

SENATE PASSES THE ARCHITECT BILL—NEW BILLS AS INTRODUCED

Raleigh, Feb. 14.—The Senate yesterday passed by a vote of 23 to 15 the bill of Senator Chatham calling for the regulation of the practice of architecture and for the establishment of a board of examiners for the same. The measure had come up for passage on Friday. Then, after a long debate, and after Senator Wright had called for the roll call on the second reading, the vote showed no quorum. Senator Muse began to address himself to the opposition of the bill when the chair ruled that the call for the previous question on the day before will hold good and shut off debate on the main question. He put the question on the roll call and twenty-two Senators voted for the bill and only eight against.

A lethargic sort of spring fever took hold of the Senate yesterday. No spirited debates erupted and only occasional tiffs in a half hearted fashion gave even the least bit of lively interest in proceedings.

Senator Holcomb's bill to make it unlawful to place signs or advertisements on property without consent of the owner and to displace signs lawfully placed, came near to throwing the Senate into a wrangle.

Senator Johnson of Duplin made an impassioned appeal for the billboards of the countryside and the towns. He urged the interest of the people in the beautiful color advertisements and even went so far as to say that billboards and such advertising media were about the only reading matter that a great many people have. Senator Holcomb came back with the statement that a bill board as an educational medium was a new thing to him and that his people did not need it for this purpose. The voice of Senator Cooper, buried in the flood of amending counties, threw his county to the side of Guilford in favor of the measure. It was as a voice crying in the wilderness. Senator Holcomb put the quietus on the onslaught when he declared he was not asking for any special legislation for Guilford but was seeking a State wide measure, meritorious in aim and effect. He settled the whole thing then by moving that the bill be tabled. It was.

Section 59, was amended to require non-residents who operate automobiles for hire \$10. Residents of North Carolina will only have to pay half this amount. The amendment is to catch South Carolinians and others who come to the mountain section during the summer and operate automobile hire, and take their departure after the season is ended.

Mr. Williams of Cabarrus made an ineffectual attempt to amend section 70 so as to allow the counties to charge the same amount of tax for the sale of cigarettes as the state, losing out on the close vote of 50 to 39.

Mr. Stacy's bill putting the kindergarten feature in the public school system of the state received a favorable report from the committee.

Mr. Hutchison introduced a bill providing for dentists for the state hospital at Morganton, and the Central Hospital at Raleigh.

Section 82, franchise tax on corporations, went through without a ripple. This is a big revenue producer, \$79,245.73 coming into the coffers of the State from this source in 1913. It will be more for 1914.

Bills Introduced.

Bills were introduced as follows:

H. B. 944, Sheppard, relating to holding courts in Robeson.

H. B. 945, Mason, fixing salaries of officers of Northampton.

H. B. 946, Denton, allow Graham county to levy special tax to pay indebtedness.

H. B. 947, Bennett, incorporate certain churches in Montgomery and Moore.

H. B. 948, Bennett, provide for dragging public roads of Montgomery.

H. B. 949, Bennett, amend revise to require register of deeds to verify record after registration.

H. B. 950, Somers, to place office of Caswell on salary basis and establish office of auditor for county.

H. B. 951, Bryan, repeal act in incorporating the town of Ronda Wilkes county.

H. B. 952, Hutchison, making appropriation for dentists at the hospitals for the insane located at Raleigh and Morganton.

H. B. 953, Norman, to provide for road improvement in Pilot township, Surry county and allow bond to be issued.

H. B. 954, to amend act relating to collection of taxes in Morganton.

H. B. 955, Kittrell, amend act relating to travelling libraries.

H. B. 956, Nettles, create a board of examiners for journeymen plumbers for protection of the public health.

H. B. 957, Dunning, to create machinery for fixing rates to be charged by railway companies for the transportation of freight, by amending chapter 20, laws of extra session, 1913.

H. B. 958, Dunning, to create machinery, fixing rates, etc.

H. B. 959, Pnett, provide for drawing jurors in Gaston.

H. B. 960, Roberts of Buncombe, request, amend road law of "Leola" county.

H. B. 961, Roberts of Buncombe, request, to validate acts of E. Abbott, a notary public for Lenoir county.

H. B. 962, Small, authorize Pasquotank to issue bonds to repay county jail.

H. B. 963, Smith of Cleveland, to amend act establishing Watahoo school district, Cleveland county, by making trustees elective.

