

THE LEGISLATURE.

The close of the Legislature is drawing near, only a little over two weeks of the session remaining and the usual rush will begin that is customary near the end of every session of our legislature. Now is the time for every legislator to be more watchful than ever and carefully examine every bill that is introduced during the remainder of the session, especially every bill that is not referred to a committee for consideration.

Both houses have now passed the resolution to adopt the proposed sixteenth amendment to the constitution of the United States for the levying of an income tax. The Senate had passed it two weeks ago by a vote of 42 to 2, and last week the House passed it by a vote of 88 to 4. It was voted for by Republicans as well as Democrats.

The proposed new county of Piedmont was defeated in the House by a vote of 54 to 42, and so its promoters will have to bide their time and wait for some future legislature. By a vote of 30 to 9 the Senate passed the bill to create Avery county out of parts of Mitchell, Watauga and Caldwell, and it is thought that the House will also pass it. If the House passes the bill, which has passed the Senate to create Hoke county and also passes the Avery county bill our State will then have an even hundred counties. It is to be hoped that this number will not be increased in many years.

The committee has reported unfavorably the bill to reduce to two cents a mile the fare on railroads that refuse to "pull mileage" on the trains. It is not thought that this bill will be passed and it ought not to be passed.

The committee on pensions has reported favorably the bill introduced by Gen. J. S. Carr to appropriate \$10,000 towards the erection in the capitol square of a monument in honor of the women of the Confederacy. A similar bill has been passed by several Southern States, and such a bill was passed unanimously by the House in the last Legislature and was defeated in the Senate by only three votes on the last day of the session. Gen. Carr made a most patriotic and eloquent speech in behalf of his bill.

We hope the bill will pass, introduced by Senator Martin of Buncombe, to allow married women to make contracts the same as unmarried women, as recommended more than once by the Supreme Court. When it came up in the Senate last week it was postponed until this week. And, by-the-way, this Legislature has a habit of postponing too many bills, which is not to be commended because it will create a congestion near the close of the session.

By a unanimous vote the joint committee of the Senate and House on appropriations has voted in favor of the bill to issue one million dollars worth of bonds for the construction of the proposed administration building at Raleigh. This bill is made the special order at noon today in the Senate, and its passage seems probable.

We much regret to see the inclination of so many of our legislators to let down the bars for easy divorces. Such legislation would disgrace our State, and we cannot commend too highly the very powerful protest against it made by the News and Observer, whose editor is always to be found foremost in every effort to promote civic righteousness.

The Senate has passed a bill (and the House ought to pass it) to prohibit throwing sawdust in any stream in this State. Much of the time of this Legislature (and of previous Legislatures) has been wasted in the passage of many bills forbidding throwing sawdust in certain streams. A State-wide bill will take the place of all such local bills.

The House passed the Hoke county bill last night by a vote of 56 to 30. It had passed the Senate two weeks ago. The Senate has passed the Hoke bill to prohibit the sale of "near-beer," to take effect June 1st.

The Democrats of the Legislature will hold a caucus next Friday night for the purpose of determining what they will do in regard to redistricting the State for Congressmen. Congress has decided to have 433 members of the House and our State will retain its present number of ten.

LOCAL LEGISLATION.

The Legislature should by all means propose an amendment to the State constitution prohibiting the Legislature from wasting so much time in local legislation. This was recommended by Gov. Kitchin, among other amendments, in his message at the beginning of the session, and it is earnestly hoped that his recommendation will be carried out.

The need or necessity for such an amendment to our constitution has become more apparent since the Governor's recommendation than even before, because this Legislature has passed more local bills than any previous one and of the most insignificant character that do not at all concern the general public, and most of which could better be attended to by the county commissioners.

