

A Wide Difference on the Bond Bill

House and Senate Disagree. Murphy Wins Fight for the Town of Shore—House Passes Early Closing Bill—Machinery Act. Other Matters

The hour for adjournment sine die is not yet in sight. The legislative mill is grinding slowly and the hopper is replenished each day. A number of new bills were presented to the House yesterday. The calendar is a heavy one and contains many important local bills, besides a great deal of public work remains yet to be completed. The Senate and House are far apart on the question of a state bond issue. The bill which passed the House for an issue of \$300,000 ten year bonds to bear 3 per cent interest was yesterday amended by the Senate so as to allow the governor and council to issue bonds not exceeding \$500,000 and changing the rate of interest from 3 to 4 per cent. The House was asked to concur in this amendment and on a motion by Mr. Smith unanimously refused to do so. A conference committee was appointed to meet a committee from the Senate and try to settle the differences. Mr. Watts offered a resolution that the Legislature adjourn sine die at 12 o'clock Monday. Judge Graham said there was no use to consider that resolution now in view of what the Senate was attempting to do with the bond bill, that it would be many days before the Legislature would adjourn. The resolution went to the committee on rules. The bill to incorporate the town of Shore in Yadkin county passed its final reading. Its consideration displaced the regular order—the machinery act—but Gov. Doughton said he would yield provided there would be no discussion of the Shore bill. Mr. Watts said there was certainly going to be some discussion. Mr. Murphy in charge of the bill, said the discussion had been full on the previous day and moved the previous question. Mr. Watts again offered an amendment that no whiskey shall be made in the town and the amendment was lost. The bill passed by a vote of 57 to 41. The consideration of the machinery act was completed and the bill passed its several readings. A bill for the relief of ex-Sheriff J. M. Marshburn of Sampson county was debated for nearly an hour, passed second reading and held up on third by objection. The bill known as the omnibus liquor bill, incorporating churches and schools throughout the state, passed its several readings. The distances named in the bill are from one to four miles. Another bill was introduced to incorporate a new "town" called Ronda in Wilkes county. The Senate resolution to appropriate the sum of \$23,000 to make an exhibit at the St. Louis exposition next year was read and referred to the committee on appropriations. There is a strong belief existing that the House will not pass the resolution. Mr. King of Pitt wants the federal constitution amended and to that end introduced the following preamble and resolution: "Whereas, the fourteenth and fifteenth amendments to the constitution of the United States are war measures forced upon the southern states, and whereas, the said amendments have failed to accomplish any good, but have been detrimental to the best interests and progress of the said southern states and of no benefit to the country at large or the race which was thus enfranchised, and are a continual source of sectional and race antagonism, which can but continue and grow, be it therefore, by the General Assembly of North Carolina: "Resolved, that the senators and representatives of the state of North Carolina, in Congress, be and are hereby instructed to use their best and untiring efforts toward securing the repeal of the said fourteenth and fifteenth amendments, be it further "Resolved, that all states, composing this great American republic, are earnestly asked to join in this great movement, fraught with so much good to the happiness, peace and welfare of the nation."

