

IN SOCIETY

Mrs. J. S. Williams has returned home after spending several weeks with relatives.

Mrs. Ashe, who has been visiting Mrs. Harris, left yesterday for her home in Fayetteville.

Representative Wade Wooten and Mrs. Wooten left for their home in LaGrange yesterday.

Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Mitchell have gone to their home in Louisville.

Miss Lela F. Cherry, who has been visiting the family of Mr. C. M. Bernard, left for her home in Greenville yesterday.

Mrs. Frizzell, who has been visiting friends in the city, left for her home in Kingston yesterday.

Mrs. King left for Beaufort yesterday morning.

A theatre party last night from Henderson comprised Miss Nettie Elmore, Miss Butler, Mr. Alex Cooper and Mr. R. N. Norris.

A box party was given last night at the performance of Faust by Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Denton, complimentary to Senator and Mrs. C. W. Richardson.

An entertainment will be given in Roney hall Monday night, Feb. 23d, for the benefit of the Presbyterian orphanage. The public is urged to encourage the young people by their presence and help and enjoy an evening of innocent but rare entertainment. Admission: Adults, 20 cents; children, 15 cents.

Mr. Joseph E. Pogue gave a delightful stag dinner at his home on Fayetteville street Thursday afternoon. Among those present were Gov. C. R. Aycock, Mr. R. H. Battle, Mr. S. L. Patterson, Mr. R. T. Daughtridge, Col. John S. Cunningham, Mr. A. A. Thompson and Judge A. W. Graham.

The Book Club will meet with Miss Mattie Higgins, 417 North Blount street, Monday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock.

Miss Marion Fiske, who has been the guest of Miss Florence Jones, has left for her home in Baltimore.

Quite a party of people came from Franklin to Raleigh last night to attend the theatre and witness Faust by Louis Morrison. Among them were Miss Janet Joyner, Miss Cecelia Joyner, Miss Annie McGhee, Miss Mattie Ballard, Miss Lillian Timberlake.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Brimley, after spending some time in the city, have left for their home in Washington.

The Organ Fund Society of St. Paul's Episcopal church gave a delightful reception last night at the home of its president, Mr. John J. Fowler. More than a hundred guests were in attendance and all were highly entertained. A fortune telling booth was conducted by Miss Mary Whitaker and Miss Lucy Wooten. Miss Lena Beery and Miss Mary Lucas Cantwell were in charge of a successful book contest.

A Martha Washington Tea
Mrs. Martha Washington has issued invitations to a tea to be given Saturday evening, the 21st inst., from 8 to 11 o'clock, for the benefit of Epworth chapel. Owing to a recent bereavement in the family of Mrs. W. H. Blackhall, the entertainment will be given at the residence of Miss Sallie Clark, on the corner of Polk and Bloodworth streets. The invitations announce that Mrs. Washington expects her woman friends to be duly gowned for the occasion.
"So, all ye dames who come with beauty,
Be sure to wear ye old-time clothes."

Mrs. Smith Entertains
Yesterday afternoon between the hours of three and six some ten or twelve lady friends were delightfully entertained by Mrs. W. R. Smith at her home on Bloodworth street. The time was most happily spent in lively conversation and bits of pleasant, but the interesting feature of the occasion was the musical contest, in which Miss Hattie Watlington of Greensboro came out the winner. The prize was a pretty bound copy of Meredith's "Lucile." Later on the "Ex-blowing" afforded quite a good deal of merriment among the guests.

The faintest of refreshments followed this, after which the company dispersed with memories of a most enjoyable affair and with common consent voting Mrs. Smith a very successful hostess.

CAPITAL CLUB GERMAN

Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Ayer of New York were guests of the club.