In order to illustrate the insignificant character of this local legislation we publish the following as some of the bills ratified, having passed both houses, on last Friday:

- "Protect trout in Yellow creek, Graham county.
- "Relative to fishing in Watauga county.
- "Amend squirrel law of Guilford county.
- "Relative to raising quail in Rockingham county.
- "To protect game in Bladen county.
- "Protect quail in McDowell county.
- "Amend game law of Chatham county.
- "Relative to hunting quail and wild turkey in Moore county.
- "Allow road improvement in Cherokee county outside incorporated towns.
- "Protect deer and squirrels in Hyde county.
- "Regulate hunting in Orange county.
- "Relative to hunting in Forsyth county.
- "Relative to hunting foxes in Chatham county.
- "Pertaining to drainage of Clark's creek, Lincoln county.
- "Regulate fishing and hunting in Burke county.

The above are only some of the bills ratified on one day, and there is no telling how many will be passed before the close of the session. Now, what interest has the general public in any one of the above-mentioned laws? Why could not all such local matters be attended to by the local authorities instead of the State's money being wasted in their passage? All such local bills are passed as a matter of course when introduced by the Senator or Representative of the county affected, and they are usually no better qualified to judge of their necessity than the county commissioners would be, and certainly the members from other counties know nothing as to their necessity.

SOUTH Carolina will at last have marriage licenses. The Legislature at its present session has passed a law requiring them, beginning next July. That State is the only one in which marriage licenses are not required and the only one in which no divorce for any cause can be had.

It may not be generally known that, while marriage licenses are required in this State, yet a marriage is legal and valid without one. The failure to get one subjects the officiating minister or magistrate to a penalty of two hundred dollars.

We are pleased to note that Raleigh is soon to have another

hotel, which we hope will feed better than any that city now has. It is to be built at the corner of Salisbury and Martin streets, a short distance east of the News and Observer building, and is to be five stories high.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 10.—With a scant three weeks of the congressional session remaining, not one of the important measures before Congress when the session began has been disposed of. Reciprocity with Canada marked a new line of cleavage among the Republicans and Democrats in Washington. Early in the present week Senators were hopeful that they might solve the problem by letting the reciprocity agreement severely alone, but later it was brought sharply to their attention that unless there shall be a vote on this reciprocity agreement they will be called back to Washington promptly after the 4th of March and compelled to remain until there is an expression in the Senate either for or against it. And now the President is away from Washington making speeches mainly devoted to this reciprocity with Canada question and there is a strong impression that the country, except in isolated spots, is in favor of the agreement recently made between us and our northern neighbor.

The fact that the English papers and the leader of the opposition in the English Parliament are opposed to the reciprocity agreement between Canada and the United States will doubtless have some influence in favor of its approval by Congress in this country. It will be many years, perhaps centuries, before the United States and British America become one country, but the dividing line must some time fade just as the Mason and Dixon line has faded. There are a hundred reasons for the commercial, social and political solidarity of North America. There is not one valid reason in opposition. There is no possibility of the absorption of Canada by the United States or the absorption of the United States by Canada. Absorption is not to be thought of, but commerce between the two countries ought to be as free and unrestricted as between Ohio and Indiana.

There is a proposed vote in the Senate to Senator Cullom's project authorizing a Lincoln memorial. The form of the memorial has not been decided upon. There have been suggestions of a boulevard connecting Washington and Gettysburg, also a project for a triumphal arch like the Arch of Triumph in Paris or its prototype in Rome. There is also a project to have the memorial to occupy the center of the great plaza stretching from the capitol to the union station. The appropriation for this monument is two millions, but it is possible that this sum will be added to before the memorial is completed.

Whipping Post Bill Vetoed.

Salem, Ore., Feb. 13.—Governor West has vetoed a bill adopted by the legislature abolishing the whipping post. "While the whipping post is a relic of barbarism," said the governor, "it is no more barbaric than wife-beating and I deem it wise to have on Oregon statute books a barbaric punishment for brutes who fall so low as to strike and abuse a woman."

