

THE LEGISLATURE.

The end of the session is almost in sight, there being now only ten more working days, and yet the main work remains to be done, as is the case usually with every legislature.

We mentioned last week that the House of Representatives had defeated in one day three important bills, and how we are pleased to note that the same body in one day last week passed three important bills.

The good roads bill, which the House has passed, provides for the state lending money without any risk to any county that may wish to borrow it for the purpose of making permanent road improvement.

The largest delegation that has been to Raleigh at this session of the legislature was on last Friday when the Senate and House committees held a joint meeting to hear the discussion on the bill to create a new county, to be named Jarvis, out of parts of Harnett, Sampson and Johnson with Dunn to be the county seat.

The committee also decided to report unfavorably the bill to take three townships from Madison county and attach them to Buncombe. This action of the committee is to be commended, although a large number of the most prominent Democrats of Buncombe and Madison were in favor of the bill and a large majority of the committee were Democrats, yet the latter were not willing to dismember a county for apparently political and partisan purposes.

There will be some increase made in the pensions to Confederate soldiers, but not as much as they had hoped for and deserve.

S. Berman's Department Store, Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

BIG SALE STILL GOING ON IN FULL BLAST

In spite of the bad weather our store has been crowded every day since the sale started, and for the benefit of the public we will continue this big sale 10 days longer. We still invite the people of the entire county to come on with the big rush and share some of the big bargains which many hundreds of others have done.

S. BERMAN'S DEPARTMENT STORE CHAPEL HILL, N. C.

We are much pleased to note from last week's Statesville Landmark that its editor has recovered from a month's sickness, and is again on duty. We hope that he will for many years continue to edit the Landmark, for there is no man in this state more patriotic, level-headed and fearless than is R. R. Clark. His influence is ever for the good of his country and the welfare of his fellow men.

A REVOLUTION in Cuba is another source of worry to President Wilson who has already been so heavily burdened with the troubles of other countries. While the Cubans seem to be more capable of self-government than the Mexicans, yet they require the oversight of our government to preserve peace in that island.

THE Senate of the United States seems anxious to stop the importation of whiskey into those states that have prohibited the manufacture and sale of whiskey therein. Last week the Senate voted to make it a criminal offense to ship liquor into states which prohibit its manufacture and sale.

If the House of Representatives should vote for these two measures passed by the Senate it will enable the states which have prohibition laws better opportunity of enforcing them.

THE treatment of the convicts at the state farm is a disgrace to all persons having any control of them, and is shocking to humanity. This is fully proved by the evidence before the committee appointed by the legislature to investigate the charges of cruelty and ill treatment. It is fully proved that they are crowded in their sleeping quarters in such a condition that their health must be seriously affected.

This legislature should not adjourn until proper ways and means are provided for wiping out this foul blot on the fair name of our good old state, and for securing more humane treatment of all the convicts, those in the various county convict camps as well as those on the state farm.

While playing with a child Gen. Frederick Funston, commander of the southern department of the United States army, died suddenly Sunday night at San Antonio, Texas. His death was caused from acute indigestion.

A great part of the oats acreage is said to be a total loss in Catawba county because of the severe freezes. Wheat has also suffered much damage. There will be a shortage at harvest.

North Carolina in Parade

The woman's division of the inaugural parade has perfected plans for a number of states to be represented in the parade by appropriate historical floats. About 25 states, as we are credibly informed, are maturing plans for participation.

Surely North Carolina, with such an eventful history and with such a record of loyalty to our president, will wish to be represented in this pageant of the states.

A number of North Carolina women have organized for this laudable purpose and have decided to appeal to the men and women of the state for aid. It appears that maybe as much as \$500 will be required to defray the necessary expense of a creditable representation. Commercial organizations and public spirited individuals are urged to contribute.

The inauguration occurs in less than two weeks. Many details and much preparation are involved and final decision must await response to this appeal.

Remittances may be made to Mrs. John H. Small, chairman, The Cairo, or to Mrs. Edward W. Pou, secretary, The Shoreham, Washington, D. C.

When You Have a Cold.

It is when you have a severe cold that you appreciate the good qualities of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Mrs. Frank Crocker, Pana, Ill., writes: "Our five-year-old son Paul caught a severe cold last winter that settled on his lungs. We were greatly worried about him as the medicine we gave him did not help in the least. A neighbor spoke so highly of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy that I got a bottle of it. The first dose benefited him so much that I continued giving it to him until he was cured."

Our Military Strength.

France is said now to have one person out of every six in her population serving in the army or navy. If the United States and her insular possessions ever made such an effort, taking the present population as 112,000,000 the President would have at his disposal no less than 18,666,666 men.

This is probably more men than Germany, Austria-Hungary, Bulgaria and Turkey together have in the field today.

About Constipation.

Certain articles of diet tend to check movements of the bowels. The most common of these are cheese, tea and boiled milk. On the other hand raw fruits, especially apples and bananas, also graham bread, and whole wheat promote a movement of the bowels. When the bowels are badly constipated, however, the sure way is to take one or two of Chamberlain's Tablets immediately after supper.

Gov. Lister, of the state of Washington, has signed the "bone dry" prohibition bill which will become effective 90 days after the adjournment of the legislature early in March. The law prohibits possession of intoxicating liquor by any person except regularly ordained clergymen, priests and rabbis for sacramental purposes.

