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## OUTLINES.

In the House at Washington yesterday discussion began upon the bill to abolish the Panama canal commission and authorizing President Roosevelt to construct the canal. A tremendous amount of Northern capital is being invested in the development of coal and iron properties in the South and big New England machinery manufacturing plants are coming South to get near the material. Former Mayor J. Samuel McCall of Chattanooga, Va., for a wife never went to the gallows to-day morning without a tremor, he confessed to the deets. The legislation at St. Petersburg is again serious and clouded and is feared tomorrow and in another Russian city troops fired on and killed 28 people. The American Newspaper arrived yesterday at North Carolina post office experience in her disabled condition at sea. Senator Tillman of South Carolina is suffering with nervous prostration and is going North to consult specialists. The American schooner Sarah J. Dawson is a wreck on Cape Lookout and one man was lost. New market was steady. Market on call was steady at 14¢ at 2 per cent; cotton the market was quiet at 77¢; flour was firm; wheat, spot firm No. 2 red \$12.50; o. b. absent; corn, spot firm, No. 2 \$4.50 at elevator; oats, spot quiet mixed 26@33 pounds, 34@37¢; rosin steady; Strained common to good \$1.87 1/2 cts; spirits turpentine steady.

## WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE,  
WEATHER BUREAU,  
WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 10.  
Meteorological data for twelve twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.  
Temperature at 8 A. M., 34° 8 P. M., 45°;  
maximum, 55°; minimum, 3°; mean, 44° degrees.  
Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since first of the month to date, 1.69 inches.  
Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M., Thursday 8.92 ft.  
FAYETTEVILLE, February 10.—For North Carolina. Fair Saturday with fresh to northwest winds; rain or snow Sunday.

Port Almanac—February 11.

Sun Rises ..... 6:59 A. M.  
Sun Sets ..... 5:32 P. M.  
Day's Length ..... 10 H. 48 M.  
High Water at Southport ..... 12:01 A. M.  
High Water at Wilmington ..... 2:31 A. M.

The cablegrams say Russia's situation has improved, but it has not improved enough for anybody to want her job.

The Legislature should appropriate every dollar that may be necessary for the care of the insane. This will be both "safe and sane."

"There is one man in town who wears a smile during this terrific blizzard," says an exchange. Wilmington men wore more than one smile—that is on the inside.

Unfortunately, there are too many members of the Legislature who seem to think that the only important question to be acted on by that body is the liquor traffic.

It is not known what the water wagon factory at Raleigh will do with the pilotage bill, but it is a safe guarantee that either the pilots or the citizens opposing compulsory pilotage will have to take water.

"What shall we do with our money?" asks a financial writer. "Do" with it? The question is ruled out as egregiously irrelevant in this case. He will be permitted to ask, "What have we done with our money?"

A lady writer furnishes a magazine article on "The Kind of Beard Women Like." Judging from the fact that Col. Johann Hoch managed to rake in thirty-five women in his wifely career, some women won't even turn down a Bluebeard.

A newspaper cartoon represents President Roosevelt holding a railroad magnate by the nose preparatory to rolling a "rate pill" down his throat. The magnate will take the pill all right and then use it to work the public.

Congress is quibbling about appropriating a big pile of money to give a great naval demonstration on account of the Jamestown celebration. President Castro, of Venezuela, by being a little obstinate can get naval demonstrations out of the powers most any old day.

In noting the fact that the rope and twine trust known as the Cordage Trust has gone into dissolution, we neglected to say that this is in accord with the adage "give a thief enough rope and he'll hang himself." Probably the Cordage Trust decided to wind up its own affairs rather than get tied up in a fight with President Teddy Roosevelt.

After the regular appropriation for public schools is apportioned as at present, then either race should be allowed the privilege of taxing itself for providing additional facilities for educating its children. And if this is not constitutional it should be made so. There is not a scintilla of substade in any of the arguments urged against this proposition. The "white man's burden" is heavy enough now. He is doing more than his duty in the education of the negro; and to say that he should be denied the right to spend more of his own money in educating his own children is preposterous.

## LOCAL DOTS.

—Other local, see fourth page.  
—The Lyric Stock Company arrived yesterday morning from Wilson.

Miss Sara Catlett last night gave a delightful German in Hibernian Hall, complimentary to her dancing classes.

Shad are reported to have commenced running in the river and a few small catches are coming on the market.

Capt. and Mrs. W. L. Jones have occupied their handsome new residence on Grace, between Front and Second streets.

