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DEMOCRATS UNSEATED

Mecklenburg Republicans Contestants Are In.

TRAIN WRECKERS

A Bill to Make Those Convicted Suffer Death—Mrs P. D. B. Arrington Brings Her Case to Attention of the Senate.

The House met at 10 and Rev. Mr. Glenn offered prayer.

Majority and minority reports of the committee on privileges and elections were submitted on the Mecklenburg election contest case, the majority favoring Clanton and Williamson, the contestants, and the minority favoring Reid and Ransom, the sitting members.

Bills and resolutions were introduced as follows: By Aiken, to protect the insect-eating birds; by Sutton of Cumberland, land resolution providing that the speaker shall appoint a special committee of three to which all bills relative to a code commission shall be referred, also a bill creating a code commission (the resolution was, under the suspension of the rules, adopted; resolution to print copies of all the leases of the North Carolina railroad; by Smith, to protect the lives of persons travelling on railroads, also for the protection of wives; by Blackburn, to forbid minors from entering and loitering in bar-rooms; by Pinnix (resolution) to request the board of the University to report as required by law; by Hancock to provide for and promote the oyster industry of North Carolina (ordered printed).

Smith's bill to protect lives of railway passengers provided that any person who maliciously placed any obstacle upon the track of any railway with intent to wreck or damage or displace any railway engine, train or car, with intent to take the life of any person travelling on any such train, etc., and any person who shall maliciously remove any part of any railway track or the road bed thereon, with intent to damage, displace or wreck any train, etc., or with intent to take the life of any person travelling on such train, etc., shall upon conviction be imprisoned in the penitentiary for life; but if by reason of any of the offenses named above any person loses his life, any person causing such loss of life and any person abetting or aiding in the commission of the offense shall suffer death; nor shall it be necessary to prove express malice; any person who makes an attempt to commit any of the above offenses shall be imprisoned not less than 5 nor more than 30 years.

On Cook's motion the house took up the Mecklenburg election case. He asked that each side be given one hour. Duffy and Cunningham protested against so short a time, and so did Schulken, and finally Cook agreed to make it an hour and a half as they requested. For this Duffy and Cunningham expressed their thanks. The report of the majority, signed by Cook as chairman, and of the minority, signed by Duffy, Cunningham, Ferguson and Couch, were read.

Cook opened the argument and declared the contestees had established no case of merit, though able attorneys had presented their side of the case. He reviewed the 300 pages of evidence. He said a new order of things had taken place in North Carolina, but these people in Pineville precinct had not heard of it. He said the trial was by a "lawless and usurping election board;" that this house, he thanked God, could count the votes which were not counted there.

Duffy of Onslow opened for the minority report and said he asked simply for justice in the case, and did not appeal to party or to prejudice but to the fair-mindedness of this house. He said 30 days notice was necessary in a contest. He declared that no evidence had been introduced to show intimidation at the polls. He positively denied any evidence of a conspiracy as to Pineville township.

Hartness of Fredell next spoke for the minority report.

Reed of Mecklenburg spoke in defense of that county and its people whose honesty had been so noted all over the State and nation. He said he stood here fairly and honestly elected, the report notwithstanding, and that he had certainly received a majority of the votes cast.

Blackburn spoke in support of the majority report.

Ransom spoke for the minority. Nelson replied vigorously to Blackburn's attack on the democratic party.

At 2:05 the vote was taken on a motion to adopt the minority report. The vote was: Ayes 32, nays 72.

Cook moved the adoption of the majority report and called for the previous question. The call was sustained. The yeas and nays were demanded on the motion to adopt the report. It was adopted: Yeas 71, nays 32. Cram was again excused from voting. Harris, of Hyde, voted no, and so did Morton.

Cook moved that Clanton and Williamson come forward and take the oaths of office. There was applause as they advanced. The speaker administered the oaths.

At 2:40 the house took a recess until 7:30 p. m.

SENATE.

