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FARM LIFE SCHOOL BILL IN THE SENATE

Passes Second Reading and Goes Back to Committee For Amendment

IMPORTANT NEW BILLS

Senate Discusses at Length the Farm Life School Bill—Bill Has Almost Unanimous Support of the Body—New Bill by Pharr to Define Payment of Taxes on Bank Stock—Bill by Cotten to Provide for Enlargement and Maintenance of Eastern Carolina Training School—Bill to Prohibit Use of Word "Doctor" for the Purpose of Procuring Patients.

The senate today spent two hours debating Senator Cobb's bill to establish state farm-life schools and it passed second reading and was referred to the committee on education to be printed. The sentiment seemed to favor the bill, the provisions of which were explained and discussed by Senators Gardner, Ivie, Brown, Boyden, Pharr, Hicks, Bassett and Cox.

In the debate on the Boyden-Sikes state highway commission bill considerable opposition developed and after discussing it for two hours the further consideration was postponed until next Tuesday at 12 o'clock.

Many new bills were introduced, the most important being one by Senator Hobgood to provide for primary elections in the state and prevent corrupt practices in election contests.

Senator Cotten introduced a bill providing for the enlargement and maintenance of the Eastern Carolina Teachers' Training School at Greenville.

Senator Barham presented a bill authorizing any county to levy a special tax to supplement the school fund with a view to equalizing the school fund in the rural districts.

A bill by Senator Hawkins would regulate the control of fraternal societies.

Fifteen bills were ratified, the one creating Hoke county being among the number.

The conference committee made a report on the Kent anti-beer bill and it was adopted and the bill ordered enrolled for ratification.

Senator Brown's bill providing for a general drainage law was reported favorably by the agricultural committee and re-referred to the committee on judiciary.

SENATE PROCEEDINGS.

The senate met at 10 o'clock, President Newland in the chair and Rev. A. D. Wilcox, of Central Methodist church, offering prayer.

Farm-life School a Special Order.

Consideration of the special order—Senator Cobb's bill to establish state farm-life schools—was resumed and Senator Gardner made an exhaustive argument for the bill, giving many reasons for the establishment of these schools. He was followed by Senator Ivie, who also heartily endorsed the idea and also urged the

passage of the bill, which provides that the state shall appropriate \$2,500 to any county that will raise a like amount for buildings and equipment.

Senator Brown said the bill is proposing to help those people who will help themselves and that the bill should pass.

Senator Boyden gave the bill his endorsement and said the people of his county were very anxious to have one of these schools.

Senator Pharr wanted to hear the bill read and it was decided to have this done after it passes second reading.

Senator Hicks said he was going to vote for the bill, but that he did not think it was expedient to establish schools for teaching certain classes. He had received a letter from a constituent asking him to vote against this bill.

Senator Bassett also favored the bill, believing, however, that it needed certain amendments.

The bill was discussed further by Senators Pharr, Cobb and Cox, all of whom favored the measure, and of which passed second reading and was re-referred, together with amendments, to the committee on education to have the amendments incorporated and the bill then printed.

Petitions Offered.

Ivie: From citizens of Rockingham county regarding support of the State University.

Cotten: Against road bonds election in Greenville township, Pitt county.

New Bills Introduced.

Pharr: Define payment of taxes on bank stock; amend revision relative to distribution of personal property.

Cotten: Provide for enlargement and maintenance of Eastern Carolina Training School.

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FIGHT TO A FINISH ON POSTAL RATES

Washington, Feb. 17.—Lines are being closely drawn for a fight to a finish between the administration and American publishers over the plan to increase the postage rates on advertising sections of magazines.

Postmaster General Hitchcock is taking an active part in urging the plan by demonstrating to senators and representatives that the attitude of the postal department is just. President Taft is seconding the efforts of his postmaster general.

According to Mr. Hitchcock the publishers are using unfair methods in urging publishers of small periodicals to fight the proposed increase because it would be harmful to them. He asserts that, as a matter of fact, it would be of great benefit to many fraternal publications and others of that class which are unable to print advertisements.



KINSTON MAN KILLS HIMSELF IN BALTIMORE

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)
Baltimore, Md., Feb. 17.—Herbert W. Cummings was found dead this morning in his room at 675 West Fayette street, the result of gas poisoning.
A few minutes after Cummings' body was found a letter from his parents who reside at Kinston, N. C., was discovered at the boarding house. It implored him to return home, stating they had found employment for him. It is thought that Cummings became depressed on being unable to secure employment and committed suicide.
Cummings had a wife and four children in Kinston.
A letter written by him was found near his body which read:
"I love my wife and children and have worried myself to death thinking about them. I prefer death to the life I seem obliged to live. I thank my friends for their kindness. I have lost my nerve and am so discouraged that I have absolutely no confidence in myself. I am helpless in this state, although I have my mind. Good-bye and may God bless my family."
The last message to the world was scrawled on a page torn from a notebook and was signed.
A telegram has been sent to the father, whose name is J. H. Cummings and whose business is selling men's furnishings. As soon as the body was discovered Dr. Henry H. Weinberger, who lives in the neighborhood, was called. The physician at once saw that Cummings had inhaled gas and that he had been extinct for at least an hour.

