

BILLS INTRODUCED IN THE HOUSE AND SENATE SATURDAY

New Bills.

The following new bills were introduced in the Senate Saturday:

S. B. 550, Cochran of Pennsylvania, to protect lead owners from live stock running at large.

S. B. 551, Hobgood of Guilford, to provide for the protection of public lots and maps filed in the clerk's office in Guilford.

S. B. 552, Haymore of Surry, to protect certain fur-bearing animals in Surry.

S. B. 553, Cooper of New Hanover, to place the officers of New Hanover on a salary.

S. B. 554, Hobgood of Guilford, to amend Chapter 196 Public Law of 1913 relative to changing terms of court in Guilford.

S. B. 555, Ward of Craven, to allow the board of directors of the Confederate Women's Home to make use of certain funds.

S. B. 556, Ward of Craven, to amend the public health laws of North Carolina.

S. B. 557, Snow of Wake, to provide a name for the old Supreme Court building and a custodian for the same.

S. B. 558, Nash of Orange, relative to Confederate veterans and their widows.

S. B. 559, Miller of Rowan, to provide for the regulation of fire insurance rates.

S. B. 560, Weaver of Buncombe, to amend chapter 100 revised of 1905 relative to general insurance laws.

S. B. 561, Hobgood of Guilford, to provide for a county building and the erection of a county courthouse for Guilford.

S. B. 562, Bumgarner of Wilkes, to provide for the boundary line between Brushy Mountain and Moravia townships in Wilkes county.

S. B. 563, Bailon of Ashe, to change the boundary line between Ashe and Watauga.

S. B. 564, White of Franklin, to amend section 2508 Revised of 1905 relative to the compensation of notaries public.

S. B. 565, Weaver of Buncombe, to amend Chapter 51 Public Law of 1905 relative to the subscription of stock by municipalities.

S. B. 566, McElder of Perquimans, to regulate the registration and sale of concentrated foodstuffs.

Bills introduced in the House Saturday as follows:

H. B. 705, Currie, prohibit drinking in three miles of certain churches in Cumberland.

H. B. 707, Bean, relating to land grant in Mecon county.

H. B. 708, Douglas, create and establish recorder's court for Zebulon, Little River township, Wake county.

H. B. 709, Douglas, amend charter Zebulon, increasing tax rate to 50 cents per hundred on property and \$1.00 on the poll.

H. B. 710, Douglas, to allow the town of Zebulon to issue bonds for lights and streets.

H. B. 711, Grier, to provide for conveyance of real estate of certain corporations.

H. B. 712, Nottles, prevent cities and towns of Buncombe from taxing crematory products.

H. B. 713, Somers, amend. Ge-well road law.

H. B. 714, Bennett, regulate the width of wagon tires in Montgomery.

H. B. 715, Mason, provide for working the roads of Jackson township, Northampton county.

H. B. 716, Denton, amend public school law of Graham county.

H. B. 717, Clayton, amend revision relating to qualifications of the county superintendent of schools of Hyde.

H. B. 718, Winslow, authorize commissioners of Perquimans levy special tax to pay floating indebtedness.

H. B. 719, Foster, amend revision to increase number of jurors in Randolph.

H. B. 720, Norman, to prohibit hunting of quail in Surry for a certain number of years.

H. B. 721, Jones, to submit to voters of Mecklenburg township, Jackson county, question of levying special tax.

H. B. 722, Hanes and Mickle, to allow officers and witnesses full fees in Rowan county where defendants are convicted and receive a road tax.

H. B. 723, McBrade, amend revision amending Confederate soldiers from jury duty.

H. B. 724, Benton, to enlargeatum school district, Columbus county.

H. B. 725, relating to sheep industry of Rockingham county.

H. B. 726, Bryant, relieve townships in Chatham from general road tax when they have voted special tax.

H. B. 727, Nynum, amend revision relating to the law of divorce.

H. B. 728, Freeman of Richmond, place Mrs. Sharley Meehan of Richmond on the pension list.

H. B. 729, Smith of Watauga, allow G. H. Hays to practice veterinary surgery in Watauga.

H. B. 730, Deaver, relating to the public roads of Transylvania.

H. B. 731, Dayton, for relief of Confederate veterans and their widows.

H. B. 732, Thoms, amend law relating to maximum and minimum amount of liquor that can be sold at the Anson county medical depository.

H. B. 733, Clark, prohibit the shooting of quail in Bladen before November 1st.

H. B. 734, Small, amend and enact law authorizing the establishment of a market house in Elizabeth City.

H. B. 735, Small, amend revision relating to absolute divorce.

H. B. 736, Carr, validate the act of McD. Williams, a justice of the peace of Duplin.

H. B. 737, Carr, amending the forestry laws of the state.

H. B. 738, Carroll, authorizing commissioners to levy tax for good roads in Danbury, Meadows and Sauratown townships, Stokes county.

