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SHORT ON REPORTS.

The State Bureau of Labor and Printing would appreciate the return to the Department any copies of the 1905 report that are not especially desired by parties receiving them at the time the edition was issued. The usual number of copies reserved for the purpose of supplying special demands, from time to time, is already nearly exhausted, only about a dozen copies being left and requests for them daily increasing in number. Last Saturday requests were complied with for complete sets of the Departmental reports, from first to last to be sent to the John Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md., the Public Library, Seattle, Wash., Brown University, Providence, R. I., and to The Labor Advocate, Birmingham, Ala., besides several inquiries for the last report alone. The following reports are out of print and any copies of them that may be returned by those not in need of them will be appreciated; 1888, 1894, 1890, and 1891. The department did not issue a report for the year 1892.

The demand for these reports is increasing rapidly and a larger edition ought to be printed this year. Five thousand copies were published last year, yet the department says the supply is exhausted. Evidently the people are becoming more appreciative of statistical information concerning their great state and the field of the Bureau of Labor and Printing should be enlarged.

We regret to hear that the Toxaway Hotel Company is in trouble financially and sincerely hope that matters may be so arranged as not to interfere with the present excellent management of their great system of hotels. This enterprising combination of really progressive citizens has accomplished a great deal in the material development of Western North Carolina and it is hoped that their progressive efforts will not be retarded in any manner whatsoever. Hendersonville has been greatly benefited by the presence of the Toxaway company in this section and our people have always entertained the kindest feelings for the members of that great enterprising corporation. Here's hoping that everything may be amicably adjusted without loss or hindrance to the investors or promoters.

News from Washington is to the effect that the House of Representatives has voted to increase the salaries of members from \$5,000 to \$7,500 per annum, refusing to take a roll call. Well, who can blame the members from objecting to go on record upon such a proposition as that of raising their own salaries? And it is further charged that the member from the tenth North Carolina district voted against the measure, which now goes to the Senate for concurrence. The Representative-elect from this district is doubtless glad of the occurrence and doubly pleased that he was not there to oppose the scheme, also.

The records will bear us out in the statement that our democratic tax collector is saving to the tax payers of Henderson county about \$1,000 per year in insolvents, discoveries, land sale and from other sources. This is pretty good for the first year and we may expect even a more favorable result for 1906. Then why go back to former conditions under republican management of the tax books? We are not going. That's all.

Maybe the legislature will pass a law making it a misdemeanor for newspapers to "boost" candidates for office, except upon a cash basis. If this were so, the editors could well afford to pay fare.

J. W. Bailey, editor of the Biblical Recorder, as chairman of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League calls a convention of friends of temperance in the state to convene in Raleigh January 24 and 25th. He says the convention will mark an era in the temperance cause as a number of important matters will be discussed including that of state prohibition. He appeals for a substantial and thoroughly representative convention.

The proposed new road law may be a bit expensive, but everything of value costs money. Good roads are an absolute necessity in Henderson county and our people may just as well face the proposition at once and have done with it. Pay no attention to individuals who are playing for position, politically, but go ahead and do what is needed and must be done.

2,500 plunks annually more than they have been receiving is what members of congress have voted upon themselves, despite the protest of the democratic leaders. The Vice President, Speaker of the House and members of the Cabinet will be paid a salary of \$12,000 per year, an increase of \$4,000.

It is just as well to remind the public that the radical majority in Henderson county was reduced to a greater extent at the last election (in proportion to the vote cast) than that of any other republican county in the district with the exception of Cherokee. And excepting Haywood no democratic county made a better showing "all along the line."

POLK AND HENDERSON LINE AGAIN—OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING TO HENDERSON COUNTY.

(Staff Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 19, '07. Senator Ballenger has received the following petition which will doubtless come as a surprise to the citizens of Henderson county who were advised two years ago that the matter in question had been amicably adjusted, in accordance with an act mutually agreed upon by the senators and representatives of the two counties and passed through the General Assembly for 1903.

The Petition.

"To The Honorable Legislature of The State of North Carolina: Your petitioners, citizens and tax payers of that part of Henderson county east of Camp Creek, and in and near the city of Saluda, respectfully sheweth: That we are very unjustly treated, and made the victims of heavy burdens, and harsh treatment by the official management of Henderson county, and we receive no corresponding benefits; that our public roads are left in a most deplorable condition and that we are not given any school benefits: We therefore pray that you enact a law changing the county line between Polk and Henderson counties as follows, viz:

Following the present line as now established from the northwest corner of Polk county at the junction of Henderson and Rutherford counties, to the crossing of said line at Camp Creek at or near Bishop's former mill site, thence up the west side of Camp Creek to David Pace's mill, and on up the east branch of Camp Creek to the crossing of the A. & S. (Southern) railway lines, then following on up said east branch and the valley between Wards and Juds peaks on the west, and Moody's and Blake's peaks on the east, general course south fifteen degrees east and south twenty east to the Saluda and Greenville public road near the fork of the Juds' peak road then south thirty degrees east to the present Polk and Henderson county line as already defined and established, and on by said established line to the South Carolina line."

