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HANGING ABANDONED

All Executions May Take Place at Raleigh.

TO INSTALL A N ELECTRIC CHAIR.

Want to Enlarge the Capital--The Trust Bill to Be Heard--No Working On Roads for Prisoners Awaiting Trial.

Raleigh, Feb. 23, 1909.--Since the last letter the Legislature has been as busy as legislatures ever get to be, for the end is in sight and unless there is work day and night there will be a barrel of bills on the calendar when the mill shuts down. At one sitting and that at a night session, there were passed 102 bills, all private bills, pertaining to towns, cities, school districts and townships.

Trust Bill to Come Up

The Lookhart bill killing the trusts was killed in committee, and the Blow substitute reported favorably by a vote of 8 to 9, and that means that there will be trust regulation on the floor of the Senate, it does not get to the house. The bill takes the worst of the teeth out, and allows the Attorney General to proceed in the Superior court, when he has reason to believe that any combination exists to control the price of any thing produced by labor.

Child Labor Bill Agreed Upon.

When the matter of taking up the child labor bill again, came round, there was a compromise measure proposed. The house passed the bill, with the understanding that the senate was satisfied with its terms. It changes the existing law very little; makes the apprentice age as thirteen, and the age to hire and work at fourteen. Makes sixty-four hours a week's work, allows machinists and firemen under eighteen to work longer hours, and at that age longer on breakdowns.

Talk of a Larger Capitol Building.

Some years ago there were drawn a set of plans for the enlargement of the State capitol building, but the matter was rested then. Governor Glenn showed the necessity of some place for the State office, and a fire proof place for the records. Mr. Ba nee the county of Hertford has now introduced a bill to issue \$500,000 in bonds and build the additions that the plans mentioned called for.

As to a Bond Issue

Bonds will have to be issued some think to pay the three million of bonds coming due next year, and it is likely that there will be others also for the needs mentioned above.

Superintendent of Agriculture and Sanitation.

Dr. Gordon, the valuable member from the county of Guilford, has a bill in the house to appoint an officer to superintend the educational interest of farmers and people who live in the country. The duties are to teach people, as he goes about, the best way to farm, the best things to plant on certain lands; how to keep the premises clean, and how to keep off and from spreading infectious or contagious diseases. The idea is new, but it ought to appeal to the very class that will oppose it.

Let Through Freight Run Sunday

After a warm battle last Friday, the house voted to allow through freight, crossing the State to run on Sunday. The old law was such that only perishable stuff could be hauled, and under the pretext of hauling that, all kinds of stuff has been hauled.

Deputies With Police Powers

Several of the mill villages of the State have had laws passed so that the deputy sheriffs of the townships shall have police powers, and have the right to arrest as do policemen, without getting a warrant. It is in the opinion of the legislature a good thing.

No Work On Roads While Waiting Trial

The bill of Mr. Cox, of Anson county, to work prisoners on the roads while waiting trial, met its death Saturday for good and always. It was proposed for Anson county only, but a great many other counties were tacked on to it. It was decided that it was a bad idea for a man waiting trial in jail, to go out and work like a convict, even if he was paid for the time in case of coming

clear, and have it credited on his time if convicted.

Looking to Adjournment.

A resolution to quit the 3rd day of March and another to let no more bills come in after the 26th inst, have been introduced and they indicate that the body has adjournment in mind.

No More Old Fashioned Hangings

The bill to kill all condemned men by electricity in the penitentiary instead of the old county hangings, which was killed in the committee in the early days of the session come back to the House, and was passed the past week, almost unanimously. It will pass the Senate, no doubt. All prisoners convicted of rape are to go under two guards, direct to the penitentiary, so as to prevent lynching. There will be no more important change in the general law at this session, hardly.

The average sheriff ought to feel good over this, but the law, if it passes the Senate, does not apply to any case now pending.

Love Unshattered.

Miss Martha Merkl, a member of a prominent family of Buff lo, N. Y., was married last week at the city jail to Harry E. Ans, a prisoner charged with burglary. The girl declared that they were sweethearts before his arrest and her love is unshattered by the criminal charges, and that their marriage will lighten the weight of the hours he spends in confinement.

"Kentucky Joe" Again.

"Kentucky Joe," the notorious bank robber who escaped from the penitentiary at Raleigh several years ago, has been arrested at Roanoke charged with robbing many post-offices in Wise county, W. Va. He is 67 years old and is under indictment in many other cases.

Embezzler Convicted.

L. G. Hancock was convicted of embezzlement in Forsyth court last week and sentenced to 5 years in the State prison. Hancock was book-keeper for the Shelton Box Factory and disappeared several weeks ago being short several thousand dollars. He was arrested in California. His attorneys entered a plea of insanity.

