

The Senate Given Up to Merit

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where and everybody seemed glad that the days of law-making had come to an end, the speeches all giving pleasing echoes of the closing general assembly, general good feeling prevailing among the remaining senators and the large number of visitors present.

It was 12:45 o'clock before President Newland rapped the senate to order and announced the ratification of bills.
Bills of more than local interest ratified included:
Incorporate Carolina Collegiate and Agriculture Institute.
Promote the maintenance of public parks and drives.

Relating to the militia.
Regulate fishing in Albemarle Sound and Roanoke River.
Incorporate the organization of the Grand United Order of Southern Pilgrims.
Require the railroads of North Carolina to supply additional facilities at depots to exchange mileage.

Relative to the carriage of freight.
Extend the time in which practitioners of optometry may register.
Amend the charter of the Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Association.
Extend the time for the commencement of work on the Southport, Northern & Western Railroad Company for two years from and after March 5, 1911.

Prevent frauds on merchants.
Relative to hoisting engines used in mining.
Require the railroads of North Carolina to supply additional facilities at depots to exchange mileage entered at the present session of the North Carolina legislature, 1911.

Relative to the state's revenue.
Relative to dead bodies for medical schools.
Prevent the prostitution of women and girls, and bawdy houses.
Relative to the salary of the assistant commissioner of labor and printing.

Regulate the public printing.
Change the name of the Indians in Robeson county and provide for said Indians separate apartments in the State Hospital.
Relative to the punishment of assault and battery on any female person.

Amend chapter 37, Public Laws, 1908.
Protect townships in Union county that have or may hereafter vote bonds for the building or construction of railroads.
Resolution in regard to condition of Capitol building and square.

including No. 1460 and resolutions including No. 55 were:
Establish and maintain a school of correction and detention for juvenile offenders of the city of Asheville.
Provide for contests, void or voidable grants and entries.

Appoint members of the county boards of education.
Regulate the nomination of candidates for state senator in certain senatorial districts.
Empower the board of county commissioners of any county to purchase a dredger and equipments for the purpose of draining the low lands and swamp lands.

Enlarge the powers of the North Carolina Corporation Commission.
For the relief of Confederate soldiers.
Authorizing county commissioners to make appropriations for road demonstration work.

For the protection of railway employees and the traveling public.
The welfare and prosperity of the city of Wilmington.
Amend chapter 100 revision of 1905 amending the general insurance law.

Provide for contests, void or voidable grants and entries.
Relating to tax on and reports of beneficial fraternal orders.
Providing full compensation to solicitors when defendants are assigned to work on public roads.

Provide means for carrying out the orders of the North Carolina Corporation Commission to construct industrial sidings.
Amend the sub-contractor's lien law.
Relating to the appropriations for Confederate pensions of North Carolina.

For the relief of sheriffs, ex-sheriffs and tax collectors.
Relative to tax liens upon personal property.
Relative to an act to incorporate the Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias of North Carolina.

Providing standard provisions for accident and health policies.
Incorporate the Greensboro, Roxboro and Norfolk Railway.
Joint resolution authorizing the governor to appoint two commissioners to adjust certain matters of indebtedness between the United States and the State of North Carolina.

An act to raise revenue.
In relation to the assessment of property and collection of taxes.
Incorporate the Piedmont-Forsyth Railway Company.

Senator Bassett arose to a question of personal privilege in reference to a publication in the News and Observer as to the anti-trust law having been written by a republican. He said the bill which passed was the bill of the judiciary committee and would meet all needs for anti-trust legislation and he gave it his hearty endorsement.

THE FINAL WIND-UP.
President Newland announced the appointment of Senator Hawkins of Warren, and Senator Cobb of Robeson, on the part of the senate of the commission to consider the advisability of consolidating the agricultural department and the A. & M. College.

A joint resolution, offered by Senator Pharr, thanking the Capitol Club, Elks' Club, and State Club for courtesies passed by a rising unanimous vote.
FINAL ADJOURNMENT.
A message was received from the house that that body was ready to adjourn and the doors of the senate and house were thrown open, according to custom, and with the presiding officers of the two houses facing each other from their respective stations, the gavel fell and the general assembly at 2:30 o'clock adjourned sine die, after thirty-two senators had answered the roll call.

YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.
Yesterday afternoon's session of the senate brought the goal of final adjournment within sight by the disposition of a large number of bills, nearly all being local in their application, though several measures of general interest took one course or another.

Bills tabled included:
Amend the food' law of North Carolina.
Allow county commissioners to tax dogs.
Protect public from diseases by disinfection of bar ber shops.
Regulate hunting in Big Ivy township, Buncombe county.
Bills reported unfavorably:
Regulate fishing in Cape Fear river.
License insurance agents of the state.

The bill requiring better educational qualification for applicants to practice medicine failed on second reading.
Among bills passed and ordered enrolled were:
Allow state treasurer to give his note to an amount not exceeding \$250,000 if the new revenue act does not provide sufficient money to meet the expenses of the ensuing two years.

