

AN UNINTERESTING DAY

House Defeats Bill to Regulate Assignments.

BROTHER BURROUGH

Wanted to Preach in the House, But He Will Not—Bill to Restore Chatham County Certain Territory Passed Second Reading.

The house met at 10 and representative Dixon offered the opening prayer.

Among the bills introduced were the following: By Hauser to prohibit fish traps in Neuse river; by Sutton, to provide that the existence of a life estate in any land shall not be a bar to a sale for partition of such land.

Bill passed repealing the act passed by the last legislature appointing tax collectors for Wake county.

Bill passed amending the act creating the colored normal school at Fayetteville and naming new trustees, and managers, R. P. Buxton, F. P. Williston, D. A. Bryant, Nicholas Brown and James R. Deal, who shall have full control of it and appoint the principal and teachers; that the school have its prorata share of all school money from any source, and shall not be removed from Fayetteville.

Bill to amend the law as to registration of pharmacists was taken up. It provides that the word "registered" be stricken out and the word "licensed" take its place. Hancock said the bill was for the purpose of saving the trouble of sending to the secretary of the State Association to see whether the druggist was registered or not; that if a druggist were indicted this was necessary. Hancock was asked if all pharmacists were not given a certificate. He replied yes, and added that the bill was drawn up at the instance of the State pharmaceutical association, and that it was prepared by his brother who was for 10 years the president of the association. He said the bill applied to towns of 500 or upwards, and that the board of pharmacy had appeared before the committee and advocated the bill. Alexander said he wanted the bill passed over so the matter could be looked into by the committee on health. Hancock said the committee on judiciary had unanimously approved it.

Lusk said the bill had been thoroughly overhauled by the judiciary committee after the State board of pharmacy had explained the purpose and need of the bill which really was great and would save court costs and time, and was for the protection of the people. Dixon, of Cleveland, said he was sure all the members of the committee on health favored the bill and in fact would like to make it even stricter, as no unlicensed druggist should be allowed to compound prescriptions. He thought the bill should apply to all druggists, even those in the country. The house refused to commit the bill to the committee on health, and it passed second and third readings; bill to amend the charter of Edenton was taken up. It divides the town into seven wards instead of four, the aldermen to elect the chief of police. Supt. of Edenton desired the people be passed. The bill then passed second and third readings; incorporated the Chatham traction company, and allows it to build and operate a road from Marshburn's saw mill to the Deep river near Cummock; amending the charter of the Raleigh & Gaston railway by allowing the straggling of its line, to avoid curves.

Hauser asked leave to have the senate's free silver resolutions placed on the calendar. There was instant protest. He made a motion to suspend the rules. The democrats voted aye and the republicans no. The motion to suspend was lost. Hauser asked consent to introduce a resolution that Rev. John C. Burroughs be allowed to preach in the hall of the house tomorrow evening. Hauser was asked if Burroughs was a Mormon and said he was a Universalist and asked the members to "come out tomorrow night, and hear Brother Burroughs." An amendment was offered and accepted by Hauser that the latter should lead in the singing. The vote on Hauser's resolution was a tie and the speaker voted against it, so Brother Burroughs will not preach. McCrary's bill to regulate assignments came up with an unfavorable report. McCrary said the committee stood three to two on the bill. A motion to table was made but withdrawn. McCrary offered an amendment that all conditional sales, mortgages, or assignments or deeds of trust which are made to secure any creditor should be absolutely void as to pre-existing creditors. McCrary said in some way an assignment law was sneaked through. He said this latter bill was repealed mainly because of the fraudulent manner in which it had been gotten through. McCrary defied any one to prove that the bill as thus amended was not absolutely honest. He said that under this bill if a man owed 100 men and contracted a new debt his mortgage for this would stand; that it was in the nature of a preference. He declared the act of 1895 was meritorious, and hence he and Blackburn had voted against repealing it.

Sutton, of Cumberland, asked to submit the question why the people of North Carolina should be put on a different footing from those of other States? He said that there was a preference law in other States; that the assignment act of 1895 had caused widespread dismay in the State, and that there was great satisfaction at its repeal.

McCrary lodged a motion to reconsider the vote by which the assignment bill was tabled.

At 1:30 the house adjourned until 7:30 p. m.

SENATE.

The senate was called to order at 11 o'clock, Lieutenant-Governor Reynolds presiding. Prayer by Rev. Dr. Eugene Daniels. Bills and resolutions were introduced as follows: By Mr. Moye, a bill in relation to the pay of clerks and employees of the General Assembly; provides that the auditor may require a certificate from the proper officers that the work has been faithfully performed by said employees.

