

THE HOUSE CALLS ON CONGRESSMEN FOR ANTI-JUG LAW

Joint Resolution Calling on N. C. Delegation to Support Hepburn-Dolliver Bill Passes House. Anti Bucketshop Bill Has a Favorable Report.

School Superintendents Endorse Child Labor Bill. Memorial Upon Jamestown Exposition Presented in Senate. A Number of Minor Bills Pass.

Special The News. Raleigh, Jan. 28.—The House representatives today passed a joint resolution calling on the North Carolina delegation in congress to support the Hepburn-Dolliver bill prohibiting the shipment of liquor from one State into the territory of another State.

Bliss passed creating the Charlotte Park Commission; authorizing the appropriation of \$10,000; authorizing Shelby to sell parts of certain streets; incorporating South Bound Railway Co.; relieving the board of agriculture of paying \$1,000 towards the current expenses of the A. & M. College.

The Senate passed a resolution to give a reception to Gen. R. F. Hoke of esteem as the last living Confederate general. The House took exception to the bill and referred it to a committee.

The Senate confirmed the following appointments by the governor: J. R. Young, Insurance Commissioner; Jno. D. Biggs, of Martin, R. H. Stancill, of Northampton, J. M. Parrott, of Lenoir, directors of the State hospital at Raleigh; I. I. Davis, of Burke, C. W. Armfield, of Iredell, Joe Jacobs, of Forsyth, directors of the hospital at Morganton.

School Superintendents. The North Carolina Association of Superintendents of City Schools tonight elected officers for the ensuing year. Walter Thompson, of Concord; year, president; Walter Thompson, of Concord; vice-president; W. B. Dove, Greenville; secretary; J. C. Griffin, of Salisbury.

Anti-Monopoly. Representative Vestal introduced in the House a bill to prevent monopoly and for the protection of trade by providing that no person, firm or corporation shall offer for sale or consign upon more favorable terms by rebate, discount or otherwise upon condition that the purchaser shall not purchase or deal in the goods of other concerns, provided this does not prevent the ap-

pointment of securities. The penalty is a fine of \$100 to \$1000. Governor Glenn today granted a commutation of the death sentence of Burch Morgan in Montgomery county, to life imprisonment. He was to be hanged for murder in the first degree. The commutation was at the solicitation of the judges and solicitor, the Governor being convinced that the death penalty should not be imposed.

The Judiciary Committee of the House of Representatives decided this afternoon to report favorably the Stewart bill to prohibit bucket shops in North Carolina. Mr. C. M. Busbee for Ware & Ireland, Raleigh, F. B. Alexander for Miller Co., Charlotte, and others, appeared before the committee and protested against the definition in the bill of "bucket shop" which in brief is that it is a place where prices are published or posted, as same occur fluctuating prices or stocks, bonds, wool, grain, etc. in trans made or offered to be made by boards of exchange or persons, and wherein persons carrying on bucket shops pretend to buy or sell according to these prices, but neither party actually buys or sells. Each day such business is carried on is to constitute a separate offense, punishable as a misdemeanor, by fine or imprisonment.

Hearing on Railroad Legislation. Next Thursday has been selected as the date for the joint railroad committee of the legislature to hear argument for and against two important bills pending. One is the bill fixing railroad passenger fare at 3 cents a mile and abolishing second class fare, and the other is the bill to allow railroads to issue passes to editors in return for advertising.

Next Meeting in Asheville. New Cotton Association Decides to Hold Meeting There Next Year. By Associated Press. New Orleans, Jan. 28.—President Jordan presided over a meeting yesterday of the executive committee of the Southern Cotton Association. Most of the members of the committee remained over to attend the convention of the New Orleans cotton exchange, who was elected treasurer of the association by the convention, was present. The committee decided to hold the first annual meeting of the association at Asheville, N. C., on August 15th. It was decided that the producers of each product in cotton-growing counties should meet on February 11th; that the county convention should be held on February 16th, and that the various State and Territorial conventions for the purpose of organization and naming of the representatives in the parent association should meet at the various State capitals on February 21st.

World's Record Again Broken by E. R. Thomas. Ormond, Fla., Jan. 23.—In the ten mile race for Mercedes cars, today, E. R. Thomas, in his 90 horse power machine, broke the world's record held by W. K. Vanderbilt, Jr. Mr. Thomas covered the distance in 6:31 4-5. Vanderbilt's time last year over the same course was 6:50. In the ten mile race for Fiat cars, Wm. Wallace won in 6:54 2-5. The ten mile Ormond derby for the J. S. Miller trophy was run in heats. Arthur MacDonald won the first heat, time 7:06. Edward Thomas, won the second heat in his 90 horse power, time 7:10. Jas. L. Breeze won the third heat in 10:25 2-5.