To federal relations, urging our representatives in Congress to use their best efforts to secure the repeal of the fourteenth and fifteenth amendments to the constitution. By Self—To amend an act for the better government of Catawba county. By Guion—To protect deer in Craven county. By Gattis—To place John A. Galloway of Orange county on the pension roll. Passed Final Reading To abolish the office of standard keeper in Northampton county. To repeal certain acts relative to fish ways in Catawba county. To relieve Miss Mary Vickory, a white school teacher of Yancey county. To change the July term of superior court in Swain county. To amend laws in reference to holding courts in the sixth judicial district. To amend the charter of the city of Southport. To pay residue of salaries to two white school teachers in Swain county. For the relief of Geo. W. Morton of Caswell county. To drain lowlands of Stuart's creek in Duplin and Sampson counties. For the better government of Catawba county. To compel the attendance upon school in Rockingham county. To amend the charter of the town of Blittmore. For the relief of Virginia C. Bunting of New Hanover. To include a certain territory in Pamlico county in the stock law. To regulate the sale of malt in the county of Cabarrus. For the relief of Minerva I. McDearis, widow of a Confederate soldier. To amend an act to incorporate the Fayetteville Land and Improvement Company. To prohibit the sale and manufacture of liquor in certain localities. For the relief of Jno. N. Lamb of Perquimans county. To correct state grant 2507. To provide for a stock law election in Northampton county. To amend act concerning the Seaboard dispensary. To regulate stock law in Northampton county. To regulate the sale of liquor near Jonesboro and Vass in Moore county. To repeal certain laws relating to Richmond county. To provide a short form of crop lien applicable to Halifax county. To make the place of delivery of whiskey at Sanford the place of sale, and prohibit sale and manufacture. To incorporate the Clarence Barker Memorial Hospital and Dispensary. For relief of certain school teachers. To change the time for holding courts in the first judicial district. To provide for five commissioners for Halifax county. To authorize treasurer of Mecklenburg to pay school claims. To amend chapter 530, laws 1901, relating to permanent registration of voters. To amend chapter 7, volume 2 of the Code. To amend chapter 551, laws of 1899, to make local option elections applicable to Anson county. To define the place of business of domestic corporations, was tabled on motion of Judge Graham. To validate irregular probate. For the relief of Ellen Graves of Caswell county. To prohibit rifle shooting in Dare county. To allow E. R. commissioners to regulate speed of trains in towns and cities. To provide a mode of procedure in entering credits upon judgments. To amend chapter 4, of the laws of 1897. To amend the act establishing graded schools in Guilford county. To establish a graded school at Copeland in Surry county. To authorize the commissioners of McDowell county to issue bonds. To incorporate Mount Prospect graded school in Union county. The bill to incorporate the town of Shore was put on its third reading and passed by a vote of 57 to 41. Consideration of Machinery Act The act to provide for raising revenue was considered. Judge Graham offered a number of amendments. One was to amend section 32 in regard to what shall be specified on tax list, by requiring tax-payer to file with list taken all insurance policies on property listed to aid in determining the value of such property. Messrs. Drevry, Doughton and Guion opposed the amendment. They thought it was going entirely too far to inject such inquisitorial features. Tax the people on all property, but don't ask them questions that cannot be productive of any good. The amendment was lost. The bill passed its several readings. Mr. Watts introduced a resolution in regard to adjournment, that the General Assembly adjourn sine die at noon Monday. Referred to committee on rules. Non-concurrence in Amendments A message from the Senate transmitting the bond bill amended so as to

KILLED A BABY

Father, Mother and Daughter Sent to Jail. Charlotte, N. C., March 6.—Special.—Lula King and her mother and father, George and Julia King, were committed to jail without bail today, charged with the murder of Lula King's infant. The evidence as disclosed at the coroner's inquest this morning was revolting in the extreme. The story of Julia King, the grandmother of the infant, incriminates her husband. If she is to be believed King is guilty of a horrible murder. The King woman stated that when her husband returned home Sunday she told him their daughter had given birth to a girl child and that it was in the next room on the bed. King asked to see it, and as soon as he got his hands on it he picked it up roughly, and catching hold of its tiny limbs, knocked its head against the bed until life was extinct. The mother of the child, Lula King, was in the next room when this foul deed was said to have been committed. At first Julia King said the child had been buried at one place in the backyard, but later told that her husband (George King, a negro barber) had dug the remains up and buried them under the cow shed in a different part of the back lot. On going to this spot the infant's remains were found. After hearing the evidence in the case the jury agreed that the child had been killed, and that George King, Julia King and Lula King were jointly responsible for its death. Accordingly all three were committed to jail.

Democrats Again Under the Leadership of Gorman

Steering Committee to Be Come an Active Force. Nomination of Crum Will Be Fought to the End. Washington, March 6.—Special.—Arthur Pue Gorman was elected chairman of the Democratic caucus of the Senate today. This honor was unanimously and enthusiastically bestowed on the Maryland senator by the Democrats of the Senate. In his position as leader of the Democratic party in Congress, for such he really will be, Mr. Gorman is restored to the position he so ably and successfully discharged before the party forsook its own and followed new idols. There was a coming together of the Democrats in the caucus today such as there has not been in many years. Unity of action and thorough organization on the part of Democrats in Congress is the idea that Mr. Gorman had impressed on the Democrats of the Senate, and it was readily embraced without a dissenting voice. During the past two years the Democrats have hardly put forward a united front on a single great question. The steering committee had ceased to exist for all practical purposes. Today it was decided to increase the membership of this committee from seven to nine. It will be composed of young and active men. The policy of inactivity will be given up for one of activity. It was the consensus of opinion that the Republican steering committee of the Senate should be opposed from the beginning. The Democrats propose to take a stand on public questions. The caucus placed in the hands of the steering committee authority to decide for the Democrats whether there should be a general reorganization of the Senate committees or the mere filling of vacancies on those committees which will deal with pressing questions during the extra session. The committee is empowered to negotiate with the Republican steering committee with a view to entering upon a general reorganization. There is no doubt, however, that the Democratic

