

GOVERNOR TO RECEIVE AN INCREASE IN SALARY

House Amends Senate Bill and Reduces Proposed Income and Then Kills Salary Raises for State Officers—May Not Return Money to Penitentiary.

Record's Special Legislature Service
Raleigh, Jan. 10.—By amending the senate bill raising the incoming governor's salary from \$5,000 to \$7,500 and reducing it to \$6,500, the house today passed the salary act applying to the governor only, by 61 to 48. The senate immediately adopted the amendment and it is now law.

Constitutional questions arising out of the article declaring the governor's term to begin January 1 caused four votes against the raise. Ray of Macon opposed the raise on the ground that taxes already are too heavy and the raise would lose votes in close counties.

Page of Moore wanted a \$10,000 governor. Four Republicans voted with the majority party.

The house when it considered the salary bill had not adjourned from Tuesday night and ratified legislation today by its continued session. When the senate bill raising constitutional officers to \$4,000 reached the house, only one member voted for it.

Jones of Buncombe introduced a resolution appropriating \$4,070 by way of refund to the state prison upon the \$10 allotted to the families of the prisoners. It appears that the measure will be opposed.

Governor Craig has agreed personally to return this money if the legislature refuses to pass the bill.

Representative Pritchard, Republican of Madison last night urged the senate to kill his bill abolishing the Madison county road commission when he learned that his county would lose \$10,000 of government money. The repeal had been passed in the house during the day, with the help of Henry Paze, who insisted that Mr. Pritchard had the right to monkey in county affairs as much as Democrats.

Both houses passed a great number of local bills during the day, and yesterday worked intermittently while the clerks, an extra bunch of whom, worked hard to catch up with the grind.

Governor-elect Bickett will be inaugurated Thursday. Mr. Bickett will come from his home at Louisburg on a special train. Sanford Martin, editor of the Winston-Salem Journal, already is here to act as his secretary.

'BUFFALO BILL' PASSES AT DENVER

(By Associated Press.)
Denver, Col., Jan. 10.—Col. Wm. Frederick Cody (Buffalo Bill) soldier hunter and scout, died at 12:05 here today at the home of his sister.

DEERS RUINING FARMS IN PART OF SCOTLAND

(By Associated Press.)
Glasgow, Jan. 10.—Scotland is suffering from the deer pest. Hundreds of herds of deer are descending on farms and devouring the crops. Farmers and land agents reported these conditions at a recent meeting of the Scottish Chamber of Agriculture and demanded amendments to the game laws so that more deers could be shot and the food supplies increased.

It seems that 9,000,000 of Scotland's 19,000,000 acres are officially described as "mountain and heath grazing land." Of this more than two million acres are deer forest proper, and on much of the rest deer compete with sheep and cattle for the pasture. A good landlord encloses his preserves with a deer fence and keeps it in repair. But it was said at the chamber meeting that there are many bad landlords.

One of the biggest sheep farmers in Scotland declared that a nation less insured by tradition to the dominance of the great landowning families would long ago have demanded that deer should be confined to the poor lands, and that the better lands should be used for crops, pasture or afforestation.

ALABAMA GOVERNOR MAY VISIT BORDER

Montgomery, Ala., Jan. 10.—Aroused by the report from the Alabama camp at Nogales, and the official report that 22 of the soldiers have died there during the last 24 days, Governor Henderson announced today that he was seriously considering going to the camp for a personal inspection.

WATER POWERS UTILIZED BY ARMIES

(By Associated Press.)
Paris, Jan. 10.—The water power of the Alps, the Pyrenees and the central mountainous region is playing a big role in the military effort of France and will have an even greater share in the after-war economic struggle.

Many new hydraulic power plants, both in the valleys and on the mountainsides, are being built. They will produce electricity for the army. Many others, born of the coal famine and its lessons will replace steam after the war.

France utilized thirteen per cent of its total estimated natural water power in 1914. She was utilizing more than twenty per cent in July of this year and the proportion is every day increasing. Competent engineers fix at 4,600,000 horse power the energy France could secure from its water-falls at low water, while 9,200,000 horse power is the estimate for average seasons. The total steam energy used in France before the war was only about 3,500,000 horse power divided among about 64,000 establishments.

