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HOUSE HAS A NUMBER OF NEW BILLS

Many Bills Disposed of and Many New Ones Are Introduced

NEW COUNTY BILLS

Bill to Create Counties of North Robeson and Roland Out of Robeson County—Petition From Citizens of Cumberland Protesting Against County of Hoke—North Carolina Agricultural Society Bill Ratified—Bill in Regard to Closing Fruit and Cigar Stands on Sunday—Bill by Battle Relating to the Debt of the University.

Speaker Dowd convened the house at 11 o'clock, Rev. A. J. Moncrief, of Raleigh, offering prayer. The journal committee reported that the journal of Monday's proceedings had been examined and the same were found correct.

Petitions. McGill of Cumberland: From citizens of the proposed Hoke county protesting against its formation.

Rose of Cumberland: From leaders against the formation of Hoke.

Rose: From citizens of Cumberland.

Latham of Beaufort: From citizens of Aurora, Beaufort county, against sale of near-beer.

Rodwell: From citizens of Warren county against sale of near-beer.

Marshall: From citizens of Pilot Mountain against liquor in clubs and against the sale of near-beer.

Favorable Committee Reports. (Except as Otherwise Noted.) Agriculture: In relation to amending the fertilizer law of 1907.

Education: To furnish free text books to children of state. (Reported favorable to apply only to Surry county.)

Finance: To provide better roads for Macon county.

To amend the laws of 1907 authorizing township good road bonds in Buncombe county.

To allow ex-sheriff of Iredell to collect arrears of taxes.

Game: To protect game in Bladen county.

To amend the Bertie county game laws.

To amend the Yadkin county game law of 1909.

To protect game in Montgomery county. (Reducing closed season one month.)

To protect quail in McDowell county.

To regulate the killing and selling quail and wild turkeys in Moore county.

To amend the game law of Chatham county and make the law relative.

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MARTINE CHOICE OF DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)
Trenton, N. J., Jan. 24—Governor Woodrow Wilson is confident of the election of his United States senatorial choice, James E. Martine, who received the highest number of votes in the state primary and is today the choice of his party over James Smith, as a result of last night's democratic caucus. However, a deadlock faces the legislature as a result of the nomination of Martine, who received 33 votes to Smith's 14 in last night's caucus. The supporters of Smith, disgruntled and angry, are threatening to block Martine's entrance into the closest where retiring Senator John Kean's toga hangs. Smith's henchmen declared this morning that some of the Martine supporters would bolt after the first joint ballot of the legislature tomorrow. They demand that a compromise candidate be elected. It is believed that Governor Wilson will take an active part in the fight, as he has taken an active part in Martine's campaign, declaring that Martine must be elected to uphold the principles of the democratic party.

R. B. GLENN'S NEW ROLE

Ex-Governor on Tour For Negro School at Durham

Speaking Throughout North in Interest of National Religious Training School for Negroes—Is Awakening North for Education of Southern Negroes—Recites Good Work of Dr. Shepard of Durham.

(Special to The Times.)

Boston, Mass., Jan. 24—Former Governor R. B. Glenn, of North Carolina, who is speaking to northern audiences in interest of the National Religious Training School for Negroes in Durham, N. C. has revealed the excellent progress the negroes in the south have made. His eloquence, his strong personality, combined with his able presentation of the educational needs of the negro in all sections of the country is causing an unusual awakening on the part of those hearing one of the south's ablest orators, and give the negro the kind of education given by the school of which Dr. Jas. E. Shepard is president.

That the religious training of the negro is imperative to make the negro a desirable citizen, and that since the north once held them as slaves, but afterward sold them to the south at a profit on account of the negro being more adapted to the industrial activities of the south, are some of the facts he is giving large audiences in showing them that it is their duty with the south to help the negro to prepare himself for a useful life.