H. B. 739, Killian of Catawba, amend road law of Catawba.

H. B. 740, Conley, allow tax collector of the city of Nebo to collect all taxes.

H. B. 741, Swain, to allow Washington county to levy tax to liquidate its indebtedness.

H. B. 742, Swain, abolish the office of county treasurer of Washington.

H. B. 743, Swain, amend road law of Washington county.

H. B. 744, Swain, allow convict to be worked on public roads and streets of Washington county.

H. B. 745, Meekins, by request to regulate selling of wine and cider in Tyrrell.

H. B. 746, Roberts of Buncombe, to appropriate funds to provide for a storage warehouse for state property.

H. B. 747, Smith of Orange, by request, amend law relative to bird dogs in Orange county.

H. B. 748, Davis, amending Carter road law.



Scene From "Alma," The Famous Musical Comedy. New Theatre Wednesday Night.

A REVISION OF SOUTHERN FREIGHT RATES—REASONS AND PRINCIPLE FOR SAME

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 4.—The recent order of the Interstate Commerce Commission, enforcing the Long and Short Haul clause of the Act to regulate Commerce has made necessary a general readjustment of freight rates throughout the Southeastern territory, according to the following statement addressed "To the People Served by the Railroads of the South" and signed by President J. H. Keely, of the Atlantic Coast Line, W. A. Winburn of the Central of Georgia, M. H. Smith of the Louisville and Nashville, W. J. Harahan of the Seaboard Air Line, and Fairfax Harrison of the Southern:

To the People Served by the Railroads of the South:

An order of the Interstate Commerce Commission, pursuant to requirements of Federal law, compels a general revision of Southern freight rates. It is proper that the people of the South should be informed as to the reasons for this revision and the principles upon which it is being made.

Excepting the Norfolk and Western, Chesapeake and Ohio, and Virginian Railways, which lie in Official Classification territory, the railroads of the Southeast receive virtually no part of the five per cent increase in rates recently authorized by the Interstate Commerce Commission. While the need of increased revenue is certainly no less than that of the Northern and Eastern roads, that need is in no way related to the revision of rates now in progress which arises solely from the necessity of more nearly conforming to the so-called "long and short haul clause" of the law, as amended in 1910, and as now construed by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

The original act to Regulate Commerce forbade the making of lower rates for a longer than for a shorter distance within the same line of route under substantially the same circumstances and conditions. The carriers were free to meet competition as they found it and were required to answer only upon the complaint as to the reasonableness of their acts.

The amendment of 1910 deprived the carriers of the right to initiate departures from the long and short haul requirement, and they may no longer meet competition as they find it if the long and short haul requirement of the law is involved, unless they can first obtain the approval of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

They were furthermore required by the change in the law, to apply to the Commission for authority to continue in force rates existing at the time of its passage which contravened the long and short haul principle.

The existing rate structure of the South is not the creation of traffic managers of this generation. It is

PERFORMANCE PLEASING TO THE AUDIENCE

LeComte and Flesher, presenting one of Adams, Hough and Howard's successes, the musical fantasy "The Prince of Tonight," gave their performance here Saturday night. A fair sized audience greeted the performers and judging from the applause it was highly appreciated.

The plot of the play is laid at the famous Florida resort, Palm Beach, and the story is centered around a stranded Yale college man, who arrives at the resort with his financial funds exhausted and gives his last quarter to a hotel porter. Learning that a life saver is wanted on the beach he secures the job. Then follows the meeting of the girl, her refusal and rejection. It is here the century plant comes to his aid and he is transformed into "The Prince of Lunitania" by his magic as administered by the old gardener. While the Prince he again meets the girl who flitted him and it is finally by her kiss that his life is saved.

Tom Arnold in the role of Jim Sutherland, the life saver, and the "Prince," was a general favorite. Miss Mabel Laffin as Virginia Stuart was well received. Miss Eva Phelps as Bonnie Stuart, the automatic jumping-jack, carried her part well and furnished the audience with many hearty laughs. Frank Harsh as Daniel Stuart, who had a mania for destroying hats, furnished his share of the comedy. And the tango dancing of Williams and Burch received encore after encore.

There is an abundance of action and just enough dialogue to enable an audience to fully understand the different moves. Songs and dances are freely interspersed with the dialogue and acting. The scenic beauty and gorgeous costumes form the most attractive part of the work particularly fine. The songs were particularly fine. The songs while not new were old-time favorites and took well. And the singing of the double quartet was up to the average.

BRIDGE WHIST HAS A RIVAL.