Respectfully submitted.

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It is understood that the Representative from Polk has a bill to present which is intended to carry out the wishes of said petitioners to divorce themselves from the county of Henderson. It is to be regretted that they have so soon become dissatisfied with "the

official management of Henderson county."

Nothing of special interest to the citizens of Henderson county has been presented to either branch of the General Assembly at this writing, although some minor measures—one amending the Hendersonville school law and the other various and sundry drainage laws, are pending before committees. These proposed measures were held up in order to ascertain if the people wanted them to pass. No objection has been made to the school matter, but the committee is advised that some amendments only are desired to the drainage laws and petitions are expected early next week setting forth what the people want.

Senator Ballenger is chairman of the senate committee on claims. He is also a member of the following committees:

Agriculture, Appropriation, Finance, Fish and Fisheries, Institution for blind, Pensions and Soldiers, Home and Public roads. Senator Mauney is chairman of the committee on Commerce and a member of the committees on Manufacturing, Mining, Pensions and Soldiers, Home. Senator Breese, of Transylvania, is chairman of the committee on Internal Improvements and a member of the following: Congressional Apportionment, Corporations, Election law, Judicial Districts, Military affairs, Railroad and Shell-fish.

The much discussed road law for Henderson county will probably be introduced during the coming week and it is hoped that the people have agreed upon a measure which will be satisfactory to the public generally. They have certainly had conferences a plenty to arrive at a satisfactory conclusion. Those Saluda petitioners are doubtless interested in ascertaining something of the proposed new law, inasmuch as there is little probability of their being able to stray off into Polk county again.

There is a growing sentiment in the General Assembly to put all State officers on the salary basis and allow all fees to go into the State Treasury; also to increase the salaries of about all the State officials on account of the increased cost of living during the past few years. Several of the said officials, are, in reality holding their positions at a sacrifice and their is imminent need for the relief suggested.

The joint committees on Education of the Senate and House of Representatives have mutually agreed to a continuance of the present system of selecting members of the county educational boards, in order to maintain the present system of uniformity in the management of the public schools throughout the entire State. And there is little probability of a single departure from the policy outlined by these committees, although republican members of both houses are clamoring for a change.

Quite a number of local temperance measures have been introduced into both the Senate and House and several spirited discussions have been provoked thereby. It is safe to assume that this Legislature is composed largely of temperance men, as only two votes were cast against the proposition to put whiskey out of Morganton, which recently came up in the House. Several republicans, even, supported the bill.

Today being the centennial anniversary of the birthday of General Robert E. Lee, the most illustrious soldier of the age and the greatest diplomat the south has ever produced, in accordance with an act of the General Assembly of 1905 making his birthday a legal holiday in North Carolina, the legislature did not convene this

morning, having adjourned yesterday in honor of the memory of General Lee to Monday at 12 o'clock. An appropriate memorial service was held in the Hall of the House of the Representatives this afternoon. Many legislators attended, as well as the public generally, and the ceremonies were most impressive.

The proposed legislation restricting the rights of newspapers to enter into contracts with transportation companies for transportation in exchange for advertising has aroused the indignation of many editors in the State and they are determined to fight this attempted infringement upon their independence to the last ditch. They will insist upon being left alone and resent to the end the populist suggestion that their editorial utterances can be controlled by the railroads in any shape or form. There is absolutely no reason for any such an intimation. It is far-fetched anyway.

Senator Simmons will be his own successor to serve the State six years more in the greatest legislative body of the world, the Senate of the United States. Only four votes were cast against him in the democratic caucus last Tuesday night, out of a total of 184. Chief Justice Walter Clark received the support of four personal friends, which came as a surprise, even to the Chief Justice himself. The speech of Senator Simmons accepting the great honor was a very fine literary production and enjoyed to the fullest extent by the vast throng who were fortunate enough to be present.

The weather is fine in Raleigh this winter and not nearly so much sickness as is usually reported among members of the General Assembly. However, some of them are slightly indisposed and one Representative is said to have suffered an attack of pneumonia.

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