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NEAR-BEER IS NEAR OUT

State Wide Law to Prohibit Sale of It or Beerine, etc. May Pass.

Special to THE PROGRESS.

Raleigh, Jan. 16.—The grist is coming in rapidly and now and then in the bulk of bills, mostly of only secondary importance, appears one which has special significance with state wide import.

A bill to prohibit the sale of near-beer, beerine, etc. has passed the House and may pass in the Senate this week. Ray, of Macon, is its author, and though it applies only to Macon county, the introduction of this bill was the direct cause of Kent, of Caldwell, introducing a similar one to apply to the State at large.

The joint resolution introduced by Stubbs, of Martin, to provide for a constitutional convention to be held in May, 1913, was reported to the House favorably by the committee on constitutional amendments and made a special order for January 25.

Koonce, of Onslow, has introduced a joint resolution to provide for an investigation of the insurance companies doing business in this State with a view to ascertain whether the rates are excessive.

McPhaul, of Robeson, is after cigarettes, or substitutes, with a bill to prohibit their sale.

Pace, of Wake, is the author of a bill to prevent employers from discriminating against employees who join unions.

Ewart, of Henderson, (leader of the republican representatives) is keeping in the van. He has bills and resolutions galore, but all very much to the point. One resolution provides for the commendation of Governor Pothier, and the Assembly of Rhode Island, for their refusal to handle the repudiated North Carolina bonds, (incidentally he took a fall out of Marion Butler in talking to the resolution); a bill provides for the prevention of paying poll taxes to get votes; another has its purpose the fostering of sheep husbandry in Henderson county; another to make a flat fare of 2 cents per mile and to have mileage taken on trains; another is to increase the number of superior court judges to provide for special terms; another to have the age limit for working the roads raised; and another to limit berth charges on Pullmans to \$1.25 for lower and \$1.00 for upper.

Stroup, of Gaston, has introduced a bill to provide for raising the legal rate for interest from 6% to 8%.

Norman, of Mitchell, seeks to have the town of Minneapolis incorporated, sending in a bill to that effect.

Bills are in to provide for three new counties, viz: Avery, out of portions of Mitchell, Caldwell and Watauga; Piedmont, out of portions of Guilford, Randolph and Davidson; and Hoke, out of portions of Robeson and Cumberland. The committee on Counties, Cities and Towns will consider the Hoke proposition in joint session January 24 and the Avery proposition similarly to-night.

Senator Mashburn, of McDowell, has introduced a bill to provide for the establishment of a graded school at Old Fort.

McDowell's representative, Thos. W. Wilson, is a member of the following committees: Propositions and Grievances, Agriculture, Salaries and fees, Institution for Deaf and Dumb, Insane Asylums, and Expenditures of the House.

Senator Mashburn is appointed to membership on the senate committee on legislative apportionment.

Senator Brown, of Columbus, chairman of the Senate committee on Finance, is earnestly urging the creation of a State Tax commission as a solution of the problem of raising enough revenue for state business and to pay the present deficit.

Representative Dillard, of Cherokee, has introduced a bill to provide for a State Game Commission.

Logan W. Page, of the United States Agricultural Department, will be invited to address the Assembly on the subject of good roads January 25.

It is likely that this Assembly will go on record as favoring New Orleans as the place to hold a World's fair at the time of opening of the Panama Canal. A bill to request the State's Senators and Representatives to so vote in Congress is on its way through the mill.

Also the joint resolution to ratify the amendment to the Federal constitution to provide for an income tax may be passed. It is receiving very favorable comment in both branches of the Assembly and the resolution will be a special order of business for Thursday, January 26.

The movement to have a training school for teachers established somewhere in the western part of the state is well in hand and is receiving much encouragement. A meeting is called for next Wednesday night by the members from the west and other advocates. It is intended by the members from McDowell to have a farm life school established in McDowell and to work to this end with the training school movement.

Later.

The near-beer bill for Macon county was ratified finally on Tuesday. Kent's bill for state wide near-beer prohibition was made a special order for to-morrow in the House.

The joint resolution to request the congressional representatives from this state to vote for New Orleans as the "logical point" to hold a world's fair in 1913 was ratified on Tuesday.

Ector News.