By Mr. Grant, a bill to stimulate local taxes in rural districts.

By Mr. Hardison, a bill to prohibit the sale of immoral and obscene literature in the state.

By Mr. Hardison, a bill to protect the people of the state from fevers, etc., in second-hand clothing; also to prohibit the sale of liquor unless under police supervision.

By Mr. Butler, a bill to amend the act establishing the railroad commission.

By Mr. Butler, a bill to amend chapter 498, laws 1891, relating to supreme court records furnished railroad commission; also by same, a bill to increase the duties of the railroad commission in relation to the interstate commerce commission.

FIGHTING OVER THE PEN

Populists Insist That They Must Have It.

REINHARDT DEFIANT.

Claimed That Pritchard Promised Him the Place—Will Do Some Talking—Hileman and Others to Join the Minority—The Division.

The pie was parcelled last night. The conference committees of the minority and republican caucuses met at the Supreme court building and after wrestling several hours with the question of distributing the various offices under the dominion of the legislature and the governor, finally reached an agreement.

The penitentiary was a bone of contention, both the populists and republicans demanding the institution. The republicans would not listen to any proposition by which the party conceded the state prison and the populists finally agreed to let the plum go.

But today there is great dissatisfaction among the populists, because of the concession of the penitentiary to the committee. Seemingly strange is the desire of several well known republicans that Reinhardt, a populist, should have the penitentiary. This may be accounted for by the statement which comes pretty straight that Pritchard's people promised Reinhardt the penitentiary for his work in the Senator's behalf. Reinhardt delivered Barker and Wakefield to Pritchard. Now it is told that Reinhardt is mad and that he will "unload" himself if he fails to get the penitentiary.

The penitentiary was taken as a basis of division by the committees after the republicans were accorded the institution. The other offices were divided alternately as follows: REPUBLICANS. Penitentiary. Railway Commissioner. Western Insane Asylum (Morganston). Deaf and Dumb Institution (Morganston). Atlantic and North Carolina Railway.

POPULISTS. Agricultural Department. Judge of Eastern Criminal Court. Insane Asylum (Raleigh). Insane Asylum (Goldsboro). A & M College. Labor Statistician. Fish Commission. In the grand "divvy" last evening two offices were overlooked. They were State Librarian and Keeper of the Capitol. Never fear, they will be taken in. The republicans will take the former and the populists the latter.

Senator McCasky, Chairman of the minority populist conference committee said today that he had hoped the division would be acceptable, but that there was much kicking among the populists about the penitentiary.

Congressman Skinner said today; when asked whether the majority populists would be recognized in the division effected last night. "Certainly they will," he replied. "The minority is composed of patriots. They will do the fair thing."

Senator George Butler, who is a recognized leader among the majority populists said today: "We will not be the recipients of any offices as they were divided out last night. The majority populists will not take anything through the minority. We do not recognize the minority as populists. They are quasi republicans. We will not affiliate with the republican party unless it acts regularly with us."

It is stated today by several members of the minority that Speaker Hileman, Maxwell Whitner and Person, who have not attended any of the majority caucuses of late, will formally join the minority tonight by entering the minority caucus. It is claimed that the minority will have a majority of the Populist legislators by Saturday night.

The Republicans and the minority Populists caucus tonight on the division of offices.

Died. Mrs. C. A. Alford, wife of G. B. Alford died at her residence in Holly Springs. She leaves two children, Mattie, aged 16 and Haywood, aged 14. The funeral service will take place in Baptist church, Holly Springs tomorrow, Feb. 3rd at 12 o'clock, Rev. Wm. Olive and H. W. Norris officiating.

JOHNSON WILL HANG.

Governor Russell Refuses to Interfere in the Case of the Charlotte Burglar.

Governor Russell will not interfere in the case of Monroe Johnson, the condemned burglar, who will hang in Charlotte next Monday.

The governor returned from Wilmington this morning and his first official act was to pass on Johnson's case. There were many applications in behalf of commuting the sentence of the burglar to life imprisonment, while a great number of the best people of Charlotte requested the execution to be carried out.

Johnson has had strong hopes that the Governor would interfere, but he will be hanged Monday next.

WILL MEET HERE.

The Seaboard's Atlanta Special will Run on a Different Schedule.

There will be an important change of schedules in the passenger trains of the Seaboard Air Line, effective next Sunday.

KENNEY GETS THE SEAT.

Senate Election Committee Decides Against Dupont.

DECLARES VS. GOLD.