The water power of the Alps has given the name of the "Vale of Aluminum" to the Valley of the Arc, where 93,000 horse power is used transforming alumine into aluminum bars. La Romanche is the wild valley from Bourg Oisons to Pont de Claix in the valley of the Durance new plants aggregating 74,000 horse power for the electro-chemical industry are under way, while above Montandane one of the biggest chemical works in France has acquired rights to about 120,000 horse power of water fall that will be utilized speedily.

Hydraulic electrical plants in Central France have saved the family ribbon industry of Saint Etienne. The little home shops had begun to disappear—unable to compete with the mills. Electric motors of a quarter of a horse power have set this domestic occupation going again, keeping at home men and women who would otherwise be driven to the looms of the big mills. Little motors are used all through the region for cabinet making. Had they not existed before the war, it would be necessary to invent them or something equivalent for the use of maimed soldiers.

The electric motor is counted upon also to solve the problem of farm help in regions accessible to current. Cooperative societies are being formed to buy current for distribution among the members: the installation of a power station is being considered by one of them. A law to encourage and help such projects is now being considered in the chamber.

Electric energy for Paris brought from the Alps is the most ambitious project for the future. A dam 75 yards high in the Rhone at Genissiat backing the water up 14 miles to the Swiss frontier, will furnish a fall sufficient to operate a power station of 35,000 horse power and 240,000 kilowatts. The energy is to be transported to Paris in the form of an alternating current under a tension of 120,000 volts. The line of transmission will be 312 miles.

One hundred and twenty million francs is the estimated outlay—the cost of about a day and a half of war in France.

This enterprise would alone economize 1,800,000,000 of the 20 million tons of coal France imported annually before the war. Engineers figure that current brought from the Swiss frontier may be sold with sufficient profit in Paris at 3 centimes a kilowatt hour, an economy of about 50 per cent on the cost of current produced by steam before the war.

PHYSICAL VALUATION SOUTHBOUND RAILROAD

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, Jan. 10.—Physical valuation of the Winston-Salem Southbound Railway Co., 112 miles long and owned jointly by the Norfolk and Western and Atlantic Coast Line Railroads, made public today by the interstate commerce commission, and \$5,121,188, and its present value allowing for depreciation \$4,753,006.

The original cost, the report shows, was \$5,153,996. The road is capitalized at \$125,000 and has outstanding obligations aggregating \$6,210,000. Among its assets are placed 17,000 acres of land valued at \$600,898. The road was operated at a loss of \$409,639 from December 17, 1910, to June 30, 1915.

'LEAK' HEARINGS SUSPENDED TODAY

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, Jan. 10.—After another brief session today the house rules committee suspended public hearings on Representative Wood's resolution to investigate whether there was a stock market leak on President Wilson's note. Many congressmen said they believed the committee would vote against a public hearing.

No formal action was taken by the committee at its executive session. Members, stated, however, that the Wood resolution probably would be adversely reported to the house. Whether to recommend specific investigation of Lawson charges of stock exchange dealings was not decided upon.

The course of the committee was not announced, but there have been intimations that the majority felt that the examination of Thomas W. Lawson had revealed nothing to warrant an investigation.

Some members contend that if there is to be a general investigation of the New York stock exchange and alleged operations of government officials thereon, it should begin on a new one, as the Wood resolution was not broad enough.

Lawson told the committee that he would furnish the name and amounts if a special investigation is held.

NEW RESIDENCE SECTION BE OPENED

A new residence section of Hickory will be opened up when contemplated improvements are made in what is known as the M. L. Cline estate, Mr. Guy Cline appearing before city council Tuesday night and offering the city a fifty-foot street through the property. This would be Nineteenth street and it would intersect with Fourteenth avenue. Already property-owners in this section are asking for water and Mayor Whitener and the board promises this as soon as possible. If possible, a main will be laid at once.

Mr. D. T. Applegate, appearing with Mr. Cline, said that he had awarded the contract for a residence and could not start work until water was secured. His new house will be in the rear of Mrs. J. C. Moser's residence.

Council approved bond of the De Rhodes Plumbing Company for installing the plumbing and heating apparatus at the new graded school and, as the material already has arrived and as the work of the builder has approached the second floor, Mr. De Rhodes and his men can begin work at once.

THE CENTRAL HIGHWAY

Greensboro News.
It appears now that a large proportion of the local bills introduced during the first week of the session of the general assembly might have been put off until later, as they do not come within the inhibition of the constitutional amendment. Perhaps the mistaken notion that they all had to be within the first 10 days may be redound to the benefit of the state, however, as pretty nearly everybody has got his particular bill through by this time, and having local matters off his chest the legislature can turn to affairs of state-wide importance with the leisure and concentration that they demand.