The senate was called to order at 11 o'clock, Lieut-Gov. Reynolds, presiding. Prayer by Rev Mr Ashburn of the senate.

Petitions were presented as follows: By Grant, a petition from the people of Littleton relative to a dispensation.

By Maxwell, a memorial from Mrs Pattie D B Arrington, saying she had for twenty years persistently sought her rights in the courts of the state, but she had been persistently defeated and defrauded in her rights, by perjury of witnesses and wrong and fraudulent doings of clerks of courts and attorneys, and she asks relief from the general assembly. This is the matter on which "Hoola Boom" Campbell of Hanging Dog township, Cherokee county, and his committee was appointed by the last legislature (1895).

Bills and resolutions were introduced as follows: By Alexander (by request) a bill in regard to bicycles as baggage on railroads; by Lyon, a bill relating to pay of jurors; by Whedbee, a bill to amend section 1285, relating to divorces. This bill provides that the party who desires a divorce must be a resident of the state for seven years before applying for same; by Clark (by request) a bill for the inspection and manner of certain business in N. C.

By Scales, a bill to establish and incorporate the North Carolina Veterinary Association and to regulate the practice of medicine; by Scales, a bill to regulate the sale of fertilizers in this State; by Ashburn, a bill to investigate the complaint of Mrs Pattie D B Arrington.

Bills on second reading: To exempt undertakers who are funeral directors from jury duty. Passed second and third readings: To pay special venues in capital cases \$1 per day and no mileage, by amendment.

The following counties were exempt from the bill: Rockingham, Durham, Franklin, Cleveland, Ashe, Alleghany, Watauga, Duplin, Clay, Cherokee, Graham, Macon and Richmond.

To amend chapter 263, private laws 1891, relating to the students of Trinity college. Heretofore this act gave the students some power in the government of the institution. The amendment strikes out this part of the act.

CALENDAR.

The following bills were tabled: To enforce ordinances in towns and cities; to establish a scale of fees for registers of deeds in North Carolina; bill in relation to sale of farm products; to provide for the probate of wills in certain cases. This bill provides a statute of limitation; to provide for the probate of wills, allowing a person to make a will before death and have it probated; to prevent discrimination against different kinds of money; to authorize county commissioners to appoint time and place of sale of property under process of law; to pension all ex-slaves who did service in the Confederacy. This bill appropriates \$3 per month. McCarthy moved to table. Mr. Person demanded roll call, which was sustained. Bill tabled. Ayes 34, nays 11.

Bill to repeal Sec. 3433 of code and all amendments. This prevents the directors or manager of the penitentiary from hiring out convicts in competition with free labor. On motion to table Person demanded the roll call. Ayes 36 nays 10. Joint resolution that Secretary of State make complete index of bills of Senate and House. Tabled. To amend Sec. 3403 of code relating to homesteads. Tabled. To make witness tickets negotiable. Tabled. To increase public school funds. Tabled. To define public law and extend time of teaching. Tabled.

At 1:45 Senate adjourned until 8 o'clock p. m.

BEAUTIFUL MARRIAGE.

Mr. Fred Waters and Miss Laura Faison Wedded Last Evening.

The first Baptist Church was the scene of a very beautiful marriage ceremony last evening. A large number of people filled the handsome edifice to witness the celebration of the marriage vows of Mr. Fred M. Walters and Miss Laura K. Faison.

The church was very prettily decorated with the potted plants and palms. The marriage ceremony was impressively performed by Rev. Dr. Eugene Daniels, assisted by Dr. Carter. Miss Mary Faison was maid of honor and Mr. Archie Walters best man. Miss Louise Faison and Bettie Rogers were the charming little flower girls.

After the marriage ceremony the bridal party prepared to the Park Hotel where a very charming reception was given by the father of the bride.

The young couple, who are extremely popular in Raleigh have the best wishes of a host of friends in Raleigh and elsewhere.