An abundant supply of clear water with a temperature not above 64 degrees has been secured from a new well at the Y. M. C. A., and the swimming pool will be again put in commission this Spring and Summer.

The approaching and putting contest postponed from last Saturday afternoon on account of the weather, will be held this afternoon, beginning at 8 o'clock, on the Cape Fear Golf Links.

Rev. Harold Thomas, the newly elected assistant rector of Saint James' parish and minister in charge of the Chapel of the Good Shepherd, will be the speaker at the Y. M. C. A.'s meeting to-morrow afternoon.

The cotton market was still further off yesterday. The New York spot market was quiet at 7.70¢. The local market was steady at 7.55. The New York exchanges will be closed today and Monday and Chicago on account of Lincoln's birthday.

Geo. Stone, the negro charged with stealing a box of Old Virginia cheroots from the wharf of the steamer "Compton," was the lone defendant in the police court yesterday. Mr. E. B. Moore freight agent of the steamer, testified to the facts as outlined yesterday and the Mayor sent the negro to jail in default of \$50 bond.

Raleigh News and Observer: "Judge Farnell issued a peremptory order yesterday summoning McBee and Edwards before him within ten days, and to show cause why they should not be removed as receivers of the Carolina and Northern Railroad Company. They have made no report of the road since their appointment."

Among the 25 young men licensed to practice law by the Supreme Court Thursday was Mr. W. Russell Clegg, of Moore county. Mr. Clegg was formerly a compositor on this newspaper and has many friends "in the shop" as well as in the city, who are gratified to know of his successful debut in the legal profession, where a young man of his ability, integrity and perseverance is destined to a career of usefulness.

The Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad, now managed by the Howland Improvement Co., under lease from the State, has issued an attractive folder, advertising the resources of Eastern Carolina, and especially that section of it traversed by the A. & N. C. The folder is a creditable affair and is bound to attract the attention of outside capital and industry. A number of interesting views are presented in the folder, a copy of which may be obtained by addressing A. & N. C. headquarters at Goldsboro.

LADIES' BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

Annual Meeting Held Tuesday of This Week—Need of Increased Interest.

The annual meeting of the Ladies' Benevolent Society was held at the Catherine Kennedy Home on Tuesday of this week. Gratifying reports were read by the secretary and treasurer. For the first time in the history of the home, the expenditures exceeded the receipts, showing the need of increased donations and interest on the part of the community. The election of officers resulted as follows:

President—Mrs. Roger Moore.  
Vice-President—Mrs. P. Pearl.  
Secretary—Miss Louise Harlow.  
Treasurer—Mrs. W. R. French.

The board of managers is composed of the officers and the following ladies:

Mrs. O. O. Byrd; Mrs. B. F. Hall and Mrs. Jas. Carrington.

Mr. L. B. Rogers Bereaved.

Numerous friends in this city of Mr. Leroy B. Rogers, of the D. L. Gore Company, will deeply sympathize with him in the death of his mother, Mrs. Ann Rogers, aged 56, which occurred at 1 o'clock yesterday morning at the home of the family at Mullins, S. C. Mrs. Rogers was a woman greatly beloved in the community in which she lived and was devoted to her family and friends. She was the wife of Mr. G. W. Rogers, a prominent citizen of Marion county, and she leaves her husband, one daughter and five sons, who have the sincerest sympathy of hundreds of friends. Mr. L. B. Rogers, of this city, was at the bedside of his mother when she passed away.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Academy—"Mabel Heath."

J. H. Rheder & Co.—White sale.

Wilmington Grocery Co.—New goods

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Loaf—Pocketbook.

Residence—For rent.

Vote—For Sons of public library.

The "Light House" for an oyster house! Everything new. Electric lights. cheerful open fires. Last car leaves Wrightsville at 10:30 P. M.; heated, closed cars. The 8 o'clock car from town comes back as far as the Light House at 4:30 P. M. to give you an opportunity to eat an oyster roast as well as visit the oysters.

## STATE LIQUOR BILL.

Ward Amendment to Watts' Law Provoked Warm Debate in the Senate Yesterday.

## PASSED ITS SECOND READING.

Senator Empe, of New Hanover, denounced the measure as an Un-Democratic and Equivalent of Stealing—Other Proceedings.

(Special Star Telegram.)

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 10.—After a long and animated debate in the Senate to-day, the Ward bill, amending the Watts' act to prohibit distilleries in towns of less than 1,000 inhabitants, passed second reading by a vote of 35 to 16. Senator Scales attempted to have it placed upon the third reading, but his motion failed and the measure went over until to-morrow, when there will be more speaking on the question.