Senator Chandler Introduced a Resolution in the Senate Today Pledging the Government to Promote Free Coinage of Silver.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—It is understood that the position for which Judge Joseph McKenna, of California, has been selected in the McKinley cabinet is that of attorney general, but there are possibilities which may make it necessary to name him Secretary of the Interior in the final arrangement.

The Senate election committee reopen the Dupont Delaware election case and this means the seating of Kenney, silver Democrat, as Senator.

The Senate Finance Committee has reported bottling the Bond bill favorably.

The Senate passed Senator Lodge's resolution calling on Secretary Olney for confirmation of the killing of certain American citizens in Cuba by Spanish soldiers.

Chandler introduced a resolution declaring against the gold standard and pledging the best efforts of this Government to promote the free coinage of silver and gold. It went to the calendar.

AN AMERICAN DOES IT.

Capt. Burke Destroyed One of Weyler's Supply Trains.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. KEW WEST, Feb. 2.—On Friday one of Gen. Weyler's supply trains was dynamited on the railroad near Cleve, north of Cienfuegos. Two bombs were exploded under the engine and four under the train, being fired by electricity as the train was crossing a trestle. The engine was blown apart and all the cars were splintered. They rolled over the trestle into the ditch, the fall completing what the dynamite had left undone. Out of the guard of 100 soldiers on it 45 were instantly killed or terribly injured. The others surrendered, as a force of 200 Cubans appeared. The train was looted, the insurgents securing a small field piece that Gen. Weyler had just ordered from Havana.

After securing all the provisions and ammunition, the cars were burned. The prisoners were released and the Cuban captain sent Weyler a box of sweet bread, with a polite note. The captain of this Cuban band was an American named Burke, from Indiana.

The famished condition of the people in Pinar del Rio section, and especially at Artemisa, San Cristobal and Pinar del Rio city, is well known. Hundreds of country people have flocked to these cities in obedience to the cruel orders of Colos, Hernandez, San Martin and Inclan.

JUDGE NORWOOD HERE.

Considering the Question of Tendering His Resignation.

Judge W. L. Norwood, of the twelfth judicial district, arrived in the city evening and is stopping at the Park hotel.

Judge Norwood is entirely himself again and he now has under consideration the matter of tendering his resignation to the Governor. It is thought that he will do so.

Buying up Cincinnati Breweries.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. CINCINNATI, Feb. 2.—Three representatives of a gigantic London syndicate are in this city for the purpose of gobbling up all the biggest breweries here, and success has so far crowned their efforts. They have purchased an option on sixteen, and the deal has progressed so far that most of the breweries have begun taking stock. The deal will be closed during the coming week. The amount to be paid for the lot aggregates \$9,000,000. One-half will be paid in cash and the other half in preferred stock, with guaranteed interest, so that the present owners will have some voice in the future administration of affairs. The syndicate intends consolidating under the laws of the State and make them all one grand corporation.

Messrs L V Basset and J M Sherrod, of Rocky Mount, are at the Park.

The marriage of Miss Laura Faisor, daughter of Dr. J. A. Faisor, to Mr. Fred. Walters, will be celebrated at the First Baptist church Wednesday evening at 9 o'clock. The public is invited.

SHORT STATEMENTS.

Minor Matters Manipulated for the Many.

AROUND THE CITY.

Port-Parrot of the News Pictured as a per-Points and People Pertinently Picked and Pithily Put in Print.

It was currently reported to-day that none of the minority Populists would accept any office within the gift of the Legislature. What a cruel hoax!

The Yarboro furniture, which was stored away in the Pullen warehouse on the corner of Salisbury and Davie street is being removed to the Yarboro.

The entertainment given at the institution for the blind in this city last week, complimentary to the members of the General Assembly, will be repeated tonight for the benefit of the citizens of Raleigh. The general public is invited.

Ex-Governor Elias Carr arrived in the city today. Governor Carr was warmly greeted by his host of friends in the city. He has suffered with a severe case of grippe, but has about recovered and is looking extremely well.

The committee on elections decided last evening to make a report in favor of Messrs. Williamson and Clanton, the Mecklenburg contestants for the seats in the house, now held by Messrs Reid and Ransom. Mr. Ferguson, of Haywood gave notice that he would file a minority report.

Mr. Thos. Daniels, of New Bern, is in the city in the interest of the Eastern Carolina fish, oyster, game and industrial fair, which occurs February 22d and continues until the 27th. The Newbern fair is always largely patronized by Raleigh people and this year will be no exception. The association has an most excellent representative in Mr. Daniels.

FOR AN AUGUST TERM.

Jim Young Introduces a Bill to Have Another Term of Superior Court.

Wake's colored representative Jim Young, yesterday introduced a bill in the House of Representatives to establish an additional term of Wake Superior Court.