Mr. Walters, is an enterprising and well liked young business man and is connected with the firm of Tucker & Co. The bride is greatly admired. She is a most lovely young lady and possesses many graces and charming qualities.

"A POLITICAL OUTLAW."

Editor Ramsey So Speaks of Harry Skinner in Sending Him a Message.

Congressman Skinner sent a "feeler" to Editor Ramsey of the Progressive Farmer yesterday to know if he would publish in the Farmer his attack on Senator Butler.

Mr. Ramsey told the messenger to tell Congressman Skinner that he was beyond the pale of civilization and a political outlaw.

Congressman Skinner then sought to have the article appear as a paid advertisement. Editor Ramsey again sent word to the congressman that he and Mark Hanna combined did not have enough money to get the article in the Progressive Farmer.

The Corbett-Fitzsimmons Fight.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

CARSON, Nev., Feb. 4.—There appears to be absolutely no foundation whatever for the report telegraphed from this city yesterday to the effect that the Federal authorities would be asked to stop the proposed Corbett-Fitzsimmons glove contest. All the Federal officers have jurisdiction in this state were communicated with on the subject last night, and each denied having received any instruction in the matter.

A bill has just been introduced in the senate providing that admission to the big fight shall be limited to \$1. The bill will probably be vetoed if it passes, as such an act would bring an undesirable class to the ring side, and the moneyed sports, who are wanted most as visitors to the State, might stay away.

Weyer at Villa Clara.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

HANNA, Feb. 4.—Captain General Weyer has arrived at Villa Clara, capital of the Province of Santa Clara, from Cruces. The exact whereabouts of General Maximo Gomez is not made public. It is known to the Spanish commanders. He was last heard from in the Sancti Spiritus district of the Province of Santa Clara, about 40 miles in a direct line from Villa Clara.

He Gets a Portfolio.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

CANTON, Ohio, Feb. 4.—Judge Joseph McKenna, of San Francisco, has been selected for Secretary of the Interior, and he has accepted. That information was vouchsafed by the President-elect to a delegation of Missourians, who came here to urge the appointment of Judge William Warner, of that State, to the same position.

Nat Goodwin Next Week.

The box sheet for Nat Goodwin will open tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock at King's drug store. All the chairs in the Academy will be reserved, and there will be no general admission. The coming of Mr. Goodwin, the undisputed king of America's comedians, is one of the most noted events in Raleigh's theatrical history. In his forthcoming engagement at the Academy of Music, Wednesday evening, February 17th, Mr. Goodwin will present his new success, "An American Citizen."

HOT FIRE ON RUSSELL.

Butler Accuses Him of Double Dealing.

SENATOR OUTSPOKEN

Says the Governor is Trying to Buy Majority Pops With Office and Warns "True" Populists to Refuse All Such.

Senator Butler contributes an editorial in this week's *Caucasian* over his own signature accusing Governor Russell of having acted double with the populist majority. The Senator writes plainly and the article is such as to necessarily call for a reply from the Governor.

The Editorials.

This remarkable article from the pen of Senator Butler is a column and a half long. In says:

"When the Republican caucus was refusing, or rather neglecting, from day to day, to answer the courteous, but plain and direct inquiry from the People's party caucus as to whether or not they intended to keep and carry out in good faith their co-operative contract with our organization, Governor Russell professed to be extremely anxious that his party should stand by its contract. He assured every member of the people's party caucus who went to see him that not only good faith on the part of the Republican caucus demanded that they should keep their contract with our organization, but he also said that he considered it absolutely necessary for this to be done to insure the enactment of such legislation as would set aside the lease of the North Carolina railroad, and effect other remedial legislation. He also assured each member of our caucus who went to see him that he would throw the whole weight of his influence and administration to that end.

"But days passed on and still the Republican caucus failed to give us an answer, and, by their conduct, showed that they were purposely delaying and dodging.

