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## WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent.

The House of Representatives has gotten back at the President and in mild language heaped coals of fire on his head for the strictures inuendos and insulting language of his annual message to Congress and for what the House calls "the evasiveness and irresponsiveness of what they hoped would be an apology or at least an explanation. The fact is that the President in "purging himself of contempt" as the saying is was it anything more contemptuous than in the original dose. There is talk apparently serious of impeachment proceedings and frequent reference to the impeachment of Andrew Johnson the only precedent in American history. But the two cases are utterly without parallelism, Roosevelt is still the most popular man in the United States and probably more popular today on account of this very incident than he was eight months ago when it took an iterated and reiterated announcement every morning before breakfast to prevent the country from nominating him by force for a third term. The President has not used the Secret Service malapropose for the detection of the ingoings and autcomings of Senators and Members of Congress; but, as is well known, he has been after undesirable citizens whether they were railroad presidents, trust magnates, or labor union boycotters and assassins. It was through the activity of one of the departments under him that the land frauds of Senator Mitchell of Oregon were discovered and that Mitchell was tried and condemned. The detective bureau received no instructions to shadow Tillman of South Carolina and he was not showed by Government detectives of the detective bureau but certain information regarding his alleged speculation in Oregon land grants were brought to the attention of the President through Government postoffice inspectors and at the request of Senator Hale of Maine. The information regarding Senator Tillman was sent direct to him. The President and Senator Tillman have not for a long time been on speaking terms and the senator has improved every opportunity both in and out of the Senate to denounce and characterize Mr. Roosevelt in language that was nearer Billingsgate than parliamentary.

The antipathy, or I might say, enmity between the men has become historic. It began two or three years ago when after a first fight on the Senate floor with Senator McLaurin, the President failed to invite Senator Tillman to a White House reception to which all of the other Senators and members were invited. Senator Tillman is a man of uncultivated ability, and he is well posted in national affairs, and especially in the affairs of the Senate committees to which he is assigned. He is, however, rough, uncouth, and not precisely a representative of that legendary flower of chivalry, a Southern gentleman. The present administration, as it is well known, has been after rascals, undesirable citizens, and whether they were railroad presidents, senators, or jail birds, it has been the effort to hunt them down. The fate of Senator Mitchell of Oregon in the land fraud cases is fresh in the memory of every reader. There was no reason why the Administration should not make an effort to investigate the alleged relations of Tillman, or any other Senator. Of course, he has denied any connection with the Oregon land frauds. Senator Mitchell, also, denied on the floor of the Senate with tears and vociferous assertions of innocence. Senator Mitchell was condemned.

Barely fifty more days of President Roosevelt's term remains, and there is every appearance that these remaining days will be as strenuous as the President could desire, and it may be doubted if he will find among the wild beasts of Africa gamer entertainment than the House and Senate are disposed to give him before the fourth of March. To the

student of current history as spread before the world in the daily press the situation is entertaining and edifying. Only a few months ago it was necessary for the President to iterate and reiterate his declaration made on the evening of his election that he would not under any consideration, have a third term. The people were determined to nominate him and it was with considerable reluctance that they named the man of his choice, but having named him, elected him with a great majority, mainly, or in great part at least, because he represented Roosevelt and the Roosevelt policies. Now, the newspaper head lines have the startling word "impeachment," and this procedure is actually discussed in Congress. Is Theodore Roosevelt less popular now than he was before the presidential nominating convention assembled at Chicago? Certainly not. It is probable that he is more firmly entrenched in the confidence and admiration of the people than he was then, and among other reasons because he has expressed his mind to Congress and told the naked truth.

### In Memoriam.

Whereas it has pleased our Heavenly Father to remove from this life our brother and fellow-laborer, John W. Rippey, and,

Whereas we recognize the hand of God in this dispensation, therefore be it resolved:

First: That we bow in willing submission to the will and wisdom of the all-wise Father, who is too good to do wrong, too wise to make a mistake, and who makes all things work together for good to them that love him and are the called according to His purpose.

Second: That while he has for some time been physically feeble and unable to attend the meetings of the session of which he was the senior member, nevertheless we have lost a wise counselor and a prudent and helpful officer.

