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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Former Governor George S. Boutwell, of Massachusetts, led at Groton yesterday, aged 87 years. The House and Senate are at loggerheads over the Agricultural Appropriation bill, because the Senate will not agree to the provision for securing reports to be made monthly. The United States Supreme Court yesterday sustained the Georgia law taxing packing houses \$200 per annum, and also upheld the Texas anti-trust laws. By a partisan vote yesterday, the Senate found Judge Wever, of Florida, not guilty of the charges alleged for his impeachment.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 27. Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M. Temperature at 8 A. M., 41; 8 P. M., 46 degrees; maximum, 54 degrees; minimum, 30 degrees; mean, 46 degrees. Rainfall for the day, .30 inch, since first of the month to date, 5.44 inches. Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M. today (Mon. day) 21.5 feet.

Port Almanac—February 28.

Sun Rises..... 6:38 A. M. Sun Sets..... 5:53 P. M. Day's Length..... 11:15 Hrs. High Water at Southport..... 4:08 P. M. High Water at Wilmington..... 6:38 P. M.

Lo, the poor Indian, can come in out of the tall timber. At last there has been organized a "Society to Protect Indians from being Robbed."

"The usefulness of chloroform is just now beginning to be recognized," says Dr. Oeler. Doc must have been thinking about what should be done to the newspaper writer that spoils the forcefulness of a speaker's remarks by breaking in with 'he went on.'"

A lot of people who think favorably of Uncle Sam's owning and operating the railroads haven't begun to realize how much trouble he is having to keep his large real estate holdings from being fenced in by trespassers who think he is an easy mark.

As President Roosevelt is not going to be a candidate for re-election wouldn't lose anything by sending a reprimand to the Senators and telling them that they are merely bumps on a log and know only enough to hold their seats, draw their pay and ride on railroad passes.

Says a Paris Journal: "There is no more agreeable rosette than Paris for the small potatoes." Yes, Paris with its lovely fashions and gay life is a mighty nice place to spend a while, but the great majority of small potatoes in America have to stay home to keep the old man from getting too gay.

LOCAL DOTS.

Other locals, fourth page. Eight unimportant cases were tried in the police court yesterday. Friends of Esquire W. McD. Evans will be glad to know that he is convalescing from pneumonia at his home, No. 817 North Third street. Friends of Miss Mary White, who underwent an operation for appendicitis at the hospital in this city Saturday afternoon, will be glad to know that her condition was very favorably yesterday.

PILOTAGE SITUATION.

Business Men in Conference Determine to Stand as a Unit Upon the Question. TO CONTROL THE SYSTEM. Chamber of Commerce Will Meet This Morning to Formulate and Adopt Plan for Regulating Service in Absence of Compulsion.

Twenty-five leading business men of Wilmington, including practically all the large shippers of the port, met yesterday noon at the new offices of Messrs. Hugh MacRae & Co., on the fifth floor of the Hoyer building, for the purpose of considering the pilotage situation on the Cape Fear river and bar, in view of the recent repeal by the Legislature of all laws touching the subject, the idea being to take immediate steps to thwart any possible abuse of the absence of such rules and regulations by any one and to place the city in position to enjoy the full benefit of the action of the General Assembly in the respect named.

Herbert McClammy, Esq., went over to Whiteville yesterday afternoon to attend Columbus Superior Court. He is chiefly interested as counsel for defendant in the Collins murder trial. Marsden Bellamy, Esq., will go over later if the case is reached at this term of court.

The first of the new tenants to move into the new Hoyer building is Capt. Will L. Miller, of the Acme Tea Chest Co. He has one of the rear offices with a splendid view of the harbor and a direct view of his yards and wharves across the river. Capt. Miller moved in yesterday.

A private letter received in the city from Senator Empe yesterday states that the bill authorizing the Board of Aldermen, if it is deemed advisable, to maintain and establish an industrial school has been so amended as to submit the question of the school an appropriation to a vote of the people.

A number of prominent young society people in Wilmington have received invitations to attend a ball couple to be given by the officers and ladies at Fort Caswell on Friday night of this week. A steamer will probably be chartered by the Wilmington people who will attend.