An effort will be made to pass the bill over the governor's veto. Sanford Express: Mr. H. M. Kelly, one of the leading farmers of the county and a mill man, dropped dead at his home a few miles east of Jonesboro last Friday morning about seven o'clock. He had gone to his barn to get one of his teams off to do some hauling. When he left the house he told his family that he would be back in a short time for breakfast. Shortly after he went to the barn one of his sons-in-law passed along and found him dead near the wagon.

The last calendar year showed Wilmington's exports to have far exceeded those of Norfolk, Portsmouth, Newport News and Charleston combined. While Wilmington's exports, standing at \$27,464,766, were \$1,064 per capita, Charleston's were \$127 and Norfolk-Portsmouth's \$88.

On January 1 Charles Bradshaw, of Des Moines, Ia., and his father, C. B. Bradshaw, of Toledo, Ia., each took the oath of office as a district judge. The father was elected as a Democrat and the son as a Republican.

Taft and Clark Agree.

Washington, Feb. 12.—Reciprocity with Canada, reciprocity with all countries of North and South America and reciprocity, in fact, with all nations, was advocated by both President and Speaker-to-be Champ Clark in stirring addresses at the opening sessions of the Pan-American Commercial Conference today.

Champ Clark, who had just left the House of Representatives, announced in his address amid loud applause that the test vote for immediate consideration of the Canadian reciprocity bill had been won by the administration. Turning to President Taft, he said laughingly:

"That's a document which the President and myself own in partnership. But speaking for myself, not for President Taft, or any one else, I am for reciprocity not only with Canada, but with all Southern and Central American republics. In fact, I'm in favor of reciprocity with all nations of the earth. My principle is that honest trade never hurt any nation yet."

THE PRESIDENT'S TALK.

"The last speaker and the next speaker and I," said President Taft, who followed Mr. Clark, "have gotten together on one plank of the platform; we're both rather heavy men and I hope it'll support us. It's a great pleasure to be with him in the promotion of trade in one part of the world (Canada). He's in favor of reciprocity in all parts of the world and so am I, but that doesn't help much toward a definite agreement. We'll all vote for wise measures but when it comes to determine what measures are wise, there's a difference. In anticipation of his coming to be head of the great popular branch of the Legislature we have already gotten together on the most important matter and I hope that we can carry it through."

Falls Victims to Thieves.

S. W. Bends, of Coal City, Ala., has a justifiable grievance. Two thieves stole his health for twelve years. They were a liver and kidney trouble. Then Dr. King's New Life Pills throttled them. He's well now. Unrivalled for constipation, malaria, headache, dyspepsia. 25c at G. R. Pilkington's.

A national exposition is proposed for Louisville in 1913. It will be known as the Lincoln-Davis Exposition to mark the 50th anniversary of the end of the Civil War.

A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Liniment and bound on to the affected parts is superior to any plaster. When troubled with lame back or pains in the side or chest give it a trial and you are certain to be more than pleased with the prompt relief which it affords. Sold by all dealers.

Dr. John H. Williamson, a prominent farmer of Richmond county, died of heart failure Saturday, while en route in his automobile to his country home, about twelve miles from Rockingham.

When her child is in danger a woman will risk her life to protect it. No great act of heroism or risk of life is necessary to protect a child from erup. Give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and all danger is avoided. For sale by all dealers.

From 1838 to 1907, on the railroads of the United States, there were 153,366 persons killed and 1,042,486 injured. In the Union army, from 1861 to 1865, the killed numbered only 110,070 and the wounded 275,175.

How to cure a cold is a question in which many are interested just now. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has won its great reputation and immense sale by its remarkable cure of colds. It can always be depended upon. For sale by all dealers.

A white woman in Cleveland county was fatally burned last Friday while washing clothes in the back yard, her clothing having caught fire as she was stooping over the washtub.

Life Saved at Death's Door.