WORK OF THE SENATE.

Senator Rayner Speaks Against the Sutherland Amendment.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)

Washington, Feb. 17.—After morning business in the senate today, consideration of the resolution proposing a constitutional amendment for direct election of senators was resumed.

Senator Rayner of Maryland, spoke in opposition to the Sutherland amendment to the resolution which seeks to place federal jurisdiction over the elections of the states. Senator Rayner undertook to show, by court decisions that the amendment was entirely unnecessary and that the federal government could now do all that it ought to do, and all that it wanted to do, without the proposed Sutherland amendment.

He said it had the right to protect the polls against fraud, corruption, violence or intimidation and he appealed to the republican senators who favored direct elections not to defeat the measure by adding the Sutherland amendment.

United States Marshal W. L. Short and his deputies, who have been making moonshine raids in Leslie and Perry counties, Ky., report that they found one "still" located in the branches of a heavy-topped pine tree.

RUSSIA GETTING READY

Sending Soldiers Out For Military Demonstration

Without Waiting for China's Reply Russia is Sending Out Soldiers—China Looks to the United States to Prevent War.

(By Cable to The Times.)
St. Petersburg, Feb. 17.—Without waiting for China's reply to its ultimatum Russia began preparation for actual warfare today by transporting soldiers to the III district of northern China for a military demonstration. Among the soldiers sent are several regiments of Cossacks from southern Russia.

Russia has the advantage over China in the transportation of troops due to the strategic value of the two great railroad systems held by Russia, the Trans-Siberian and the Chinese eastern.

China would have to be more or less dependent upon Japan if there should ever be war and it is said would be located in Manchuria as Japan controls the Manchurian southern railway.

Government officials declare they wish to take no unfair advantage of China and declare an analysis of the six phrases of the ultimatum evidences only a desire on the part of Russia to extend trade and protect her citizens. For instance the first clause relates to tariff; the second to jurisdiction involving Russian citizens; the third to free trade in Mongolia; the fourth to the construction of Russian that Russian consulates should be established at Kobi, Kani and Gichin because of the growth of Russian trading there; the fifth to the protection of these proposed new consuls and the sixth to the right of Russians to acquire real estate in Mongolia.

China's Cautionary.

Peking, Feb. 17.—The Chinese government looks to the United States to prevent war with Russia. The ultimatum from the czar's government charging violations of the treaty of 1858 was taken under consideration by the imperial council today and a reply formulated. This will not be made public until it has been submitted to the Russian government and also transmitted to the other world powers. It is understood, however, to be conciliatory in its tones.

If the reply fails to appease Russia then active steps will be taken to have the United States mediate.

The government understands that disunion in the present dispute is the better part of valor for China's army is in no wise prepared for war, the troops being poorly equipped and lacking in discipline. Moreover the empire has too many troubles upon its hands at this time to prepare for war and it is believed that China will renew the treaty and guarantee strict adherence to it in the future.

Men of wealth and power in China are bringing pressure to avert an open rupture with Russia. They point out the necessity of peace until Chinese domestic affairs are upon a stronger basis than at present.

China needs more railroads, more ships, more business these men declare. They urge that the era of building which has struck the empire be allowed to continue without interference from warfare which would plunge the nation deeply in debt and halt great projects which are nearly ready for consummation.

America Will Lead.

London, Feb. 17.—That America will lead in an attempt to force Russia and China to offer treaty differences to the Hague tribunal for arbitration is the belief in official circles here. On account of the power of prestige of the United States and that nations leading part in the world-wide peace movement belief is felt that sufficient pressure can be brought to bear upon the two great eastern empires to prevent war.

One arbitrary plan already discussed is the appointment of an international commission which shall study the

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Appreciates Trophy.

To the Editor of The Times:

In behalf of the boys and the agricultural developments of the State I thank you for the interest you are manifesting in the Boys' Corn Club movement. I shall take great pleasure in calling the attention of the boys of the State to the splendid trophy you are offering for the most corn grown on one acre or land under the rules and regulations sent out by the State Department of Agriculture.

Such evidence of public spirit and loyalty to the development of the agricultural interests of the State will bring its reward.

Again thanking you, I am,

Yours very truly,

T. B. PARKER,

Director Boys' Corn Clubs,

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 17.



CAPTAIN EVERETT OF ROCKINGHAM DEAD

(Special to The Times.)
Rockingham, Feb. 17.—Capt. W. J. Everett died at his home here at six o'clock this morning in his seventy-sixth year.

He was found unconscious Monday evening in the hall at his home from paralysis of the brain. He did not regain consciousness, at no time was there much hope for his recovery.

He is survived by six children, W. N. Everett, John L. Everett, J. Leonard Everett, Mrs. H. C. Doolery, and Miss Bessie Everett, of Rockingham, and Mrs. J. P. Little, of Little Mill. All the children were at his bedside when the end came.

His wife who was Miss Fannie LeGrand, died four years ago.

He was twice elected state senator. He served in the confederate army. He was a merchant here for forty years. He also had large farming interests in Rockingham county. He was the county's most beloved citizen, and a worthy member of the Methodist church.