The Capital Club gave their February german in their club room last evening after the production of "Faust" at the Academy of Music. The german was led by Mr. John H. Andrews with Miss Mary Shipp. The club had as its guests Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Ayer of New York, who are visiting in this city. Those dancing were:

Dr. Ferree and Mrs. Mattie Pace, Mr. Ferrin Burbee and Miss Annie Page, Mr. S. J. Hinesdale and Miss Frances McRae, Mr. Jos. E. Pogue and Mrs. Pogue, Mr. Louis N. Grant and Miss Frances Hoke, Mr. Settle Dockery and Mr. Miss May Johnston, Mr. Murray Allen and Miss Lena Latta, Mr. W. M. Allen and Miss Bessie Merrimon, Mr. Frank Stronach and Miss Annie Stevenson of New Bern, Mr. Watkins Robards and Miss Nettie Dockery, Mr. C. W. Crowell and Miss Margaret

Crowe, Mr. Clarence Pemberton and Miss Lillie Gray, Mr. W. N. H. Smith and wife, Dr. and Mrs. Joel Whitaker, Julian Timberlake and wife, John Stronach and Miss Hal Morson, W. E. Mannor and Miss Blanche Blake, Geo. Badger, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Litchford, Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Miller, Van Wyck Hoke and Mrs. Alex. Webb, Senator and Mrs. Allison, W. S. Wilson and Miss Mary Haywood Andrews, W. W. Vass and Miss Lois Long of Statesville, Edwin McKee and Miss Margaret Turk.

Stags: Alfred Barnard of Asheville, Victor H. Boyden, Alex. Andrews, Dr. Tucker, Col. John S. Cunningham, Senator McMullen, Alex. Webb, Joe K. Marshall, Armistead Cowan, C. M. McCorkle, T. W. Alexander of Charlotte, Lil Smith of Charlotte, Jos. E. Robertson and J. L. Adams.

All of the dancers wore ribbons bearing the inscription "Cotton is King" in honor of Dr. Ayer who is a member of the New York Cotton Exchange.

Mrs. J. S. Williams Entertains
Burlington Society Enters an Elegant Reception in Honor of Miss Long

Burlington, N. C., Feb. 20.—Special.—The society of our city were never more royally entertained than at the elegant reception given last night by Mr. James N. Williams, Jr., in honor of Miss Long.

TO CELEBRATE THEIR THIRTIETH ANNIVERSARY
The Northern and Sea Gift Societies Issue Invitations

Handsome engraved invitations and programs reading as follows have been issued:

The Northern and Sea Gift Societies of the Louisville College request the honor of your presence at the celebration of their thirtieth anniversary on Friday evening, February twenty-seventh at eight o'clock, Louisville, North Carolina.

PROGRAM.
Duet—March de Tambours—Misses Williams and Harris.
Address—Dr. W. L. Cranford.
Violin Solo—Selected—Mr. W. J. Barrow.
Vocal Solo—Selected—Miss Helen Williams.

USHERS.
Northern—Rosalind De Mason, Mary Elizabeth De Berry.
Sea Gift—Sallie Spruitt Baker, Wesley Gilliam Rawlings.

A Spirit of Patriotism
A true spirit of patriotism has led the pupils of the Blind Institution, some talented ladies from the several colleges, some handsome young men from the A. and M. College and others from the town to prepare the entertainment already announced for this afternoon at 4 o'clock in the Memorial theatre.

The object of the entertainment is to assist the North Carolina Society Daughters of Revolution in raising funds for a memorial to emphasize and perpetuate an authentic event in the history of our state.

A picturesque drill or two, a magic of vocal and violin music, the ruses of the minuet, an historical tableau, a recitation and other charming features will really repay those who lend encouragement by their presence. Men have been honored by monuments but never has a single memorial to the patriotism of women been erected in this state.

Let the gallantry of the men on this occasion respond and the sympathy of the women go out in full measure, expressed in an overflowing house.

LEXINGTON WHIST CLUB
Entertained by Miss Edna McCrary Last Night
Lexington, N. C., Feb. 20.—Special.—A delightful social event occurred last night, when Miss Edna McCrary entertained the Whist Club. The following parties were present: Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Montcastle, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Walker, Miss Camille Hunt, and Mr. C. F. Hankins, Miss Kathleen Smith and Mr. Lloyd Hunt, Miss Winifred Adderton and Mr. Joe H. Thompson, Miss Alice Shemwell and Dr. D. Hill. Stags: Messrs. O. E. Mendenhall, Stanley Boring and J. R. McCrary. The first prize, which was an elegant copy of Byron's poems, was won by Mr. Joe H. Thompson. The consolation, an A. B. C. primer, was awarded Mr. G. F. Hankins. After the games, dainty refreshments were served the guests. An interesting feature of the evening was the turning out of the lights and the relating of some thrilling ghost stories. The guests feel very grateful to Miss McCrary for a very pleasant evening.

