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THE PAST WEEK TOLD IN
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Parts of World.

Southern.

The British steamer *Veronese* with 138 passengers on board, was wrecked off Loixoes, the outport of Oporto. Eighty-four of the passengers were saved by life lines from shore, but it is reported that 16 were thrown out of the basket and perished at Vigo, Spain.

Chief of Police John Gates and Captain of Police Rafael Reinaosa of Key West, Fla., were suspended by Mayor J. N. Fogarty, after they had refused to resign. The action of the mayor was the result of disclosures made in an investigation of the police department, members of which are alleged to have been receiving graft from illegal resorts and allowing gambling.

Capt. Richard J. Davant was elected mayor of Savannah, Ga., by a majority of 304 votes over Capt. George P. Walker, the administration candidate. There was more money wasted on the election than on any half dozen political contests ever held in Savannah. Conservative estimates put the amount at \$50,000.

The message of Gov. Cole L. Blaise featured the opening session of the South Carolina legislature. The governor attacked the cotton mill merger as "the cotton mill trust," the Carolina public service corporation as "ice trust" and a local power company as the "power trust" and asked legislation dissolving them. He recommended the passage of a 2-cent railway rate and the levying of a 1-mill tax for public schools.

A crime wave which struck New Orleans, La., two weeks ago reached a climax when two highwaymen held up a negro on a prominent street, robbed him of \$27.50 and, after tying his hands together, strung him up to a telephone post.

General.

Gen. Cipriano Castro, former president of Venezuela, who has been detained at Ellis Island by the immigration officials for some time, was denied admission to the United States by a special board of inquiry on the ground that in his examination he had admitted "the commission of a crime and felony involving moral turpitude." Immediately after the announcement that he would not be permitted to enter the country, Castro declared he would appeal to the secretary of commerce and labor. Castro's attorney said that in event of Secretary Nagle upholding the finding of the board, the case would be taken into the courts.

The shifting character of Mexican rebel activities again demonstrated when it became necessary to dispatch the cruiser *Denver* from San Diego, Cal., to Acapulco, on the southern Pacific coast of the republic, where American lives are in momentary danger because of a threatened rebel attack on that city.

Although suffering from "shaking palsy," and unable to speak above a whisper, William Rockefeller could undergo a "brief examination" before the house money trust committee if his testimony was of "paramount importance."

Governor Wilson in a speech to the New Jersey presidential electors said: "I shall not be acting as a partisan when I pick out progressives and only progressives to aid me, which spirit I want to bring to this election."

The Ohio river passed the 60-foot stage at Cincinnati, Ohio, and continued to rise steadily at the rate of two inches an hour. In the lower parts of the city and in Dayton, Newport and Covington, suburbs have been made temporarily homeless by the invading water. In the Kentucky towns, school houses and churches have been thrown open and are filled with refugees. The property loss will reach into the thousands. Cincinnati commission merchants and warehouse owners, whose places of business are along the river front, have suffered heavy loss. In some buildings facing the wharves, the water is up to the second story.

The Turkish government notified the powers that it would positively refuse to surrender Adrianople to the allies, but would consent to agree to the allies' demand for the Turkish islands in the Aegean sea.

The infant Ferdinand, a brother-in-law of King Alfonso of Spain, has broken his arm.

Once every year Chicago will have a shoe day, when poor children will be given shoes free. A fund of \$5,000 for such a day was left by Mrs. Sarah Eddy, who also has been filed. Mrs. Eddy, who gave \$1,000 for the Newsboys' and Bootblacks' home.

Trapped in a water tank of the Pacific Mail steamer at San Francisco, into which they had crawled to escape \$3,000 worth of smuggled opium, two United States customs men were nearly drowned.

Raymond Nicholas Landy Poincare, for the past 12 months premier of the French cabinet, was elected president of the republic of France by the national assembly, composed of the members of both chambers of parliament, in succession to President Armand Fallieres, whose 7 year term expires February 18.

The will of James R. Keene, veteran stock market operator and turfman, as filed for probate in New York City, leaves his widow, Sara J. Keene, his entire estate.

"Izzy," the painter, head of the New York City's "underworld arson trust," came from Sing Sing prison to confess to putting the torch to 200 houses within the past few months.

The Turkish cruiser *Medjidieh*, during heavy fog, steamed out of the Dardanelles and passed unperceived through the lines of the Greek destroyers cruising off the straits. She appeared off the island of Syra, one of the Cyclades, and bombarded the powder magazine and coal depots. These weren't damaged, but the electrical public station was wrecked.

