

FALSE, SAYS FRENCH

"GIZZARD" REPUDIATES THE CHARGE OF OBSTRUCTION BY THE CAUCASIAN.

A REP. SENATOR ON A JAG.

Democrats in the House Defend Themselves--Turner of Mitchell, Hileman and Henderson Try to Cut off Their Denunciations--Bills Introduced in the Senate to Prevent the Sale of Cigarettes at Wake Forest College--Carriluck Sounds Left as They are.

The House met at 10 o'clock yesterday morning. Mr. Lusk, of Buncombe, in the chair; prayer by Rev. Mr. Woodard, member from Swain; journal read and approved.

Among the reports from standing committees were these to amend the charter of Durham, (favorable); to codify the laws of North Carolina.

Resolutions and Bills.

Mr. McKenzie, to amend section 871 of the Code; Mr. French, to amend section 113 of the Code; to incorporate the Masonic Temple Association of Wilmington; to incorporate Orient Lodge, 395; relating to the public schools and the University of North Carolina; Mr. Henderson, to amend section 212 of the Code; to amend section 747 of the Code; to amend and extend Wilkes County Bank and change its name; Mr. McCall, (by request) to amend section 1, article 6 of the Constitution; Mr. Ray, to amend section 2831 of the Code, for the protection of fish; Mr. Yates, to authorize the commissioners of Richmond county to levy a special tax, &c.; Mr. Walker, resolution protesting against the financial policy of the national administration; Mr. Turner of Mitchell, to place Woodard Fonville on the pension roll; Mr. Thomas, to authorize the commissioners of Jackson county to levy a special tax, &c.; Mr. Robinson, for the relief of John O. McLaughlin, clerk of the Superior Court of Anson county; Mr. Hooker, to define cities and towns on navigable streams; Mr. King, to prevent the use of large steel traps; Mr. Morrow, to amend charter of the town of Statesville; to amend the public school law of Statesville; Mr. Saunders, to amend chapter 380, Laws 1889; Mr. Cox, to lay off and establish the county of Marion.

The Caucasian's False Charge.

Mr. Ray rose to a question of personal privilege and sent up to the clerk's desk an editorial from the Caucasian of yesterday which was read by the clerk.

The editorial said that it had "no hesitation at all in stating that the Democratic members of this Legislature, with a very few honorable exceptions are pursuing a policy of obstruction and delay pure and simple. We have no hesitation in saying that this policy was agreed upon in Democratic caucus. We are sure that the means to be used to obstruct and hinder the majority were discussed, and in some cases exact parts were assigned to certain members of the caucus in carrying out the policy.

"Now we say that any party of men who will conspire to obstruct public business at the expense of the taxpayers in order to gain a mere party advantage are criminals, and should be treated by public sentiment just as other criminals are treated.

"We are aware that several Democrats have denied that they are obstructionists. But before these denials can be accepted they will have to make categorical and explicit repudiation of the arrangements made by the caucus. We have no wish to fasten a stigma upon any innocent person. But when men of good character are known to be associated with conspirators, or criminals, the burden of showing the purity of their intentions and the innocence of these actions is upon them. We believe all the Democrats were in the caucus, and they cannot escape the charge of being parties to its criminal policy, without coming out and proving by their word and by their actions, that they do not approve of its methods."

The editorial then urges the majority "to struggle these obstructionists without further mercy," and asks why without this majority put itself in the power of these conspirators.

Mr. Ray Plays the Falsifier.

Mr. Ray said the spirit that would stifle free speech and strangle a man who was speaking for his honor was not the spirit of the nineteenth century or of fairness. He had not before risen to a question of personal privilege, but the charges in the editorial were so malignantly false that he wished to denounce them as such.

Mr. Ray then repudiated the motives ascribed to the Democrats, who, he said, were endeavoring to get proper consideration for important measures. None of the Democrats had even been called down for over-using the time allowed them by the rules to speak to a question. He said the Caucasian was partly run by ex-ministers of the gospel, who had abandoned the soul-saving business for something more profitable.

False Says French, Also.

Mr. French wished to say that very little legislation had been prepared, and, therefore, had not been brought before this time. The majority know what they were about, and the measure, we think to be good for the State, will be brought in early. Matters of general public importance have not been impeded. There have been some little calling of the ayes and noes. It is but natural that the Democrats should desire to put themselves on record, and in the bringing up of these measures we propose to give them full opportunity to do that, after which legislation will be pushed forward with due expedition.