K. OF P. MINSTRELS ENTERTAIN
Go from Goldsboro to Rocky Mount Giving a Big Performance—A German Followed

Rocky Mount, N. C., Feb. 20.—Special.—The social season here was brought to a close on Wednesday evening with the performance at the opera house by the K. of P. amateur minstrels of Goldsboro, followed by a brilliant german at the Carolina Club. The minstrel and vaudeville was given for the benefit of the building fund of Rufin lodge No. 8 of Goldsboro. It was well attended and was one of the best attractions that has appeared on the boards here. Their orchestra furnished the music for the dance and was all that could be desired.

The german was led by Mr. J. P. Bunn with his usual ease and grace. Among the many dancers were Misses Pearl Taylor, Mary Ricks, Mary Hardison, Annie Davis, Bessie Bunn, Lula Davis, Annie Taylor, Priscilla Williams, Annie Lee Bunn, Florence Chalk, Mary Borden of Wilmington, Rosa Battle of Raleigh, Helen Battle, Sallie Sampson of Richmond, Mattie Harris of Henderson, Messdames Jacob Battle, Jr., Chas. Smithson and the following

members of the club: Messrs. Jno. Arrington, Rob. Cooper, Billy Howard, Andrew Willingham, Jesse Weisger, Geo. Wilkins, Harry Abram, Pat Bunn, Baldy Thorpe, Clarence Swindell, Hugh Willford, Ed. Gordon, Bud Rawls, Frank Spruill, Will Matthews, Jim Bunn, Ira Bassett, M. D. Munn and C. A. Cochran.

Mrs. Jacob Battle gave a delightful luncheon to a few friends after the dance. Her guests were Misses Lula Davis, Florence Chalk, Helen Battle, Rosa Battle of Raleigh, Mary Borden of Wilmington and Messrs. Bob Davis, Bob Miller, Jno. Arrington, Andrew Willingham, Baldy Thorpe, Harry Abram and Clarence Swindell.

GREENSBORO DOCTOR MARRIED
Dr. Thomas R. Little Weds Miss Lily M. Heller of Pennsylvania

Greensboro, N. C., Feb. 20.—Dr. Thos. R. Little, who recently located in Greensboro, and who is associated with Dr. W. P. Beall in the practice of medicine here, left for Bethlehem, Pa., Wednesday night, where he was married to Miss Lily M. Heller of that city. He will return with his bride to-morrow night, and for the present will board with Mr. A. W. McAllister, whose wife is a sister of Dr. Little.

ROUND OF PLEASING EVENTS IN WILMINGTON
Reception by Cape Fear Club—L'Agile Cotillon Club Dance—L'Paul's Organ Fund Society
Wilmington, Feb. 20.—Special.—The Cape Fear Club gave its annual reception last night complimentary to lady friends of members and visitors in the city. It was a charming and brilliant success and is considered one of the most splendid functions ever given by the club. There were about a hundred and fifty guests, representing the cream of Wilmington society. The club was never handsomer, with its elaborate decorations and brilliant illumination by multi-colored incandescents. Dancing was the prime feature of the evening, but pool, billiards and ping pong proved quite popular. The music for the reception was furnished by the Holbrook Orchestra. At midnight a sumptuous supper was served by the King's Daughters.

