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CAPITAL CITY NEWS BUDGET

Doings of The Legislature In Raleigh

Special to The Sun.

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 12.—The Senate has set the Barringer bill to make mileage books good on the trains as a special order for next Wednesday. It comes from the committee on railroads with an unfavorable report 7 to 3.

In spite of the fact that the joint committee on counties, cities and towns decided to report unfavorably the bills for the creation of Hoke and North Robeson counties there will be a fight on the floor of the House, this being made possible by the fact that Representative McLeod will bring in a minority report favoring North Robeson and McDonald of Moore a minority report favoring Hoke county. It is not considered that there is really any chance for either bill to get through but advocates of the measures consider that the discussion will give valuable advertising and possibly improve chances for renewed and more successful effort next session.

Representative Cotton's bill for the Torrens system of registration and settlement of land titles is especially suitable. It provides that any person desiring to have a title settled may pay a certain sum into a fund to be controlled by the State, whereupon the Superior court shall appoint a committee of lawyers to pass upon the title, after having given notice to all persons having claim upon the land to appear and state it, and thereafter, if any further claim should be substantiated, the loss to be paid out of the fund so established.

The house committee on counties, cities and towns has decided after all to report favorably the bill for the incorporation of the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners and providing that the county boards can appropriate money for membership fees and expenses of commissioners in attending meetings of the association. Such a bill has already passed the Senate. The house bill was first reported unfavorably and then referred for further investigation with the result that it will now become a law.

There was a hearing before the two judicial committees of the House of the Connor bill to abolish the compulsory feature of relief or benefit department of public service corporations for the protection of employees. The Atlantic Coast Line is one of the five railroads in the country that has this system, and it is making a vigorous fight against the bill, which is being urged by the order of railway telegraphers, of whom a delegation was present, J. H. Williams, of Wilson, being its spokesman. The contention is that about sixty per cent of the employees of the road are station men, including the telegraphers, and seventy-five per cent of the benefit goes to the forty per cent of trainmen. Assistant General Counsel Elliott with a number of employees who like the system argued for it. It seems the system was inaugurated eleven years ago and eight years ago the compulsory feature was added, but the old employees were not compelled to join. Now no one is employed who is unwilling or unable to pass the physical examination for admission to the benefit department. About five hundred of the two thousand employees are operators. Among the employees asking that the bill be not passed were: Capt. Harlow, Capt. Carvey, Engineer McMillan, Engineer Dorman, Engineer Mills and Messrs. Geiger and Daugherty. Mr. Brock has been in the service when the compulsory plan was adopted and thinking he had to join sent in his application, was rejected on account of trouble with his eyes and was discharged from the service.

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SHOT DEAD WHILE ASLEEP

Shoots Through Window Kills Rival

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Bridgeton, N. J., Feb. 12.—One man was murdered, and a woman and two sons were wounded by Donegan, a jealous admirer of the woman, at Bilvalve, an oyster town on Maurice River at 1 o'clock this morning.

Donegan was once an inmate of the insane asylum at Norristown, Pennsylvania. He had been very attentive to Mrs. Madge Kinkle, who had been separated from her husband. He attempted to enter the house but was refused. He saw his rival, Summerfield asleep on the floor, and shot him dead through a window. He then shot Mrs. Kinkle in the jaw and her eighteen-year-old son through the arm. Donegan fled, but finally gave himself up.

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SIXTY-SEVEN LIVES LOST

The Steamship Penguin On the Rocks

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Wellington, New Zealand, Feb. 12.—Sixty-seven lives were lost today when the steamship Penguin, of the Union Steamship Company, was wrecked off Cape Terawhite. Some of the passengers and a number of members of the crew were saved, but the remainder of the ship's company are missing and are believed to have perished.

The Penguin is a total loss. She struck on the rocks in a gale. The passengers and crew numbering nearly one hundred, took to rafts.

Twenty-six persons reached the shore. Of the dead twenty-six bodies have been washed ashore.

By Cable to The Sun.

London, Feb. 12.—The British steamship Forest Castle has foundered in the Bay of Brest and nine of her crew were lost, according to a dispatch received by Lloyds from Brest, France.

The Forest Castle—which was an 1800 ton craft, was last reported sailing from Bordeaux for Bilbao, Spain, on January 27th.

For two days a severe storm has been raging in the English Channel and along the coast with the Bay of Brest directly in its path.

Hotel Arrivals.

Gaston: S. B. Sharp, Norfolk, Va.; C. D. Osborn, Oxford, N. C.; W. R. Gardner, Norfolk, Va.; W. C. Mayville, Baltimore, Md.; R. S. Holiday, Wilson, N. C.; C. Gallagher, Detroit, Mich.; F. H. Sawyer, Norfolk, Va.; Wm. Crane, N. C.; Mrs. H. H. McCullay, St. Louis, Mo.