Heavens knows there are enough of these to keep them busy. A profitable week will be spent on the highway problem. Months ago the Daily News suggested that one of the most profitable investments that the legislature could make for North Carolina would be the paving of the Central highway from the Atlantic ocean to the Tennessee line. It is our hope that now that the special legislation is for the most part out of the way the solons may be induced to consider this proposition with the care that it deserves. By the best calculations available, laying a pavement similar to the one on the stretch of the highway between Greensboro and High Point would cost \$6,000,000. If the state supplied every copper of that amount it would receive large returns upon its investment; but it would hardly be fair to take it all out of the state's treasury. The counties through which the highway runs ought to pay some, and the people whose property abuts on the road ought to pay some more. If each of the three parties named were assessed one-third of the cost the state's share would amount to only \$2,000,000, and it would have a property worth many times that sum.

We are looking for some sort of legislation concerning the Central highway, and whether it takes the form outlined above or not, we hope and believe that it will be a step forward toward the goal—a first class boulevard from one end of the state to the other.

MEETING AT BOONE

Boone, Jan. 10.—A meeting of "days" is being conducted in the Baptist church, in Boone by pastor M. A. Adams and Rev. A. C. Sherwood, of Bennettsville, South Carolina.

DRYS TRANSFER PLACE CABINET OF DISPLAYS TO HOUSE

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, Jan. 10.—The fight for a dry national capital was transferred to the house today from the senate, where the prohibition bill for the District of Columbia was passed late yesterday. Advocates of the measure apparently are confident of favorable action in the house.

As it goes to the house the bill would abolish saloons in the district and prevent the manufacture of liquors, but would not prohibit importation for personal use. The measure would go into effect November 1, 1917.

GERMAN RAIDER IS REPORTED DESTROYED

(By Associated Press.)
New York, Jan. 10.—Persistent rumors that a German raider was met in the Atlantic and sunk by a British cruiser yesterday afternoon were current in well informed steamship circles. Details are lacking of the identity of the vessel and the location of the place.

The Lamport and Holt line, owners of the steamship Voltaire, announces that rumors had reached them that their vessel was in a Bermuda port. Line officials say that they have heard that the Voltaire, which was said to have been captured by the raider, had been recaptured and carried to Bermuda.

The Voltaire left Liverpool November 28 for New York.

REFORMED CHURCH TO HELP IN EDUCATIONAL MOVEMENT

Salisbury, Jan. 10.—The Reformed church classis of North Carolina at a special meeting held in Salisbury yesterday decided to enter into the great upward educational movement of their church and to this end the month between August 15 and September 15 has been set apart as the time for the making of the canvass in this state.

The special meeting of classis was addressed by Dr. J. H. Apple of Hurd College, Fredrick, Md., who explained the movement whereby the Reformed church is endeavoring to arouse great interest in education and at the same time raise a fund of \$1,000,000 to be distributed among the 12 leading colleges and seminaries of the church. Catawba College at Newton will be the North Carolina institution to share in the fund.

Phillip Palmer clerk at the Empire Hotel is at John Hopkins Hospital to undergo an operation made necessary as a result of a fall he had some years ago.

Envoy S. A. Dillman, who has been in charge of the Salvation Army work in Salisbury for some time, has received notice that he is to be moved. Neither his new place nor his successor here have been named.

E. C. Crego has bid in the old P. P. Meroney home for \$18,500. This was the girlhood home of Mrs. Crego.

James Lyons, pressman at the Evening Post office for four years, has gone with the Richmond Locomotive works to help make shells for the allies.

MARKETS

COTTON FUTURES

(By Associated Press.)
New York, Jan. 10.—There was a renewal of active realizing in the cotton market today and after starting at a slight decline, active months sold about 43 to 46 points below the high level of yesterday. Spot houses were good buyers, however, and the market steadied after the call, with active months selling higher.

The market closed steady.

	Open	Close
January	18.07	18.07
March	18.55	18.22
May	18.80	18.49
July	18.81	18.50
October	17.40	17.08

HICKORY MARKETS

Cotton -----18c
Wheat -----22.00

CHICAGO WHEAT

(By Associated Press.)
Chicago, Jan. 10.—Wheat prices rallied today from transient weakness, due from inferences that the German chancellor would soon make a new move to bring about peace. Opening prices which ranged from the same as yesterday's close to 3-4 higher with May at 1.86 7-8 to 1.87 and July at 1.49 to 1.50, were followed by a substantial set back and then a rise in some cases that showed a moderate net gain.

