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Bill to Incorporate Elizabeth College Passed—To Prevent Discrimination in Jury Lists.

SENATE.

THURSDAY.—Senate was called to order at 11 o'clock among the petitions, bills and resolutions were:

Alexander—A petition for the establishment of a normal school at Charlotte for the colored race; a petition that the appropriation to the firemen's association of \$5,000 be continued.

Justice—A petition from citizens of Hendersonville in favor of prohibition.

Person—A bill to incorporate the auxiliary board of health; also to establish a board of steam locomotive and boiler inspection for each county of the State.

Bills were disposed of as follows: To incorporate the Pigfoot Sash and Staircase for the treatment of consumptive negroes passed second and third reading.

To establish a reform school for white and colored youthful criminals of the State to be located in the city that will make the best use of money lands, etc., was made a special order for Wednesday.

At the night session there were several local bills disposed of as follows: The Senate's special order, the bill to reduce passenger and freight rates, failed to pass by a vote of 24 to 23.

Wednesday—Senate met at 10 o'clock. The bill to take the government of the penitentiary out of the hands of the present directors came over from the House and by a vote of 29 to 16 it was referred to the committee on penal institutions. Among the bills were:

Justice—A bill to amend the charter of the town of Forest City, in Rutherford county.

Person—A bill to prevent cohabitation between the sexes in the town of Anderson—To change the line between Duane and Henderson counties.

Shaw—To incorporate Booneville High School, Yadon county.

Alexander—To incorporate Elizabeth College; also to give the city of Charlotte further power in the collection of taxes, where a party is believed not to have made an honest return.

Shaw—A bill to abolish the circuit criminal court of Robeson county.

The bill favoring a reformatory for youthful criminals passed a second reading. The vote stood 41 to 9.

Several other bills passed of more or less importance to the general public.

At the night session the bills disposed of was a bill to provide for a dispensary at Lenoir.

THURSDAY.—Senate met at 10 o'clock. Among the many new measures introduced were:

A petition asking that provisions be made for the treatment of indigent inebriates; also a petition from citizens of Greensboro asking that railroads be required to carry baggage free of charge.

Randolph—For the relief of consumptives at Southern Pines; Rollins—To provide for the representation of North Carolina and the citizens thereof at the National Exposition; The bill provides for the appointment of a board of managers composed of nine members, including the Governor and the Board of Agriculture. It also provides \$10,000 for the purchase of land for the Commercial Bank of Rutherford county; Giddie—To amend section 4, chapter 15, laws of 1895, in relation to voting on stock law.

Bills disposed of: The law requiring certain notices before prohibition liquor law can be passed was repealed; to establish a reform for young criminals in the State, vote 36 to 10; to incorporate the town of Lenoir; to provide for the establishment of graded schools in High Point.

Senators Grant, Whedbee, McCarthy, McCasky, Butler, Alexander and Abel were appointed a committee by the Senate to investigate the merits of the president and directors of the North Carolina railroad relative to the lease of said railroad to the Southern Railway.

FRIDAY.—Senate met at 10 o'clock. Among the bills were: Grant—bill to amend the election law of North Carolina; to regulate the challenge of jurors; Maulsby—bill to revise chapter 31, section 131, private laws of 1891; also to regulate the sale of liquors in Columbus county; also to amend chapter 247, private laws of 1891; Parker; of Alliance—bill for the protection of newspapers for the publication of news in good faith.

Bills passed: To establish a dispensary for the town of Goldsboro and Wayne county; to incorporate the People's Benevolent Association; to increase revenue and to regulate insurance—this is the bill which requires all fire insurance companies to make contracts through their commissioned agents in this State; to restore to the control of the State the Atlantic & North Carolina Railroad. This bill gives the Governor power to appoint president and a majority of the directors; to amend chapter 152, laws of 1893. This is to place all railroads on an equal footing with those chartered prior to 1888; to extend the limit to commute, compromise and settle the State debt. Re-committed to the judiciary committee; to extend the time for the organization of the Bank of Maxton; to provide for a school building for the deaf and dumb. This bill carries an appropriation of \$20,000; to provide for and promote the oil industry in North Carolina.

The bill to prescribe the terms upon which foreign railroad companies shall be allowed to operate railroads and to transact business in the State, was referred to the special North Carolina Railroad committee. This is the famous "lease bill." Friday, Feb. 26th, is the day appointed for the special order.

The bill to add Nash and Wilson counties to the Circuit Criminal Court was passed.

At the night session the following were among the bills that passed: To amend the act of 1895, relating to the time of holding courts; commissioners can call extra terms.

SATURDAY.—Senate met at 10 o'clock. Among the resolutions introduced were:

one by Barker, a petition from prisoners, asking that the laws concerning pardons be changed. There were a good many bills introduced, and among them a bill to amend section 38 of the Code as follows: "In all cases in which any bill, draft, note or bond shall fall due, or the three days of grace expire on any legal holiday or Sunday, the same shall be due, or the three days of grace expire on the day following such legal holiday or Sunday."

