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STATE SENATE WRESTLING WITH THE RATE BILL

Interesting Discussion in the Upper Branch of the General Assembly Today

MONEY TO BUY JIMTOWN EXPO. BUILDING SITE

Senators Ormond, Blair, Pharr, Carter and Others Speak at Length on the Railway Rate Bill—Fight to Incorporate Corporation Commission Feature into the Bill—Governor Empowered to Draw Warrant for \$1,460 to Pay for the Site at Jamestown On Which the N. C. Building Stands—This Was Done to Perfect Title So the State Can Sell the Property to Advantage—Proceedings in Detail—Incidents of the Day.

At noon the chair laid before the senate the unfinished special order—the railway passenger rate measure, being the bill reported by Chairman Graham for the senate committee on railroads (which was discussed at length at the night session of the senate last night and came over for further consideration today.)

Senator Ormond was the first senator to debate the matter today. He favored the bill and stated his position with clearness. He deprecated the necessity which had demanded this extra session of the general assembly.

He opposed the Buxton amendment to accept the \$17,500 agreed upon by the railway people, in helping to defray the cost and expense of retaining lawyers, etc., and said that the bill should contain no specific amount or provision covering this phase of the subject.

That it is a matter for the governor to deal with and a thing which the senate has nothing to do with, he had nothing to do.

Mr. Ormond expressed the opinion that the Redwine amendment should be adopted in order that the information which it seeks on the subject may be available for the legislature at its next session. So the corporation commission can (at the instance and on application of the railroads, hear their complaints and get the evidence in shape to give them redress—and report the findings of the commission to the legislature at its next session thereafter.

He thought the Redwine amendment in that respect preferable to the provision contained in the other amendment of Senator Buxton relating to the delegating or delegating of authority and power in these matters to the state corporation commission.

Senator Blair championed the Corporation Commission.

Senator Blair spoke with his usual animation on the subject. He defended especially the state corporation commission and declared the commission trustworthy men as can be found in the state—who could and would not be unduly influenced by the railway interests any more or any quicker than the governor or any other man or official of honor and responsibility to the state.

COUNTESS GLADYS AND HER HUSBAND, COUNT SZECHENYI



This is a snapshot of Miss Gladys V. Vanderbilt and her husband, Count Szechenyi, as they appeared on the street in New York recently. They seem to be devoted to each other.

HOUSE PASSES MERGER BILL

Similar to Measure Passed by Senate

A PROHIBITION BILL

Number of Small Measures Went Through Today—Prohibition Bill, After Being Amended and Stripped Over, Submitted to People. Election in April—Some of the Things Done.

That the members of the house are desirous of finishing up all business this week and returning to their homes is evident from the fact that night sessions are being held. No legislation, it is stated, other than that of a republican, has ever adjourned before the expiration of the time when pay ceases. It seems, however, that this legislature will be an exception. There will be a session tonight.

The house today passed the railroad merger bill, which had passed the senate, listened to a deal of oratory, tabled another resolution and decided to take up the substitute rate bills tomorrow.

The session was interesting and considerable ginger was injected in the discussions. A number of local bills went through and a number passed second reading.

Dr. R. T. Vann, president of the Baptist University for Women, offered prayer at the opening of the house today.

Messrs. Farthing, of Watauga, Kennedy, of Sampson, Owens, of Sampson, arose and stated that they would have voted for prohibition last night had they been present, and Mr. Morgan, of Polk, announced that he would have voted against the bill.

Reports Filed. The reports on the rate matter were received today. Mr. Manning filed a minority report. He asked that it be made special order tomorrow, which was agreed to. Mr. Yount also filed a minority report and it will also be made special order for tomorrow. The majority report, which was a substitute, was filed by Messrs. Lockhart, Kitchen, Midyette, Jacobsen, McCracken, and Court. Several efforts were made to Bryan.

Mr. Harshaw introduced a bill to give Caldwell an additional term of introducing other bills, but objection was made.

Mr. Grant had read a resolution in regard to the railway situation, and "it not appearing" that the governor has made any efforts as to freight regulations, it asked that the governor transmit to the general assembly what he has done. Mr. Grant spoke in favor of the resolution, declaring that freight rates were more important than passenger rates. Mr. Peale stated that the corporation commission has taken the matter up and now has it with the interstate commerce commission.