Chicago Embezzler Arrested. By Associated Press. New York, Jan. 28.—Wayland Trask, one of the oldest members of the New York Stock Exchange, died today. Mr. Trask had been a member of the exchange since 1869. Chicago Embezzler Arrested. By Associated Press. New York, Jan. 28.—W. H. Hunt, connected with the Pan-American Bank of Chicago, which closed several days ago, has been arrested here charged with the embezzlement of \$36,000, preferred by the Chicago police. Hunt was arraigned and held for extradition. It is said the liabilities of the Pan-American bank here approximate \$455,000. To meet these liabilities, the assets are said to consist of \$300 in cash, one trust deed of doubtful value, and some promissory notes, the whole amounting to \$3,000. Hunt was president of this bank, which closed its doors Thursday. Hunt was released on \$5,000 bail. Premature Dynamite Explosion Kills and Wounds. By Associated Press. Hagerstown, Md., Jan. 28.—One man is killed, two probably fatally injured, and four slightly wounded by a premature explosion of dynamite today on the Western Maryland railroad extension, ten miles west of Hancock. Earthquake in Alabama. By Associated Press. Gadsden, Ala., Jan. 28.—Gadsden and Attala each experienced an earthquake shock during the night. In some instances glass was thrown from tables.

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A Delayed Report From Mukden Tells of Hard Fighting There on the 26th With Disaster to the Japs. The Engagement General.

St. Petersburg, Russia, Jan. 28.—A telegram from Chanshanmuntun, says the Russians lost 45 officers and 1,000 men, killed or wounded, at the capture of Handepas Village, Thursday. The Russians took 102 Japanese prisoners, besides arms, wagons and ammunition. General Engagement at Mukden. Mukden, 10:14 p. m., Jan. 26.—(Delayed).—A general engagement is progressing. Only the left flank is not involved. About one thousand wounded had already arrived here. Several hundred Japanese have been made prisoners. The battle commenced on the right flank on General Kuropatkin's initiative. The Japanese were driven back five miles from their advanced position defended by reserve brigades. Fighting extended January 26th to the centre with Japanese who endeavored to take Poutiloff Hill and other positions but were driven back with heavy loss. Activity is general. Mischenkos fast riding cavalry continues. A large Japanese transport train was captured on the extreme right of the west flank.

Japanese Report Victories. Tokyo, Jan. 28.—The long inactivity on the Shakhe River was broken January 25 when Gen. Kuropatkin advanced a full corps from the vicinity of Chengtsu. Field marshal Oyman immediately assumed the aggressive and engagements occurred at Chenchiepiao Heikoutai. Oyama reports that he defeated the Russians at the Chenchiepiao engagement. As Viewed in St. Petersburg. St. Petersburg, Jan. 28.—Opinions differ here as to the importance of the movement undertaken by Gen. Kuropatkin. Many persons are inclined to believe it is a genuine offensive movement against the Japanese, whose object is to force them out of their winter quarters, while others look upon it as being only a more or less serious operation undertaken upon orders from St. Petersburg to draw attention of the people to the theatre of war. The general Staff maintains a reticence regarding the plans of the commander-in-chief. All dispatches from Russian correspondents at the front foreshadow a big and bloody battle decisive in character.

They tell of arrangements for the receipts of an immense number of wounded not only at Mukden but as far back as Harbin, and speak yesterday's date of a general engagement in which almost a million men and 2,500 guns were to be involved, and say the importance of the engagements will overshadow the battles of Shakhte river and Liao Yang.