Establish school for youthful colored criminals at Asheville.
Amend act incorporating Lodge Knights of Pythias.
Incorporate Grand Lodge Knights of Harmony.
Authorize corporation commission to draw rules regarding checking baggage under the act requiring railroads to provide better facilities at

stations for persons riding on mileage.
Regulate the public printing by limiting the amount each department shall have, thereby saving the state estimated \$16,000 annually.

LAST NIGHT'S SESSION.
The senate last night notified the house that it would be ready for final adjournment this morning at 11 o'clock, the delay being caused by waiting on the enrollment of the large number of bills for ratification.
The bill to create Ransom county out of portions of Johnston, Wake, Wilson, Nash and Franklin was laid on the table.

A great many local bills passed final reading, those of public interest including:
Increase salary of commissioner of labor and printing from \$2,000 to \$2,400.
Appropriation for pensioners.
Enlarge powers of the corporation by authorizing it to require railroads to put in crossings other than grade crossings and provide interlocking switches.

Protect employees of railroads and the traveling public by making crime of robbing trains a felony instead of a misdemeanor.
Joint resolution permitting a bronze statue of Charles Duncan McIver to be erected in Capitol Square.
Nearly 100 bills were ratified, including:
Amend the Revisal, relative to the text-book commission.

Establish West Asheville sanitary district.
Amend charter of Concord.
Amend charter of Chadbourn.
Appropriations for state institutions.
Establish reformatory for colored youths.

Empower Mecklenburg and Gaston counties to construct bridge across the Catawba river near Beattie's ford.
Amend the health laws of North Carolina.
Incorporate the Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union.
Amend the charter of Gastonia.
Amend the public school law.
Incorporate the Central Carolina Railway.

Incorporate the Monroe Southern Railway.
Regulate fees of officers of Mecklenburg.
Incorporate Appalachian Highway Company.
Prohibit merry-go-rounds and kindred devices from running on Sunday in Mecklenburg and Carteret.

Relative to loss or damage to freight in transit.
Erect additional buildings at Soldiers' Home.
Relative to salary of treasurer of Buncombe.
Reduce number of oil inspectors.
Give livery stable keepers a lien.
Apportion senate and house members of general assembly.

Provide for construction of central highway.
Regulate shipment of live-stock into the state.
Authorize Guilford county to establish special court.
Incorporate Raleigh, Charlotte & Southern Railway.
Resolution regarding consolidating the agricultural department and A. & M. College.

Provide cross indexes of judgments in Mecklenburg county.
For relief of state prisoners.
Increase pay of laborers of senate and house.
Koonce Resolution Killed.
There was a vigorous fight in the senate over the Koonce house joint resolution for a commission to investigate the conduct of fire insurance companies, appropriation of \$1,000 being made for this purpose.

Senator Baggett had made several efforts to get this matter up since it came to the senate from the house last Saturday and he strongly advocated its adoption, stating that the governor had recommended it and the people want to know why it is that they have to pay a higher rate than is paid in New York and other states.

After several speeches on both sides the senate by a vote of 22 to 10 killed the resolution, as follows:
Ayes: Armstrong, Baggett, Bennett, Brown, Hicks, Johnson, Kitchin, Rascoe, Williams.
Noes: Barnes, Bassett, Boyden, Carpenter, Cox, Davis, Gardner, Graham, Green, Hartzell, Hawkins, Hobgood, Ivie, London, Long Martin of Buncombe, McDonald, Pharr, Sigmon, Sikes, Starbuck.

Senator Pharr argued that the resolution had been unanimously reported unfavorably by the insurance committee after a hearing and he had heard no sufficient reason advanced why an investigation should be made. There had been merely a suggestion and not a scintilla of evidence that would justify an investigation.

When your message to the legislature about the senatorship was shown to me last Saturday I could not help feeling that we should now soon have the contest brought to an end. I hope that it is to be realized and if there is any way that I can assist in bringing it about I shall be most glad to do so. The contest is a great distraction, and it has always seemed to me that they should come together, as men do in all affairs of life, and talk it over, and yield a little here and there and come to an agreement. Why cannot that be done?"



Olive Schreiner (on the left) and Ada Negri, two famous women authors, whose most recent works have raised a storm of protest and discussion in European literary circles.

URGED TO KILL BILL.
Calderhead Urged by Governor Stubbs to Vote Against Increased Postage.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)
Washington, March 8.—Former Representative Calderhead, of Kansas, who went down to defeat before the insurgent movement, and retired from congress on March 4, was a white house caller today. He showed President Taft telegraphic correspondence he had with Governor Stubbs, of Kansas, before the adjournment regarding postal rates on magazines. Mr. Calderhead received the following telegram from the governor:

"I am advised that the proposed increase in second-class postage is aimed directly at progressive magazines and periodicals; that the rates proposed are confiscatory will practically ruin every popular periodical in the country and will therefore deprive the people of their only free press. A vast majority of the people of Kansas are opposed to the increase and I most earnestly urge you to vote against it."