THE WEATHER

For North Carolina: Fair tonight and Thursday, much colder Thursday; strong west winds.

PLACE CABINET OF DISPLAYS AT DEPOT

(Mr. C. G. Hanson of Asheville, industrial agent of the Southern Railway Company, was in the city Tuesday afternoon conferring with Secretary Joy relative to a display cabinet that is to be placed at the union station for the benefit of persons who may stop here for a few minutes or hours between trains.

Photographs of dairy farms, of manufacturing plants and other industries, together with a panoramic view of Hickory, will be placed in the cabinet in plain view. A box will be placed in the cabinet and persons interested may drop their cards into the box and be sure that their inquiries will be answered.

The display cabinet will be the most pretentious in this part of the state, and it will be of interest not only to the travelling public, but to Hickory people as well, many of whom will be surprised at the number and importance of the interests in this section.

ENTENTE REPLY TO WILSON READY

(By Associated Press.)
London, Jan. 10.—The reply to the entente powers to President Wilson's note asking the belligerents to state their aims has now received the approval of all the entente governments and its delivery is about to be made at Paris. Publication, however, will be deferred until 48 hours after it has been received by the American government.

The delay in sending the reply was due to changes by one of the entente powers, but these were largely changes in phraseology and do not alter the original reply.

The reply contains approximately 1,500 words. Its terms concerning the terms of the entente powers are more specific than were contained in the answer to Germany.

LITTLE POSSIBILITY MEXICO GOING DRY

(By Associated Press.)
Queretaro, Mexico.—There seems little possibility that a clause providing for prohibition in Mexico will be included in the new constitution according to delegates to the constitutional congress. The advisability of prohibiting the sale of intoxicants and prohibiting gambling was considered in connection with Article 4 which declares that no person shall be hindered in following any profession, industry or labor which does not offend against the laws of society. The article, however, was reported from committee without specific mention of prohibition and passed as reported by the congress.

The delegates to the congress are confident for the most part that the body will complete its labors well within the time specified in the decree of General Carranza which provides that the new constitution must be completed by February 1. The delegates declare that although there are over one hundred and thirty articles in the draft of the new constitution, there are many to which there is no opposition and that action on these will be speedy.

Although the call has not formally been issued it is known that the election for president probably will be called for the first Sunday in March and that the successful candidate will assume office April 1.

MAY MAKE PAPER AT ROANOKE RAPIDS

(By Associated Press.)
Raleigh, Jan. 10.—The General Paper Company of Roanoke Rapids, Halifax county, was chartered today by the secretary of state. The company, capitalized at \$5,000, of which \$2,000 has been paid in, proposes to manufacture, buy and sell paper and paper products. The incorporators are Fred and R. M. Peck and C. M. Graham.

ENDOWMENT FUND OVER HALF MILLION

Charlotte, Jan. 10.—As the result of the campaign in the interest of ministerial relief which came to a close today, the Southern Presbyterian church has added \$137,500 to this cause and now has a total of \$538,500 to the endowment fund.

HICKORY SPINNING CO. NEW CORPORATION HERE

Corporation to Manufacture Hosiery Yarns Chartered for Hickory—May Not Secure Suitable Location Here—Is \$300,000 Enterprise --Ready by Early June

ROAD SENTENCES FOR COLORED WARRIORS

Garfield Parker, colored, drew 18 months on the county roads and the other young warriors led by him in the campaign against Rob Wilson and Tom Whittenberg, two Newton commanders who were hauling around Beta Hoke and Goldie Gaither, drew three and six months respectively for their part in the attack on the automobile new year's eve between Hickory and Brookford. The genianders under 14 years of age were allowed to be hired out for three months, this concession being made to them in deference to their youth.

Wilson was returning from the country when the Hickory dorkies who had built a fire by the side of the road, fired at his machine, and sent a load of birdshot through the front and peppered Wilson and one of the girls. A shower of rocks also struck the car. The joy riders did not stop until their gasoline gave out, and they later bought a gallon of kerosene and journeyed to Newton—but not until after several physicians had rendered first aid.

The negroes who drew three months were Marcellus Harris, Chal Bell, Ben Setzer and Hal Setzer, and those who drew six months were Hezekiah Lewis, Roosevelt Dula and Gordon Suddeth.