Ector, Jan. 16.—J. G. Brown of North Cove spent Saturday and Sunday here.

Curtis Tate spent Saturday night with homefolks.

John Sattles spent Sunday with his son at Garden City.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Sattles, on the 9th, a big boy.

Miss Hattie Tate of Marion was visited by Miss Mae Miller, Sunday.

Miss Eva McCall and Grayson Tate, both of this place, were quietly married in the presence of a few friends Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 28, Rev. Maloney of Black Mountain officiating. Much happiness and long life is our best wishes.

John Dobbins has returned home after spending some time in Richmond, Va. We are glad to have him with us again.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Tate of Marion spent the first of the week with Mrs. S. J. McCall.

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MINISTERS AND LAYMEN'S CONFERENCE

Of The Green River Association, at Glenwood Baptist Church, January 27-28-29.

FRIDAY NIGHT

7:00—Sermon—Edward Long.

SATURDAY MORNING

10:00—Devotional Service—E. B. Harris.

10:30—The Mission of the Church

I—Its Own Membership—R. H. Herring.

II—The Unsaved in the Community—Edward Long.

III—To a Lost World—W. T. Morgan

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

2:00—Prayer and Soul-winning—J. R. Whitesides

2:30—The Home Influence in Soul-winning—A. P. Sorrels.

3:00—The Pastor as a Soul winner—D. J. Hunt.

3:30—Open Conference for Miscellaneous Exchange of Thought, Conducted by B. B. Brice.

SATURDAY NIGHT

7:00—Sermon—H. C. Masley.

SUNDAY MORNING

10:00—Sunday School Mass Meeting—The Sunday School as a Soul-saving Agency Conducted by J. L. Taylor.

11:00—Sermon—W. R. Bradshaw

SUNDAY AFTERNOON AND NIGHT

2:00—Sermon—R. H. Herring.

7:00—Sermon, W. R. Bradshaw, who is to conduct a Meeting the following week.

Death of Mrs. T. A. Morphew.

On Thursday last, January 12th, at 4 p. m., Mrs. T. A. Morphew, wife of T. Arthur Morphew, Attorney at Law, passed peacefully away in the Merriwether Hospital at Asheville where she had been since October last, when she submitted to a very serious operation.

During all the weeks of pain and suffering and the deep grief and sorrow in the sudden death at Thanksgiving of her eldest son she was hopeful, patient, and submissive, a woman of beautiful Christian character wholly devoted to her home and family. Her daily prayer, "To be restored to her dear little twin daughters if God so willed it."

Mrs. Morphew was born in Robbinsville, Graham county, in 1875, her family being one of the most prominent land owners and earliest settlers in that part of this state. Her mother, Mrs. A. Slaughter, two sisters, and a brother, Mr. R. B. Slaughter, Register of Deeds, still residing there. She was educated at Young Harris College and possessed a mind well stored with useful knowledge, ambitious for her family, interested in all the higher things of life, and a consistent member of her church.

Services were held at the Methodist church in Robbinsville Saturday p. m., and her body laid beside her son Harold whom she loved so devotedly.

Mr. Morphew has the sympathy of his many friends in this second recent bereavement.

Sam Cresson, of Woodlawn, was in town Monday and reported that the warm weather of last week had caused the snakes to rouse up and take notice. He says that Harvey Lowery killed one on North Armstrong last Saturday 24 feet long.

The Benevolent Society will resume its monthly collections next month.

Social Notes

Progressive Supper.

One of the most enjoyable social events of the season was a "Progressive Supper" given by some of the young ladies of Marion last Friday evening, January 13th.

The first course was served at Miss Martha Whitten's, and, as always, Miss Whitten proved a delightful hostess. The guests were ushered into the dining-room, where the table was beautifully decorated in white and green. After a delicious oyster supper, the young men found their next partners in progression, and repaired to the home of Miss Mary Gordon Greenlee, where they merrily partook of an elaborate salad course. Next Miss Annie Little warmed their hearts with coffee and mints, hospitably aided by her sister, Mrs. Clay Conley, and sent them rejoicing to the fourth course at Miss Alma McCall's, where they were met by that genial host, Mr. Clarence McCall, and he and Miss McCall made this part of the evening's entertainment one long to be remembered.