Hazelton: Chas. J. Olsen, Philadelphia, Pa.

THE KLEPTOMANIAC.

A Comedy in One Act—At Parish House Tuesday Night.

At the Parish House Tuesday, February 16th at 8:30 p. m. "The Kleptomaniac," a comedy in one act will be rendered. There will be other attractions. Price of admission 25 cents.

Characters.

Mrs. John Burton (Peggy)..... Miss Emma Duffy

Mrs. Velerie Chase Armsby, a young widow..... Miss Anne Brock

Mrs. Chas. Duver, (Mable) a bride..... Miss Annie Foy

Mrs. Preston Ashley (Bertha)..... Miss Myrtle Dismay

Miss Freda Dixon..... Mrs. R. A. Nunn

Miss Evelyn Evens, a Journalist..... Miss Mamie Richardson

Katie, Mrs. Burton's maid..... Miss Clyde Cox

OWN RIFLE SLAYS SOLDIER.

Recently Married Artilleryman Victim of Fatal Accident.

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Williamington, Del., Feb. 12.—William Blackburn, of Jacksonville, Ill. aged 26 years old, a sergeant in the Forty-seventh Company, Coast Artillery, at Fort Du Pont was shot and instantly killed this afternoon at the post.

While cleaning his rifle it was discharged, the ball perforating his head. More than 30 of his companions were witnesses to his death. Some one had borrowed his rifle last night for guard duty and had left a cartridge in it without telling him. Blackburn was married on New Year's and his widow is heartbroken.

BURGLAR GANG FLIES TRADE.

Rural Residents Lose Food and Poultry Nearly Every Night.

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Rising Sun, Feb. 12.—Locks, dogs and guns fail to stop the depredations of a gang of petty burglars who are raiding residences, chicken houses and farms in this vicinity. At Rock Springs a barrel of meat and over 100 jars of fruit were taken from Edward McCaslin's cellar, while Dick Berry, of Cosworth, lost a barrel of corn.

Reporting that thieves were in his vicinity, Jerry Reed, of Oakwood, tied his building in his chicken house, but came down removed a board from the building and obtained ten frisks. The burglar then visited James Miller, a neighbor, and would have obtained more poultry, but they were discovered and followed by Mrs. Miller, who emptied a revolver at them, but failed to bring any of them down.

WHOLE FORCE ORDERED OUT

Looking for Unidentified Man In New York

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New York, Feb. 12.—Police commissioner ordered the nine thousand policemen and detectives to search for an unidentified chauffeur of a big black automobile who ran down and killed Mrs. Edwin S. McCook, widow of the famous "fighting McCook" and cousin of General Anson McCook.

So far there is no clue. A man and woman in the car with the chauffeur, who took the victim to the home of General McCook, left a fictitious name and address.

PLAN THREE NEW SCHOOLS.

Collingswood Will Vote on \$50,000 Bond Issue.

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Collingswood, N. J., Feb. 12.—The Board of Education has posted notices calling a special election for Thursday evening February 18th, on the proposed \$50,000 bond issue for the erection of three additional school houses, necessary to accommodate the rapidly increasing number of pupils.

A site has been selected for the new high school on Collings avenue, opposite Knight Park and nearly central for West and East Collingswood. For the other two, which will be primary schools, sites have been selected in the vicinity of Lees and Stokes avenues and at Lincoln and Centre avenues. The vote is likely to be in favor of the move.

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Dusky Lover in Jail, His Sweetheart Seriously Wounded.

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The bullet struck the woman in the right shoulder and she is in a hospital, while Brown is locked up. He said the woman did kiss him, but at the same time she caught the revolver and in the scuffle the weapon was discharged.

CHIEF AND SHAVE DIDN'T MIX.

Man Who Tried Combination Gets Bad Cash in Throat.

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Freed From Erring Wife.

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Philadelphia, Feb. 12.—After four years of married life, Egbert F. Trotman, of Camden, has been granted his freedom, Vice Chancellor Walker having yesterday advised a decree in his suit against his wife. It was alleged that the woman was traced to a house on Cooper street with T. N. Smith by her husband and father-in-law, and she was later charged with misdemeanor.

GAS FOOLS THE ROOSTERS.

And Old Farmer Swears Vengeance on Silly Things.

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Pantashoro, N. J., Feb. 12.—The new gas lights recently turned on are responsible for all kinds of trouble—Joseph Harker, a retired farmer, who just moved to the borough for rest the balance of his days, is in the habit of going to bed about the same time his chickens do. After a refreshing nap he heard his roosters crow, the usual signal for his getting up. He arose, started