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## STILL THEY MOVE

### Railroad Commission Still Hammering Away.

### NO DECISIONS GIVEN

Prominent Railroad Officials Argue Their Exceptions to the Cut of Fertilizer Rates by This Commission.

The railroad commission held another session this morning and many prominent railroad officials and their attorneys were again present.

The session today was for the purpose of hearing exceptions from the Southern Railway, the Seaboard Air Line, the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley and the Atlantic Coast Line to the recent order of the commission reducing the rates on fertilizers 16 2/3 per cent on car load lots in this state. The commission spent the morning hearing the exceptions and at 1 p. m. adjourned until 2:30 when the hearing will be continued.

The arguments presented by the roads embraced copious and thorough statistics presented to show the injustice of the arbitrary reduction.

The Southern Railway was represented by vice president Finney and attorneys W. A. Henderson and F. H. Busbee.

Messrs Glover and Day represented the Seaboard Air Line.

President Eliot and Mr. Emerson entered the exception of the Atlantic Coast Line.

The Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley road was fully represented by W. E. Kyle, general freight agent, and Messrs Fry and Rose.

The hearing on the proposed reduction of passenger rates to two cents per mile was concluded yesterday, but no decision was announced in the matter today.

The commission is as silent as the tomb about the contempt matter now. No decision has been given and it is not referred to.

## SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS.

Messrs Ferrall and Dobbin Purchase Tuckers Stock but Inventory not Completed.

The sealed bids for the purchase of the goods of Tucker's store were received by the trustees Wednesday afternoon and since that time the store has been closed.

It is known that Messrs Joe Ferrall and Theo Dobbin made a bid for the purchase of the entire remaining stock at a pro rata price over the cost of the goods in New York and their bid has been virtually accepted by the trustees, although the bargain has not been concluded and will not be until the inventory is finished and it is ascertained just the amount which the bid will bring for the stock. This inventory will probably be finished tomorrow.

One of the trustees was seen today and he refused to talk, saying that he could make no announcement until the inventory was complete.

Mr. Ferrall was asked if he and Mr. Dobbin had purchased the stock, and he answered in the affirmative. He said that he and Mr. Dobbin would announce their plans later.

## HIS SUCCESSOR.

The Question is Who will Succeed Judge Ewart.

As soon as Judge Ewart's appointment as judge of the federal court, Western district, is confirmed he will forward his resignation to Governor Russell and the Governor will then appoint his successor as judge of the western criminal court. This position last year paid \$2,800 and is not a placed to be sneered at.

The general opinion here is that Russell will appoint Col. V. S. Lusk, who was candidate for the federal judgeship. The only question seems now to be: Will Col. Lusk accept the place now? If perchance he should be unwilling to take it, which is not anticipated, there are many aspirants for the place. Among these are Eugene D. Carter, judge of the Asheville police court; John A. Hendricks, of Madison; O. V. F. Blythe and H. S. Anderson, of Henderson, and George H. Smathers, of Haywood. John Hendricks is thought to have the best chance next to Lusk by some of the politicians here.

Grand Secretary B. H. Woodell went to Sanford this evening.

## JOHN IN TROUBLE.

A Former Citizen of Raleigh Comes to Grief in Durham.

The Durham Herald has the following to say about J. J. Wishart who once kept a barber shop at the Park hotel.

"J. J. Wishart, the man who is said to have given the solicitor the names of those who took chances in his polly-wants-a-cracker and won polly back, is in hard luck. He is undergoing the punishment which might have been the fate of those whom he informed, but for the fact that they were able to give bond.

"Yesterday evening he was arrested and all his efforts to give bond proved futile, so after he had exhausted all efforts, he was paced in jail.

"We don't know whether this man gave names for money, or whether he did so thinking the solicitor had the names already and hoped to get out of it himself by testifying against them. He has received right much cursing for the part he took in the matter, and is now in jail. If he did all with which he is accused, he is not the only one who interested themselves in working up cases. There are others, and they are known."

## C. L. Ackiss Resigns.

Mr. C. L. Ackiss, who for the past year has been in charge of the advertising department of the Seaboard Air Line, has offered his resignation, effective Jan. 31. He has accepted a position with a Philadelphia publishing house as general southern agent, and will have an office in Norfolk.

Mr. Ackiss accepted service with the passenger department of the Seaboard Air Line in 1893, and has since that time served as private secretary to General Passenger Agent Anderson, and for two years as chief clerk of the department. He has been a tireless worker, and under the wise direction of his immediate chief, Col. T. J. Anderson, general passenger agent, has been able to accomplish much good for the interests entrusted to his care.—Portsmouth Star.