"Now, where was Governor Russell's powerful influence during all of this time? Did he ever appear before a Republican caucus and urge them to keep good faith, not only in the interest of political morals, but also in the interest of important legislation, which he is on record as favoring? If not did he even send for any prominent members of the Republican caucus and urge upon them his views and desires? If so, what became of their efforts and influence?

While the republican caucus was playing for time, and refusing to even communicate its intentions or desires to our caucus in a courteous manner, though frequently requested to do so, and while the governor was professing to throw all of his weight and influence in favor of keeping the contract and carrying it out in good faith, two bills were introduced into the house, which may throw some light on the action of the governor and the republican caucus.

"One of these bills is to repeal the charter of the Eastern Insane Asylum, at Goldsboro, abolish all of the offices that now exist, to create a new charter with new offices, and put into the hands of the governor the power to dictate and fill all of the offices of the same. The other bill relates to the penitentiary, and places into the hands of the governor all of the positions of trust and profit in that institution to be used, no doubt, for the purpose of rewarding friends and punishing enemies.

"Why were these bills introduced while the republican caucus was playing for time, and refusing to give us an answer? How did the governor hope to pass these bills, putting into his hands such a great amount of patronage and power unless the contract of co-operation between the republican organization and the people's party organization was kept in good faith, and the caucuses of the respective parties should give their approval to the bills?"

"We have been informed that the governor held several conferences with the bolters before these bills were introduced, and he no doubt got their approval of the same. Then, is it not clearly the purpose of the governor to secure the passage of these bills by the votes of the republican members of the legislature, aided and abetted by the bolting populists? Is this the governor's

purpose? Is it possible that when we thought he was appealing to his party to stand by the contract, and appealing to the bolters to at least behave themselves, that he was in reality entering into a deal with this unholy combination to rush through the general assembly these and other similar measures, and take from our caucus any voice as to the control or management of these and other state institutions, and to place into his hands the entire management and control of the same? It is painful to us to be forced to believe that the governor has acted double in this matter, but the fact seems to warrant the sickening conclusion.

"We understand that other similar bills have already been drawn applying to the other state institutions, and besides, that other bills are already drawn to be introduced which creates new offices at big salaries to be paid by the tax-payers, and that the appointment of these new offices is to be placed in the hands of the governor.

"We have always heard that the Governor was a man who loved power, but it is shocking to think that a man elevated to the exalted position of Governor should be so blinded with the love of power as to drive him to methods so questionable, and to an extent so shocking to the welfare and interest of the State.

"We understand that within the last week the Governor has sent for certain members of the Peoples party caucus and tried to tempt them to break their loyalty to their party and its principles, tendering them some of the jobs that he expects to be placed in his hands by the vote of this unholy and infamous combination. In fact we have heard that it is the Governor's purpose to have himself clothed with unlimited power in defiance of and in violation of the co-operative contract between his party and ours, and then to use his patronage and power, thus secured by such unjustifiable means, to build up a "Russell administration party" in the State. In fact, if the above is the true situation, as we are forced unwillingly to believe that it is, then the governor has employed the help of the bolters who have betrayed their party, and the republicans who have broken their contract to clothe him with the patronage and power to be used in disrupting and destroying the peoples party organization, if enough members of our caucus can be found to accept the ill-gotten gain which he has to distribute.

"It is unnecessary to say that not a single true populist in the legislature or in the state will accept patronage or favors coming from such a deal. When the governor accepts this power and patronage at the hands of the bolters and unholy combine, he endorses their infamous conduct, and insults the peoples party organization. When he does this, then in the future, his course is in one direction and ours is in another. And if any populist accepts any patronage or favors from the governor in the face of these facts, he will be willfully and knowingly betraying his party and bartering his principles to get the job, and will be repudiated by the people, just as they have repudiated and branded the treachery and betrayal of Skinner and the seventeen Mark Hanna bolters. Let every populist member of the legislature stand on the floor in the house and senate and denounce and brand these bills by which the bolters hope to get their booty, and by which the governor and the republican machine hope to demoralize and destroy the people's party at home. Be on your guard and watch closely and keenly the developments at Raleigh for the next few weeks.