H. B. 964, McKay, amend act relating to dog tax in Harnett county.

H. B. 965, Douglas, to regulate the sale of artificially bleached flour.

H. B. 966, Douglas, amend act relative to salaries of officers of Wake.

H. B. 967, Bowie, incorporate the town of Todd, Ashe county.

H. B. 968, Bowie, to prevent the spread of tuberculosis in Guilford.

H. B. 969, Euse, amend act relative to salaries of officers in Guilford.

H. B. 971, Allied, amend road

LICENSE MAY HAVE BEEN A FAKE ONE

Kinston, Feb. 14.—J. A. Hardy of Aurora is afraid that somebody in Kinston duped his niece, pretty Nina White, and Ardrey Lane, young people, of that place, with a fake marriage license on the night of January 26th. There is a letter in the register of deed's office at the court house from Mr. Hardy in which he asks if license was granted the couple here. Register Prigden has secured him that no license was issued such parties.

Some time ago Lane and Miss White tried to get license here. They were refused. From here they went to Goldsboro and met with similar luck. The officials at both places wanted the consent of the young lady's parents or guardian. The register has learned that the couple returned to Aurora and stated that they had been married.

Mr. Hardy says Lane is 20 years of age and the girl only 15. They "ran away," he claims. From the tone of his letter Register Prigden gathers that Mr. Hardy is not angry over their allegation that they are married; he simply wants to be certain that the ceremony was legally performed. "They are only children and we are afraid some scamp has fooled them for the price of a license, etc." the uncle of the bridegroom, says.

Mr. Hardy is a man of some prominence in Beaufort county. It seems Register of Deeds Prigden declares that unless there is a known deception being practiced by the young couple, the chances are that young Lane was the victim of some unscrupulous party who fraudulently secured a license and had a mock marriage performed. The authorities are puzzled about the affair and an investigation in full is certain to be brought on.

RUSSIANS ARE FORCED TO RETIRE

London, Feb. 14.—Two big battles, it is believed, already have begun or will begin soon on the Russian side of the east Prussian frontier and on the river Serok in East Prussia. The Russians have withdrawn in east Prussia and in Bukovina in the face of superior German and Austrian armies, to concentrate and come into closer touch with their lines of communication.

The official reports make brief reference to the operations at these two extremities of the eastern front but what they do say indicates that the Russians have reached the line on which Grand Duke Nicholas has decided to give battle.

The rest of the campaign in the east, even the fighting in the Carpathians, is overshadowed by these greater events, on the result of which both sides are standing by.

The Germans claim a big victory in east Prussia and the Austrians announce the Russian retirement in Bukovina with elation but apparently Petrograd views these incidents without misgivings.

In the west there has been a continuation of heavy artillery bombardments, in which Rheims again has suffered, and several infantry attacks, in which both sides claim success. From unofficial sources comes the news from St. Mihiel, up the Meuse, which the Germans have held so long, has come under fire of the French guns, which show that the French either have advanced in his region or have brought up heavier guns in an effort to dislodge the Germans.

At sea the weather has been such that naval operations are out of the question. The English coast has been washed by tremendous seas for two days past and many ships have been wrecked and considerable damage has been done at several ports.

GREAT WHITE WAY BEING ADVOCATED FOR WASHINGTON

"SEVEN HOURS IN NEW YORK" ON TOMORROW

(By the Press Agent.)

Full of tuneful music, pretty costumes, modern dances, and a lavish environment of scenery, and presented by a large company of well known comedians and a chorus of young and pretty women, "Seven Hours in New York," will be seen at the New Theater tomorrow night. The story of the piece is interesting and abounds with comic situations and brilliant dialogue and lyrics. On the occasion of its premiere performance in Boston, Mass., the press has this to say: "Seven Hours in New York" aroused a large audience to genuine enthusiasm last night. Seldom indeed has a musical play been received as favorably in this city. It is rollicking in good fun. The music is of the hitting kind, comedy forces hilarity, and the chorus is smarter, prettier, and more full of ginger than any ever seen in Boston. The person who believes he has an aesthetic temperament committed to his tender care may not go into raptures over "Seven Hours in New York." It is not a production for the rare individual but for the good natured public. There is that mystic something that gives one a sense of elation before the first act is under way. Perhaps it is the music, perhaps it is the stage setting; again it may be the bewitching attractiveness and delightful abandon of the chorus in full regiments, but whatever it is, a lifting feeling comes to the spirits and before long the grumpest person in the audience is joining in the applause."