## Silver in Ashe County.

Mr. James Church informs a Berlin, Ashe county, correspondent of the Albemarle Star, that he has recently discovered a silver mine in the Three Top mountain, near Dresden, and that history and tradition say that it was discovered and worked by William Halfpenny in 1662. Mr. Church expects to open his mine at once and place it upon the market, having taken a five years' lease on it. It is thought to be immensely rich.—Winston Republican.

## Transfer Depot.

The Salisbury World had it last night from a reliable source that a transfer depot for freight would soon be built at Spencer. At this depot the Salisbury and Greensboro freight will all be transferred.

As is well known the Southern has already taken the preliminary steps to building railroad offices at Spencer and our informant in the above matter tells us that they will expend \$50,000 in the depot and other railroad offices at Spencer.

## COAST SURVEY.

The Stones in the Capitol Square will Not be Disturbed.

Some citizens have been uneasy lest the stones in the capitol, placed there by the coast survey, be disturbed by the terracing, but they will not. These three stones in the southeast corner were placed there in 1857 by the U. S. coast survey. On the lowest stones are the letters "U. S. C. S." A citizen once told me, says Col. O. S. in Orphans Friend, that the "United States put two of the letters there and that when the United States were in charge of the affairs "U. S. C. S." was added. There is a copper bolt in the fence just to the south of the lower stone which is divided by a cross cut thus X. Then on the north fence there is another copper marker. The line between these showed what was at the time north when they were placed there. At the northeast corner is the corner stone. On its east face is the inscription: "July 4, 1851." On its north face is a round copper plate, 2 1/2 inches in diameter, with an inscription stating that it is the true Meridian for North Carolina and that the penalty for damage or removal is \$250. It indicates the basis of all surveys in North Carolina and is said to be more accurate than the mark at Greenwich. A 1,000 stars were observed to place these stones.

## SMALL POX SCARE

This City is Considered Perfectly Safe.

## GOVERNOR VACCINATED

Dr. Rogers Vaccinated His Excellency and His Private Secretary This Morning—One Death Reported at Charlotte.

The smallpox scare exists in several towns of this state now. The aldermen of Wilmington, Salisbury and Charlotte have made vaccination compulsory. In Concord and several other places many citizens have been voluntarily vaccinated.

However, very few cases have been found in this state. The only ones which have been mentioned in the papers are two cases in Wilmington and two in Charlotte. The authorities in these cities are confident that the disease is under complete control and cannot spread.

The people of this city have no fears of the disease visiting Raleigh. Some citizens have been voluntarily vaccinated, but no steps towards compulsory vaccination have been deemed advisable by the authorities here.

This morning Dr. James Rogers paid a professional visit to the State Capitol with a view of protecting some of the state officials from an attack of smallpox.

He first attended to the needs of his excellency's private secretary, Maj. Joe Alexander, and when he had been properly vaccinated on the left arm the doctor proceeded into the inmost sanctuary where King Daniel presides and proceeded to perform a like operation on the upper left appendage of the governor.

The Charlotte News reports the first death from the disease there yesterday. The News says: "William Jackson, colored, Charlotte's first smallpox patient, died at his home on South McDowell street this morning at 5 o'clock.

"Jackson had been in a precarious condition since yesterday morning and in the evening his condition rapidly grew worse. The authorities took charge of the body as soon as possible.

"The authorities early this morning sent a coffin to the home of Jackson. The body was placed in the coffin by members of the family. It was then found that no one would take the body to the cemetery. Chief Orr tried in vain to get some help.

"Finally, this afternoon the body was taken to the cemetery where it was buried in a grave of unusual depth.

"The house that is occupied by the Jackson family is owned by Dr. Will Graham. It is probable that he and the city authorities will come to an agreement; if so the building will be burned with all its contents.

"The buildings that have been secured to be ready for the reception of those whom the authorities think best to detain this afternoon, and it is more than probable that the Wagner woman and the family of William Jackson will be taken there this afternoon."

An indignation mass-meeting of the citizens of Wilmington was held Wednesday night to protest against the action of the aldermen in making vaccination compulsory. They contended that the danger has now passed and the action of the board was useless, expensive and foolish.

Three of the physicians appointed to do the vaccinating have resigned since they are unwilling to serve. One of the doctors announces that he encountered so much opposition among the people that he found it impossible to carry out the order of the board.