ASSEMBLY DOINGS.

Teachers' Assembly Executive Committee Meets Here Tomorrow.

The executive committee of Teachers' Assembly, which is composed of Prof J Y Joyner, W H Ragsdale, H Morson, Dr J C Kilgo, C M Toms, C A Mebane, M C S Noble, W L Potes, and C J Parker, the Secretary of the Assembly, meets here tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 p. m.

The committee will ask the legislature for a new charter for the Assembly. Among other matters the place for holding the next annual meeting of the Assembly will be discussed. The program of the exercises at the summer meeting will be arranged. It is intended that the work of the Assembly shall be more comprehensive this year than ever. A special feature will be the educational exhibit.

The Yarbrough will open the tenth. A large force is at work putting the building in excellent shape for the guests.

"FUSION A FAILURE"

Says the *Caucasian*—Every Populist Paper Against the Bolters.

The *Caucasian* this week says that co-operation has proved a failure. It says that the Populists entered the fight last summer to elect a populist Senator. In concluding an editorial the paper says:

"So then, for all practical purposes and in all essentials, the co-operation of populists and republicans in this state has been a dismal and disastrous failure. Only the contemptible "pie hunters" see any good in it.

"Now, then, co-operation with democrats was a failure. Co-operation with republicans is a failure. What next? More co-operation? If the people can profit by experience. If they shall have sense two and four years from now, co-operation will not be necessary.

"Every people's party paper in North Carolina denounces Skinner and the bolters who betrayed their principles and the people to defeat Dr. Thompson and to elect Pritchard to the senate. Every one of our papers brand their treachery in strong terms and defend and approve the action of the peoples' party caucus in branding the bolters and expelling them from the party in shame and disgrace."

RAIN FRIDAY

The Weather Bureau Predicts Fair Weather today and Night.

The weather prediction for Raleigh and vicinity is fair tonight, with increasing cloudiness Friday and rain by Friday night. The temperature this morning was 32.

The storm center Wednesday on the Atlantic coast has disappeared, and fair weather now prevails in the east.

The storm center in the west has moved from Oklahoma, to central and southern Texas, causing rain as far east as Memphis and snow on the north and west sides, at Amarillo, Kansas City and St Louis.

The high area is central over the east lake region and upper Ohio valley. The weather is generally cloudy except over the middle and south Atlantic states.

TODAY'S MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.

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

MONTHS.	OPEN- ING.	HIGH- EST.	LOW- EST.	CLOS- ING.
January	7 02	7 02	7 02	6 99
February	7 05	7 05	7 04	7 04
March	7 14	7 14	7 12	7 10
April	7 20	7 21	7 15	7 17
May	7 25	7 25	7 21	7 22
June	7 29	7 30	7 26	7 26
July	7 29	7 30	7 27	7 27
August	7 29	7 30	7 27	7 27
September	6 85	6 85	6 84	6 84
October	6 85	6 85	6 82	6 83
November	6 85	6 85	6 84	6 84
December	6 80	6 80	6 80	6 85

Closed quiet and steady; sales 62,000 bales.

The following were the closing quotations on the New York Stock Exchange today.

New York Stock Market.	
Sugar	114 1/2
American Tobacco	73 1/2
Burlington and Quincy	74 1/2
Chicago Gas	77 1/2
American Spirits	134
General Electric	354
Louisville and Nashville	51
Manhattan	89 1/2
Rock Island	67 1/2
Southern Preferred	204
St. Paul	76 1/2
Tennessee Coal and Iron	26 1/2
Western Union	83

Chicago Grain and Provision Market.

The following were the closing quotations on the Chicago Grain and Provision market today:	
Wheat—May	75 1/2; July 72
Corn—May	24 1/2; July 25 1/2
Oats—May	17 1/2; July 18 1/2
Pork—May	7 57 1/2; July 7 50
Lard—May	3 80; July 3 85
Clear Rib Sides—May	3 87; July 3 85

Liverpool Cotton Market.