L'Agile Cotillon Club gave one of the prettiest and most enjoyable dances of the season at the temple ball room last night. The figures were most gracefully led by Mr. Octave A. Wiggin. Those who participated were: Miss Bessie Burruss, with Mr. A. S. Bayles; Miss Bessie Gore, with Mr. W. P. Boger; Miss Mildred Davis, with Mr. H. R. Faison; Miss Kate Moffitt, with Mr. T. M. Henderson; Miss May Ella Rankin, with Mr. H. K. Hunter; Miss Dozier, of Georgia, with Mr. Frank Harris; Miss Margaret Ashe, with Mr. P. M. Holmes; Miss Beulah Armstrong, with Mr. Norwood Giles; Miss Madeline DeRossett, with Mr. W. G. James; Fannie Green, with Mr. Moore, of Fayetteville; Miss Mary Wiggins, with Mr. W. L. Moore; Miss Olive Armstrong, with Mr. R. C. Muncester; Miss Margaret Nash, with Mr. of Miss Gertrude Long of Luray, Va. The guests were entertained at eight. The prizes were won by Mrs. Jas. H. Holt and Lynn B. Williamson. Among those present were: The Misses Craig of Salisbury, Miss Young of Concord, Miss Gant, Miss Bason, Miss Long of Luray, Va.; Miss Watkins of Tennessee, Mrs. W. I. Holt, Mrs. James H. Holt, Messrs. Will White, Joseph Gant, Col. Eugene Holt, Lynn B. Williamson, Norman H. Johnson, Louie B. Williamson, Kenneth Gant, L. Banks Williamson, W. I. Holt, Dainty and elaborate refreshments were served.

OUR NAVAL STRENGTH
A Matter in Which the President is Deeply Concerned
Washington, Feb. 20.—It is now an open secret that President Roosevelt believes that the safety of the country and the maintenance of the Monroe doctrine are dependent to a great extent on a heavy increase in the navy within the shortest possible time. He is making every effort to attain that end and is heartily in sympathy with the efforts of certain members of the House naval committee for the adoption of a shipbuilding program that will call for the laying down of the keels of at least four battleships every year for a term of years sufficiently long to bring the fleet somewhat nearer the standard of naval strength of the other powers. He has already taken measures to secure the adoption of a consistent policy of increase and is showing the keenest interest in everything that pertains to the naval establishment.

At today's cabinet meeting it was disclosed that the president had become concerned over the slow progress of naval vessels under construction and that he had directed the secretary of the navy to ascertain if there was not some way in which American men of war could be built as quickly as those of European countries. On February 14, it was explained, Mr. Roosevelt had asked Secretary Moody to make a written statement of the causes which had served to retard work on American war ships. It so happened that the day previous Mr. Moody had called on Rear Admiral Bowles, chief naval constructor, for a similar statement. Admiral Bowles' report was handed to the secretary today and he took it to the White House. The president regarded the matter as of such great importance that he brought the report to the attention of the cabinet, and after a discussion of it Mr. Roosevelt announced that he thought it was right that the report should be made public in order to let the American people know the causes of delay.

Admiral Bowles' statement will be given to the press tomorrow. It will show that strikes at ship yards and the inability of shipbuilders to get the necessary structural material during and after the great steel strike were the primary causes of delay, although the builders are to some extent blamed.

In consequence of the concern felt by the president and Secretary Moody over this important matter Mr. Moody has started in to attempt to remedy the defect. One of the first results of this policy of improvement was the issuance of orders to three naval ordnance experts to observe and report upon target work of the North Atlantic battleship squadron in the Gulf of Mexico.

Fraternity Dinner
Durham, N. C., Feb. 20.—Special.—The Trinity chapter of the Alpha and Omega college fraternity will hold its annual stag dinner at the Hotel Carolina tomorrow night. The occasion has always afforded much pleasure to the members and the affair tomorrow night promises to surpass those of the past. An elaborate menu has been prepared and about twenty-five plates will be laid. Beside the members of the chapter, who are now in Trinity, several out of town members are expected to be present. The invited guests will be Dr. W. H. Glasson of the department of political science of Trinity College, and Mr. W. A. Thomas of Virginia, a member of the Sigma Chi fraternity.

The Situation in Delaware
Dover, Del., Feb. 20.—The senatorial row precipitated fights in both houses today, resulting in a division of the Republican assemblymen, the anti-Adicks delegates voting with the Democrats. The day's fighting brought the regulars and Democrats one step nearer each other, and evidence points to the election of two senators at any day by a fusion of these forces.