## FIRE BUGS.

Attempt to Burn a Large Tenement House in New York.

By Telegram to the Press-Visitor. BROOKLYN, Jan. 28.—Fire bugs placed a barrel of paper, saturated in kerosene, in the hall of a big double tenement at 9 North Strand Avenue this morning. They touched a match to the barrel and tied the door from the outside. Forty families occupied the building. One of the tenants while starting to work discovered the fire before it made much headway and gave the alarm. The occupants rushed to the roof in their night garments and crossed to the adjoining building. The fire was extinguished only the ground floors being damaged. Investigation is being made.

## A HOT TIME.

Participants in a Lively Ball Pay a Penalty for Their Pleasure.

Last Friday evening at the home of Henrietta Cook in the eastern section some of the colored population had a ball; the house was crowded and the couples glided smoothly to the rhythm of the music until Alonzo Jones put in his appearance and sought to enliven the proceedings by giving an exhibition in boxing with Henry Hughes, Jr., as his target. Jones was escorted to the gate by three strong men and told to depart. However, he lingered near until Hughes did appear and then he assaulted him. He went away and boasted to others about his assault and then when on the witness stand denied it.

Mayor Russ fined him \$10.25 for the first assault and suspended judgment in the second until the above fine was paid. The Mayor said it looks like the colored people can't have a ball without some body attempting to break it up and to intend to break them up.

## Musicals at Peace.

One of the most delightful musicals which the people of Raleigh have been permitted to enjoy was given last evening by the faculty of Peace Institute. There was not a vacant seat in the large assembly hall. Miss Potter made her first appearance before a Raleigh audience and captivated all. Mr. Gilmore Ward Bryant's "Romance" was exceedingly fine. It has received the highest praise from the finest critics. It illustrates the uses of the damper pedal and directs the attention of the pupil to this often neglected subject in a striking, yet pleasing manner.

## Program of the Musicals was as follows:

Rigoletti de Verdi, Piano, Lizzy; Mr. Gilmore Ward Bryant.

Romance, Souvenir de Posen, violin, F. David—Miss M. Evelyn Johnson.

Guise al fin il Momento (Figaro), Soprano, Mozart—Miss Lulu Augusta Potter.

Lichtertar, Piano, Rubinstein—Miss Bettie Dinwiddie.

Selection, Mark Twain—Miss Caspari.

Ballade in A Flat Major, Piano, Chopin—Miss M. Evelyn Johnson.

Three Songs—Soprano—"When the Swallows Homeward Fly, Maude," "A Memory," Valerie, "Let us Forget," White—Miss Lulu Augusta Potter.

"Romance," piano, G. W. Bryant, "March," Faurer, Chopin—Mr. Gilmore Ward Bryant.

"Andante," violin, Gluck, "Die Schachhaffe," Euerharot—Miss M. Evelyn Johnson.

"Protestations," soprano, Homer A. Norris—Miss Lulu Augusta Potter.

President and Mrs. Dinwiddie gave a reception in the parlors after the musicals.

## FAIR TOMORROW.

The Weather Continues Generally Clear in the south and East.

The forecast of the weather bureau for Raleigh and vicinity is fair tonight and Saturday.

A considerable storm is central north of the lake region, while the pressure is high-st in the west, over Arkansas and Nebraska, and in the south.

The weather continues generally clear in the south and east, but has become cloudy west of the Mississippi and the lakes.

A little snow is falling at Marsquoite and Huron. The lowest temperatures occurred this morning over New England, with eight degrees below zero at Boston.

## NEWS OF THE DAY

### Senator Pettigrew Opposed to Foreign Acquisition.

Engineer's Strike in England Finally Settled—Woman Burned to Death—Railroad Building in Japan—Allen Arrested.

### SITUATION IN CHINA

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—General Lee has informed the state department that shipments to the United States of filler tobacco, from which the embargo was recently removed, is now being made.

In the senate this morning Senator Pettigrew introduced a resolution reciting as follows: "It is contrary to the interest policy and the tradition of the people of the United States to acquire any territory so situated as to require a navy to protect."

The resolution went over without action for the present.

### Stewart speaking.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—There were but had a dozen senators present at the usual hour of meeting this morning, with the absence of the chaplain. The proceedings were begun without the customary prayer. The prior resolution was taken up immediately. Stewart, of Nevada, began the last day's debate on resolution.

### Poor China.

By Cable to Press-Visitor.