To Install System of Lights in Business Section Of Main And Market Streets At An Early Date By Subscription Of Citizens.

Amount Partly Subscribed

A movement to establish a Great White Way on Main and Market street is being warmly advocated by a number of our progressive business men. The proposed plans are to place on each side of these streets, in the business section, about thirty-six posts with large white globes, having a 750 watt light in each globe.

This modern way of lighting the business section of a city not only adds brightness but shows the progressiveness of wide-awake business men. A stranger upon entering our gates can tell from a glimpse at this modern improvement that this city is up-to-date and filled with the spirit of progressiveness.

The approximate cost of installing this modern form of street lighting will not exceed \$1,500 which sum is to be subscribed by the merchants on these thoroughfares. The maintenance of the lights and current used should (and no doubt would) be furnished by the city.

Every merchant in the city should do his utmost in helping to put this modern way of street lighting in effect at the earliest possible moment. And if every merchant will come forward and contribute his part in this enterprise Washington will soon have a business section lighted so that every citizen, no matter where he may go, will be proud to relate of and point to with pride.

Other cities smaller than this have this same system. Why can't we have it if they can?

As this article goes to press about 25 per cent of the amount needed has been subscribed voluntarily. Do your part now, Mr. Citizen! Help Washington grow!

DEMONSTRATE IN RALEIGH EARLY DATE

Mr. L. N. Woolard was in Raleigh Saturday making arrangements to demonstrate there at an early date following fire escape on which he was just secured a patent.

Mr. Woolard's fire escape is said to have the advantage of the ordinary escape in that it goes clear to the ground and can be folded up to the top platform when not in use. It has a chalk hand fall which slips into position when the escape is opened for use.

Mr. Woolard is undecided whether he will sell his patent outright or endeavor to form a company for its manufacture.

BEGIN TWO WEEK TERM COURT TODAY

The February term of Superior Court of Beaufort county convenes this morning with Judge M. A. Justice presiding.

Only the civil docket will be gone into at this term. No cases of an exceptional great interest are on the docket for this term, and it is expected that the court will adjourn well within the time limit.

IN NEW BERN.

Mr. W. M. Shaw is spending a few days with her son, Mr. R. L. Shaw in New Bern.

RECORDER'S COURT.

Haywood Bonner, colored, bound over from Mayor's court for retailing. Three months on roads.

Levy Reddy, colored, bound over from Mayor's court for gambling. \$5 and cost or 15 days on roads.

MOTOR THROUGH COUNTRY.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bowers and children, accompanied by Miss Jennie Cox, motored in Williamson county yesterday, returning in the afternoon.

Law for Smithfield township, Johnston county.

H. B. 972, Alfred, amend charter of Selma.

H. B. 973, Alfred, to advance J. B. Rodwell of Johnston county a Confederate pensioner, to the second class.

H. B. 974, Alfred, to provide for working the roads of O'Neil township, Johnston county.

H. B. 975, Stacy, to authorize Will Johnston to own and operate light plant.

H. B. 976, Deaver, relating to protection of owners in the erection of buildings.

H. B. 977, Deaver, correct a land grant in Transylvania county.

MAYOR'S COURT.

The mayor disposed of the following cases this morning:

J. S. Tetterton, drunk. \$5 and cost.

J. W. Smith, drunk. \$3 and cost.

Sam Mills, drunk. \$3 and cost.

Claud Clark, colored, assault on Haywood Bonner, colored. \$5 and cost.

Sam Walker, colored, drunk and disorderly. \$5 and cost.

John Crandall, colored, drunk. \$7 and cost.

Haywood Bonner, colored, retailing. Bound over to Recorder's court.

Levy Reddy, colored, gambling. Bound over to Recorder's court.