Third: That we deeply sympathize with the bereaved family and pray God's richest blessings and benediction upon the members.

Fourth: That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the pages of the sessional records of this church, a copy be sent to the family, and also furnished the Burlington News and State Dispatch.

FRANK H. CURTISS,  
Committee

Adopted in the session of Burlington Presbyterian church January 10th, 1909.

D. F. MORROW,  
Clerk of Session.

### Haw River Items.

My pen has been silent for quite a while, but I am still living.

Health is very good with us at present and we hope for a continuance of it.

Our genial and clever Dr. S. L. McPherson has gone to New York to attend a medical school for a while. We wish him much success.

Our village was very much shocked last Friday night when Mr. Lafayette Johnson died with heart trouble. He was a kind father, loving husband and a quiet citizen. May the Lord bless the bereaved widow and children, they have the sympathy of our people.

Rev. J. R. Hutton, pastor of the M. P. church, preached a soul stirring sermon Sunday morning. Hereafter he will preach the second and fourth Sundays. He seems to be getting his people in line to do a great work this year. On the second Sunday in February he will preach a special sermon to the old veterans.

Business seems to be on the up grade with our business men, plenty of work to be done.

We think the Baptist church at Graham and Haw River ought to consult each other in regard to buying a lot and building a parsonage.

We are very anxious to see the good roads come down this way soon.

To get the best smoke, call at J. D. Payne's and get Payne's private stock.

## LID IS ON MOST TOO TIGHT IN WILMINGTON

Refusal to Allow Sale of Alcohol Works Hard on Sick.

Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 8.—The positive refusal of the board of aldermen to allow the sale of alcohol in any form by its action Monday night, declining to license druggists or to make any exceptions whatever by which the strictly medicinal wants of the profession and the public may be supplied and the manifest purpose of the mayor to enforce the law as it is put up to him, has brought the county and municipal officers face to face with the inquiry if they have not put the lid on and sat upon upon it most too tightly.

Instances of the real need of pure alcohol for sick patients by the medical profession and their inability to purchase the medicine at local drug stores, even upon the prescription of a physician, began to crop out yesterday and the board of county commissioners in regular session yesterday afternoon as an auditing committee saw fit to modify its former action allowing licensed pharmacists to sell pure alcohol according to the United States pharmacopoeia upon the prescription of a regular licensed and actively practicing physician or surgeon having the person for whom such prescription is made under his care, and a request from several physicians is ready for presentation to the mayor this morning asking for a special meeting of the board of aldermen tonight at eight o'clock for the purpose of considering similar action.

Holding that there was probable cause and that the Superior Court was the proper place for a final construction of the law and the determination of the guilt or innocence of the defendants, after hearing all the evidence in the case at the session of the police court yesterday at noon, the mayor bound over Benjamin Cottle and Adrian Elvington, clerks in Bellamy's drug store, charged with violation of the state prohibition law in selling Jamaica ginger to George Silvia, a young white man, who was later arrested on the street in an intoxicated condition.

### Miss Askew Dead.

Miss Savannah Askew, the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Askew, formerly of this place, but for the past two or three years residents of White Oak at Greensboro, died January 4th, 1909 aged about 20 years after suffering for some time with consumption. Miss Askew was a member of Burlington Reformed church, and was well liked by all her friends. Her remains were laid to rest in Pine Hill cemetery on January 5th, the service at the grave being conducted by her pastor, Rev. J. D. Andrew.

At an early hour last Sunday morning at Richmond, Va., Miss Mary Louise Stumpf, nineteen years of age, and daughter of a business man of that city, was knocked down twice and only saved from being criminally assaulted by the timely appearance of Irwin Pool, who was attracted to the scene by the cries of the girl. Charles Gillespie, a negro about twenty-five years old was the perpetrator of the crime. About two hours after the trouble avenge the negro was arrested. A trial will take place as soon as the young lady is able to give the needed evidence to the grand jury.

Last Sunday morning about eight o'clock Miss May Josey, aged about 65 years was drowned in a creek half a mile from her brother, Mr. Milas Josey, with whom she lived at Faith. She was subject to nervous spells and had been unwell for several days. It is believed that she had an attack of nervousness while near the creek and decided to throw herself in the water.