When the bill came up, Senator Ward, of Craven, addressed the Senate in favor of his substitute, leaving out his restrictions as to the size of the town, arguing that the Ward bill was a violation of party principles; that it did not afford police protection and that it was a fraud upon the temperance people of the State.

Senator Ward, of Craven, championed his bill in a spirited reply to Mr. Fleming, explaining the features, and declared that the measure was approved by State Chairman and Senator Simmons.

Senator McLean, of Scotland, supported the Ward bill.

Senator Mason, of Northampton, made one of the most impassioned orations, rallying the forces under the standard of "Education and Temperance," which was the best heard in the Senate this session.

Senator Stubbs, of Martin, also spoke, asking how far the Legislature proposed to go in these restrictive measures—this confiscation of investments made under the sanction of the State.

Senator Empe, of New Hanover, opposed the bill, which he characterized not as a Ward or a Simmons' bill, but as the bill of Josiah William Bailey, a man who was not a Democrat. He maintained the measure was equivalent to stealing. He considered the bill a violation of the Democratic platform.

Senator Gilliam, of Edgecombe, closed the debate with a plea against the confiscation of private property and money invested with the sanction and approval and on the pledged faith of the State. Many Senators spoke when the question was called on the amendment to strike out the requirement of a town of 1,000. It was voted down, as was the amendment making the population requirement 500. The bill was then amended to go into effect January 1, 1906, and passed its second reading.

The largest number of bills of any day this session were introduced in both houses to-day. The business of the Legislature is increasing to such an extent that, beginning next week, night sessions will be held to accommodate all bills introduced.

The Ward liquor bill, prohibiting the manufacture of liquor in towns with less than 1,000 population and requiring police investigation of places where liquor is sold or manufactured in any town, came up as the special order at noon and consumed most of the time in the Senate, being disposed of finally as stated above.

The Senate sessions were opened with prayer by Mr. McLean, of Scotland, and among bills introduced were:

To amend grants of land west of Asheboro, to allow creation of a town by Turrentine, to provide a State purchasing agent, to be appointed by the Governor, to give sufficient bond, to receive \$200 a month and expenses, and the several institutions of the State are to make requisitions on purchasing agent for such supplies or articles desired; by Cox, to incorporate Great Pee Dee Electric and Power Co.; by Webb, regulating elections in Buncome; by McMillan, to allow registration of trademarks; by Williams, to regulate tax on beer; by Bragaw, to authorize Beaufort to issue charter of Norwood; bill to establish a bureau of immigration was made the special order for next Tues-

day.

Among bills passed third reading were: to regard to railroad transportation for newspapers, permitting contracts for advertising in exchange for transportation; to elect commissioners and magistrates; to provide for the election of commissioners and magistrates; to allow Wake to make appropriation for Woman's Association for Betterment of School Houses; to amend charters of Southern Conservatory of Music and Presbyterian College, of Charlotte.

The House was opened with prayer by Mr. Mitchell, of Bertie, and an avalanche of local bills were introduced.

Hasten presented a petition from the people of Connelly, and Hockley, another town of Columbus county, against establishment of an immigration bureau. Uzzell presented one from citizens of Fremont, Wayne county, asking for the bureau of immigration. Among bills introduced were:

McGill, to provide for special school tax in Rockfish township, Cumberland county; by Britz, to incorporate Oak Grove cemetery, in Houson; by Hollowell, to authorize Goldsboro to issue bonds; by Hause, to regulate the survivors in Peeler county; by Koon, for appointment of magistrates in Onslow; by Taylor, to allow Smithville township, Brunswick county, to issue bonds for public roads; by Shipman, to change line of Brunswick and Columbus counties, and to prevent live stock running at large in Columbus; by Stewart, to amend charter of Bank of Lillington, in Harnett; by Stewart, to allow railway companies to forbid trespassing on their right of way; by Edmiston, to provide sewerage system for Monroe and to refund city debt.

Among matters which passed third reading were: Resolution asking our Congressmen and Senators in Congress to make efforts to secure an appropriation for the upper Cape Fear river; resolution providing for the payment of the inaugural expenses of \$25,000; to allow appropriation committee a clerk.

Young Workman Injured.

