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**Special Session of Legislature.**

Governor Craig has called a special session of the Legislature to meet September 24, to consider freight rates and the proposed constitutional amendments.

What the Legislature will have to consider regarding freight rates will depend upon what is accomplished at a meeting to be held today at Point Comfort between the Corporation Commission and the traffic managers of the railroads. At a meeting in Raleigh last week the railroad presidents agreed to give a reduction of rates in this State somewhat like the people have been demanding, and said that their traffic managers would take up the matter of fixing these rates at the meeting to begin today. Whether this will be satisfactory or not remains to be seen.

But the matter of amending the constitution is an entirely separate thing, and will engage the earnest attention of the legislature when it meets. The last session of the legislature appointed a commission to take all the different amendments that had been proposed, work them over, and present them for passage, amendment or rejection by the special session, which in turn will submit them to the people. The amendments will be voted on by the people in the general election of November, 1914. The commission has been working on the proposed amendments for some time and on last Friday completed their labors.

There are fourteen proposed amendments, stated briefly as follows:

1. Amendment to Article 1, section 5, substituting the phrase "War Between the States" for the words "Insurrection or Rebellion Against the United States."
2. Amendment to Article 1 (new section), forbidding the prohibition of the use of the Bible in public schools.
3. Amendment to Article 2, Section 1, initiative and referendum.
4. Amendment to Article 2, section 28, increasing compensation of members of the General Assembly.
5. Amendment to Article 2 (new section), restricting local, private and special legislation.
6. Amendment to Article 3, section 1, fixing the day of inauguration of governor.
7. Amendment to Article 4, section 11, to limit the rotation of Superior court judges.
8. Amendment to Article 4, section 11, to prevent delays in trials by providing emergency judges.
9. Amendment to Article 4, Section 12, to enable General Assembly to provide intermediate appellate courts.
10. Amendment to Article 2, Sections 20, 26, 33, removing obsolete sections from Constitution.
11. Striking out Article 5, Section 9 of Article 7, and substituting therefore an article to revise and reform the systems of revenue and taxation.
12. Amendment to article 7, Section 13, substituting words "War Between the States for the word "rebellion."
13. Amendment to Article 8, Section 1, to prevent special charters to corporations by the General Assembly.
14. Amendment to Article nine, Section 3, to require six months public school term.

The most important measures submitted are reform in the tax laws, the initiative and referendum, and the prohibition of the making of local laws by the legislature. Some of the changes are not of much consequence, such as the first and the twelfth, which substitute the words "War between the States" for the word "rebellion" in the present constitution. The one saying that the Bible shall not be prohibited from being read in the schools is of no importance since no one wants to prohibit its reading. The amendment saying that the poll tax for all purposes shall never be more than two dollars is good, and, according to this amendment the poll tax may be omitted if the legislature desires.

Of course all of it must be voted on by the people, hence there is no danger one way or the other, as the people will take what they want and leave what they do not want.

**Accused Mr. Daniels of Causing a Riot.**

Last Friday night a riot broke out in Seattle, Washington, in which the headquarters of the Socialists and those of the International Workers of the World, a labor organization, were destroyed. The mob was lead by sailors from the Pacific reserve fleet in the harbor. Mr. Josephus Daniels, secretary of the navy, who is on a Pacific tour, had made a speech at a banquet the night before, and in praising the flag, said that there was no place for the red flag in this country. The Socialists have declared that the remarks of the Secretary of the Navy caused the sailors and the mob to break loose. Mr. Daniels denied even having in mind any local situation whatever, but said that he was but making the remarks made elsewhere. Those who know Mr. Daniels know that he would be the last man to advise violence and law breaking. However, he ought to give orders that every one of the sailors engaged in the outrage be found out and properly punished.