TWO HELD FOR MURDER

The Crime Was Committed Two Years Ago. Asheville, N. C., March 6.—Special.—Henry Gordon, a negro, today waived examination before a magistrate of this city and was committed to jail without bail to await a trial in the superior court on the charge of murder. Sallie Kincaid, a negro woman, was arraigned before the same magistrate on the charge of aiding and abetting the murder. Her case was continued until tomorrow morning on account of a lack of witnesses. The murder was committed in 1901. Gooden made his escape and, seemingly because no reward was ever offered for him, he stayed in this vicinity for some time and was never arrested. Some days ago Sheriff Reed was notified that the murderer was in Indianapolis and he went and brought him here. Gooden was in a bawdy house when some one in passing stoned it. The negro ran out and it is alleged shot a young man, McKinnis, who was passing. The woman Kincaid is alleged to have incited the man to the deed.

HIGH HONOR FOR TAFT

He is to Succeed Fuller as Chief Justice. Washington, March 6.—Governor William H. Taft of the Philippines may be chief justice of the supreme court within a year. It is reported that Chief Justice Fuller is to retire on account of ill health and that President Roosevelt will name the civil governor of the Philippines to succeed him. It has been reported ever since Governor Taft went to the Philippines that when he accepted the place President McKinley promised to elevate him to the supreme bench upon his home coming. President Roosevelt holds Governor Taft in the same high regard.

BONILLA'S SUCCESS

Washington, March 6.—The navy department today received advices from Admiral Glass which indicate the success of Bonilla, the newly elected incumbent president of Salvador. In a cablegram from La Union to the department received this morning Admiral Glass says: "All quiet at Amapola, and reports from the interior indicate the success of Bonilla and the restoration of peace shortly. Squadron will sail March 6 for Acapulco." As Acapulco is in Mexico it shows that Admiral Glass regards the situation as satisfactory and sufficiently so to warrant his withdrawal.

MORNING SESSION

Delays of the Day in the House Retained in Detail. The House was called to order promptly at ten o'clock and was opened with prayer by Rev. W. C. Wilson of Rockaville. The Journal was read and approved. There were no petitions introduced and only a few reports from committees. Introduction of Bills The following bills were introduced: By Morris of McDowell—To pay the Sheriff of McDowell county extra for holding courts. By King—A joint resolution relating to

FREE-ADMISSION

The following passed final reading: To allow the town of Snow Hill to subscribe to the stock of the East Carolina Railroad. To confer police powers on constables at Duke in Harnett county. To incorporate the Bank of Harnett. To amend chapter 553 of the laws of 1899. To change the time for holding court in Burke county. To change the time for holding court in Brunswick county. To incorporate the Concord Loan and Trust Company. An act relative to the stock law in Macon county. To amend an act relative to putting sawdust in streams of Graham county. To provide for the better drainage of the lowlands along Deep river in Guilford county. For the relief of E. P. Grigsley, a public school teacher of Ashe county. To amend the Code relating to entries. To authorize the trustees of Lexington township to issue bonds. For the relief of R. E. L. Plummer of Ashe county. For the relief of Byrum Sturgill, late sheriff of Ashe county. To establish a polling place in Walnut Grove township, Wilkes county. To place John A. Holloway of Orange county on the pension roll. To provide for working roads in Rutherford county. To protect the operatives of Uwharrie mills in Rutherford county. To authorize and direct the county boards of Union county to convey property to the Monroe graded schools. To prevent felling trees in streams of Randolph and Montgomery county. To amend chapter 461, laws 1899. To amend chapter 2 of the laws of 1901, known as the corporation law. To provide for payment of one-half fees to witnesses and officers in Wake county where grand jury finds not a true bill. To prevent the spread of smallpox and scarlet fever. To facilitate the taking of depositions throughout the state. To amend the charter of the town of Sanford. To appropriate \$100 to repair the Croatan normal school in Robeson county. To prohibit the use of drag-nets in Little river, Wake county. To prohibit dumping sawdust in streams of Cherokee county. To amend the Code in reference to obtaining license to practice law. To regulate the closing of saloons in North Carolina. Mr. Morton read a telegram from Wilmington, asking that he favor the bill. He did not think a majority of the people of Wilmington wanted it. He introduced an amendment that these questions be left to the vote of the people in the various towns and cities of the state. Mr. Guion opposed the bill. He had voted for the Watts bill, and as that confined the sale to the incorporated towns he

KICKED BY A COLT

A Screw Loose in Wife Murderer's Make-up. Hamilton, Ohio, March 6.—Alfred A. Knapp, the self-confessed murderer, was visited today by his attorneys from Cincinnati. They say they cannot get ready for their preliminary hearing this week. There is no doubt whatever about the defense pleading insanity, and their next movement will be for an inquest. His fourth wife, parents, brother, sisters and brothers in law will testify that Knapp has not been right mentally since he was kicked by a colt when he was five years old, and it is expected that neighbors of the Knapps and fellow workmen of the prisoner will testify as to Knapp's queer ways. Knapp is as indifferent in jail as ever, playing cards and reading, and apparently the most cheerful of all the prisoners.