## TRAIN WRECKED NEAR REIDSVILLE.

Passenger Train Leaves Track and But Few People Are Hurt.

Reidsville, N. C., Jan. 8.—Train No. 29, of the Southern Railway, was wrecked in South Reidsville early this morning, shortly after midnight, while going at a moderate rate of speed.

Engineer Beavers, of Salisbury, was badly hurt, both arms having been broken, and he was badly bruised about the head, while it is possible that he was injured internally. Fireman Beckam, of Spencer, was not hurt.

The train, which is a through train from Washington to Jacksonville, was running about an hour late, and while passing through Reidsville was going at a good rate of speed, and when just this side of the Edna Cotton Mills, left the track and plunged down the embankment, the engine toppling over, followed by the combination baggage and passenger car, the latter's front trucks leaving the car and placing it in an upright position. Fortunately, only a few passengers were in this car, and aside from being pretty badly shaken up, they were all unhurt. The most remarkable escape was that of Fireman Beckam. His cab was almost completely buried in the mud, and he must have jumped before the engine had stopped, else he could not possibly have escaped from his side of the engine. It seems that the wreck was caused by a confusion of orders, the train having run into an open switch.

Shortly after the accident a wrecking crew came in from Greensboro. Engineer Beavers was carried to Spencer this morning on train No. 37. He lived at Salisbury, and married a first cousin of Mrs. Geo. W. Burton and John. J. Mims, of Reidsville.

The engine rolled down the embankment and buried itself in the earth. The combination car went in exactly the opposite direction and was damaged considerably. It was simply miraculous as to how the people in the combination car escaped without injury. The rails of the main line were damaged very little.

The engineer had received orders to take the siding here to let No. 38 pass, but later these orders were countermanded and he had new orders to meet 38 at Benaja. The fireman, it appears, did not know anything about the last orders, and changed the switch to throw 38 on the siding, afterwards jumping into his cab. The engineer thought he was on the main line and threw open his throttle, with the effect above stated.

The cars No. 29 were coupled to No. 11 and proceed on its trip southward this morning at ten o'clock.

### "It's Your Eyes," My Dear.

That give you a "dreadful headache." When you have a constant headache and cannot find its cause, best see me—likely to be eye trouble, and I stop eye trouble after careful examination, with proper eye glasses. I will be at Burlington at the Burlington Drug Company Wednesday and Thursday January 20 and 21st, for the purpose of examining eyes and fitting glasses. Remember days and dates.

Dr. N. Rosestein  
Eye Specialist  
Durham, N. C.

Mr. J. A. Smith, of Bessemer City, who was defeated by Congressman E. Yates Webb, Democrat, for a seat in the lower house, has employed counsel to aid him in the contest which will come up before long for the seat of the Congressman of the Ninth Carolina District.

It's so horrowing when your women friends look at your husband not to know whether they are wondering how you got him, or why you took him.

## SIX NIGHT RIDERS GUILTY OF MURDER.

Union City, Tenn., Jan. 7.—The jury in the night rider trials returned a verdict at 8:30 o'clock tonight of murder in the first degree, with mitigating circumstances, against Garrett Johnson, Fred Pinion, Arthur Clear, Sam Applewhite, Tid Burton and Boy Ransom, and murder in the second degree against Bud Morris and Bob Huffman.

Judge Jones, in his charge to the jury, left no hope for the defendants who were present or near by when Capt. Rankin was murdered, though they had intended only to punish him without taking his life.

If the jury discredited the alibis, then, he said, they must return a verdict of murder in the first degree for every man they believed was present or near by to give warning on interruption no matter by whom the fatal shots was fired or the noose drawn.

Judge Jones pointed out that even if the night riders took Capt. Rankin out for the purpose of inflicting corporal punishment and that one of their number shot or hung him while the others were present, or even near by, aiding or abetting or willing to do so, all alike would be guilty of murder in the first degree.

In other words, it was not necessary to prove that all of the defendants intended to murder Capt. Rankin, but only that they conspired to inflict corporal punishment upon him and were present or near by when he was killed.

### R. F. D. No. 8.

After spending the holidays at Mr. R. A. Matlocks', Mrs. Mamie Rice and family left last Wednesday for her home in West Durham. We were glad to see our good friends again.