**No Women on the School Board in Iredell.**

The Statesville Landmark last week expressed its regret that no women were appointed on school boards in its county, as follows:

The county school boards of the State did not fall over themselves to appoint women on the school committees, as they are authorized to do by a law passed by the last Legislature. The committees were appointed in the various counties last week. In a number of counties some women were appointed, but four was the largest number named in any one county, so far as The Landmark observed. This paper is much disappointed that no women are named on the Iredell committees. Iredell stands at the head of the progressive counties of the State in many respects and it was hoped that the Iredell school board would take advantage of this opportunity to keep the county in line. It will not be denied by any observant citizen, that the work and interest of the women is in the main responsible for the progress of the schools and the educational advancement, and they should be given a larger share in the work by placing them on the committees. There are numerous women fully competent for this work and much better fitted for it than many men to whom it is assigned. There will be more committees to appoint a year hence and vacancies to fill in the meantime; and it is hoped the Iredell school board will give the women a showing.

Hon. E. J. Justice of Greensboro has announced that he will be a candidate for the Senator next year to succeed Senator Overman. Governor Glenn has said that he will make an announcement September first as to whether he will be a candidate or not, while of course Senator Overman will stand for re-election. There has been some talk to the effect that Governor Craig might be a candidate. However he will not be. Rev. Braxton Craig of Monroe has just received a letter from his brother saying that under no circumstances will he be a candidate. For the first time the next Senator will be elected by the people, this amendment to the constitution of the United States having gone into effect. Of course a candidate will be nominated in a Democratic primary, like candidates for other offices.

Governor Craig will make a tour of the State from the Tennessee line to the ocean, in favor of good roads. He will speak at eighteen county seats, beginning the latter part of the month.

**Eggs Fried on Ice.**

Saturday Evening Post.  
Frying eggs on ice is entirely feasible, as was demonstrated at a recent electrical exhibition given by the University of Illinois. The eggs were placed in an ordinary frying pan, and the frying pan was placed on a pile of cracked ice on a kitchen table. Eggs were fried nicely, though it took longer than when a stove is used. No wires were in sight. The frying-pan had no electrical connections and could be taken up and replaced at will.

Under the table was the secret, an electric magnet. Even with the secret divulged, the trick was wonderful enough, for between the frying pan the magnet was the pile of ice and the board table-top, neither of which was affected, excepting by the heat sent down from the frying pan.

A peculiar but simple principle of electricity was used. An electromagnet, as is generally known, is with coils of wire around each arm a horseshoe shaped bar of iron, or of the horseshoe.

When a current of electricity is sent through the coils of wire, the horseshoe becomes a magnet and will attract and firmly grip any bit of iron placed near the ends of the arms, or poles. If, however, an alternating current of electricity is sent through the coils, any iron near the magnet poles is heated by what are called "eddy currents."

In the egg-frying trick the magnet was placed under the table, an alternating current was sent through the coils.

There is only one occasion when a business education is more preferable for a woman than house-keeping ability, and that is when she has a husband to support.

**Answer the Call of Economy**

**4--MORE DAYS--4**  
**In which to Purchase Marvelous Merchandise at Mystic Prices**

Look over this list of Sale Bargains and if you haven't been here come, come by all means. Crowds of satisfied customers that have thronged every Department during the past five days prove the genuiness of this July Clearance and Reduction Sale

Jelly Glasses 1c each Thursday morning 9 o'clock. Limit 5 to a customer.

New shipment of Ladies Hemstitched Handkerchiefs; sale price ..... 1c each

Yard-wide guaranteed black Taffetta Silk; sale price ..... 48c yard

10,000 yards more of Domino Apron Checks at ..... 3 1/2c yard

Our Ladies' Best \$2.00 Slippers reduced ..... to \$1.63

Special lot of children's 15c Fancy Top Sox; sale price ..... 9c pair  
Six pair to a customer.

Ladies' \$1.00 black Satteen Petticoats; clearance sale price ..... 69 cents

Thursday morning at 10 o'clock we will sell 50 bolts of English Long Cloth at ..... 50c bolt

Yard-wide Sea Island Sheeting, not remnants, but full bolts; sale price ..... 5c yard

Get a pair of Men's 25 cents Suspenders at ..... 15c

Don't Overlook the Big 3 1/2 and 5c Bargain Counters

These are being filled every day with goods worth double the price. In many instances goods worth up to 15 and 20 cents are placed on our 5 cents counter for final clearance.