Monroe Throws Hot Shot.

Mr. Monroe wished to thank the gentleman of New Hanover for the many denials of the false statement made in the Caucasian. I have never been a partisan I have always loved my country more than my party. I feel that hardly any disclaimer is necessary. But the sole purpose of this paper had been to sow the seeds of discord and hate in the campaign. I said no unkind thing about anyone but the Caucasian.

Fashionists Plinch Under the Lash.

Mr. Cox rose to a point of order, saying that the gentleman was not exercising his privilege. The chair sustained Mr. Cox. Mr. French asked latitude for Mr. Monroe. Mr. Turner, of Mitchell, said the chair had just ruled that the gentleman from Monroe was out of order. Mr. Campbell thought that the gentlemen had been well represented by their proxy, Mr. Ray. The chair finally permitted Mr. Monroe to proceed. Mr. Monroe would make use of all the rules of the House to prevent what he thought was bad legislation. Mr. Turner appealed from the decision of the chair. Mr. Monroe said that Mr. Turner appeared to be of a very ungenerous disposition. The appeal from the chair was put and lost. Mr. Monroe had received more commendation from his course of non-obstruction in the House from the other side than from his own party associates. He always proposed to defend this State against dangerous laws and innovations upon good government.

Mr. Smith of Gates, arose. Messrs Turner and Henderson objected. Mr. Smith proceeded. Mr. Hileman asked if Mr. Smith did not know that the Democratic caucus had agreed to obstruct all legislation by objections, by the call for the ayes and noes, &c.

Mr. Ray sprang to his feet saying that it was unqualified, maliciously and mendaciously false. Mr. Smith demanded Mr. Hileman's authority. Mr. Hileman said it was good.

Mr. Ray wanted to know the author, but sat down, saying whoever he was he was a liar.

to restore Mitchell county to the Ninth Congressional District. By Senator Sanders, P., of Union, bill to prevent sale of cigarettes at Wake Forest College. By Senator Fortune, R., of Watauga, bill to repeal chap. 121, laws of 1893. By Senator Marshall, R., of Surry, bill to incorporate the Pilot Banking and Trust Company of Pilot Mountain. By Senator Norris, P., of Wake, bill to incorporate the Eastern North Carolina Conference.

Calendar.

S. B. 171, to require examination of teachers in public schools, and repealing law allowing graduates of the Greensboro Normal and Industrial School and the Cullowha school to teach without certificates from county superintendents, and prohibiting conductors of county Institutes from giving three year certificates, passed third reading.

S. B. 179, to amend the charter of Biltmore, Buncombe county, passed third reading.

S. B. 28, to establish a criminal court circuit comprising the counties of Buncombe, Haywood, Madison and Henderson, passed third reading.

S. B. 204, to determine the line between Alamance and Chatham counties, passed third reading.

Somebody on a Jag.

Senator Westmoreland, P., of Davidson, was granted unanimous consent to introduce a resolution to investigate charges of drunkenness against a Senator whose name was not given, with a view of having him reprimanded, if the charges be true, for neglecting the duty he owes his constituency, and for conduct unbecoming a Senator.

S. B. 205, to incorporate the town of Burnsville, Yancey county, passed third reading.

S. B. 206, to amend chapter 301, public laws of 1893, as to obstruction of streams in Moore county, passed third reading.

S. B. 325, to amend law regulating issue of license for saloons in Shelby, and requiring certain part of license tax to be paid for support of Graded Schools, passed third reading.

S. B. 221, to repeal the charter of the town of Whittier, Jackson county, passed third reading.

S. K. 207, to cut off all appropriation from the University, was tabled.

S. B. 225, amending charter of Spring Hope, Nash county, passed third reading.

S. B. 229, to amend Section 2017 of the Code, raising the age of young men liable to work the public roads from 18 to 21, was called up.

Amendments were sent forward excepting several counties.

Mr. Dowd moved to lay the lost amendment on the table.

The amendment, carrying the original bill with it, was laid upon the table.

S. B. 221, directing the county commissioners of the various counties of the State to let the publication of county expenditures to the lowest bidder, was called up.

Mr. Fowler offered an amendment to require bids to be made per 100 bona fide circulation in the county in which papers bidding are published.

The amendment was tabled, carrying the bill with it.