LONDON, Jan. 18.—It is announced from Peking that after Russia offered him a loan on the same terms as that of England, China invited Russia to guarantee to defend her against the possible displeasure of England. Russia was evasive in reply, but a similar guarantee asked of England against Russia was promptly agreed to. The cabinet reassembled today for a long session. The Russian fleet at Port Arthur is helpless for want of coal. The Japanese coal firms which contracted to supply the Russian fleet have defaulted.

### Report confirmed.

By Cable to Press-Visitor.

PEKIN, Jan. 28.—The report that Russia offered China a loan at the same terms as England is confirmed.

### Engineers' strike

By Cable to Press-Visitor.

LONDON, Jan. 28.—At today's meeting delegates representing the masters and men in the engineers strike sealed a victory of the employers. The result of the conference will be a general resumption of work in the engineering trade on next Monday.

### Notorious character.

By Telegraph to Press-Visitor.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—The board of police commissioners directed that "The" Allen, pool room keeper, be tried immediately, he having been arrested twenty times, and always escaped sentence. Five indictments are in the hands of the district attorney at the present time.

### Burned to Death.

By Telegraph to Press-Visitor.

ALBANY, Jan. 28.—Mrs. Ruman, No. 94 Ohio street, burned to death this morning by a fire which started in her room. The origin of the fire is a mystery. Detectives are trying to find Mr. Ruman who is missing, and who asked at police headquarters last night if he could not have his wife put out of the house early this morning.

### Road leased.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—A Washington special gives currency to rumor that the Southern Railway had closed a lease of their Cincinnati Southern Railroad for 99 years at rental of one million dollars a year.

### Sail for China.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—The steamship St. Andrews sailed today for China and Japan. The cargo was mainly of ten locomotives, mogul pattern, and fifteen thousand steel rails for the railroad, now under construction near Tong Ko, China.

## JIM YOUNG WITHDRAWS

Writes Senator Pritchard That He is Not a Candidate for the Postoffice.

Jim Young, in a letter to Senator Pritchard, announces his withdrawal from the contest for the Raleigh postoffice. Jim's letter gives the following reason:

"Referring to the conversation between you, Recorder Cheatham and myself, on the 23d of December, in relation to the postmastership of this city, and at which you expressed a desire, readiness and willingness to support me for said position, I will say that after mature deliberation, I have decided to withdraw from said contest for several reasons, but chief among which, I may mention, the fact that the Democratic party, by its hypocritical cry of 'White vs. Negro Domination,' might find in my appointment to said position a powerful weapon with which to inflame the minds of prejudiced people, and thereby gain an advantage, which otherwise they do not possess."

The letter closes by saying: "The Civil Service Law, which would keep Democrats in the office, contrary to my wishes, while Republicans just as efficient and deserving as I am, would be kept out of those places, is another reason why I do not desire the place."

### Outrageous Treatment of a Minister.

Rev. Croker, a Northern Methodist preacher, was recently holding a protracted meeting near Suipp, in Ga-tion county, and gave offence to the young men by requiring the men to occupy one set of pews and the ladies the other. One night afterwards, while he was holding services, a gang of toughs removed and hid his buggy wheels and sheared his horse's mane and tail.—Lincoln Journal.

### "Wang"

Mr. Dan Packard, as the Regent of Siam, displays marked ability. His conception of the unscrupulous regent is thoroughly enjoyable; possessed of a keen intellect and a deep, humorous voice, Mr. Packard sings and dances himself into the good graces of his hearers.

## TODAY'S MARKETS.

The Movement in New York and Liverpool Markets.

By private wire to W. A. Porterfield & Co.

Months.	High.	Low.	Clos.
January	5 79	5 72	5 73 3/4
February	5 76	5 72	5 76 3/4
March	5 82	5 76	5 78 3/4
April	5 83	5 80	5 78 3/4
May	5 88	5 81	5 81 3/4
June	5 89	5 84	5 84 3/4
July	5 93	5 87	5 88 3/4
August	5 96	5 91	5 91 3/4
September	5 94	5 91	5 91 3/4
October	5 97	5 91	5 91 3/4
November	5 98	5 95	5 94 3/4
December	5 98	5 95	5 94 3/4

### Liverpool Cotton Market.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 28.—1 p. Cotton quiet; prices unchanged; American midling 37-32; sales 10,000; American 9,300; receipts 4,000; American 4000. Puts opened quiet and steady; demand moderate.