At the last home, that of Miss Baxter Merrill, nuts and candies were charmingly interspersed with music and games. At a late hour the guests departed, voting the evening a grand success.

On Friday last Mrs. G. S. Kirby entertained "The Friday Club", twelve ladies being present. The rooms were prettily decorated in brass bowls of ferns and potted plants. At 6 p. m. a very tempting "Tea" was served, the twelve guests being seated in the dining room at one long table made most effective by a handsome centerpiece of white hyacinths and ferns, also beautiful china, glass and silver. The next meeting of the club will be held at Hilltop Cottage, the home of Mrs. Hugh F. Little.

In Memoriam.

Resolutions adopted by Mystic Tie Lodge No. 237 A. F. & A. M.:

Whereas, it has pleased the Supreme Architect of the Universe to remove from our midst Edward Hedley House, and call him from labor on earth to refreshment in the "Temple above not made with hands, eternal in the heavens."

Therefore, resolved, that in the death of Brother House we lose a leading citizen, Christian gentleman, and exemplary Mason. In the passing of Brother House we lose one of the most faithful and regular officers the Lodge has ever had. He has been true to his allegiance, and has never forgotten his obligations, nor allowed his interest in the Fraternity to wane.

Further resolved, that in memory of him as an officer of the Lodge the Secretary's desk be draped in mourning for a period of sixty days after the adopting of these resolutions:

Further, resolved, that this Lodge tender its very deepest sympathy to the surviving wife, and members of the family; that a copy of these resolutions be given them; a copy be furnished the county paper for publication, and that they be made a part of our permanent record.

Fraternally,

C. E. PRESTWOOD,
B. B. PRICE,
D. F. GILES.

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Sugar Hill News.

Sugar Hill, Jan. 16.—It seems that "Cupid" and "Jack and Jill" know more about where I took Christmas than I do. I hope the ones they took for me does me a compliment.

A. W. Grayson was a business visitor

BACK HOME MOVEMENT

Southerners to Be Brought Back from North and West—Remarkable Plan.

Altapas, N. C., Jan. 11.—Last night's session of the Immigration Board of Associated Railroads in the South marked the beginning of co-operative action on the most remarkable plan of immigration ever undertaken in this country.

The "Back Home Movement" is simply that of specially inviting each person who has moved from the South into states beyond the Mississippi and Ohio Rivers to revisit his old home country with a view of again living there. With the invitation are given facts concerning the changes and wonderful improvements which have taken place in the South in the last few years. The plan was inaugurated by the Industrial Department of the Carolina, Clinchfield and Ohio Railway last August, and a tender of the methods it has employed was formally made to and accepted by a majority of progressive railroads of the South in a conference which closed here last night. Throughout the day yesterday letters and telegrams were received from Southern Editors and Commercial organizations offering support, and sending long lists of former Southerners in other States. Another conference will be held at Chattanooga February 15th, when the organization will be perfected, and a permanent press bureau established. Until then W. D. Roberts, Assistant Industrial Agent of the Clinchfield Road will continue the press work for the Board, and the gathering of names and addresses. The Governors of the Southern States will appoint one delegate from each Congressional District and two from the State at large to attend the Chattanooga Convention, and confer with the railroad representatives, and all newspaper editors are invited to be present.

A number of Boards of Trade are gathering names, and the prospect is that in the next two months two million or more native Southerners will be asked to come "back home", which means that fully five millions of people in other states are going to hear of the South as the best part of the United States in which to live and prosper.

here last Saturday.

Miss Esther Harris gave a delightful social function last Saturday night in honor of Misses Camp and Greene. All present seemed to enjoy themselves very much and didn't spare words to say Miss Esther was a charming hostess.

Mrs. M. A. Hemphill, who has been on an extended visit in Rutherford county, has returned home.

SNOWBALL.

Good Attractions for Asheville.

Theatre goes in this vicinity who are interested in amusements will be pleased to hear that some of the very best attractions on the road are soon to appear at the Asheville Auditorium in the near future.

The first will be "The Lottery Man" on Sat. Jan. 21. This is claimed to be the funniest farce comedy written in years.

On Wed. Jan. 25, Viola Allen one of the greatest actresses on the American stage will present her great success "The White Sister."