GOMES TOO SLOW

Trouble About Securing Street Car Equipment. Greensboro, N. C., March 6.—Special.—"The only thing that is troubling us just now is our inability to secure equipment," said Mr. Z. V. Taylor, manager of the Greensboro Electric Company, today. Some time ago the company began work on an extension of the car line to the new White Oak cotton mill, but it is now found that it will be impossible to get a delivery of rails before April, if then. The company also decided to purchase three new cars, increasing the number in operation from ten to thirteen, but no factory in the country will promise to deliver the cars before November. As they are needed for the summer traffic, the company will be put to some embarrassment unless it is found possible to make some other arrangements. Mr. Taylor will go to New York and other points in a few days in an effort to arrange the matter in some way.

Jewelers Incorporated

Greensboro, N. C., March 6.—Special. The jewelry firm of Rosenblatt & Co. has been incorporated with an authorized capital of \$25,000, of which \$5,000 has been paid in. The incorporators are Mr. J. M. Rosenblatt and Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Van Noppen.

Condition Critical

Greensboro, N. C., March 6.—Special. The condition of Mrs. A. L. Brooks, wife of Solicitor Brooks, who has been ill for some time, is considered critical. In addition to her other ailments, Mrs. Brooks is about to lose her sight.

Business is Favorable

According to Dun's Report. Prices of Commodities but Little Changed -- Many New Orders for Cotton Goods--Failures Few and Defaults Small. New York, March 6.—Dun's report of trade tomorrow will say: Congress has adjourned after a very satisfactory session so far as trade and industry are concerned. No disturbing legislation has been enacted to unsettle the business situation, and there is reason to look for much benefit from the organization of a department of commerce and labor. Numerous labor troubles interrupt manufacturing, yet mills and shops are producing freely as a rule. Jobbers and wholesalers are busy, while spring retail trade has opened very freely in many lines, notably wearing apparel. Permits for building operations show large gains over last year's figures, giving additional strength to lumber and other materials. Prices of commodities scarcely altered in the aggregate during February, Dun's index number being \$101.067 March 1, against \$100.920 a month previous. Foreign trade continues very heavy, imports of merchandise at the port of New York for the last week exceeding those of the same week last year by \$4,340,845. The gain was especially notable in dry goods. Collections are not always prompt, some sections reporting more renewals than usual; but money is in ample supply for commercial needs. Low bank reserves at this city and an advance in call loans accelerated the decline in securities. The average of the sixty most active railway stocks has fallen about \$5 a share within three weeks. Railway earnings are well maintained. Conditions in the iron and steel industry need no other elucidation than the plan announced by the United States Steel Corporation. Preparations to extend \$30,000,000 in increasing the facilities of plants under the control of this company suggest that prospects are bright for enlarged business, and the country's previous records of production will be far surpassed. In the cotton industry the past week has brought out a large quantity of new orders. Spinners are growing very conservative in regard to accepting contracts calling for distant deliveries of cotton goods, owing to the extreme uncertainty as to what the raw material will cost. Even on present stocks there is an upward tendency in quotations, although buyers are only filling immediate requirements, many expressing the belief that the advance in material will not be maintained.

Quietus on Slot Machines

Goldboro, N. C., March 6.—Special.—The board of aldermen at a regular meeting last night put a quietus on the slot machines. Alderman Geo. C. Royall said he had made a thorough investigation of the musical slot machines now being operated in this city and he had found that the musical attachments and the gambling device were two separate machines and that the gambling device could be and was worked while the music did not play. He said it was a flagrant attempt to evade the law by attaching a musical re-roller. He made a motion, which prevailed unanimously, that the board revoke all licenses for keeping slot machines and that the owners be notified to discontinue their operation at once.

Confession of a Ghoul

Noblesville, Ind., March 6.—Rufus Cantrell, the ghoul, came here from Indianapolis today to testify before the grand jury. He was accompanied by his attorney and two detectives. Cantrell was before the jury all the morning and made a full confession of his alleged relations with men of the county, who, he says, have been robbing graves in nearby cemetery. He said the bodies were taken down the river in boats and were hauled to the colleges in wagons.

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