The following enjoyed a fine possum dinner at C. D. Martins last Wednesday, J. A. Holt, wife and daughter, Mr. Lacy, Mr. Martin, J. M. Hayes and wife, all of Burlington. We enjoyed our selves immensely. Our friend Martin and his clever wife are excellent entertainers.

R. F. Whitsell of Burlington No. 4, is spending some time at J. F. Barbers on No. 8. Fred is remodeling his house and Robt. is "bossing" the job.

The Supt. of Bethel Sunday school requests every one that is interested in Sunday school to be present at Bethel church next Sunday the 17th.

The public school at Isleys school house has suspended on account of the sickness of Miss Lewis, the teacher, will start as soon as she is able.

Clyde Isley had the misfortune to cut his foot one day last week. We expect that the rabbits etc. on No. 2 will get to rest some now.

Mrs. W. G. Kernodle and children, of No. 2 are spending this week at J. W. Somers.

Miss Mary Moore, who lives at W. A. Lewis', is seriously sick, not much hopes of her recovery.

Misses Ollie and Annie Truitt visited friends in Gibsonville last week. They had a pleasant time.

J. E. Taylor and wife of Efland, spent Saturday and Sunday in Burlington, visiting Mr. Taylors sister, Mrs. J. M. Hayes.

J. F. Parks and wife of No. 9, were pleasant callers at J. M. Hayes' Sunday afternoon.

We regret to note that C. E. Tapscott is right sick. Hope he will soon recover.

Miss Ione Lewis is also on the sick list.

LeRoy Hayes, our sub on No. 8, spent his holidays visiting friends in Greensboro and Spray, at Spray he visited our good friend D. M. Lashley and family.

A good many farmers on No. 8, have sold tobacco on the Burlington market recently, and all seem to be well pleased with the prices. Glad we have a good market, it is so much better than having to haul a long ways over these bad roads.

## TWENTY-SIX KILLED IN MINE.

Zeigler, Ill., Jan. 11.—Of 28 workmen in the mine owned by Joseph Leiter 26 were killed by the explosion yesterday, according to official information given out at the mining office tonight. The last of the bodies was recovered today.

While her husband was gone to the postoffice, Mrs. H. Cam Heitman, a bride of three days, suddenly disappeared from her boarding place at Lexington Sunday, going to Lake about six miles where she caught No. 46 for Greensboro. Mrs. Heitman told the lady with whom she boarded that her husband had fooled her.

Mr. E. J. Russell, the first class harness and saddle maker, who is located in the Moore building is completing the fine saddle that Senator John L. McLaurin, of South Carolina is having made for his friend in Baltimore, Hon. Victor N. Roadstrom. You ought to see the fine article that Mr. Russell has made. And the people of Alamance county should be proud of the fact that they have a man who has the interstate reputation as a saddle maker.

WANTED—To give one hundred free tickets to Washington next March.

Read our subscription offer on 8th page, and get busy for the pretty silver premiums.

We are indeed glad to say that we can give you a \$14.50 set of silver knives and forks for only thirty yearly subscriptions to the State Dispatch.

We will give you a set of those beautiful silver tea spoons bearing the name of the Simmons Hardware Company, of St. Louis, Mo., which you can inspect for yourself, for six yearly subscribers to the Dispatch.

NEEDED—A beautiful set of silver knives and forks for the table on Sunday. Read our proposition in another place in this issue and in a few days, if you try, the answer will be "Have".

### Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury.

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold, to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney and Company. Testimonials free. Sold by Druggist. Price, 75c. per bottle. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Durham, N. C., Jan. 7.—An attempt was made to assassinate Jas. W. Ashburn about four o'clock this morning. Ashburn is the detective who came here in the murder case of J. A. Holt and who brought about the arrest of Reuben Barbee. Mr. Ashburn had just arose from his bed when the shot was fired in through the window, upon going to the window an unknown party was seen disappearing in the darkness.

### Mind Your Business.

If you don't nobody will. It is your business to keep out of all the trouble you can, and you can and will keep out of liver and bowel trouble if you take Dr. King's New Life Pills. They keep biliousness, malaria and jaundice out of your system. 25c. at Freeman Drug Co.