Coats Spool Thread ..... 4c spool

**Sale Continues Until Saturday Night July 26.**

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**Health and Hygiene.**

Did you ever get "chiggers" or "red bugs"? This is the open season now for these little pests. These tiny bugs cause some people almost untold annoyance, and sometimes the irritation resulting from scratching causes erysipelas and blood poisoning. They bother children, young ladies, and delicate or thin skinned people more than they do men, or people whose skin is more exposed to the sun and weather by outdoor work. These little bugs are scarcely as large as the period used by the printer in this article.

These harvest mites or "chiggers" fall off bushes and shrubs on the bare skin, or crawl up on the ankles or legs when we happen to stand in their midst, or they crawl all over our bodies should we lie down on the grass, particularly the grass along the shady edge of woodland or meadows or in wet places. Once on the skin they burrow into the sweat ducts, and in a few hours they begin to gorge themselves with blood and cause great irritation to the victim.

The best way to handle the "chigger" problem is not to get any on in the first place. But sometimes it is almost impossible to keep from having to wade through tall grass or weeds, where they abound. The best preventives for the little pests is ordinary flower of sulphur. The sulphur dust should be sifted down the underwear and stockings in liberal quantities. Ordinarily, if one does not lie down, it will not be necessary to use sulphur more than a short distance above the knees.

If you get "chiggers" and take a hot bath, using strong soap, or rub strong salt solution over the parts liable to be affected within an hour or two, the "chiggers" will be killed and washed off. This remedy, however, does little good, unless it is applied before the "chiggers" begin to do business.

Once in his skin, his honor, the "chigger," produces an irritating acid as he drinks your blood. It is the acid rather than the loss of blood that makes you scratch. To overcome this, the best thing known is to bathe the skin in a rather strong ammonia solution. That neutralizes the acid.

**Flattery.**

Biblical Recorder.  
Flattery is one of the most popular of the vices of the tongue. It is frequently bestowed and generally welcome. Some one has called it a sort of bad money to which our vanity gives currency.

Yet like counterfeit coin, it is the source of untold harm. It was at work in the days of David who

desired, every flattering tongue cut out and destroyed. Dr. Samuel Johnson used to say "of all wild beasts preserve me from a flatterer."

The evil one himself is the king and masters of all flattery. Thus he induced our first parents to eat the forbidden fruit, and encouraged Haman in his purpose to destroy the Jews.

The flatterer is said to be "a beast that blithely smiling." He paints a virtuous side to our weakening follies and bids us go forward on our way, whether it be one of vice or virtue. In reality, he is base and cowardly — a traitor of the worst kind to our higher interests and truer welfare. "His smooth talk often proves sweet poison" which enters the system only to viliate, debilitate, and destroy.

Let the flatterer curb his tongue and the flattered guard his footsteps.

**KEEP CLEAN INSIDE.**

Deliberately insult the man who starts to tell a filthy story in your presence by turning on your heel. Such a corruptionist has no more right to steal your pure thoughts than to put his hand into your pocket and take your money. These retailers of filth are whitened sepulchers—clean on the outside, but inwardly filled with dead men's bones. They are debauchers of clean minds, robbers of purity. You should never permit yourself to listen to an improper story—a story you would not care to repeat to your mother or sister. The filthy suggestiveness will soak into your memory as spilled ink soaks into blotting paper.

Allow no man to drag your mind through a sewer. Do you know that there is many a man who would sacrifice much today to be able to wipe from his memory some of the things he listened to when a boy? The man who will deliberately repeat at risk to his presence of a youth deserves no respect. He is an incarnate devil of meanness. He is daubing a coarse picture on clean walls. No gentleman will tell a story he could not tell in the presence of ladies. Do you remember what General Grant said to the officer who began to tell a story, remarking, "There are no ladies present?" The soldier quickly retorted: "There are gentlemen present."

Keep your mind unsoiled. A foul suggestion may harden into a habit of thought that will lead you far astray. Keep clean inside. It is more a matter of importance that you should keep the dirt off your soul than to keep it off your clothes. —E.K. Mohr, in Presbyterian Standard.

**Four Little Beauties.**

Here are the cuts of four extra good pocket knives that The Journal is giving to all its subscribers who pay one year in advance. If it is not convenient for you to come in person, send the money and cut of knife you want and we will send it by return mail. We also have a big lot of large knives, scissors and razors.