The courtesies of the house were extended to ex-Senator Spence, of Moore county.

Mr. Manning asked permission to read that part of the governor's message which deals with the freight business. Mr. Winborne moved that Mr. Manning take Mr. Grant out in the hall to teach him the message.

Mr. Grant characterized the governor's compromise as a hold-up—taking "the fellow's knife and leaving his watch." He scented a negro under the woodpile. He wanted everything the governor had done in the matter. He declared that the general assembly would not show these transactions to the legislators and the people.

Mr. Grant declared that the resolution went to the committee and got lost.

Mr. Yount made a motion to have the resolutions go before another committee, since Mr. Grant had intimated that the public service corporations had not given it a square deal.

Representative Swift Galloway walked in the house at 12:05. The old gentleman was ill yesterday and his appearance today was greeted with applause.

Discussing the Resolution. Over Mr. Grant's resolution there waged a war of words, Mr. Daughton, Mr. Yount, and Mr. Harshaw entering. As to the charge that the woman is Mrs. Harriet Johnstone Wood and she has been elected by a unanimous vote. This action was taken as a rebuke to the New York City Bar Association, which recently refused to admit two women who had made application for membership.

JOHN WALSH, THE CONVICTED CHICAGO FINANCIER



This picture is from a late photograph of John B. Walsh, the Chicago banker, who has been convicted of wrongfully using the funds of the bank and who now faces a term in the penitentiary.

WHOSE PISTOL DID THAW GET TO KILL WHITE?

Witnesses On Stand Who Can Swear Weapon Was Handed to Thaw With Some Advice

JEROME BLOOD THIRSTY! CRITICAL TIME NOW.

Witnesses From the Tenderloin District Will Be Called by the Prosecution—Testimony of the Lawyer Thiel—Convict Abe Hummel May Be Taken at the Prison, He is Still So Ill—If so Thaw and the Court Will All Go On An Excursion to Blackwell's Island—The Evidence, Notes and Incidents of the Noted Trial in New York Today.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)

New York, Jan. 28.—The critical sessions of the Thaw trial are close at hand and the next few days will bring about the unfolding of the "surprises" held back by both defense and prosecution.

The greatest speculation at present is on District Attorney Jerome's plan. Jerome up to date has not called an alienist to the stand. It is understood he is waiting for the defense to make its last contention of insanity and then spring the testimony of alienists with the idea of discounting all evidence thus far submitted.

It was said around criminal court building this morning that the district attorney had several other surprises—which thus far have not appeared in the case. A story is going the rounds that the revolver used by Thaw when he killed White did not belong to him, and that it was handed to him shortly before the tragedy, with the advice to shoot White—he would get out of it all right.

Plenty of witnesses from the Tenderloin who had intimate knowledge of the events leading up to the killing of White have not been called. Several of them were in court yesterday, which leads to the conclusion that Jerome will call them in rebuttal.

Jerome is Bloodthirsty. As the trial draws to a close more ammunition is caused by Jerome's attitude towards the prisoner. His relentless policy has led many to express opinions that Jerome had evidenced, by bit biting, aggravating examination of the witnesses for the defense, that for some reason or other, he wants Thaw punished for the killing of White. On all sides can be heard comments on the district attorney's trial, and there are many who doubt that he would be as eager for acquittal if the evidence warrants it, as he would be for conviction.

Thaw will likely take his first excursion from the Tombs since he was arrested tonight. If the report of the physician at Blackwell's Island states that Abe Hummel is too sick to be brought to court Justice Dowling, the attorneys for the defense and prosecution and the defendant will go to the island this evening and a hearing will be held. Hummel's testimony will be read to the court tomorrow.

Jerome Introduces New Witnesses. New York, Jan. 28.—New witnesses through whom Jerome expects to prove beyond a doubt that Harry K. Thaw was sane at the time of the shooting of Stanford White, were called today in rebuttal by the state. The district attorney called no alienists but decided to rest his case on the testimony of eye-witnesses to the tragedy and the contradictory evidence given by the experts for the defense on cross-examination.