Miss Minnie Lou Kelly spent the week end with her parents in Kinston, returning to the city yesterday morning.

Notice! Taxpayers

I will begin levying on all property upon which Taxes have not been paid MARCH 1st [This Means Cost.] [Make Hay While The Sun Shines.] W. B. WINDLEY, Sheriff 1-29-tfc

New Theater

TONIGHT Second installment "SUDORA" Ninth installment of "TRY O' HEARTS" And Four Other Pictures. Price 5 and 10 Cents.

BEGINNING THE SOLEMN LENTEN SEASON

Wednesday, known among the liturgical churches as Ash Wednesday, will mark the beginning of the most solemn season in the Christian calendar, known as Lent. For 40 days, until the season shall end with the feast of the resurrection, prayers will be said daily in sanctuaries throughout the Christian world and the hearts and mind of men and women will be turned toward the suffering of Jesus Christ through whose vicarious atonement the world is to be brought back to fellowship with the Father. During the Lenten season there will be many fast days, and throughout the entire period self-denial will be the dominant thought in the minds of those who practice a strict observance. Following the baptism of Jesus Christ he went up into the wilderness and prayed and fasted 40 days and nights. There the temptations of the devil assailed him and he was tempted but he withstood it all and came out victorious in this so in other trials of His earthly sojourn when arrayed in conflict against things that pertain to the flesh. Catching the inspiration and conceiving it to be their duty, many followers of the lowly Nazarine observe once a year a period of self-denial, fasting and prayer known as Lent. During that period which has been sanctified to many by its strict observance by Christian leaders for many years, those who enter into the spirit of its keeping refrain from all unseemly levity and turn their attentions toward the things worth while—those things which Jesus taught and bade His disciples do until His coming again.

There are many days set apart during Lent for special prayers. Each Friday during the period is a day of special services. The last week of Lent, known as holy week, is strictly observed, especially the day known as Good Friday, commemorative of that day during which for six hours the Lord Jesus Christ hung upon the Cross, while the blood "for the healing of the nations" flowed from His side and the will of God was accomplished in that He yielded Himself a willing sacrifice in order that man and God might be brought face to face in reconciliation. It was then that the veil in the temple was torn asunder

and when the clouds of the crucifixion day passed and that beautiful Eastern morning dawned bright and clear man conceived no longer the face of a hidden God, eclipsed by sin, but beheld the smiling countenance of a loving Father, reconciled to the world through Christ's death and resurrection.

Not only is Good Friday observed with great solemnity, but Holy Thursday as well, for on the last night of His sojourn before His crucifixion He gathered His disciples about Him in the upper room and instituted the Holy Communion, which shall be observed in remembrance of Him until His second coming. On the evening of Holy Thursday many congregations assemble and participate in services of the most solemn sort. Not only is the custom observed in churches, but the Knights Templar, a branch of higher Masonry, based upon the divinity of Christ and whose traditions date back to the crusades, also observe a sacramental service on that night. This is said to be one of the most solemn rites participated in by any body of people.

The last three days of Lent are observed in a most reverent manner. There is a silence, a stillness, a holy awe; services are said in subdued tones. On Good Friday black is prevalent in the churches. All colors are banished. From the altar the priest offers up penitential prayers, in which the congregations join in deep reverence. Bells toll Memento Te subdud. Biblical accounts of the crucifixion are read. Services last from 9 in the morning until 3 in the afternoon, when, in most cities, the bells toll for several minutes. In Catholic and high Episcopal Churches the services are of a very solemn character. The paschal candle is lighted and other formalities are gone through with, lending beauty to the occasion.

"Christ is risen!" That is the glad song of Easter morn, which follows the entire Lenten season. Glad songs fill the air and from tens of thousands of sanctuaries the peals of the organ are heard and men and women rejoice in their new found hope. Like coming forth from a house of mourning, Christian people emerge from the period into the glad sunshine of God's forgiveness, having been mellowed in spirit by their thoughts having been allowed to dwell upon the life, sufferings, death, and resurrection of the triumphant Son of God. Easter Sunday will occur this year on April 4th.

Miss Carrie Bright returned to Raleigh yesterday to resume her duties.