To the Citizens of Raleigh
I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of City Tax Collector, subject to nomination by city Democratic primaries.

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"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—It is with thankfulness I write that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has been of the greatest help to me. My work keeps me standing on my feet all day and the hours are long. Some months ago it didn't seem as though I could stand it. I would get so dreadfully tired and my back ached so I wanted to scream with the pain. When I got home at night I was so worn out I had to go right to bed, and I was terribly blue and downhearted. I was irregular and the flow was scanty, and I was pale and had no appetite. I told a girl friend who was taking your medicine how I felt, and she said I ought to take it too. So I got a bottle of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and commenced to take it. It helped me right off. After the first few doses menstruation started and was fuller than for some time. It seemed to lift a load off me. My back stopped aching and I felt brighter than I had for months. I took three bottles in all. Now I never have an ache or pain, and I go out after work and have a good time. I am regular and strong and am thankful to you for the change. I recommend Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound whenever I hear of a girl suffering, for I know how hard it is to work when you feel so sick."—Miss MAMIE KERRAS, 553 9th Ave., New York City.

Women should not fail to profit by the experiences of these women; just as surely as they were cured of the troubles enumerated in their letters, just so certainly will Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound cure others who suffer from womb troubles, inflammation of the ovaries, kidney troubles, irregular and painful menstruation, nervous excitability, and nervous prostration; remember that it is Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound that is curing women, and don't allow any druggist to sell you anything else in its place.

Miss Amanda T. Peterson, Box 131, Atwater, Minn., says:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I hope that you will publish this testimonial so that it may reach others and let them know about your wonderful medicine. Before taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I was troubled with the worst kind of fainting spells. The blood would rush to my head, was very nervous and always felt tired, had dark circles around eyes. I have now taken several bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and am entirely cured. I had taken doctor's medicine for many years but it did me no good. Please accept my thanks for this most excellent medicine which is able to restore health to suffering women."

No other female medicine in the world has received such widespread and unqualified endorsement. No other medicine has such a record of cures of female troubles. Those women who refuse to accept anything else are rewarded a hundred thousand times, for they get what they want—a cure. Sold by Druggists everywhere. Refuse all substitutes.

\$5000 SOLELY IF we cannot forthwith produce the original letters and signatures of above testimonials, which will prove their absolute genuineness.
Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass.

FIGHT WITH TURKS
Revolutionists Get the Best of An Encounter

London, Feb. 20.—A dispatch to the Morning Leader from Sofia says that a serious engagement is reported to have taken place near Kastoria. Captain Tschakelaro, with thirty-four revolutionists, has been hiding in the village of Dubeny, near Kastoria. A spy revealed his presence, and 800 Turkish troops, supported by Bashibazouks, were hurriedly dispatched to surround the village. Meanwhile Captain Tschakelaro was warned and withdrew toward a bridge guarding a defile near Berk. Here he disposed his men into two flanking bodies and awaited attack. This duty came. The fighting was of the most desperate character. The Turkish firing line was decimated and many were lost in the river. Altogether ninety were killed and a large number were wounded. The latter were removed to neighboring villages. During the fight the rebels were reinforced by seventy men, and this enabled them to withdraw safely to the mountains.

The news caused a sensation among the Macedonians. Travelers from the frontier say that the roads on the Bulgarian side are being rapidly repaired by large gangs of workmen. This is most significant of coming events.

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ADULTS MAY WORK OVER 66 HOURS IN MILLS

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harm, the greatest disaster and ruin is wrought through the inebriety of the fathers of those boys, the troubled and pinched faces of whose wives and families cry out for relief in their patient sufferings and mute appeals for help.

It is when these dissipated boys, with the appetite and passion growing and fastening itself on them, grow up to become husbands and fathers, that the most acute suffering from disease and want and hunger and crime is reached.

In the country it is the distillery that does the most harm. The bar men, who feed their own children at the expense of the children of the infirm men who spend their earnings with them for drink—these bar men come here and tell us we "will hurt the Democratic party." They are already arrayed against us. I say let them remain so. The continued loss and success of the great Democratic party is not dependent on the bar men.