It was announced at the opening of court that Justice Dowling had under consideration a plan by which the trip to Blackwell's Island to take Hummel's testimony may be avoided. Details of the contemplated move were not made public. It was learned that the district attorney had offered to admit the testimony of Hummel at the last trial and the admission of the will made by Thaw on his wedding day. Thaw's counsel had not been able to do so.

Jury to Get Thaw Case Friday Eve. (By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, Jan. 28.—Judge Dowling announced that Thursday would be allowed the defense and the prosecution to sum up. Judge Dowling will charge the jury Friday afternoon.

ITEMIZED LIST R. R. EXPENSES

Total Will Amount to More Than \$21,000

READ TO THE HOUSE

Delays and Continuance of Equity Suit and Additional Fees for Various Purposes Will Increase the First Estimate of \$17,500 in Railroad Case—The Governor's Message.

The following complete list of expenses growing out of the railroad rate regulation was read to the house of representatives yesterday afternoon in a message from the governor:

To The Honorable The Members of the House of Representatives.

Gentlemen: As required by law, I herewith transmit to you statement of the attorney general of North Carolina containing amount of services and expenses growing out of the railroad rate legislation.

In addition to the letter of the attorney general I desire to say that when settlement was being considered I could only estimate the cost and placed that amount at \$17,500.00. Since then, owing to the delay, typewriting, printing records and briefs, have been incurred, the bills for which have not yet been paid, which will make the estimate of the attorney general about right. In my judgment, or perhaps the whole may amount to a little more than he states.

Respectfully submitted, R. B. GLENN, Governor.

JUDGE BOYD FOR A REFORMATORY

Federal Jurist Discusses Question From the Bench.

HE WOULD STUMP STATE

Calling Halt to Court Affairs the Strenuous Judge Urges the Establishment of Institution for Youthful Criminals—"Hope For Youth, But Not in Common Prison"—A Plea For the Boys—Sends Youthful Robber of Mails to Government Reformatory—The Day in Federal Court.

Withdrawing his announced determination of yesterday, of delivering a lecture on "Good Citizenship," before the grand jury of the present adjourned session of federal court, Judge Boyd took occasion this morning, of the appearance before him of a youthful offender of the postal laws, to deliver, instead of the aforesaid lecture, an energetic and interesting discourse upon the needs of a reformatory in this state. And with emphasis declared that he who would make issue of a cause that would result in the establishment of a reformatory would serve inestimably his fellow man and his state.

"Were I not upon the bench," he continued, "and with the knowledge of experience as judge that I now have of the dire need of such an institution, I should feel it my duty as a good citizen to stump the state in behalf of the establishment of such an institution. It is the only hope of ever making of these youthful transgressors, of both this and the state courts good citizens.

"Youth can, I am firmly convinced, be reformed, but not by throwing them into the common prisons of the land, with the hardened and hopeless

SPEAKER CANNON YARMOUTH CAN'T RECEIVE BOQUET GET THE MONEY

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)

Washington, D. C., Jan. 28.—Speaker Cannon yesterday received one of the most beautiful clusters of American beauties he ever saw—at least that is what he told them when they were ushered into his room at the capitol to be introduced to the "next president." There were thirty in the cluster, or to be more accurate, in the "bevy." They were students at the Martha Washington Seminary and came from almost as many states, including Maryland, Arkansas, Texas, Georgia, Tennessee, New York, Virginia, and, luckiest of all, one came from Illinois.

And maybe the little Illinois maiden didn't blush. Uncle Joe poked her with questions about her people and her life here. He said nice things to the others, too, but before he left he took a rap at woman suffrage.

"I appreciate the great honor you have paid me," he said. "However, I rather doubt whether you young ladies from Georgia, Texas, Virginia, Arkansas, and other states in the south really want to see me elected. No, I am opposed to woman suffrage and I'll tell you why. Pretty women like you would always control two votes—your own and some man's."

The girls blushed. "Now I can tell," he said, "I have only to look into your eyes when they light up that way to be sure that each of you would determine how some man would vote."

NEW YORK BAR ADMITS A WOMAN

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, Jan. 28.—The New York Bar Association has finally admitted a woman among its members. The woman is Mrs. Harriet Johnstone Wood and she has been elected by a unanimous vote. This action was taken as a rebuke to the New York City Bar Association, which recently refused to admit two women who had made application for membership.

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