Finchurst Robbers

David Knight, a special deputy of Aberdeen, passed through Asheboro Monday enroute to Southern Pines with two colored prisoners, who are charged with robbing the express office at that place recently. The robbers secured several thousand dollars worth of diamonds and other jewels.

Extend Road to Eldorado

The Carolina Valley Railroad Co. has been re-organized with M. L. Jones, Pres.; J. L. Arnfield, Sec. and Treas., and three with Dr. Mook, F. S. Lambeth, J. W. Lambeth and Zed Griffith are directors. The road will be known as the Piedmont Railroad and will later be extended to Eldorado.

Suicide in Horrible Manner.

Mrs. Alida Burkhead, a member of a prominent family of Cabarrus county, committed suicide at Concord Friday in a most desperate manner. Saturating her clothing in kerosine oil she deliberately set fire to herself. She was 50 years of age. Ill health was the cause.

Murder at Wadesboro.

J. L. Fox, proprietor of a barber shop at Wadesboro, shot and killed Stephen Watson, an R. F. D. carrier. Fox, who was arrested in the evening in bed, denies all knowledge of the shooting. His hat and glasses were found by the side of the dead man. A mystery surrounds the killing.

Bank of Newbern.

J. R. B. Carraway, it appears has been systematically stealing from the Bank of Newbern, a National bank, for ten years. He is short \$116,000 and is bound over to the Federal court in a bond of \$8,000. The bank officials have replaced every dollar of shortage.

Property Transfers.

During the last week Morris & Ross transferred to Wm. C. Hammer and John M. Hammer their vacant lot on Depot street. Also Dr. Moore his office lot near new court house to Wm. C. Hammer.

Bank Failure.

The Bank of Carteret, at Morehead City, has been placed in the hands of a receiver owing to hard times and failure to collect loans.

TO HONOR THE CONFEDERATE DEAD OF RANDOLPH COUNTY.

We have set our hands to the sacred task of erecting in the town of Asheboro, near our beautiful new courthouse, a monument to commemorate the bravery and valor of the Confederate Soldiers of Randolph County who fell in the war between the States.

Love for our county and loyalty to the men who nobly died for Southern liberty and independence impel us to this undertaking. It is true indeed that the Confederate Soldier needs no costly tomb to glorify his memory since the whole Southland is his sepulcher, and the people for whom he laid down his life have prepared for him, in their own hearts, an imperishable memorial. But there are deep and sacred sentiments which demand a material expression of our reverence for their memory, and our admiration for their self-forgetting devotion to duty.

A due regard for posterity demands it, lest the lesson of their heroism and the purity of their patriotism be not duly impressed upon the generations that will come after us.

In every county in our state there should stand a memorial in bronze or stone that the heroic deeds of the Southern Soldiers may never be forgotten. We feel that there should be erected at our county's capitol, under the shadow of our new "Temple of Justice" a shaft of noble proportions, worthy of the spot, worthy of the illustrious deeds of our Confederate Soldiers, and worthy of the people of the county.

We would that all men in looking upon it might feel that it was a fit expression of the glory of the dead and of the love and reverence of the people for whom they died. It will speak to generations yet unborn of the simple loyalty and sublime constancy of the Soldiers of Randolph county who fought without reward and who died for a cause that was to them the embodiment of liberty and sacred right. And now, citizens of Randolph county, in the name of our heroic dead and for the honor of our county, we appeal to you to aid us in our undertaking.

It is fitting that this monument to the honor of the Soldiers of Randolph county should represent the devotion of each and every citizen of our county. Surely the kinred of those who gave their best and bravest men to the standard of the South in that tremendous struggle should be eager to contribute their part to the sum necessary to erect, here in full view of the capitol of the county, a shaft worthy to commemorate the valor and the virtue of those heroic men whose deeds have never been surpassed, and who have shed imperishable renown on their county and the commands under whose banners they fought. The Randolph Chapter Daughters of the Confederacy, appeal to you by the sacred memories of that lost cause, and by the honor due to our glorious dead, to make a prompt and liberal contribution to further the worthy achievement of so honorable an enterprise.

- MRS. W. A. UNDERWOOD,
MRS. W. C. HAMMOND,
MRS. J. T. MOFFITT,
MRS. WILBY RUSH,
MONUMENT COMMITTEE.
MISS MAY D. McALISTER, Pres.
MRS. WM. C. HAMMOND, 1st V. Pres.
MRS. J. V. HUNTER, 2nd V. Pres.
MRS. LILLIAN BUNCH, Secretary.
MRS. HERBERT MOFFITT, Cor. Sec.
MRS. W. D. STEWART, Historian.