Proceedings in the Senate
The 10 o'clock sessions of the Senate began yesterday, and the early hour caught a number of senators "not present." Nearly all of them put in appearance during the next hour. After Lieutenant-Governor Turner had called the Senate to order, prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Woodson. On motion of Senator Godwin the reading of the journal was dispensed with.

The reports of the various standing committees were made and the bills placed on the calendar.

Petitions

By request of Senator Durham, S. B. 727 (allowing H. N. Garrison to sell drugs in Gastonia without license) was reconsidered, and again placed on the calendar. (The bill having already been sent to the House, it was sent for, and returned.)

By Senator McBride—From citizens of Robeson county asking for the passage of the London liquor bill.

By Senator Norris—From citizens of New Hill, Wake county, asking for temperance legislation.

New Bill Introduced
New bills were introduced and appropriately referred, as follows:

By Senator Baldwin—S. B. 804—To prevent depredations by domestic fowls in Winston township, Forsyth county; calendar. Also (S. B. 805)—To appoint justices of the peace in Old Richmond township, Forsyth county; justices of the peace committee.

By Senator Marshall—S. B. 806—To place all ex-Confederates and their widows on pension roll; pensions committee. Also (S. B. 807)—To appoint J. A. Daughtridge a justice of the peace in Surry county; justices of the peace committee.

By Senator Mann—S. B. 808—For the relief of R. D. Haines, clerk superior court of Hyde county; judiciary.

By Senator Mann—S. B. 809—For the payment of claim of J. H. Ivandis, claims. Also (S. B. 810)—To pay claim of A. D. Wahab, oyster patrolman, claims.

By Senator Godwin—S. B. 811—A resolution providing for election of United States senators by the people; federal relations.

By Senator Vann—S. B. 812—To change time for holding terms of superior court in certain counties of the first judicial district; judiciary.

By Senator Durham—S. B. 813—Authorizing Gaston county to issue bonds for macadamizing public roads; calendar.

By Senator Mann—S. B. 814—To pay W. T. Burroughs balance due on salary; claims.

By Senator McLaughlin—S. B. 815—To amend chapter 645, acts 1901, as it affects town of Statesville; judiciary.

By Senator Glenn—S. B. 816—To amend section 3361 of the Code anent the examination of state treasurers' books; finance committee.

By Senator Bly—S. B. 817—To amend chapter 169, acts 1901, as to cotton weavers of Greenville; judiciary.

By Senator Burton—S. B. 818—To incorporate the Bank of Stoneville, Rockingham county; banking and currency.

By Senator Woodard—S. B. 819—For the relief of William Pearce, a disabled Confederate veteran of Wilson county; calendar. Also (S. B. 820)—For the relief of N. T. Dine, an aged Confederate soldier; calendar. Also (S. B. 821)—Providing for a graded school at Springhope, Nash county; calendar.

By Senator Norris—S. B. 822—Appropriating funds for the support of the deaf and dumb; appropriations.

By Senator Hoey—S. B. 824—Providing for the drainage of a creek in Cleveland county; calendar.

By Senator Henderson—S. B. 825—To amend and revise charter of town of China Grove, Rowan county.

By Senator Reinhardt—S. B. 826—Granting permission for certain tablets to be placed in the capitol building in memory of the Junior Reserves, N. C. troops. Public buildings and grounds committee.

By Senator Webb—S. B. 827—To regulate the conveyance of property by married women. Also (S. B. 828)—To amend section 437 of the Code. Also (S. B. 829)—To amend chapter 214, acts 1901, judiciary.

By Senator Henderson—S. B. 830—Permitting V. M. Carter to peddle without license tax.

By Senator Hunter—S. B. 831—To incorporate the Norlina and Western R. R. Co. Corporation committee.

By Senator Spruill—S. B. 832—To authorize special tax levy in Scuppernon township, Tyrrell county.

By Senator Walker—S. B. 833—To amend chapter 89, acts 1901, calendar.

What Has Come Law
The following House bills passed final

reading in the Senate and were ordered enrolled for ratification:
S. B. 674, H. B. 718—Amendatory of the charter of Elizabeth City.
S. B. 687, H. B. 917—To incorporate the Bank of Franklin, Macon county.
S. B. 130, H. B. 391—Authorizing the town of Greenville to issue bonds. Amendment of House concurred in and ordered enrolled for ratification.