The bill provides that there shall be an August term for the trial of civil causes. The last legislature added the July term to the courts of Wake county.

The bill introduced by Young yesterday also provides that the July term of criminal court shall be for the trial of civil as well as of criminal cases. The July term as now constituted only permits the trial of criminal cases.

PERSONAL.

Mr J. L. Swindell is quite sick at his home near the A & M College.

Mr Chas. F. Warren, of Washington, N. C., is attending the Supreme Court.

Mr Perrin Busbee left the city this morning on important professional business.

Miss Cunningham of Person county is in the city visiting Miss Eleanor Haywood.

Mr Chas. R. Capps, the general freight agent of the Seaboard Air Line is in the city.

Capt Kendrick is suffering from an acute attack of rheumatic arthritis. His physician, who is a specialist in Charleston, congratulates him that his sight has been spared.

Cardinal Gibbons Coming South.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. BALTIMORE, Feb. 2.—Cardinal Gibbons started on a ten day's trip through the South last night. His objective point is New Orleans where he will be the guest of his brother, Mr. John T. Gibbons. The cardinal's trip is for rest and recreation. He has as his guests in a private car the Rev. W. A. Fletcher, Rev. John A. Cunningham and Mr. Frank Murphy.

Mr. W. R. Tucker III.

We regret to note the serious illness of Mr. Wm. R. Tucker. Mr. Tucker was taken sick last week and is threatened with pneumonia. His numerous friends and acquaintance hope for his early recovery.

N. C. R. R. DIRECTORS.

Held a Meeting This Morning. No Business Transacted So Far.

The directors of the North Carolina Railway met this afternoon at the Yarboro House.

The directors remained in session several hours, but it was given out that no business was transacted except of a routine nature. The directors adjourned until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock when they will meet again.

The agitation of the revocation of the lease of the road to the Southern Railway was not discussed this morning. That the matter will be considered is almost certain, for each of the directors are taking a lively interest in recent developments. Only two of the twelve directors were absent this morning. They are Young of Johnston and Johnson of Orange.

The meeting this morning was presided over by Capt. J. B. Alexander of Charlotte, the President, of the road. Capt Alexander will appear before the Railway committee Saturday when the anti-lease bill will be considered.

Of the 459 stockholders every one of them favors the lease without an exception. There are 38 stockholders who reside out of the State.

FAIR TOMORROW.

The Weather Will Begin to Clear This Afternoon.

The weather predictions for Raleigh and vicinity is clearing this afternoon and fair tonight. It will be colder Wednesday morning and warmer in the afternoon. The weather will be fair tomorrow. The temperature this morning was 34.

The storm has moved from the Gulf of Mexico to eastern North Carolina, where it is now central, with quite a low barometer (29.60 inches). Considerable rain fell over the eastern states, from Pennsylvania to Florida, in amounts generally less than an inch, except at Jupiter, Fla., which received 2.60 inches.

In the Mississippi valley and west the weather is fair. The line of freezing passes through northern Kansas, Iowa and Wisconsin to Marquette, then dips southward to the east Lake region and passes through New York. It is slightly colder in the central valley, with west to north-west winds. Southerly winds still prevail in the west.

TODAY'S MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2. Market quotations furnished by E. B. Cuthbert & Co., 30 Broad street, New York, and 305 Wilmington street, Raleigh, N. C., over their special wire:

Table with columns: MONTHS, OPENING, HIGH, LOW, CLOSING. Rows for January, February, March, April, May, June, July, August, Sept 'mbr, October, November, December.

Closed steady, sales 50,100.

Closed steady, sales 68,000 bales. The following were the closing quotations on the New York Stock Exchange today:

Table with columns: Commodity, Price. Rows for Sugar, American Tobacco, Burlington and Quincy, Chicago Gas, Des. and Crt. Feed, General Electric, Louisville and Nashville, Manhattan, Rock Island, Southern Preferred, St. Paul, Tennessee Coal and Iron, Western Union.

Chicago Grain and Provision Market. The following were the closing quotations on the Chicago Grain and Provision market today:

Table with columns: Commodity, Price. Rows for Wheat—May, July, 72; Corn—May, 24; July, 24; Oats—May 18; July —; Pork—January, —; May, 7.65; Lard—January—; May, 3.90; Clear Rib Sides—January May 3.20.

Liverpool Cotton Market. February—3.57 b; February-March—3.57 b; March-April—3.58 b; April-May—3.58 b; May-June—3.55; June-July—3.60; July-August—3.60 b. Closed steady, sales 8,000 bales.

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