February	3 58
February-March	3 58
March-April	3 58 b
April-May	3 60 b
May-June	3 60 b
June-July	3 61 b
July-August	3 61 b

Closed quiet; sales 10,000 bales.

Seaton Gales Lodge, No. 64, I. O. O. F.

Regular meeting of Seaton Gales Lodge No. 64, I. O. O. F., Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock. It is earnestly desired that every member be present. Members of sister lodges are cordially invited to attend.

HENRY J. YOUNG, N. G., P. U. M., Sec.

TWO MURDERERS JAILED

Henry Wall Died of His Wound this a. m.

GARNER CAUGHT.

The Man Who Killed Neal on an S. A. L. Train Last May Taken on Board a Train by Mr. Charles M. Walters.

Henry Wall, the colored man who was shot at Forestville Saturday night, died this morning from the effects of the wound received.

Sheriff Jones received a telegram this morning from Dr. Powers stating that Wall had died. John Groves, the white man who shot Wall, was taken from jail and carried before Justice Roberts, who issued a warrant against him for murder. Groves, who had been confined on a charge of assault with deadly weapons, was re-committed to jail without bail. Groves will have to answer the charge of murder. Judge Roberts set Saturday, February 13th, for the day of the trial. Mr. J. C. L. Harris, has been retained as counsel for Groves.

Two murderers are now confined in Wake county jail.

Deputy Sheriff Chas. M. Walters did a clever piece of work last night and succeeded in capturing Robert Garner, who, last May, shot a colored man named Neal on the S. A. L. freight which leaves here in the evening, at a point somewhere between Neuse and Wake Forest. Garner, who was considered a respectable white man in the Wake Forest section, jumped from the train while it was in motion as soon as he committed the crime and he had not been seen since.

Mr. Walters took the freight for Wake Forest last night and when a short way from Raleigh, he found Garner, whom he instantly recognized. He arrested him and carried him on to Wake Forest. Mr. Walters got out a warrant before Justice W. C. Brewer in Wake Forest and returned his prisoner to Raleigh this morning. Justice Brewer will have a preliminary hearing of Gareur's case tomorrow.

There was a \$100 reward for Garner's capture, offered by the Governor, which Mr. Walters will get. Garner has been in Wurtreesboro, Tenn., where he went after killing Neal. He had slipped into Raleigh and intended to pay a secret visit to his people.

BRIEFS.

Attention is called to the new ad. of A. Williams & Co. When in need of anything in their line, call on them.

Remember the Ralph Bingham entertainment, Friday evening, Feb. 5th at Metropolitan Hall. Those who go will have an evening of real pleasure.

Rev J C Burness, of Notasulga, Ala., will preach at Metropolitan Hall tonight at 7:30. Mr Burness is a Universalist, and the public is cordially invited to attend.

The Southern Railway will give a \$4 round trip rate to the Newbern Fair, including admission to the fair grounds. Tickets will be on sale from the 20th to 25th.

Our townsman, Mr. Frank Stronach today passed his 45th mile post, but he can't make anybody believe it. He doesn't look over 35. We hope he may celebrate his 90th.

The scene of activity at the Yarbrough is a refreshing sight. The furniture has now all been moved back into the building and is being put in position as fast possible.

Subscribers to the Telephone Exchange will please add to their list the following new names: 269 B Douglass, W. C., residence; 269 C Mrs. Perry, B. L., residence; 237 B Jas. I. Johnson, residence; 230 Yarbrough House; 270 Union Depot.

The sun is shining and with advancing spring our thoughts turn to gardening. Landreth's garden seeds at W H King & Co.'s have a reputation for being of the highest grade. See advertisements, and call and examine them.

Durham's opera house has been renovated and re-equipped and is very handsome and attractive. It is furnished with the latest improved opera chairs. The Alice Byno company is playing there this week to large houses.