Passed Third Reading
The following Senate bills passed third reading and were sent to the House for concurrence:

No. 631—To amend chapter 40, private laws of 1891, revising and consolidating chapter of the town of Salem.

No. 671—Incorporating the Washington and Vandemere Railroad Co.

No. 640—Incorporating the city of Washington.

No. 626—To raise additional revenue by the town of Clinton.

No. 688—Authorizing Cumberland county to issue bonds for improvement of public roads and for other purposes.

No. 734—Authorizing election and issue of bonds by Raleigh township to purchase Centennial graded school property.

No. 767—Providing for a dispensary in the town of Littleton.

No. 408—For the better regulation of the fire insurance business in North Carolina.

No. 132—Providing for treatment and transportation of certain idiots and lunatics as amended by the committee.

No. 732—To facilitate the sale of certain swamp lands in Jones and Onslow counties.

No. 411—The "child labor" bill (being amended by the Senate in several particulars, as explained elsewhere in this report.)

When the Senate meets this morning it will be 10 o'clock.

THE SENATE IS DOUBLE LOCKED
So Say Morgan and Quay and It Seems to Be Just That Way

Washington, Feb. 20.—Continues performances are apparently unpopular in the United States Senate, and today, for the third time, the effort to remain in session until Senator Morgan and his ally, Senator Quay, would stop talking and allow the Panama canal treaty to be ratified, fail. 1. Notably the Senate is still in the executive session, of yesterday, and according to the journal tomorrow will be Thursday when the Senate meets. Actually, however, adjournment has been taken each day at about the usual hour, and the night session of yesterday was the only one that has been held since the effort to close Mr. Morgan's lips began. The situation is very much confused, but there is reason to believe that during tomorrow's session some break will occur and that eventually the canal treaty will be ratified. Mr. Quay appears to have lost his fight for the standstill bill, but the opinion is general that he will not carry his opposition to the Republican program to the extent of defeating any one of the big appropriation bills that must now be disposed of quickly in order to avoid the necessity of an extra session of Congress.

Heretofore the fight has been conducted with a show of good feeling, but while the doors were closed today there was some hot talk on both sides of the chamber. So long as the Senate had to deal only with Mr. Morgan's proposition was comparatively simple, because no one man could keep on talking forever, but when Mr. Quay came to the aid of the Alabama senator the hour of a successful adjournment became a little more promising. During today's session other senators took a hand in the cross-fire debate, and Senator DuBois of Idaho, in particular, announced his opposition to the ratification of the canal treaty and said that there were other senators who would vote with him and Mr. Morgan against it.

Tonight everybody is angry and the senators are about equally divided in their opinion as to whether the treaty can be ratified at this session without making a compromise with Mr. Quay on the standstill question, or whether it will have to go over to an extra session to be called after the 4th of March.

In reply to the severe criticism upon his course in breaking the unannounced agreement, made in Tuesday's caucus, that the Republicans should all stand together and freeze out Mr. Morgan and Mr. Quay, in a speech that was marked by anything but good temper, declared that he had formally agreed to the Republican program and claimed that he had merely acquiesced in it in ignorance of the fact that the United States had made such arrangements with the Panama Canal Company that the option to purchase its rights and property would hold good after the 4th of March. It was a new experience for the senator that he had been tricked by yielding a point, but as no senator could state of his own knowledge that Mr. Quay had definitely agreed to the Republican program his reputation of it was allowed to stand.

It came out during the course of today's session that a formal understanding has been reached between the Republican and the representatives of the Panama Canal Company that the option of purchase has been extended beyond the 4th of March until the 1st of April.

It is not essential, therefore, that a vote shall be taken at the present session, but the desire is practically unanimous to dispose of the business as soon as senators will not be called back after the 4th of March.

Senator Quay and Morgan both after adjournment this evening that they had the Senate double locked, and that unless the canal treaty is set aside it will be impossible for the regular business to be proceeded with.