That the Warren Livestock company, of which Senator Francis E. Warren of Wyoming was the head, was in 1906 "maintaining unlawful inclosures" of public lands in Wyoming and Colorado, was the substance of a report adopted by the house committee on expenditures in the interior department.

A flood of petitions for damages through the loss of the Titanic included one from Mrs. Irene Wallace Harris, who claims \$1,000,000 for loss of her husband, Henry D. Harris, the theatrical manager. This is the heaviest of the 279 claims so far filed.

Mrs. May Fretelle of Scituate, Mass., asks \$300,000 compensation for the loss of her husband, Jacques Fretelle, author. The claim of Mrs. Lilly B. Millet, the widow of Francis D. Millet, a Titanic victim, is \$100,000.

Alarmed by the approach of the rebel forces and apprehensive of the fate of the Americans in the event of occupation, Clement S. Edwards, American consul at Acapulco, Mexico, in the state of Guerrero, has suggested the presence of an American warship at Acapulco.

"I hope progressive Democrats will be elected in every state," said President-elect Wilson, in referring to the contest incident to the election of United States senators in Maine, New Hampshire, Illinois, Tennessee and South Dakota. In his last message to the New Jersey legislature, Governor Wilson made an appeal for the completion of the program of progressive legislation for which he declared himself when he took office: Foremost among the laws advocated are a radical revision of the statutes governing corporations and better laws in the matter of drawing juries.

Almost under the shadow of the city hall and within a stone's throw of the principal hotels and office buildings a lone bandit held up Albert O. Hunsicker, passenger agent of the Lehigh Valley railroad, and his clerk, E. A. Folkweikler, at the point of a pistol and robbed their office of \$130. The room where the hold-up occurred is on the street level of Philadelphia, but a large picture of hundreds who walked within a few feet of the scene of the robbery. Policemen were standing on corners less than fifty feet away.

The British secretary of state for foreign affairs, Sir Edward Grey, and the ambassadors of the powers have made representations to Rechad Pasha regarding the projected departure of the Turkish delegates.

Washington.

After striking out of the omnibus war claims bill practically all personal claims for cotton and the like, the senate adopted that measure as it passed the house. The French spoliation claims, amounting to \$3,000,000, were offered as amendments to the bill, but were rejected. Most of the Southern claims allowed are those of churches. These will be paid when the house accepts the senate amendment and the president signs the bill.

An attempt to revoke President Taft's recent order placing fourth class postmasters under the classified civil service and to remove from classification assistant postmasters and clerks in first and second class postoffices by an amendment to the postoffice appropriation bill, failed in the house.

Robert W. Archibald of Scranton, Pa., for twenty-nine years an occupant of judicial positions upon the Pennsylvania state bench and the United States commerce court, was adjudged guilty by the United States senate of "high crimes and misdemeanors," was stripped of his office and forever disqualified from holding positions of public honor or public trust. Upon five of the thirteen separate charges brought against him by the house of representatives Judge Archibald was found guilty. The legal fight was in the hands of seven members of the house.

Secretary of the Navy Meyer before the house naval affairs committee urged appropriations for three battleships, despite the one battleship appropriation of last year and the movement now on foot to restrict the authorization to the same number. Secretary Meyer told the committee that on completion of the Pearl harbor naval station in Hawaii the United States will have practically unprotected what is intended to be the most important naval station in the world. Secretary Meyer urged the house committee to authorize liberal increases in the other branches.

WEEKS WORK OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCE BILL TO MAKE EDUCATION COMPULSORY IN NORTH CAROLINA.

OTHER BILLS INTRODUCED

Compulsory Bill Understood to Have Endorsement of the State Department—Fixes Ages at 8 to 14.—Introduced by Representative Ray.

Senate—Monday.

Bills were introduced by the following Senators: Stubbs, Jones, Lovin and Peterson.

Two roll-call bills passed third reading: Senator Jones' bill to authorize the commissioners of Forsyth county to issue bonds to pay the present floating debt of the county and Senator Phillips' bill to ratify the bonds issued by Lexington township, Davidson county, under Chapter 681, Public Laws of 1909.

The Senate passed without discussion Senator Peterson's bill to exempt active members of the National Guard from road and jury duty.

House—Monday.

Bills and resolutions were introduced by the following legislators: Turner, Kelum, Rodman, Williams, Miller and Sykes.

The following bills passed:

To authorize Asheville to vote bonds to raise floating indebtedness.

Senate bill to authorize bonds by Forsyth county.