AMERICAN STEAMER SEIZED. Carrying Cargo of Provisions and Forage to Vladivostok It Is Captured By Japs. By Associated Press. Tokyo, Jan. 28.—The American steamer M. S. Dollar, on route for Vladivostok, with a cargo of provisions and forage, was seized yesterday by the Japanese in the Pacific Ocean, east of Hok-Kaido Island. EXTRAVAGANCE IN COLLEGE. Investigation Ordered by Head of University of Chicago. By Associated Press. Chicago, Jan. 28.—Frenzied finance among students of the University of Chicago will have to go. Grants, "rake-offs" and the handing over of lucrative positions, long cherished by the young financiers of the Midway university city must cease to be. President Harper has put the ban on the methods pursued by his student business men. He has appointed a special board of ten of the members of the faculty to look into the methods and audit the accounts of the various student organizations, such as the Daily Maroon, the Monthly Maroon, the Cap and gown, the Reynolds club and the Score Club, which gives the university informal dances. Too much money has been taken out of the pockets of the students by the business managers of these student enterprises believes Dr. Harper. Not enough returns have been given to the student body. Value for value has not been received. He favors pouring all the surplus money into a fund to be used for the benefit of the students in general.

CONVICTION IN BREATHITT. Famous Outlaw Country Sends Man to Penitentiary For Life. By Associated Press. Lexington, Ky., Jan. 28.—In the trial of William Britton for the murder of Jas. Coehnel in Breathitt county, the jury today returned a verdict of guilty, fixing the punishment at life imprisonment. Norfolk Public Ledger Sold. By Associated Press. Norfolk, Jan. 28.—The announcement is made of the sale of the Norfolk Public Ledger to the interests controlling the Newport News Times-Herald, the new corporation being known as the Norfolk-Newport News Publishing Company. Estate of W. L. Pharr. The will of the late W. L. Pharr, the News learns today, leaves the entire estate, valued at about \$15,000, to the wife and child of the deceased. The will has not yet been admitted to probate at the office of the clerk of the court.

SCRAP AT PEACHLAND. J. W. Carpenter Seriously Cut in Head and Arm by James Candie. Special The News. Wadesboro, N. C., Jan. 28.—J. W. Carpenter, of this county, was seriously cut by James Candie in an affray at Peachland, yesterday. The affray was the result of a misunderstanding in a settlement between the parties. Carpenter was cut in the head and arm.

JUDGE ALLEN ILL. Confined to Room at Central—Next Appointment at Concord. Judge O. H. Allen, who has been holding court in the city for two weeks and who has been quite unwell for a week, is confined to his room at the Central today where he is being attended by a physician. Judge Allen has been suffering with a severe cold for a week and last evening was very unwell but today is reported slightly improved. Many friends of Judge Allen have made inquiries concerning his condition today at the hotel and it is hoped that he will soon be in better physical condition. Judge Allen's next appointment is at Concord where court begins Monday but unless his condition is improved he may not be able to meet the engagement.

WOMEN OF CONFEDERACY. Veterans, Daughters and Sons to Meet and Discuss Memorial Fund. A joint meeting of the Confederate veterans of Mecklenburg Camp, the Daughters of the Confederacy and the Sons of Veterans will be held in a few days to consider plans now on foot for increasing the fund for the memorial to the women of the Confederacy. Mecklenburg Camp has already in sight more than one hundred dollars, and this sum will be materially increased later on.

COTTON COMING IN VERY SLOWLY. The Receipts of the Past Month so Far, Amount to 24 Bales Against 2197 Last Year. Some Interesting Local Cotton Statistics. The receipt of cotton on the local market continues very light, and the demand is proportionately great. Scarcely any cotton at all was received this week, in comparison with the amount for the corresponding week last year. From January the first to the present date only 24 bales have been marketed in this city, against 2,197 for the corresponding week of the last year. On Monday of the first week in January of the past year, 46 bales were received; on Tuesday, 322 bales; on Wednesday, 260 bales; on Thursday, 137 bales; on Friday, 115 bales, and on Saturday, 103 bales. During the same dates this year four bales were received on Monday; eight on Tuesday; two on Wednesday; four on Thursday; eleven on Friday, and twelve on Saturday. The price for these dates were as follows: The market opened at 15 1-16 in 1904 and closed at 16 1-16 for the week corresponding to the one just closing. This week the market opened at 7 1-4 and closed at 7. The total receipts up to the present time in 1904 were 15,259; for this year they are 11,259—exactly 4,000 bales short.

Boys Play Trick on Mr. Cochrane. Mr. S. S. Herron, who lives about five miles southwest of the city, and in the neighborhood of the Dixie school, was in the city this morning telling a joke that several mischievous boys in the school played on Mr. R. J. Cochrane several days ago. Mr. Cochrane went down to visit the school, and the boys having heard of his coming, filled the stove with green wood. Shortly after Mr. Cochrane's arrival in the building the stove commenced smoking in an unusual manner. The rooms were soon filled. Tears collected in the eyes of several students, and, as they expressed it, "Mr. Cochrane cried and had to leave the room."

