Tenn., is here in conference with Dee Allen, he being one of the three largest contractors who are making plans and figures on the accomplishments of the work. The contracts will all have been awarded in the next two weeks. The survey towards Winston-Salem has already been made. Here the connection will be made with the Norfolk & Western, as far as Raleigh Cross Roads.—Special to Charlotte Observer.

Wants Pay for Cork Leg.

Legs are sometimes lost in the heat of battle where the shot and shell are screaming, and some go to the bad under the wheels of railroad trains, but there are but a few that are lost when the owner is working on a chain gang in a city of Macon's size.

Strange things happen every day, however, so there is no use commenting too much when the story Will Benjamin, a white man recently sent to the municipal chain gang from the recorder's court, parted with one of his legs. It was a cork one, however, and no excruciating tortures were the result. Something caused the leg to snap at the knee joint and on account of its loss, Benjamin, the owner, has petitioned the city to refund the leg in new shape or else give him the money with which to buy a new one.

Just what the city will do in this unique turn of affairs remains to be seen, but the story of the loss of the cork leg will remain as a vivid image in the minds of the city aldermen for some time to come.—Macon Dispatch to Atlanta Journal, 6th.

Benton and Slavery.

It has been commonly said that Col. Benton was opposed to slavery in the abstract. I have no sufficient evidence of that fact in his own declaration or in the political history of the country to prove it. In this connection it should be said to the credit of Col. Benton, and for the purpose of fixing his status upon slave question, that he was an active participant in the work of procuring the act of Congress authorizing the voters of the Missouri territory to form a constitution recognizing the existence of slavery, that the members of the Constitutional Convention from St. Louis county were unanimously in favor of making Missouri a slave state. The provision prohibiting free persons of color from other states from entering or remaining in this State, was his own work, written with his own hand. This seems to me to be quite sufficient to disprove the above statement.—Judge Thomas J. C. Fagg in Missouri Historical Review.

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Will Give Slower Schedule.

Mr. Ackert, fourth vice-president and general manager of the Southern Railway, said today that the traffic department was engaged in revising the schedule of the mail train No. 97, and other trains on the Southern Railway. The idea is to establish such new schedules as the road will be able to maintain in view of the congested traffic. It is understood that the schedules on the through train from Washington to Atlanta and New Orleans will be made from one to three hours later. The plan is to give the people schedules that they may depend upon, even if it is necessary to run trains slower.—Washington Cor. Charlotte Observer.

Legislature Meets Jan. 8.

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 14.—Jan. 8 is the date on which the general assembly will convene in Raleigh. The law provides that the legislature shall meet biennially on Wednesday after the first Monday in January, hence the date, January 8 for this year. It is understood that there will be a strenuous effort this season to change the time of meeting to some time in the spring. Weather conditions are so bad during the sixty days specified in January and February that the health and lives of members are greatly endangered by the exposure.—Special to Charlotte News.

Senator Dubois and Mr. Smoot.

Washington, Dec. 13.—The Senate today listened to the second speech which has been made this session against the continuance of Reed Smoot as a Senator from Utah. It was delivered by Senator Dubois, of Idaho, who, after reviewing in detail the working of the Mormon church and Mr. Smoot's prominent connection therewith, concluded with the charge that President Roosevelt used the weight of his administration to assist the Republican-Mormon vote in the last election.

Newbern Physician Hurt in Runaway.

Newbern, Dec. 11.—Dr. Frank Duffy, one of the foremost physicians of this section, was the victim of a painful accident today. He was riding to the Stewart Sanatorium to assist in a surgical operation when his horse ran away. He was thrown out and received painful bruises on his head and body. He was taken to the sanatorium, where his injuries were dressed. Fortunately no bones were broken, and he was enabled to be taken to his home, after receiving the proper attention.—Special to Charlotte Observer.

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