As a counter attraction to the fox trot and bridge whist, skat is growing daily in popularity. Many of the men's clubs have included skat among the games officially recognized by the card committee. Skat parties and luncheons are daily becoming more common, fashionable women being quick to recognize the superiority of skat as a social amusement. Chiefly on account of the universal good feeling which is preserved among the players. Those who are familiar with skat insist that it is the finest card game in the world.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

The regular meeting of the Chamber of Commerce will be held at their quarters in the Baughman building tomorrow night at eight o'clock, 9-8-St.

MRS. PORTER HOSTESS AT SILVER TEA

Aurora, Feb. 8.—Mrs. J. E. Porter was hostess Friday evening, February 5th from 8 to 10 o'clock, at a Silver Tea for the benefit of the Episcopal Rectory.

Mrs. W. S. Bonner met you in the front hall and received the silver offering. Miss Garnet Bonner conducted you to the reception room to register, then Miss Aileen Lowry presented you with a program for the evening.

Mrs. Porter in her usual charming manner conducted you to the dining room, where Misses Ava Jones, and Sallia Broome served chocolate, tea and sandwiches. The table was prettily decorated in red and yellow cut flowers and ferns, while the young ladies serving carried out the color scheme, one being dressed in yellow and the other in red.

Miss Minnie Bonner presided at the Victrola and furnished some choice selections. During the course of the evening Miss Myra Outlaw sang beautifully, "A Perfect Day."

Miss Garnet Bonner was voted toast-mistress. She gave the toast to man as man had given her the vote. The proceeds amounted to \$13.80. All voted Mrs. Porter a very charming hostess.

ENGINE OF THE "JULIA" IS FOUND

J. E. Lasey of High Point, passed through New Bern yesterday enroute to Beaufort from Engelhard Mr. Lasey has been aiding in the search for the bodies of J. W. Murray of Burlington, Mrs. W. E. Porch of Beaufort and G. P. Dodson of Norfolk, Va., who lost their lives when the yacht "Julia" went down near Engelhard a few weeks ago, and while here he talked in an interesting manner of the efforts being made to find these bodies. Mr. Lasey stated that during the past week a section of the "Julia" in, which was the engine of the boat, was located but that not a trace of the bodies had been found. Aiding in the search which is still going on, are relatives of Mr. Dodson. Every effort is being made to locate these bodies and the search will be kept up for an indefinite period.—New Bern Daily Journal, Feb. 7th.

Messrs. A. O. Clark and H. J. Smith of Grimesland, were visitors here yesterday.

TWO EMPERORS AT FRONT WITH THEIR ARMIES

London, Feb. 7.—With the German and Russian Emperors as eye witnesses, the armies of Russia and Germany are still contending for positions that protect the Polish capital of Warsaw from the invaders. The Russian emperor has been at Russian headquarters for several days and the German report announces that the German emperor has joined his generals and has actually visited troops in the trenches.

Nothing has been disclosed as to the progress of the battle which, when last reports were received, was raging with unabated fury.

The Russian's according to Saturday's official statement, had strengthened their positions on the western bank of the Bzura which they had crossed near its mouth, and captured another German vantage point. They also captured a long line of German trenches near Borjilow which has been the center of most desperate fighting.

In east Prussia another big battle is developing, the Germans having sent reinforcements apparently from their Bruna front to that region. In the Carpathians, while their right is advancing the Russians are able only to report that their left has checked the Austro-German offensive.

With regard to all this fighting the German official report promptly says:

"No essential events have taken place."

Fighting in the west is a repetition of that of the preceding days. There have been lively artillery duels and a few infantry attacks in which both sides claim to have gained some ground.

No further fighting in Egypt is reported. The Turkish account of that which already has occurred there refers to it as an encounter of vanguards and adds that the battles are still in progress. This probably is a delayed announcement.

The Italian report of the return of Baron Burián, the Austro-Hungarian foreign minister from his visit to the German emperor says the Austrian cabinet found the results satisfactory but were not inclined to give Trentino to Italy and part of Transylvania to Rumania as the price of continued neutrality on the part of those countries.

Turkey has given Italy satisfaction for the Hodedia incident. The British consul has been released and the Italian flag saluted.

English refugees from Constantinople declare the former German cruiser Goeben, now owned by Turkey, was so damaged by striking a Turkish mine that it will be impossible to repair her at Constantinople. This virtual loss of the Goeben reduces the Turkish fleet to a state of inferiority as compared with the Russian Black sea fleet which is about to be strengthened by a new dreadnought constructed at Sebastopol. It is believed that when this ship joins the fleet Russia will attack the Bosphorus and the Black sea while the allied fleets attempt to force the Dardanelles.

Pope Benedict's prayer for peace was read in all the Catholic churches in England and France today.

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MARCH 1st

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W. B. WINDLEY, Sheriff

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New Theater

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