Union Meeting in Concord. The Union Meeting of the Mecklenburg and Cabarrus Baptist Association met with the Second church of Concord yesterday. Owing to the weather conditions and general prevalence of gripe, the attendance was not large. From Charlotte were present Revs. L. R. Pruet, J. F. Davis, and A. C. Barron. At night the sermon was preached by Mr. Barron, after which there was a discussion of the question, "How to enlist the activities of the young people?" Messrs. Pruet, Herring, Dav's, Newton of Thomasville and others took part in the discussion. The union is still in session, but it will close tomorrow night. With the Recorder. In addition to the case of Dock Powell for reckless driving and the white man, Brunson, for drunkenness, mentioned elsewhere in the News, there will be two additional cases to be disposed of that were worked up by the police this afternoon. Walter Hunley, colored, will be tried on a charge of reckless driving and Noble Weddington and Elijah Phifer will appear before the court to answer a charge of violating the city ordinance against loitering on the streets. Up to 3 o'clock there were only two inmates in the cells at the police station.

Several Correspondents Summoned Before Governor General for "Lurid Accounts" of Occurrences. A. P. Correspondent Conservative. But 100,000 Strikers Are Out at Warsaw and 100,000 More at Lodz and Serious Outbreaks are Yet Occuring in Various Places. By Associated Press. St. Petersburg, Jan. 28.—St. Petersburg has entirely resumed its normal winter appearance. St. Petersburgers are beginning to discuss topics other than strikes, riot and revolution. The dailies, except two, appeared this morning. Others will resume publication tomorrow. The papers are under orders to refrain from all save the most cautious comment on the strike occurrences. Several of the most sensational foreign newspaper correspondents are reported to have been summoned to headquarters by Gov. General Treppoff and called to account for lurid accounts of recent happenings which they had sent out. Demonstrations in Libau. Libau, Russia, Jan. 23.—There were some demonstrations by the strikers during the night and attempts were made to loot the bakeries, but the rioters were dispersed by the troops. 20,000 O. Strike at Moscow. Moscow, Russia, Jan. 28.—All newspapers re-appeared today. Twenty thousand are still on strike. Work is being resumed in some factories. 100,000 STRIKE IN WARSAW. 100,000 Also at Lodz But Telephone Lines Have Been Cut by Strikers. By Associated Press. Warsaw, Jan. 28.—One hundred thousand people are now on strike, but there has been no disturbance of importance. The street cars are not running. No newspapers appeared this morning. Practically no bread is left in the bakeries. A hundred thousand have struck at Lodz. Telephone communications with that city are interrupted by the strikers. BRIEFS. Miss Mary Ross, of 405 North Poplar street is confined to her room with an attack of grip. The next term of court in Mecklenburg will begin on Monday, February 13, and will be for the trial of criminal cases. There were more farmers in the city today than for a week, the cold weather having kept them at home closely since the beginning of the severe cold a week ago. The members of the "Wizard of Oz" Company, which appears at the Academy tonight, arrived in the city this morning shortly before noon. Mr. Marx Nathan, manager of the Academy of Music, was taken suddenly ill this morning at his room at the Central. He was reported some better this afternoon. The receipts of cotton at the city platform today amounted to 15 bales, and the best price was 7 cents. For the same day last year the receipts amounted to 103 bales and the best price was 16 1-16. Little Sadie Cash, the girl who is being educated by the printers of Charlotte, is quite ill with pneumonia. She is being given every attention by her who have taken such an interest in her welfare. PERSONALS. Mr. R. N. Hunter is in the city today from Huntersville, where he is erecting a residence for Mr. Will Nesbit. President D. B. Johnson, of Winthrop College, is a guest at the Buford today. Judge B. F. Long, of Statesville, is in the city today. Mr. A. T. Adams, principal of the county school in Long Creek, was in the city today. Miss Sunie Todd, of Berryhill, is in the city today. Prof. J. B. Hinson, of the Observer School in Steel Creek, is among the guests in the city today. Miss Maves Caruthers, of Pineville, is here today. Mr. W. C. Heath, of Monroe, is a guest at the Buford. Mr. C. H. Williamson, a tobacco manufacturer from Winston, was at the Central today. Dr. Henry Louis Smith, president of Davidson College, spent the day in the city. Mistrial in Plum Case. The case of Harry H. Finn against the Southern Railway, which has been on trial in the Federal Court in Atlanta for several days, has come to an abrupt ending, the jury failing to agree. The presiding judge ordered a mistrial. At the time of the accident, which occurred at the Southern's station in this city, Mr. Finn was a conductor in the service of the Pullman Company. The injuries received were of such a nature as to require the amputation of one leg. The mistrial will make another trial necessary at the spring term of the court in Atlanta.