Senate bill exempting members of the National Guard from road and jury duty.

Speaker Connor announced his appointment of a portion of the standing committees as subjoined to this report.

The House members of the Joint Committee on Inauguration were voted leave of absence for Tuesday to meet Governor-elect Craig and escort him to the city for the inauguration Wednesday.

Senate—Tuesday

The Senate and House in joint session canvassed the vote for state officers in the general election and declared those elected, the vote for Governor being Craig 149,925; Settle, Taft Republican, 43,625; and Meares, Bull Moose 49,342.

The Senate adopted the Watts resolution ratifying the Federal constitutional amendment for the election of Senators by vote of the people. Senator Mason declared he voted for it with the conviction that it will not remedy the evils complained of by the people.

House—Tuesday.

In the House Murphy introduced a bill to amend section 28 of the public laws of 1905 to empower corporations purchasing franchises and other corporations to exercise the powers thereof.

A bill by Miller requires boots and shoes not made entirely of leather to be so stamped.

Carlton of Rowan introduced a bill to provide six months school terms for the state over. Also a bill to require mortgages and trustees in deeds of trust to file receipts and disbursements in foreclosure sales.

At the request of Chairman Justice to the committee on constitutional amendments was empowered to investigate needs for constitutional amendments and advisability of separate amendments.

Senate—Wednesday.

Both branches of the State General Assembly held very brief sessions Wednesday on account of the inaugural ceremonies. Messages were received in the Senate from Governor Kitchin transmitting his report of pardons granted during the past four years and a report from the State Building Commission, in which the recommendation was made that about \$70,000 be provided with which to paint the interior of the new fire-proof state building now being completed and to furnish the building.

The Governor recommended that this whole matter be assigned to the State Building Commission that has so signally succeeded in providing the state with the new fire-proof building to be ready for occupancy early in February. Governor Kitchin received 1,175 applications for pardons and granted 400.

President Newland called the Senate to order for the last time, and appointed an escort to bring Lieutenant Governor Daughtridge to the chair. Lieutenant Governor Daughtridge solicited co-operation of the Senators. Speaking of taxation he said there must be some plan adopted by which the burden of taxation will rest evenly and uniformly upon all the people.

State Forestry Association.

The North Carolina Forestry Association adopted resolutions urging the Legislature to provide State Fair Wards, so that, with Federal aid, there can be more adequate protection from forest fires. Also resolutions were adopted insisting that the state is in need of a state-wide stock law. The association heard Congressman J. H. Small in a stirring address, in which he urged that these problems of forest protection are state and not local problems and that the state must solve them.

On motion of Senator Ward of Craven, the speech of the Lieutenant Governor was ordered spread upon the Journal.

House—Wednesday.

The House put in commission Wednesday the three locked boxes, into which members are to be required now, under the rules, to deposit all bills to be introduced.

Senate—Thursday.

One bill was ratified by the chair. The Senate bill to amend the Revisal, relative to pay of Jurors in Warren county.

Bills were introduced as follows: Gilliam, by request: For the establishment of a board of commissioners for the protection of game birds and fish.

Hobgood: To authorize the Commissioners of Guilford county and Greensboro to make appropriation for a monument to the Confederate dead.

Hobgood: To change the name of Greensboro Female College.

Hannah: To require all officers paying over money into school funds to take a receipt from the Board of Education.

House—Thursday.

A joint resolution was received from the Senate ratifying the seventeenth amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

The courtesies of the floor were extended to numerous former members. New bills were introduced as follows:

Gibbs: Regulating pay of Jurors in Pamlico county.

Haymore: For relief of former Sheriff Haynes of Surry.

Martin of Cherokee: Amend chapter 143, Public Local Laws of 1911.

Muller: To amend chapter 444, Public Laws of 1909, and chapter 101, Public Laws of 1911.

Marshburn: To amend chapter 274, Public Laws 1911.

Senate—Friday.

Leaves of absence until Monday were granted to a number of Senators.

A number of bills and resolutions were introduced in the senate.

The following bills were passed on final reading:

House bill amending Chapter 274, Public Local Laws of 1911, relative to salaries of public officials in Gaston.

Senate bill to pay special veniremen in Davidson county \$3 a day.

Senate bill to regulate pay of county commissioners in Davidson county.

Senate bill to change name of Greensboro Female College to Greensboro College for Women.

Senate bill to amend Chapter 95, Public Laws of 1911, to bring an act to provide additional assistance in the Governor's office.

House—Friday.

The report of the State Sanatorium for Tuberculosis was received in the house.