In narrating the achievements and aspirations of the negroes in the south and their unprecedented progress since their freedom, he spoke of the great work of the Seargards and Dr. James B. Dudley, president of North Carolina Agricultural and Mechanical College for Negroes at Greensboro are doing.

He is proving conclusively that the north, in many sections, is having its negro problem, and that the larger opportunities for this race are found in the south.

Ex-Governor Glenn is at present the cynosure of the eyes of the public in New England, as his utterances are significant and enlightening to those who hear him.

Wherever he recites what the State of North Carolina is doing for the deaf, dumb, blind and insane negroes and the amount of money expended annually for the negro A. & M. College and other institutions and the exhibiting of the genuine spirit of the best southerners for the uplift of this race, he is liberally applauded.

This tour of ex-Governor Glenn is doing much for the mutual helpfulness for both sections of the country.

SUNDAY TRAINING SCHOOL.

Held at Dunn—Dr. Cullom, Mr. Middleton and Others Speak.

(Special to The Times.)

Dunn, N. C., Jan. 24—The Sunday School Training School which opened Thursday night closed Sunday night with a magnificent lecture by Rev. J. T. Watts. The three days that the school was in session were of great benefit to the town and community, as valuable lectures were made on the "Sunday school lessons for 1911."

Dr. Cullom, the pastor, was assisted by Mr. E. L. Middleton, secretary of Sunday School Board of North Carolina, Rev. J. T. Watts, secretary of Sunday school board of Virginia; Rev. W. C. Barrett, of Durham, and Rev. Arthur Flake, of Mississippi. Twenty-three lectures included the session.

Fatal Explosion of Gasoline.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)
Boston, Mass., Jan. 24—An explosion of gasoline occurred in the engine room of the steamer James S. Whitney, of the Metropolitan Steamship Company at its wharf early today. James Manuel, boiler-maker, was fatally burned and is dying at the relief hospital. Chief Engineer Hosten was badly injured. Four other men who were trapped by the flames following the explosion were obliged to fight their way through the fire and were burned, but not seriously.

California In Line.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)
Sacramento, Cal., Jan. 24—Resolutions declaring for the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people and for the income tax were unanimously adopted yesterday by the senate.



Paul Morton, president of the Equitable Life Assurance Society and former secretary of the navy, who died in the Hotel Seymour in New York City recently less than two hours after being suddenly stricken with a cerebral hemorrhage. A month and a half ago Morton had been rejected by the medical examiners of his own company, who he tried to pass the physical requirements demanded of all insurance applicants. Paul Morton was born in Detroit on May 22, 1857. He began his career as an office boy, at the age of 15 years and advanced rapidly until he became a national figure.

FARM LIFE SCHOOLS

Joint Committee Heard Bill Discussed Last Night

Bill Drafted by Dr. J. Y. Joyner, Superintendent of Education—It Will be Joined to Present County High Schools—Several Speeches Made in Favor of Proposed Bill by Representative Men.

A meeting was held last night in the hall of the home of representative Dr. J. Y. Joyner, superintendent of the State Agricultural Department, and the State Farm Bureau Union, with the joint committee of agriculture and education of the house and senate, concerning a bill to establish and maintain county farm life schools.

The bill provides for the establishment in every county one school equipped to teach agriculture in connection with the regular course of the county high school. The bill provides that not less than \$2,500 shall be available for each school, each year. It also provides that an election shall be held to ascertain whether the county desires the school or not. Should the entire county vote against the school, then townships may group themselves together and vote for the school. A tax levy to maintain the school has to be voted to raise the \$2,500. This bill provides for an annual appropriation from the state treasury of \$50,000 to be distributed pro rata to the first twenty counties complying with certain conditions of the bill.

Dr. Joyner stated that he had visited states where these schools exist, and he found the most successful in Wisconsin. He went at length to explain how the schools are maintained in the state of Wisconsin. He declared that the boys in the rural districts greatly needed these schools to make them better fitted for farm life.