SECRETARY TAFT IS QUESTIONED BY MR. WILLIAMS

Mr. Williams Asks the Old Question About Intention as to the Philippines and Gets the Old Answer. Smoot Case Closes in the Senate.

Naval Appropriation Bill Carries \$19,000,000 Less Than the Estimate Calls For But it is Over 2 and a Half Millions More Than Last Year. By Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 28.—Secretary Taft made argument this morning before the House committee on ways and means in favor of the Curtis bill, reducing the duty on sugar and tobacco, from the Philippines. He maintained that it would be as just to establish a tariff between the States of Ohio and Pennsylvania as between the United States and the Philippines, and said that ultimate free trade would have to come in between the islands and the United States.

Mr. Williams of Mississippi, the minority floor leader, asked the secretary if it was not the Republican policy to give the islands ultimate independence. The secretary affirmed this, stating that such would be the case when the people of the islands were capable of self-government. Naval Appropriation Bill. The naval appropriation bill was reported today by Chairman Foss of the House committee on naval affairs. The bill carries an appropriation of \$190,000,000, while the estimate aggregated \$119,959,638. The appropriation last year was \$2,569,929 less than this year. Will Investigate Iron and Steel Industry. The House passed the resolution authorizing the Department of Commerce and Labor to investigate the iron and steel industry in the United States. The House then took up private pension legislation. Hoar Memorial Exercise. Today's session of the Senate after the conclusion of the morning business was devoted to eulogies on the life and character of the late Senator Hoar. Smoot Case Closed. The investigation of the protests against Senator Smoot's retaining his seat in the Senate was concluded today by the committee on privileges and elections. It will be several weeks before the committee will be able to report. Only one session of committee was held today. Mr. Worthington of counsel for Senator Smoot, concluded his argument and Judge Taylor closed the case for the protestant.

Sunday Y. M. C. A. Services. The meeting for men at the Young Men's Christian Association Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock will be addressed by Rev. J. E. Smith, formerly pastor of the First Baptist church of Concord and now engaged in general evangelistic work with headquarters in Charlotte. The subject of Rev. Mr. Smith's address is "Arranged for a Faith." Mr. A. F. Craven will sing a selection by Rathburn entitled "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say" and will be accompanied by Mr. Harvey Overcash. Mr. D. Anderson Dickey will have charge of the ten minute song service which will precede the meeting proper and which has become a most popular feature of the men's meeting. A cordial invitation is extended to all men whether members of the association or not to attend this service.

January Examinations Over. The January examinations in the graded schools of the city closed yesterday. The higher grades are now examined quarterly instead of monthly as before, and the new plan, which has been in force since last September, is found to be far more satisfactory than the old plan. The next examination of the higher grades will be held the last week in February, the first one having taken place last November. White Boys Have Scrap. This afternoon about three o'clock two white boys, Archie Foll and James Williams, became engaged in a dispute on South Tryon street, opposite the Piedmont building, and for a few minutes things grew quite lively. Officers Bell and Avers came quickly to the scene and put a stop to the encounter, which was being warmly waged by the combatants, who were carried to the police station to be tried before the Recorder. Concert Tuesday Night. The concert that was to have been given last night at the Presbyterian auditorium by the choir of St. Peter's Episcopal church, has been postponed until Tuesday evening. The program as published in The News several days ago, will be carried out. Death of an Infant. A telegram received in the city this morning by Miss Elizabeth Grier states that her little nephew, the 2-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Gaither Hall, of Blowing Rock, died yesterday. Mrs. Mary Gaither, Grier, grandmother of the child, was with the parents at the time of the little one's death.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The News has made arrangements with the publishers to use as a serial "The Man on the Box"

By the man who wrote "THE PUPPET CROWN"

It is one of the most popular books of the year. The News considers itself fortunate in having secured this most interesting story, and will begin its publication in its issue of Saturday, Feb. 4th

Watch for it; tell your friends about it and they are not regular subscribers to The News, ask them to send in their subscriptions at once, so they can begin with the first chapter of this most interesting story.

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