The following were the closing quotations of the Liverpool cotton market today:

January	3 11 1/2
January-February	3 11 1/2
February-March	3 11 1/2
March-April	3 11 1/2
April-May	3 11 1/2
May-June	3 11 1/2
June-July	3 11 1/2
July-August	3 11 1/2
August-September	3 11 1/2
September-October	3 11 1/2
October-November	3 11 1/2
November-December	3 11 1/2

### Chicago Grain and Provision Market.

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

Wheat July 80; May 97 1/2.	
Corn—July 30; May 24.	
Oats—July 10; May 10 00.	
Lard—Jan. 4 1/2; May 4 1/2.	
Clear 100; Stear—Jan. 4 1/2; May 4 1/2.	

### New York Stock Market.

The following were the closing quotations on the New York Stock Exchange:

Sugar	137
American Tobacco	87 1/2
On Gas	191
Indianapolis	116 1/2
Louisville and Nashville	5 1/2
Western Union	94
Jersey Central	94
Burlington and Quincy	92 1/2
Rock Island	92 1/2
St. Paul	95 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio	2 1/2
Missouri Pacific	34 1/2
Southern Preferred	30 1/2
Chicago & North Western	124 1/2
U. S. Leather Preferred	132

## SHORT STATEMENTS

### Minor Matters Manipulated for the Many.

Pot-Pouri of the News Pictured on Paper—Points and People Pertinently Picked and Pithily Put in Print.

### AROUND IN THE CITY.

Judge Fred Phillips returned to Tarboro today.

Fresh doughnuts, almond, chocolate and chocolate nut cakes today and tomorrow. Ladies of Exchange.

Miss Sallie L. London entered as a student at St. Mary's School yesterday.

Mr. John T. Pullen this evening will preach the sermon at the opening of the union meeting in Durham.

A reading room has been opened at the S. A. L. shops in this city for the use of the employes of this division of the system.

Mr. W. N. Saellings continues very low and the physicians say if there is any change in his condition he is weaker.

The checks for the dividend recently declared by the Raleigh Cotton Mill will be issued next Tuesday.

Members of Lumsden Degree Team are requested to meet tonight at 7:30 o'clock in Odd Fellows Hall for work in the degrees.

Rev. Dr. A. M. Simms and Messrs J. M. and N. B. Broughton went to Clayton today to attend the fifth Sunday meeting.

Miss Anna Bain, daughter of Rev. T. H. Bain, arrived in the city yesterday and will reside in her father's household.

Rev. W. A. Simpkins will preach at the Raleigh Central hospital next Sunday, services to begin at 3 o'clock p. m.

Chicken salad made with mayonnaise dressing and fresh crisp celery will be served at the Woman's Exchange Saturday. Please send your orders early.

Cards are out for the marriage of Miss Annie Rosolind Betts to Mr. Robert Lee Webster, in the Baptist church at Henderson, on Wednesday evening, February 9th, 1898.

Col. John W. Hinsdale has just returned from Washington, where he argued before the Supreme Court the St. Paul land case, involving \$3,000,000.

Treasurer Worth has purchased the building formerly used by Mr. Uzman for his store on the corner of Dawson and Jones street. Mr. Worth will have the building moved back from the street, remodeled and will move his family there to live.

F. M. Simmons, Collector of Internal Revenue, wishes us to announce to the tax payers, that after business hours on Saturday afternoon, no stamps will be sold until the office is turned over to his successor, Mr. E. C. Duncan.

At a special business meeting of members of the Second Baptist Church of Durham Wednesday night for the purpose of calling a pastor, a call was extended to Rev. Cecil J. DeLoach, of Salisbury, who is now attending the Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky.

The people of Raleigh will be interested in knowing that Lieut. Chalmers G. Hall, of the United States Army, and Miss Margaret McNeely, of Salisbury, will be married February 16th, in St. Luke's Episcopal church in Salisbury. Mrs. Kate McNeely, sister of the bride, will be maid of honor.

Articles of incorporation were filed with the secretary of State for the Robeson county Fair Association, which proposes to hold a fair near Lumberton for the encouragement of agriculture, improvement of live stock, etc. The length of time is 30 years and the capital stock is \$500.

Chapel Hill is to have a new hotel. It will be built by Mr. Peckham, of New York. He will have most of Peckham's old hotel torn down and in its place a costly new building erected. The contract has been let to Zickery & Zickery of Raleigh, and \$6,000, is the contract price for the new structure. The hotel is to be completed by April 20, next.