Dr. D. H. Hill, president of A. & M. College discussed the measure. He declared that the county high schools were unsatisfactory, but with this farm school added he believed they would be of considerable benefit to the sons of the farmers.

President Alexander, of the State Farmers' Union, stated that the union of which he is president has a membership of 25,000 or 40,000 farmers, teachers, mechanics. He said for a long time the members of his union had been desiring, and asking for such a measure. They greatly wanted and needed such a school as this. He said that he believed that the farmers would vote gladly for these schools.

Dr. A. C. Shuford, chairman of the State Executive Committee, of the Farmers' Union followed along the same line as did President Alexander. He said the farmers greatly desired the establishment of these schools. They see the needs and realize the benefits of such to their sons. He declared that the bill is a good one.

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STANDARD OIL DECISION HANDED DOWN

Judge Stronach Delivers His Verdict to the Attorneys Today

COMPANY NOT GUILTY

The First Real Battle Against Oligarchy—The Trust Ruled With Today's Decision—Is a Very Lengthy One—Read by His Honor Before Attorneys—The Verdict of Not Guilty is Rendered in Each and Every Count—Very Gratifying to Defense, Says Post, While Prosecution Shows Before the Court in Submission.

This morning at 12 o'clock Judge Stronach handed down his decision in the case of the state of North Carolina against Standard Oil Company. It was a clear-cut decision of not guilty in each and every count. In the presence of Messrs. Walter Clark, city attorney, and James M. Smith, attorney general for the prosecution, and Messrs. James H. Orr and W. B. Smith, for the defense, the judge made his decision, which was a very lengthy one. The evidence was submitted and arguments of the attorneys given during the month of December, occupying more than one week.

This decision has been looked forward to with altered breath, for a great deal of importance was attached to the other counts throughout the case. The outcome of the first battle against the oligarchy, and not since the people have lost the struggle, it is only a problem of just what turn the other battles will take.

Judge Stronach's decision in part is as follows: "The language of this prosecution, both to the public and the defendant, and the consequent necessity for giving it a most careful and painstaking consideration, constitute what, I believe, will be generally regarded as sufficient reasons for my delay in reaching at and making known my decision."

Because, too, of the unusual character of this prosecution and the novelty of the questions raised therein, I have deferred from all the previous days of this case, until today, my decision and have rendered my verdict and judgment in writing.

The Standard Oil Company is charged with violating certain provisions of the public laws of 1907, chapter 218, generally known as the anti-trust law.

In North Carolina, obeying the mandate of the constitution, the legislature has said, and in my opinion sensibly, that competition should be maintained and encouraged. And, therefore, the argument of the defense is sustained.

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WILL FLY FROM KEY WEST TO CUBA

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)
Key West, Fla., Jan. 24—The longest voyage ever made in the history of aviation, will start from here at 7 o'clock tomorrow morning if the weather is favorable, the aviator J. A. D. McCurdy will commence his flight to Cuba.

The final arrangements were completed by Mr. McCurdy and those assisting him today. The torpedo destroyer and other vessels that will be anchored by miles apart to guide the aviator, will depart tonight. The first mail will be sent by the smoke from the funnel of ships and, after passing the last of the line, he will make an air line dash towards Havana, where the landing will be made. The quantity of fuel necessary to propel the machine will be ascertained by trial flights.

The flight will be made from a launch named the ship Arcturion, anchored nearby, will flash word of the start by wireless to the other ships that meet the aviator further inland will be sent. Great crowds are pouring into Key West to watch the start.

Mrs. W. C. Newland, wife of Lieutenant Governor Newland is a guest in the city at 112 Halifax street.



Miss Edna Terry, the English actress, who was presented with a medal recently by the founders of the New Theatre, New York, in recognition of her distinguished services to dramatic art. The presentation was made by special manager of Macmillan's miracle play "Sister Beatrice." Many of the founders of the new theatre were present as well as prominent actors and actresses. Miss Terry is the second person to be honored in this fashion. Horace Bonar, actress, the author and Shakespearean authority, was the other.