Mr. Murphy reported to the house that in printing the rules of the house the Committee on Liquor Traffic had been omitted.

Among bills and resolutions introduced was the resolution recommending Joseph Daniels for Postmaster General in President Wilson's Cabinet.

Representative D. M. Clark of Pitt county has filed the first gun for woman's suffrage in the Legislature.

A number of other bills were introduced in the house.

Bills were introduced as follows: Council: To amend section 3242, Revisal so to prevent multiplicity of indictments.

Gilliam: To promote the manufacture of anti-hog-cholera serum. The following bills were passed on third reading:

Senate bills to consolidate the towns of Winslow and Salem.

Senate bill to create a highway commission for county of Forsyth.

House bill to authorize the city of Asheville to issue bonds to fund its floating debt.

PARTY PROGRAMS BLOCKED BY WILSON

PRESIDENT-ELECT REFUSES TO TAKE PART IN ANY SCHEME OF REORGANIZATION.

TO BE NO FACTIONAL FIGHTS

Routine Legislation is Expected to Occupy the Attention of Congress Throughout the Next Week or Ten Days.—Other Work to Be Done.

FROM THE TAR HEEL STATE

Latest News of General Interest That Has Been Collected From Many Towns and Counties.

Raleigh.—Governor Craig commissioned Maj. L. W. Young of Asheville as Adjutant General to succeed Adj. Gen. Gordon Smith, who was recently appointed by Governor Kitchin to succeed the late Gen. R. L. Leinster. General Young entered the military service in 1898, and has won steady promotion.

Lexington.—Col. H. B. Varner, president of the North Carolina Good Roads Association, has gone to Danbury, Stokes county, to make a good roads speech. Col. Varner fires the first gun in a big campaign for a bond issue to build roads in Stokes.

Goldsboro.—Clifton Pearson is lying in a critical condition at the home of his sister, Mrs. Andrews, at Scottsville, three miles north of this city. He left here on the last train to spend a day with his sister. Scottsville is a flag station. He was found in the ditch by a negro, Arthur Barnes passing along the track, within a short distance from the station. He was unconscious.

Durham.—Pearl, the 3-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Stephenson, was seriously and probably fatally burned. The child was lying on the bed sleeping, and the mother stepped out of the room to attend to some household duties. She had been gone but a few minutes when she heard the child screaming. Rushing into the room the mother was horrified to find the girl wrapped in flames.

Charlotte.—The farmers of the county have taken excellent advantage of the fine weather that prevailed throughout the autumn months and have as a consequence done a great deal more work and are much better prepared for aggressive spring work than they have been in many years. This is the testimony of farmers from all sections of the county.

Dunn.—The inhabitants of the proposed new county, with Dunn as the county seat, seem to be determined to have a try at a new county, and arrangements have been made to have a meeting of the citizens and take definite steps to organize and put the matter before the present session of the legislature. The people from Sampson and the lower end of Johnston are reported as highly favoring the proposed new county.

Greensboro.—The City of Greensboro through the Board of Commissioners has just closed a deal with J. A. Odell for a tract of land covering 339 acres on Sandy Fork and Horse Pen Creek and adjoining the city's present lands at the water works plant. The price paid Mr. Odell for the land was \$3,000. The land is to be used for the extension and maintenance of the city waterworks system.

Winston-Salem.—Deputy Marshal S. H. Harkrader, who was assaulted and badly disfigured recently while en route to Surry county jail with a "moonshine" distiller, will lose the sight of one eye as a result of the attack which resulted in the prisoner's being taken away from the officers and released. This information was received here direct from the mountain section where the assault was made.

Waynesville.—Walter Messer, of Dillsboro, flagman on work train when the Goldsboro train was backing into the yard preparing to start towards Asheville, was run over and mangled and crushed under the wheels. One of his legs and one of his arms were practically cut off. The railroad surgeon, Dr. Way, was called, who dressed the wounds and prepared the unfortunate victim for the trip to Asheville, where he was placed in a hospital.

Norwood.—Norwood wants to be considered as on the map and, having in sight a position on four lines of railroad, she is a part, and a large one at that, of North Carolina geography. Since the town is the terminus of the Yadkin branch of the Southern, on the main line of the Winston-Salem Southbound, which connects with the A. C. L. and N. & W., the new road from Norfolk to Charlotte will let the outside world in—Norwood people have no desire to get out.

Salisbury.—At a meeting of the Rowan County Board of Health two new members, Dr. H. T. Trantham and Dr. W. L. Crump, were elected. Dr. E. W. Currie was elected county superintendent of health.