Frank Swann, Jr., a young carpenter engaged with several others in doing some work on a residence at southeast corner of Second and Main streets, was painfully injured yesterday morning about 8:30 o'clock by being struck by a falling post from a plumb there. The young man was badly shocked and he had a long gash over the left eye. Dr. J. T. Schowald attended the injured man, after which he was sent to his home on Fifth, between Caswell and Queen streets.

## TO IMPROVE THE SERVICE.

Executive Committee of East Carolina Truckers' Association Moving for Better Weather Service.

An important special meeting of the Executive Committee of the East Carolina Truck and Fruit Growers' Association was held in this city yesterday morning and afternoon. Those present were W. L. Hill, of Warsaw; J. A. Westbrook, of Mount Olive; J. S. Westbrook, of Wallace; W. E. Thigpen, of Chadbourn, and William E. Springer, of Wilmington; the chairman, Mr. Hill, presided, with Mr. Springer acting as secretary. The members of the Association and their wives were invited to the meeting.

After heroic efforts to save him by his engineer, Sverre Boe, a Norwegian, Mr. William B. Ellis, 84 years old, of Freshfield, N. J., was drawn from a gasoline launch about one mile south of Topsail Inlet, and half a mile out at sea, Thursday afternoon shortly after 8 o'clock. The remains were brought to Wilmington yesterday and will be sent to his home in New Jersey this evening for interment.

Mr. Ellis was a man of means and intelligence and came down the coast last Fall in a small yacht, seeking a location for conducting certain experiments in agriculture and fruit growing. He located on Topsail Sound and was soon joined by his mother, with whom he had made his home at the residence of Mrs. C. M. Nixon for the past four months.

While the general outlook for the movement was very thoroughly discussed and plans were laid for affording the growers a much better service than ever before, the two most important features of the meeting were the arrangements for an enlarged weather bureau service to growers in all sections of the territory and a more general dissemination of information from the junction office at South Rocky Mount as to the daily distribution of shipments.

The Executive Committee, with the co-operation of the local and State bureaus have had up the matter of special weather forecasts with the Agricultural Department at Washington for some time and it is now practically certain that the movement will be successful. It is proposed to receive the same special forecasts of weather conditions as are given to the fruit growers in California instead of the necessarily limited service now received through the local bureaus. The forecasts will come directly from Washington to all important centers in the belt and the Association is arranging for an agent at each of those points to display the predictions and warnings and to get them by telephone to other sections of the country.

Business Manager, Bauman, has had the arrangements for this service in hand and he was directed by the committee to continue his efforts.

The added service from the junction office at South Rocky Mount will consist in addition to the daily bulletins by mail, of telegraph and telephone bulletins each night as to the movement of the berry crop of that day and the distribution to the several markets. For instance, if the shippers are informed one night of an unusually heavy movement to New York the day before and the possibility of a glut of that market, the shippers the following morning may be directed to other markets.

In the dissemination of the information, both in the Rocky Mount bulletins and in the weather forecasts, the Trucker's Association has secured the co-operation of the railroad company and the agents at every shipping point will be instructed to do all in their power to make the service as useful as possible.

The committee also discussed yesterday the matter of continuing the special agents at important points in the North to see that all shipments are delivered promptly and in good order. The service of the special agents the past two years has been eminently satisfactory and productive of good results and growers all over the territory will be gratified to know that they are to be continued.

The Executive Committee expects to meet again in about ten days.

At a called meeting of the special committee from the four I. O. O. F. lodges in the city, at the office of Mr. R. J. Jones, yesterday afternoon, it was decided to recommend to the lodges that the proposed bazaar to be given from Feb. 28th to March 3rd, for the purpose of raising funds with which to furnish the hall in the new Odd Fellow building, be abandoned.

Grand Treasurer Jones and Past Grand Master Jacob, both of whom are well versed in the laws of the order, made the point that it would be impossible under the government of Odd Fellows to have a feature of the fair any raffling, games of chance or hazard.

Without those features, characteristic of all other festivals of the kind, it was readily seen that the bazaar would not be a paying venture and, therefore, it was recommended that the affair be called off and the money for furnishing the hall raised from the membership direct.

As one member of the committee expressed it, a bazaar without some innocent games of hazard would be like a circus without a clown or a carnival without confetti and squeakiness.

Members of the committee present yesterday afternoon were: Messrs. M. W. Jacob (chairman), John E. Wood (secretary), William Goodman (treasurer), W. H. Yopp, W. L. Smith, C. D. Merrill, B. J. Jones, L. Shrier, J. E. Wilson and Col. Walker Taylor.

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