While this appeal is fresh in your mind decide what contribution you will make and forward the same by check or P. O. money order to Mrs. J. D. Ross, treasurer, Asheboro, N. C. All contributions will be publicly acknowledged through the columns of THE COURIER and The Bulletin.

TO FIGHT STEEL TRUST.

The Opposition is Preparing to Manufacture Steel Rails.

Pittsburg, Feb. 20.--The independent steel manufacturers have decided to concentrate their efforts in the rail business and in this way force the steel trust to come to terms. The Jones & Laughlin Company is said to have acquired a large interest in the Republic iron and steel works and rails will be made at that plant in the future.

Contributions to Monument Fund Received to Date.

Table with 2 columns: Name, Amount. Includes W. C. Hammond \$150.00, Wm. P. Wood 50.00, R. R. Ross 25.00, A. C. McAlister 25.00, U. R. Pressnell 20.00, J. W. Jolly 15.00, Z. F. Bush 10.00, Z. A. Cranford 5.00, John Hancock 5.00, Dongan Brower 5.00, A. G. Rush 5.00, E. J. Coltrane 5.00, Wm. H. Glasgow 5.00.

Must Secure Tickets.

The railroad mileage bill, requiring the conductors to pull mileage on trains instead of requiring the holders to secure mileage tickets at the ticket offices was defeated in the Senate last Thursday. The vote stood 22 to 22 and the Lieut. Governor cast the vote defeating the measure.

W. A. Stuart Killed by Train.

Hon. W. A. Stuart, of Dunn, Harnett county, one of the States' brightest men of the younger class was run over and literally ground to pieces on Broad Street at his home town on last Saturday night at 7:30 o'clock by a shifting freight train of the Atlantic Coast Line.

Greensboro's New Charter Turned Down.

The Lew fangled charter to govern Greensboro by an appointive commission was turned down by a mass meeting of the citizens on last Saturday night.

CANAL "LIBEL" CASE.

Joseph Pulitzer and Editors and Two Indianapolis News Heads Indicted.

Bench warrants have been issued in the U. S. Cour at Washington for the arrest of Joseph Pulitzer, Caleb M. Van Hamm and Robert H. Lyman, of New York, proprietors and editors of the New York World, and for Delevan Smith and Charles R. Williams, owners of the Indianapolis News, for criminal libel in connection with the publication in those newspapers of charges of irregularities in the purchase of the United States Government of the Panama Canal property from the French owners.

Theodore Roosevelt, William H. Taft, Elibu Root, J. Pierpont Morgan, Charles P. Taft, Douglas Robinson and William Nelson Cromwell are named in the indictments as the persons alleged to have been vilified by the stories appearing in the two newspapers.

Grave Stones For Confederate Dead.

The stone to be used in marking the graves of the Confederate dead at the cemetery have been received by the Daughters of the Confederacy and are being erected. The marking of the graves is one of the important works of the Daughters for which they are commended.

Another work is the maintenance of a scholarship at the State Normal for the education of some descendant of the Confederate veterans.

Cotton Mill Damaged

Three floors of the big Gibson cotton mills at Concord sank probably six feet Saturday afternoon about 1:30 o'clock, due to the crumbling of a pillar under one end of the building.

Four hundred operatives were in the building at the time but no one was injured. The floors were held intact and the damage to the building is slight. The mill will be closed for several weeks while repairs are made.

Rev. J. A. B. Fry, who formerly lived in this state but is now pastor of the First Methodist Church at Berkeley, Cal., visited at his old home in Moore County recently.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

The Carthage Buggy Company in the hands of a receiver.

Chas. M. Hoover has been re-appointed postmaster at Thomasville.

The Mt. Airy Furniture factory, employing 150 hands resumed operation Tuesday.

Mrs. W. L. Ritter, of Hallston, died last Sunday. She suffered with appendicitis.

Hiram Eady, aged 75 years, living in Stanly county near the Cabarrus line, committed suicide Tuesday on account of ill health.

The American Battle Fleet arrived at Hampton Roads Monday from cruise around the world. Thousands witnessed the review by President.

John Jackson, colored, wanted at Salisbury for the murder of Policeman Monroe, has been arrested in Tennessee.

J. A. Pritchett, one of Guilford County's oldest inhabitants died at Greensboro Sunday. He was 82 years old.

The Albemarle Enterprise says that M. M. Furr has a well preserved pair of baby shoes that he wore when a child in 1872.

J. Adolphus Long, of Graham, has gone to Elreno, Okla., where he becomes law agent for the Rock Island Pacific Railroad.

F. Martin, a cotton mill operative at Greenville, S. C., falling to get work, on last Saturday killed himself.

Mrs. S. L. Patterson, widow of the former Commissioner of Agriculture died at Winston-Salem Tuesday. The remains were taken to Lenoir for interment.