CHARLES BARR DEAD

Famous Yachtsman Dies of Heart Disease

(By Cable to The Times.)
London, Jan. 24—Captain Charles Barr, the famous skipper of the yacht "Reliance" and Columbia when they successfully defended the America's cup, died suddenly today of heart disease at Southampton.

Premier Jockey of Seas.

New York, Jan. 24—Captain "Charley" Barr, as he was known to his many friends on this side of the Atlantic, was the premier jockey of the seas. Twice he held the America's cup when he sailed the yacht "Reliance" and Columbia to victory in the international cup races, winning for himself fame and fortune.

Barr, although not American born, was an American citizen. He was born in Scotland and came to this country with his brother in 1887. After sailing a number of small yachts to victory, he became mate of the Jubilee in 1893 and afterward commanded the "Mallard" in his final race against the "Defender" in 1895. In 1896 he was given command of the "Columbia" and sailed her to victory in the race.

Following his cup race victories, Barr, in 1906, was engaged by Commodore Cornelius Vanderbilt to sail his famous sloop "Rainbow." In June of last year, Barr sailed the American schooner yacht "Westward" to victory in the race for the Knapp memorial prize, beating Emperor William's American-built yacht "Meteor" with the emperor himself at the wheel.

PREVENT LANDING OF ALIENS.

Drastic Legislation Proposed by Senator Willingham.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)
Washington, Jan. 24—Drastic legislation to prevent the landing of aliens in the United States, who have not passed inspections, is proposed in a bill introduced today by Senator Willingham of Vermont. It embodies the recommendations of the immigration commission of aliens is put on a square with the steamship companies and their officers, and heavy penalties recoverable by the seizure of vessels are provided in cases where aliens are allowed to land unlawfully.

BIGAMISTS ON TRIAL

Israel Coble Sent to Jail In Default of Bond

Has Three Wives, Two Appearing on Trial Against Him—It is Believed He Killed One Wife—Claimed That Malice Was Behind Arrest—Playground and Kindergarten Association Chartered.

(Special to The Times.)

Greensboro, N. C., Jan. 24—Israel Coble, the white man arrested last week by Deputy Sheriff McGee on a warrant charging bigamy, was before Commissioner D. H. Collins in his office in the government building, and in default of a \$300 bond was sent to jail to await the February term of superior court. Two hearings were held and only four witnesses testified, those being two wives of the man, the minister performing the first ceremony, and the brother of wife No. 3.

It developed from the testimony that Coble has been married four times, which he himself admitted immediately after being lodged in jail. According to his own statement, the first wife died of consumption, the second died suddenly, and the third left him. The infatuation was made in the evidence given by one of the witnesses, and has been reported before, that the second wife met death at the hands of the husband, although this is in no wise substantiated.

Both wives testified yesterday, the testimony of the third, Irene Coble, of Albemarle, being considered as the most important. Mr. Coble the third, said she was married to Coble January 22, 1909. The minister substantiated this statement. Mrs. Coble has found the one living at Pomona Cotton Mills, was married to Coble on January 23, 1907.

Coble said on the day after being arrested that he was the victim of malice, and that his last wife and her children were trying to get revenge on him for fancied wrongs. He said when he married the last time he understood that his third wife, from whom he was separated, was dead.

The Greensboro Playground and Kindergarten Association has just been issued a charter with Mrs. E. Stenberger, Mrs. R. C. Hood and Mrs. C. L. Van Noppen as incorporators. The association was organized by the women of Greensboro last fall, and has as its aim the provision of a suitable place for needed recreation of children. The value of the playground will be seen especially during the hot summer months. The association is planning to secure for its purpose a portion of Fisher Park, just on the northern boundary of the city, and a spot that is very beautiful and comfortable in summer, being at a comfortable distance from the busy life of the city.