Greenville.—The Henry Clay Debating Society of this city, has entered the state-wide debating union, and will debate the societies of Wilson and Kinston on the subject of woman's suffrage. The members chosen to represent Greenville are Robert Hunter, Johnny Humber, Milton Pugh and David Whichard. The debates take place the latter part of February.

Burlington.—At a recent meeting of the Board of Aldermen it was decided to petition the Legislature to give Burlington a commission form of government. This movement meets the approval of a large number of our citizens.

Whittsett.—The county road force has just completed building a mile of sand clay road through Whittsett connecting this place with the macadam road from Greensboro to Gibsonville. This piece of road has been badly needed for a long time. It is a great improvement over the old road.

The Inaugural Parade.

Washington.—From the South will be drawn the only regiment of regular infantry to participate in the inaugural parade. Maj. Gen. Leonard Wood announced that the regiment was the Seventeenth Infantry at Fort McPherson, Ga. West Point cadets may not march down Pennsylvania avenue in the inaugural parade. A point of order, made by Representative Foster struck out the military appropriation bill a clause for substitution of cadets to the inaugural celebration.

Mexican Officers Are Removed.

Washington.—Gen. Beltran, commander of the Mexican federal forces at Vera Cruz and Commander Azueta in charge of the arsenal there have been removed. Beltran commanded the federal forces which put down the uprising led by Gen. Felix Diaz, now a prisoner in Vera Cruz. Dispatches to the state department tell of rumors of a threatened revolt in Vera Cruz, having for its object the release of Diaz, but contains no reason for the removal of Beltran and Azueta.

NEW GOVERNOR OF NORTH CAROLINA

TAKES OATH OF OFFICE AT STATE CAPITAL.—A LARGE CROWD ASSEMBLED.

THE POLICY TO BE PURSUED

The New Administration Has Taken Over Reins of State Government.—Euthusastic For Many Changes of Industrial and Conservative Nature.

THE ADDRESS OF CRAIG.

Governor Craig had little difficulty in reaching everybody with his inaugural address. For each person who came out to hear the message and retired, there were three who pushed for a seat. This momentary demoralization kept the speaker's first words from the great bulk. The first manifestation of applause was the climax to his Biblical picture of the leaving loaf. "In this time of difficulty and hope the nation turns for guidance to the Democratic party," was the sentiment that spread widely.

Again, when Craig quoted the dictum of Vance, that it ought to be more tolerable for Sodom and Gomorrah in the day of judgment than for the exploiters of the people, the audience burst into terrific applause.

The review of the military forces after the inauguration was an imposing event. Governor Craig and members of the personal staff of Governor Kitchin and the chiefs of staff of the National Guard, headed by Brig. Gen. P. S. Royster, constituted the party for the review. They stood on the balcony of the Yarrowburgh as the companies filed by in splendid form.

The military feature of the inaugural exercises is prominent. More troops of the National Guard were here than at any inauguration in recent years. The First Regiment is represented by its Colonel J. T. Gardner of Shelby, and Lt. Col. J. C. Besant of Winston-Salem, Major Young of Asheville, the First Regiment Band of Asheville, and Company K of Asheville. From the Second Regiment Col. W. C. Rodman of Washington and Maj. C. M. Faircloth of Clinton.

The Third Regiment was here in the persons of its Colonel, J. N. Craig of Reidsville, Lt. Col. S. W. Minor of Oxford, Maj. J. J. Bernard of Raleigh, who was chairman of the military committee for this occasion, Maj. R. M. Albright of Raleigh and Capt. Don E. Scott of Durham.

The Coast Artillery Corps was represented by its commander, Lt. Col. Max L. Barker of Salisbury the Third Company of Greensboro and the Coast Artillery Band of Salisbury. The Fourth Company of Salisbury. The Ambulance Corps of Raleigh was also in the parade.

Colonel Craig of the Third Regiment was in command, with a number of visiting officers acting on his staff.

Immediately after the troops had passed in review before Governor Craig and staff, the Governor and his party, state officers, legislative and citizens were entertained at the mansion at luncheon.

The ladies in charge adopted the old-fashioned bountiful style, and the table in the tastefully decorated dining room was fairly loaded with good things, chiefly among which were a whole roast pig and a huge roast turkey. The evergreen decorations were all North Carolina grown.

The inaugural ball in the Auditorium was an event of brilliant social importance. The spacious arena which has a fine polished and waxed floor was reserved entirely for the dancers, the spectators being in the dress circle and the galleries.