"I never felt so near my grave," writes W. R. Patterson, of Wellington, Tex., as when a frightful cough and lung trouble pulled me down to 100 pounds, in spite of doctor's treatment for two years. My father, mother and two sisters died of consumption, and that I was alive today is due solely to Dr. King's New Discovery, which completely cured me. Now I weigh 187 pounds and have been well and strong for years." Quick, safe, sure, it's the best remedy on earth for coughs, colds, laryngitis, asthma, croup and all throat troubles. 50c and \$1. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by G. R. Pilkington.

Cathartes Married at Durham.

From the Durham Herald, 16th. The marriage yesterday of Mrs. Annie Medlin and Mr. Willis Mitchell was unusual, in that the attractive widow had come here from Chatham and shipped her household goods before her. Her lover followed and put the question to her in such a way that she was persuaded to leave the goods in the station, marry and return to Chatham with him. They returned yesterday afternoon to Mr. Mitchell's home.

You are probably aware that pneumonia always results from a cold, but you never heard of a cold resulting in pneumonia when Chamberlain's Cough Remedy was used. Why take the risk when this remedy may be had for a trifle? For sale by all dealers.

The Supreme Court, last week, granted law licenses to thirty-five out of forty-five applicants, the other ten having failed to pass the required examination.

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by a cure-defying stomach trouble that baffled doctors, and resisted all remedies he tried, John W. Modders, of Moddersville, Mich., seemed doomed. He had to sell his farm and give up work. His neighbors said, "he can't live much longer." "Whatever fate distressed me," he wrote, "I tried Electric Bitters, which worked such wonders for me that I can now eat things I could not take for years. It's surely a grand remedy for stomach trouble." Just as good for the liver and kidneys. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50c at G. R. Pilkington's.

A special election will be held in Texas on the 22d of July on the adoption of an amendment to the constitution of that State for State-wide prohibition.

Wife Got Tip Top Advice.

"My wife wanted me to take our boy to the doctor to cure an ugly boil," writes D. Frankel, of Stroud, Okla. "I said 'put Buklen's Arnica Salve on it.' She did so, and it cured the boil in a short time." Quickest healer of burns, scalds, cuts, corns, bruises, sprains, swellings. Best pile cure on earth. Try it. Only 25c at G. R. Pilkington's.

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Mortgage Sale.

By virtue of a mortgage executed by M. V. Pope to the Bank of Mullins and registered at page 347, in book 'D. W.' in the office of the register of deeds of Chatham county, we will again offer for sale at public auction for cash at 12 m. on S. A. FURDAY, the 18th of March, 1911, at the court-house door in Pittsboro, N. C., all the right, title and interest of said M. V. Pope in and to the following land in said county, containing about fifty acres, bounded on the north by the lands of Elizabeth Holland, on the east by the lands of T. Johnson, on the south by the lands of W. A. Morgan and on the west by the land of E. H. Goodwin and known as the old "Booth place." H. A. LONDON & SON, February 15, 1911. Attorneys.

TOWN BONDS ELECTION.

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held in the town of Pittsboro, North Carolina, on Saturday, the 11th day of March, 1911, upon the question of said town issuing bonds to the amount of \$5,000 for street improvement of said town. Said bonds are to run or to be payable in thirty years from date of issue and the amount of taxes proposed to be levied for the payment of the interest on it to provide a sinking fund for the payment of the principal of said bonds shall not exceed twenty cents on every \$100 worth of property and sixty cents on the poll. At such election those who favor an issue of said bonds and the levying of the taxes shall vote a written or printed ballot with the words "For Bonds," and those opposed shall vote a written or printed ballot with the words "Against Bonds."

G. R. Pilkington has been appointed registrar and H. A. Bynum and J. J. Johnson are appointed poll-holders for said election. By order of the board of commissioners of Pittsboro. B. NOOE, Mayor. This February 7th, 1911.

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W. C. KIMBALL,
Moncure, N. C.
Hayes & Bynum, Attorneys.
This 1st of February, 1911.