First Lieutenant J. McRee Hinch and Second Lieutenant Thos. R. Orrell, of the Wilmington Infantry, yesterday received their commissions from Gov. Glenn. The popular young officers were elected at a meeting of the company some time ago, but the commissions were not issued until recently.

LAUGHINGHOUSE BILL.

Senate Committee on Railroads Will Report Unfavorably on Reducing Rates. IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY. Special Message from Governor Glenn. Wilmington Bills Passed Upper House. South Dakota Bond Hearing. Another Anti-Jug Law.

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 27.—A death blow was dealt the Laughinghouse bill for the reduction of passenger fare to three cents for first class and two and a half cents for second class, with the interchangeable mileage book clause, this afternoon in the Senate Committee on Railroads. There was a principal hearing, during which the principal speakers against the bill were made.

Believing that the arrest Saturday night of M. L. Starkey, charged with permitting games of chance in the billiard and pool rooms of the Excelsior Saloon, of which he is proprietor, was the first step in another general crusade by the city authorities against all forms of gambling and feasting less than usually thrown out by the police on such occasions, at least a baker's dozen of the sporting fraternity in Wilmington have packed kit and knives and decamped for a more congenial stamping-ground, while twice the number of their fellows, less bold with their sporting proclivities, remain in Wilmington on the sly.

The Winborne House bill making the anti-jug law apply only to the counties of Mitchell, Gaston, Cleveland and Cabarrus, came up in the Senate during the day with amendments from the committee making it apply to the whole State. After a multitude of amendments excepting counties the bill finally passed for the Senate to take up.

A special message was received from Governor R. B. Glenn, in which he urged the passage of the following: (1) Extension of the anti-jug law; (2) a strong vagrancy law; (3) amending the jury system; (4) reform of the divorce laws; (5) to increase pensions to Confederate soldiers to \$500,000; (6) to erect monuments to the soldiers of the Civil War; (7) to erect a hall of records for storing valuable books; (8) a State purchasing agent to buy for all State institutions. Senator Webb, when the reading was complete, asked if the Governor would accept a recommendation about the anti-jug law apply to all prohibiting dealing in futures?

Senator Empe moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill to issue \$100,000 for a State hall of records failed to pass. This prevailed. The bill passed second reading, yeas 94, nays 16.

The Ransom monument bill came up in the House on its second reading. Mr. McGill, of Cumberland, sent forward an amendment appropriating \$3,000 each for monuments to Generals Hill, Pender, Ramsey, Pettigrew, Graham, Badger and Macon. Mr. McGill spoke against the Ransom bill, saying those named in his amendment were just as worthy of a monument as Gen. Ransom. Mr. Ward, of Randolph, also opposed the bill, saying he knew Ransom as a hero, but there were living heroes in North Carolina to-day to whom the money proposed to be appropriated would come as a relief for their wants. The bill was finally referred to the committee on appropriations.

Mr. Glenn asked that the minority report on his reform bill be made the special order in the House at the night session. Mr. Winborne objected and moved to table on the unfavorable majority report from the committee. This prevailed, which motion was carried, yeas 94 to 82.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Marsden Bellamy Jr., Esq., left last night for Raleigh on professional business. Mr. C. H. Ball, a popular traveling man of Richmond, Va., is in the city calling on the trade. Mr. J. M. Myers, of Burgaw; Dr. E. Porter, of Rocky Point, and Mr. W. A. Fink, of Shallotte, were among yesterday's arrivals in the city.

Among the Sunday visitors to the city was Mr. Walter E. Eall, the clever young manager of the Postal Telegraph office at Elizabethtown, N. C. Among last night's arrivals were Col. W. B. Post, Pittsfield; E. P. Galling, Hallsboro; Milton P. Skinner, Summerville, S. C.; Thomas Barber Jr., Winston-Salem.

Mr. John H. Gore, Jr., and little daughter, Arabella, who have been spending some time on their return from Franklin, Va., at Rosingham, N. C., as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Gore, returned to Wilmington Sunday on account of the illness of Mrs. D. L. Gore with la grippe. Little Arabella Gore is suffering from a broken collar bone sustained some time ago as the result of falling from a trunk.

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