Edgar Everettes of Brookford was fined \$5 and costs for assaulting a school boy, the man being displeased with a lot of children playing baseball at the school grounds.

FORTY BELGIANS ESCAPE FROM GERMAN CAPTORS

(By Associated Press.)
Maastricht, Netherland, Jan. 10.—An ingenious ruse, snatching of pirate yarns, has just enabled 40 Belgians to get safely out of Belgium. A tugboat lay on the river Meuse a Haccourt early one morning, guarded by three German soldiers. One or two Belgians casually approached and entered into conversation with the sentries, the sequel to a friendly chat being an invitation to have a drink at the nearest hostelry. Here a sleeping portion was adroitly introduced in the unsuspecting German's glasses, and a few minutes later the sentries were carried aboard the boat in a helpless condition.

Three Belgians quickly donned their uniforms, the rest of the fugitive party had already taken up their quarters below, and the tugboat was soon steaming Holland-wards, the German war flag flying bravely at the masthead. Arrived at the lock, orders were imperiously shouted and once safely on the other side the little boat sped downstream at full speed, snapping the wire that stretched across the boundary and being soon afterwards run ashore on Dutch territory.

With borrowed plumes restored to them, the abductees Germans were given due directions concerning the way back to Belgium.

INTENSE COLD WAVE TO STRIKE COUNTRY

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, Jan. 10.—A pronounced cold wave of several days' duration is predicted to overspread the Middle Atlantic and New England States, the Ohio valley and the Lake States.

Mackensen Forces Passage of Putna in Campaign Against Russian Forces

(By Associated Press.)
Field Marshal von Mackensen is rapidly developing his attack north of Folshani and already has succeeded in forcing a passage of the Putna, across which the Russians in southern Moldavia retreated after losing the Folshani bridgehead protecting the Sereh line in this important central sector.

Von Mackensen's thrust here apparently has the railroad town of Pantzin as its objective.

At last account the Teutonic forces were only five miles from Pantzin, the capture of which would interfere seriously with the movement of the Russian supplies.

While the German statement today only claims the gaining of a

(By Associated Press.)
Raleigh, Jan. 10.—The Hickory Spinning Company of Hickory, capitalized at \$300,000, of which \$75,000, has been paid in, was chartered today by the secretary of state. The company will manufacture yarns, cloth and other fabrics.

The Hickory Spinning Company, with authorized capital of \$300,000, was chartered by the secretary of state at Raleigh today, and the new company, which will manufacture hosiery yarns, is expected to be in operation by the early part of June. No location has been secured for the plant, but the company hopes to locate in Hickory if a suitable site can be obtained at a reasonable price; otherwise it will seek a site elsewhere.

The corporation is composed of some of the leading business men in this section of North Carolina and the business will be unlike any in operation in Hickory or this part of the state. Although the authorized capital is \$300,000, the new company will begin business with \$125,000, all of which is subscribed by Mr. A. M. Kistler of Morganton and Messrs. Geo. N. Hutton, J. D. Elliott, H. J. Holbrook and K. C. Menzies of Hickory.

All the machinery has been purchased and the company is waiting only on a suitable site and the erection of a building. If the location is secured at once, the plant will be in operation before the first of July. It will manufacture yarns for knitting mills and will find a ready market for its product.

Hickory people will hope that the plant will be located here or in this immediate vicinity, as the promoters are prepared to more than double the output.

GASOLINE PUMP FIRE TRUCK ARRIVES

The big gasoline pump to be attached to the fire truck arrived Tuesday night and has been placed in the fire station, together with the new body for the machine. The pump was purchased on the original contract with the fire truck manufacturers and was ordered six months ago.

With this pump, the firemen will be able to fight fires anywhere they can secure water, regardless of pressure. Winston-Salem, Atlanta and other larger cities have their trucks equipped with gasoline pumps, and Hickory will be in line.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK LENOIR ELECTS OFFICERS

Jenico, Jan. 10.—The stockholders of the First National Bank of Lenoir met yesterday afternoon elected officers and directors and declared a dividend of 4 per cent. Dr. A. A. Kent is president and E. L. Shuford is vice-president. The directors are J. B. Atkinson, R. L. Steele, F. H. Coffey, D. D. Dougherty, E. L. Shuford, G. E. Ransom, T. H. Brodyhill and Dr. A. A. Kent.