Bills passed: In relation to the electoral college; to amend section 1778 of the Code, in relation to Sunday trains; to allow express matter to be transported on Sunday; passed second and third readings; to incorporate Elizabeth College Company, for the education of white females, to be situated in Charlotte, passed second and third readings; to amend section 1778 of the Code after striking section 2, to insert the word "shall" in section 2, to give the board of county commissioners power to employ local counsel to assist the solicitor in capital cases; to amend sections 189 and 189 of the Code after striking section 2, to establish the North Carolina Veterinary Association and to regulate the practice of veterinary medicine and surgery.

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Graham—To locate and settle the line between North Carolina and Tennessee (between Graham and Cherokee and Tennessee) and to pay therefor \$300.

The bill to reduce railroad fares and telegraph and telephone rates and to elect Railroad Commissioners by popular vote was tabled by a vote of 61 to 43.

A bill passed to subject to the qualification of voters of Chatham county the question of a new railroad route.

At the night session bills passed requiring roads to give free transportation to railroad commissioners and their agents, giving the commission jurisdiction of all railroads; the latter had freight; to require conviction on the State farm, in Anson to work roads not less than two nor more than six days annually; to put stock law elections under the control of the county commissioners; they are now controlled by State election supervisors, to incorporate Morven.

THURSDAY.—House met at 10 o'clock. There was an avalanche of new bills, and among them were:

To amend the act of 1891, making a suit for violation of the fertilizer tag law void unless notice is not within 30 days given the Agricultural Department; Cunningham—To impose a \$10 penalty for killing mockingbirds or robbing their nests; Cary (resolution) on behalf of Sylvester Scover, an American citizen under arrest in Cuba; Ward—To forbid Confederate soldiers from receiving pensions while inmates of the Soldiers' Home; to require the attendance of all children between the ages of 8 and 14 at school; to require railroads to carry bicycles as other baggage; Dockery—To designate holidays (beginning January 1, 1907, February 22, they are now January 20, May 30, July 4, 1st Monday in September, December 25, and all Saturdays from 12 noon until 12 midnight; Currie—To make misdemeanor, punishable by \$50 fine or 30 days imprisonment; to allow Lambert to vote on sewer bonds; Hileman—To require cotton mills to pay their employees the second day following their employment, and making it unlawful to longer withhold their wages, the offense to be a misdemeanor, the penalty, fine or imprisonment; the bill to appropriate \$50,000 for the "Bellamy Street," known as "North Carolina on Wheels," came up as a special order, but was referred to committee.

The railroad commission bill was taken up and amended by striking out the provision providing for their free transportation by the railroads and passed.

The fireman's appropriation bill was tabled by a vote of 60 to 31.

The senatorial investigation committee is allowed to March 2d to report. The "church" was put on the bill after it passed third reading.

The bill requiring county commissioners of each county to meet on the first Monday in June and revise the jury list passed.

At the night session the following bills passed: To prescribe a short term of an agricultural lien in this State; to incorporate Pigford Sanitarium at Southern Pines; to amend section 1778 of the Code after striking section 2, to give the board of county commissioners power to employ local counsel to assist the solicitor in capital cases; to amend sections 189 and 189 of the Code after striking section 2, to establish the North Carolina Veterinary Association and to regulate the practice of veterinary medicine and surgery.

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The State Treasurer shall collect from all persons or corporations doing a banking business under State license a per cent. of the capital stock which has actually been paid in by the stockholders, and that he shall use this fund to pay guarantees against any loss to the State; banks which refuse for ten days to pay this 1 per cent. shall be closed and a receiver shall be appointed.

Bills passed: To allow persons owning \$100 worth of property to receive pensions; to prohibit the sale of cigarettes to minors, vote 66 to 28.

The text of the bill is as follows: That after the ratification of this act it shall be unlawful for any one to give or give to any minor to use or smoke cigarettes, and minor found so smoking cigarettes shall be a competent witness to prove from whom he received such cigarettes, and the evidence so given shall not be used against said minor in any prosecution against such minor for violation of this act. That any one who sells or gives to any minor any cigarettes or any minor found smoking cigarettes shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined not more than \$10 or imprisoned not more than 30 days.

By leave Johnson introduced a bill to provide for the inspection of the manner of conducting certain businesses and occupations in this State, and to ascertain and tabulate the nature and value of the goods and manufactured articles sold in North Carolina for other States. It provides that all persons doing in this State the business of selling pianos, organs, etc., having or claiming immunity from taxation by reason of inter-State commerce, shall make sworn statements as to their business, under penalty.

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Wilson—To allow the people of Gaston county to vote on the removal of the court house from Dallas to Gastonia.

Bills passed: To allow Concord to issue bonds upon the vote of the majority of the voters (Resolution by Cruch) that the House adjourn at 2 p. m. in memory of George Washington; to incorporate the town of Redmond, Madison county; to amend section 1778 of the Code after striking section 2, to give the board of county commissioners power to employ local counsel to assist the solicitor in capital cases; to amend sections 189 and 189 of the Code after striking section 2, to establish the North Carolina Veterinary Association and to regulate the practice of veterinary medicine and surgery.

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