Mrs. B. F. Cooper, of Greensboro, on Wednesday morning of last week took an overdose of chloroform and died from the effects of it. There was no evidence of suicide.

Baxter Shemwell was convicted Monday at Greensboro of assaulting Conductor Smithers of the Southern a few weeks ago. Shemwell will be tried in two other cases before being sentenced.

The State Council J. O. U. A. M. is in session at Elizabeth City. Two hundred delegates are attending, representing 2000 members in the State.

The furniture factory at Wadesboro was sold at auction last week, bringing \$10,000. The new owners will begin operation at once with W. W. Dean, of High Point, a Superintendent.

Chas. W. Murphy, formerly of Salisbury, will conduct a special train from New Orleans to Washington March 2nd for the inauguration. The train will be the most elaborate ever operated.

Walter Moore, sentenced for four years for manslaughter, was pardoned last week by Governor Kitchin, but Moore died before the pardon reached. The pardon was because of ill health.

Spears Bros. at Boonville, in Yadkin county did quite an extensive canning business last year. They have recently sold out their large stock of merchandise and will devote their entire energies to canning on a large scale.

Mrs. Ellen Sherrill Babcock, of Utica, N. Y., mother-in-law of Vice-President-elect Sherman, was taken from a Seaboard Air Line train at Sanford Monday night and carried to Central Carolina Hospital for treatment. She was suffering with weakness of the heart.

Mr. A. R. Chisholm has received the certificate for a gold medal which is to be awarded him as the collaborator of the North Carolina furniture and textile exhibit at the Jamestown Exposition. Much of the work of collecting and arranging this exhibit was done by Mr. Chisholm. He was entering in his efforts to make the exhibit show up as well as possible for the State. --Sanford Express.

P. M. Asbur, a well known piano salesman, has been awarded a prize of \$25 offered by the Stief Piano Co. to the salesman doing the largest business in the Southern territory.

OF LOCAL INTEREST

Love Factory Now Operating In Asheboro.

ASHEBORO A PRODUCE MARKET.

Over \$3000 Paid Out For Eggs Alone In 30 Days--Marriage of Mr. Teague and Other Interesting Notes

The existence of a glove factory in Asheboro is not generally known but it is nevertheless one of the young and growing enterprises of the town. W. C. Rush, a native of Randolph county who recently returned to Asheboro from Marion, Ind., is manufacturing fabric gloves at his home, and expects in a few months to install power machines and begin the manufacture on a large scale. He is operating under the firm name of W. C. Rush & Co.

The demand for this grade of goods is great and there are only a few manufacturers in the county, and all of them are in the north. This is the only one in the South where it is almost impossible for the dealers to secure them. The gloves which are popular with persons employed out of doors, are made in several styles for both men and women and are cut from a cotton flannel fabric of special make.

OUR PRODUCE MARKET.

Over \$3000.00 Paid Out by Dealers During Last Thirty Days.

The chicken and egg industry in Asheboro is fast becoming a factor in the commercial circles of Asheboro. Different points of the State have boasted of their success in the produce market and upon an investigation it is shown that Asheboro stands as one of the foremost in the State. Each day the express cars are heavily loaded with crates of eggs and chickens.

The express records show that during the thirty days ending February 22nd, over 12,816 dozen eggs have been shipped from Asheboro for which more than \$3000.00 was paid out by our produce dealers. About \$300.00 was paid out for chickens. This does not include the amount paid for local consumption.

Farmers Union Meeting.

Editor Green, of The Farmers Union News, of Marshville, was in Asheboro Monday to address a meeting of the officers of the County Farmers Union and members of the local unions in Randolph. On account of the rain the attendance was not large, but plans were laid for an active organization campaign in the county. Special Organizer Scott, of Union county, will begin work in Randolph about March 1st.

He was to have attended the meeting here Monday, but was detained at his home on account of the illness of his mother.

Teague-Fowler.

The following notes have been received: Mr. and Mrs. John Murphy Fowler request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Mabel

Mr. Samuel Everett Teague on the morning of Saturday the sixth of March at half after six o'clock at the Methodist Episcopal Church Apalachicola, Florida.

Mr. Teague is a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Teague, of Asheboro. He has made his home in Florida for several years.

Randleman Contributes \$654.50.

A card from Rev. J. P. Rodgers, the financial agent for the Children's Home of Western N. C. Conference of the M. E. Church, South, says that contributors aggregating \$654.50 have been received from citizens of Randleman for that institution.

Held up Express Messenger

Three masked men attempted to rob the express car on the Mt Airy train Monday night. The messenger extinguished the lights in the car and after firing several shots the robbers fled without booty. Several thousand dollars was on the car.