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Uses and Abuses of Fertilizers

By PROF. R. J. H. DE LOACH, Director of Georgia Experiment Station.

FERTILIZERS AND THE HOME GARDEN.

The Last of a Series of Six Articles. A farmer that we used to know quite well always put on his garden plot a sack of guano and three or four loads of stable and other kinds of barnyard manure. His garden covered about one-fifth of an acre, and was good land to begin with. In fact, he had selected a good, rich spot of ground for his garden. The fertilizer he applied amounted to a thousand pounds per acre, and the barnyard manure to about seven or eight tons. Of course, he grew a good garden, as most people do, and yet he often wondered why his garden was so much better than other parts of his farm. He was a good farmer and made plenty of everything, and to spare. He knew that he made liberal applications of fertilizers and manures to his garden, but was never quite willing to acknowledge that these made all the difference in the yields.

Our gardens are usually the richest spots on the farm, and are so only because we make them so by fertilization and cultivation. Every acre in the average farm could be made just as rich if we tried to make it so. We do not consider sufficiently the factors which make fertile land. We do not strive to do intensive farming, but rather make it as extensive as our acres will allow. When we wish to make an additional bale of cotton, or bushel of corn, we take in more land instead of enriching what is already under cultivation.

Dr. E. H. Bailey has given in his book, "The Principles of Vegetable Gardening," some valuable suggestions on the use of commercial fertilizers. "The kind and amount of fertilizers," he says, "are to be determined by several circumstances: (1) The earliness or quickness with which the crop is to be obtained; (2) the intensity of the operations to which the man is committed; (3) the character of the land as regards tilth and texture; (4) the character of the land as regards richness in plant food; (5) the kind or species of crops to be raised." Whatever the condition of the land or the nature of the crop, it must be fertilized if the gardener meets with success. Competition in the truck-growing business can be met in no other way than by liberally fertilizing the ground on which the crops grow. Dr. Bailey has wisely said that fertilizers must be applied in excess of the actual needs of the plants. It is impossible to distribute a very small quantity of fertilizers over a large area.

Vegetables are such rapid growing plants that one need not fear that much of the fertilizer will leach out through the soil on account of rain. If it is applied close to or in the drill row, all of it should be saved. The plants will absorb it before it gets away. The formula generally recommended consists of a complete fertilizer, though the acid phosphate and nitrogen should come from different sources, even in the same fertilizer applied at any given time. The mixture for gardens should be composed of as many kinds of ingredients as possible, carrying the three fundamental elements of plant food—potash, nitrogen and phosphoric acid.

Goodness recommends heavy applications of such mixtures to the commercial gardens and to truck patches. He says 1,000 to 5,000 pounds per acre of such mixture should be applied to asparagus, and as much to beets and turnips, less than that to peas and beans. With any amount an after application has been found profitable. This is sometimes called the second application, which is not generally a complete fertilizer, but is composed of nitrogen, or one of the other elements alone. The second application of fertilizers may be composed of ammonia and acid, or other formula to suit the immediate crop. Garden vegetables need large applications of fertilizer because any check in their growth produces inferiority in quality. It is said by Dr. Bailey that any delay in the growth of lettuce or radishes will generally cause a pungent flavor or sharp taste that is undesirable. It cuts down the market value. The way to remove any cause for this is to fertilize well and properly and then cultivate. The turnip is made very inferior when there is a check in growth. The vegetables that are thus stunted seem to revert to the original type from which they were derived, especially with regard to taste, and hence should be carefully looked after in regard to fertilization and cultivation. Fertilizers should be applied to the vegetable garden as early after the spring breaking as possible, as the soil ought to be saturated with rich plant food before the plants begin to grow very much. Then they will grow much more rapidly and make far better vegetables. The second application should be made about the time the young plants are half grown. This is as definite as a statement regarding this practice can be made. For all prize crops, a third and fourth application is made, and with telling effects. No one can deny that the vegetable garden is the one place in which large dividends can be made from the use of commercial fertilizers.

American manufacturers are using more cotton than ever before in the country's history. The mills throughout the United States in the six months ending with January consumed 3,367,663 bales.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County, ss. Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, Ohio, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE.

MORTGAGE SALE.—By virtue of a mortgage executed to me by Charles Womack and wife, Cora E. Womack, on the 17th of December, 1910, and registered on page 573, 1-book "E. A." in the office of the register of deeds of Chatham county, I will sell for cash at the courthouse door in Pittsboro, at 12 o'clock meridian, on Friday, March 16, 1917, his one-fourth undivided interest in a lot of land in the town of Pittsboro, North Carolina, bounded on the north by the Methodist Episcopal church lot, on the east by the land of Dr. H. T. Chapin, on the south by a street of said town and on the west by the colored mission church lot, being lot No. 87 in the plat of said town and the same land described in a deed from A. H. I. Lutt-rioh, attorney in fact for Alexander Henderson and wife to Charles Womack, recorded in the office of the register of deeds of Chatham county, on pages 475 and 476, in book "A. Z." This February 14, 1917. J. H. EUBANK, By Fr. d. W. Bvnum.

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