S. B. 233, directing the Secretary of State to furnish Jackson county certain Supreme court reports, failed to pass second reading.

By unanimous consent, Senator Lindsay introduced a bill for the relief of the town of Reidsville, allowing collection of arrearages of taxes.

S. B. 233, allowing the commissioners of Montgomery county to sell part of the jail lot at Troy, passed third reading.

S. B. 237, to amend charter of Southern Pines, extending limits, passed third reading.

S. B. 238, to open certain sounds of Currituck county for entry, at a cost of 50 cents per acre, no one person to enter more than one thousand acres, came up.

Mr. White, of Perquimans, said this bill was without a father; that it was introduced in the interest of Northern syndicates which had now almost driven the people of Currituck from their sounds. He said he did not think there was any constitutional right to sell the public waters of the State, or open them for entry, in order that monopolies might deprive the poor people living along those sounds from shooting duck and fishing in these waters. He asked the Senate to vote unanimously against it. The bill was laid on the table.

S. B. 243, to amend Section 3143 of the Code, to regulate the sale of poisons, prohibiting sale to minors on any condition, was taken up.

Mr. Candler offered an amendment prohibiting the sale of spirituous liquors to minors.

Mr. Moody accepted the amendment, but said it was already law.

The bill makes it a misdemeanor for purchasers to make misrepresentations in reply to questions required to be asked by druggists, subject to fine not exceeding \$50, passed third reading.

S. B. 244, to authorize a loan of \$400,000 to exceed \$10,000 out of the direct tax fund of \$26,000 now unallotted for in the State Treasury, to the Confederate Monument Association, for the purpose of completing the Confederate monument now being built in the Capitol Square in Raleigh, was taken up.

Senator Moody, of Haywood, spoke in support of the measure, and of the debt that the State owes its Confederate dead.

Senator Hoover said he was a Confederate soldier, but he was opposed to making this loan. The times were too hard, and he thought it better to appropriate the special tax fund to lengthen terms of the common schools.

Mr. Fortune spoke in opposition to the bill, and said he would vote against it. On motion of Senator Adams, of Moore, further consideration of the bill was postponed until Tuesday, the 12th,

and made the special order for 12 o'clock on that day.

S. B. 219, to incorporate "The Retreat," a private hospital for the treatment of nervous diseases, at Charlotte, passed third reading.

The Senate adjourned at 12:50 to meet at 11 o'clock Monday.

A Correction by President Winston.

CHAPL HILL, N. C., Feb. 9. To the Editor of the News and Observer.

In the article that I wrote on the University, published last Tuesday in the NEWS AND OBSERVER, I unintentionally omitted a special appropriation of \$4,500 made last year to the State Normal and Industrial School for Girls, at Greensboro. This would make the appropriation to that school \$17,000, instead of \$12,500, as published, and the total amount appropriated by North Carolina for white higher education \$96,000, instead of \$61,500, as published. This includes all appropriations, both regular and special, for support and repairs.

But the point made is not affected by this unintentional omission; for Virginia appropriated last year \$129,500 for white higher education (maintenance, debt paying and repairs), and South Carolina \$107,500, although Virginia's white population is smaller than ours and South Carolina's not half so large.

Very respectfully, GEO. T. WINSTON.

The World is Getting Better.

Webster's Weekly.

Rev. Dr. Hoge, a leading Wilmington divine, is preaching a series of Sunday night sermons to young men, and we were struck with the report given by the Messenger of a recent discourse. The able minister addressed letters of a practical character to thinking people both young and old, male and female, inquiring as to the helps and hindrances of young men, and the replies received were very interesting. One point noted was very gratifying, viz., the growth of a healthy moral sentiment along the line of personal purity. The standing reproach to society, the toleration of impure men and the ostracism of fallen women, both guilty of the same offense, is disappearing and character is getting to be the touchstone. Some young men are tolerated on account of wealth and family connection, but as a rule, according to Dr. Hoge, society is advancing along the right line. The Breckinridge case affords a good example of the advance of moral ideas. Fifty years ago a man of his lineage and ability could not have been driven from public life for the offense of which he was guilty. The world is getting better.

Ex-Solicitor J. H. Blount, of the First District, has located in Greenville to practice law, and has formed a partnership with Mr. J. L. Fleming.

The Newbern Journal gives a glowing description of the marriage of Mr. Hughes B. Holland to Miss Maye H. Cahoon, daughter of Mr. W. T. Cahoon.

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