The funeral takes place Saturday morning at eleven o'clock.

ASKS FOR RECEIVER.

Petitioners Ask for Receiver for the Supreme Lodge K. of P.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)

Washington, Feb. 17.—Petitioners for an injunction to prevent the increase of certain insurance rates and for the appointment of a receiver for the supreme lodge of the Knights of Pythias, a corporation, and G. M. Hansom and U. B. Hunt have been filed in the district supreme court by John T. Turpin, of Greensboro, Ala., and Joseph Williams, of this city, both members of the fourth class of the endowment rank of the Knights of Pythias. Justice Gould signed a rule, returnable March 3, to show cause why the order should not be enjoined from collecting the monthly assessments now levied against the petitioners. It is the contention of the petitioners that an increase in the amount of their assessments destroys their rights under their contract with the order.

HEARING ON SCOT BILL.

Opponents of the Bill Given a Hearing Today.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)

Washington, Feb. 17.—The senate committee on interstate commerce today granted a hearing to opponents of the Scott bill which has already passed the house, to prevent dealing in cotton futures. The New York Cotton Exchange, the New Orleans Cotton Exchange, and cotton interests in Atlanta and Chicago, were represented.

W. B. Thompson and E. H. Farrar spoke in behalf of the New Orleans exchange and Arthur Marsh for the New York Exchange.

Mr. Farrar told the committee that the bill would not stop the operations of either the New York nor New Orleans exchanges. One result would

ANTI-TRUST BILL IN THE HOUSE TODAY

Koonce of Onslow Introduces New Anti-Trust Bill Amending Present Law

MANY OTHER NEW BILLS

Mr. Battle, of Wake, Introduces Bill to Regulate the Election of Aldermen in the City of Raleigh and Withdraws Former Bill to Amend the Charter of the City—Bill Majette to Amend the Law Relating to the State Corporation Commission—Bill by Kent to Amend Food Law of 1909.

The House was convened by Speaker Dowd at eleven o'clock, Rev. Dr. O'Kelley, of Raleigh, offered prayer.

Petitions.

The following petitions were presented and referred to the appropriate committee.

By Connor: From employees of Coast Line railroad for employees' liability bill.

Alsopugh: From Forsyth county relative to extension of limits of Winston-Salem.

Teague: For relief of a Confederate soldier of Alexander county.

Taylor: From citizens of Brunswick for a special divorce for a citizen.

Weatherspoon: From Laurinburg asking for negro reform school.

Thicker: For appointment of a justice of the peace in Wilkes county.

Favorable Reports of Committees.

To protect Moore county forests from fire; to aid in prevention of hog cholera in the State; to amend the charters of Pittsboro and Chapel Hill.

Unfavorable reports were made on bills to regulate banking; to make appropriation for co-operative experiment farming; to create Avery county. (A majority report signed by 12 members of the committee was filed.)

To regulate the delivery of mail in North Carolina; to repeal the 1909 road law for Wilkes county; for relief of members of military companies; relating to contracts of sale for future delivery; to regulate costs in criminal cases; to make the State prohibition law effective.

Other favorable reports were made on bills: to establish a home for widows of Confederate soldiers in Mecklenburg county; to provide a female attendant for patients going to the State hospitals at Morganton, Raleigh and Goldsboro; to prohibit sale of pistols and cartridges to minors; to prevent frauds on merchants; to amend the revision relative to the practice of veterinary medicine and surgery; to amend the law of 1909 relative to the State militia (sent to Appropriations committee.)

To prohibit the sale or traffic of liquor in clubs.

Bills Ratified.

A great many bills came over from the enrolling office, and were duly

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THE BENNETT RESOLUTION.

Taken Seriously in London—Will Come Up in Parliament.

(By Cable to The Times.)

London, Feb. 17.—So great is the impression made here by Representative Bennett on his amendment resolution in the United States congress that the matter will be made the subject of introduction of the government in the house of commons on Tuesday.

At that time Premier Asquith will be asked whether or not he intends to resign any commission to the American government on the subject.

The Bennett resolution has been taken seriously here and intense excitement reigned in political circles. The tariff reform organizations are attempting to make capital out of it.

Delaware at Rio.

Washington, Feb. 17.—The battleship Delaware was reported to the navy department today as having arrived at Rio de Janeiro.

The Delaware left Hampton Roads, Va., January 31, to convey the body of Senator Anibal Cruz, the Chilean minister, who died in Washington last December, to Valparaiso.

LAFOLLETTE READY TO FORM NEW PARTY

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)
Washington, Feb. 17.—Senator Robert M. LaFollette and other republican progressive leaders are about ready to break away from old time republican moorings and lead a movement for a third national party.

Foreseeing that the 1912 convention will be dominated by the Taft, or conservative wing of the organization, they believe, it is said, that only a few grudging concessions to the insurgents will be granted either in the convention, or in legislative matters. They are emphatically opposed to compromise, and believe no time should be lost in forming a third party, with a comprehensive radical program, because there is small prospect of any insurgents ever gaining control of the republican party.