In municipal court yesterday J. L. Hentley, Joan Clark, Joan Lane, Eva Hall and Bob Cansey, five negroes, were bound over to superior court for violating bonds ranging from \$50 to \$75.

GREEK OFFICERS ARRESTED.

Military Plot Against Government Discovered.

(By Cable to The Times.)
Athens, Greece, Jan. 24—Five non-commissioned officers of the Greek army were arrested today, following the discovery of evidence which points to a military plot against the government. Twelve members of the army, including Colonel Lapathiotis, who was war minister under the revolutionary regime, are now under arrest, although Premier Venizelos in an official document reassured the representatives of the foreign powers today that the government did not expect an open outbreak.

"Discipline is strong in the rank and file of the army," stated the premier, "and the government feels strong in its position."

The alleged conspiracy was discovered through secret meetings at the home of Colonel Lapathiotis.

Former Senator Roelker Dead.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)
New York, Jan. 24—Former United States Senator William C. Roelker, of Rhode Island, died here today after a brief illness. Roelker served as senator from Rhode Island in 1905 and was a year friend of Senator Nelson W. Aldrich. After divorcing his first wife he married Mrs. Cora C. Condit Brown, the divorced wife of William Gould Brokaw.

PEOPLE HERE

PAY MORE FOR INSURANCE

Governor Kitchin Gives Out Interview on Fire Insurance Rates

THEY ARE EXCESSIVE

Governor Kitchin Tells About His Investigation of Fire Insurance Rates—Cites Laws in Some of the States Governing Business of the Companies—People of This State in the Dark as to the Relative Cost of Insurance in This and Other States—The Fact That Other States Are Paying More Than North Carolina Does Not Justify Excessive Rates There or Here—Opposition to Investigation Looks Queer.

Being asked about the investigation of fire insurance matters, Governor Kitchin said:

"That part of my message which deals with insurance was prepared after an investigation invited by the fire insurance people themselves.

In February last the president of the National Board of Fire Underwriters, from his office in New York, sent me a copy of a public address by the duly accredited representative of said board on "Uniformity in Fire Insurance and in the Interpretation of Fire Insurance Contracts," and requested me to give the subject careful thought. This I did. As the address was more suggestive than instructive, and as it referred to the subject of rates, I wrote to the president of the board asking to be further informed as to the facts. Among other things I asked him to furnish me schedules of the rates charged in the several states. This he did not do, nor did he inform me where they could be obtained.

I therefore called upon our insurance commissioner to furnish me schedules of the rates in several states. He furnished me the schedule of rates for North Carolina and the general tariff of the South Eastern Tariff Association, which seems to cover Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama and Florida. Even these rates he was able to furnish only by the courtesy of the companies, as I know of no law requiring them to file their rates with him. The commissioner stated that he did not have the rates in New York or any other state not covered by the South Eastern Tariff Association.

The above experience satisfied me that the people of this state are in the dark as to the relative cost of insurance in this and other states. The fact that other states are paying more than North Carolina does not justify excessive rates there or here.

The universality and inequality of excessive rates and not make them right. I have never suggested or thought that the people in any state,

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TRUANT SENATORS

RETURN TO CAPITAL

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)
Charleston, W. Va., Jan. 24—The fifteen republican senators who fled to Cincinnati to block the democratic plans for the election of two United States senators, returned here today and immediately went into conference with Governor Gasscock, Senator Meredith, their leader, announced that the exiles would participate in the senatorial proceedings until an agreement has been reached as to the seat of Senator Hearne, republican who was unseated by the democrats after his colleagues fled.

It is probable that an agreement will be reached tonight and that the two senators will be elected in joint session tomorrow.

Wreck on Erie Road.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)
Hackensack, N. J., Jan. 24—Six hundred persons were panic-stricken today when two passenger trains on the Erie Railroad collided at State street, within the city limits. More than a score were badly bruised and the road was tied up for two hours.