AMBASSADOR CALLED BACK.
President Taft Calls Mexican Ambassador Back From Mexico.
(New York, March 8.—Minister of Finance Limantour of Mexico and Senator De La Farra, Mexican ambassador, who came here from Washington to consult with the minister over the general Mexican situation and the mobilization of an American army on the border, held a long conference today. Senator Limantour today received a message from President Taft requesting him to go to Washington to confer on matters of grave international import.

The Mexican officials intimate that they would make ready to leave at the earliest possible moment and hoped to be in Washington in time to meet Mr. Taft tonight.

Not Able to Secure Trains.
(Cheyenne, Wyo., March 8.—The inability of the military authorities to secure coaches for troop trains is causing the departure of 2,000 men from Fort D. A. Russell, who have been ordered into Texas. Colonel Dier will need 250 cars for the transportation of his men. The first troops will probably leave tonight.

Eighth Regiment Moving.
(Indianapolis, Ind., March 8.—The eighth regiment of infantry stationed at Fort Benjamin Harrison and commanded by Colonel H. A. Greene, entrained for San Antonio today. Their departure had been delayed by inability to secure railroad cars.

Friends of Mr. A. L. Davis, of Glenwood, who was injured a few days ago by being thrown from a street car, will be glad to know that he is improving although he is still suffering with a lame back.

A Dreadful Sight.
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Drum Corps Entertains Lower House

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fair work during the session. (Adopted by a rising vote.)

The senate refusing to concur in house amendments to the truckers strawberry bill, it went over, Mr. Mitchell, of Wayne, strongly advocating the bill.

The house was apprised of the approach of the L. O. B. Branch Confederate Drum Corps. As they entered the door, playing Dixie, by the sadly decimated ranks, now only composed of J. J. Lewis, W. T. Johnson and W. B. Royster, the house spontaneously arose out of respect. But the old soldiers present, like Horne, Battle, McGill, Ray, Dillard of Cherokee, and Joyner, of Guilford, simply went wild. In their enthusiasm they again deposed young Speaker Dowd, put old Joe Cannon McGill in the chair and made him have a cigar. The drum corps filed and beat the drum to perfection. "Put your hands in your pockets," shouted Ray, of Macon. The champion sprinter of the house, young Caviness, of Wilkes, couldn't pass the hat fast enough to accommodate the jingling coin.

Brief and patriotic speeches were made by Speaker McGill, ex-Speaker Dowd, Comrades Ashley Horne and R. H. Battle, the latter giving a biographical sketch of the members of the drum corps. The incident closed with a "Bonnie Blue Flag" rendition, and the singing, led by Representative Wallace, of Carteret, (the ladies of the gallery coming by special invitation to the floor) of the "Old North State." But the young fellows got a chance. The protest was made that only the old men had been given the privilege of speaking. The drum corps was marched back, and in behalf of the young men of the house, Robert Vance Williams, of Buncombe, took old man McGill's place where the younger speaker was and delivered a corking address. It was too good to be mutilated by a cursory report.

Immediately following this the drum corps marched out, playing "Dixie." The house, the crowded lobbies and galleries, sang "God be With You 'Till We Meet Again," as the old veterans vanished in the corridor.

By special request, Horne, of Johnston, and McGill, of Cumberland, stood side by side. (God bless their old souls) and gave the "rebel yell." Everybody yelled, when they quit their yell.

The senate bill for increased pay to the warden of the penitentiary for electrocution on objection was laid on the table.
The house took a recess at 12 o'clock to 1 o'clock, waiting on the senate.

At 1 o'clock Speaker Dowd convened the house.
Mr. Ray, of Macon, introduced a supplemental bill relating to the firemen of the capitol. (Passed unanimously.)

Mr. Herbert, of Clay, offered a resolution to the citizens of Raleigh, the Elks Club and the Capital Club, for courtesies, hospitality and kindness to all members and their various visiting constituents. (This resolution was adopted by an unanimous rising vote. Mr. Herbert was taken off his feet before he completed his eloquent address by the desire of members to give praises to Raleigh. Mr. Koonce, Mr. Connor, Mr. Ray, Mr. Dillard of Cherokee, tried to remark, but they were enthusiastically called down on a motion of Wooten of Lenoir.)

At 2 o'clock Speaker Dowd announced he had signed the last bill for ratification. He feelingly returned his thanks for uniform kindness and respect during the whole session. Members praised the speaker for his fairness and ability as a presiding officer.

The gavel fell exactly at 2:30 o'clock and the house of 1911 was dead. It expired without throes and peacefully.

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PRESENTATION TO MR. HOOKS And Office Force of Engrossing Clerk of Senate.

Late yesterday afternoon one of the happiest incidents of the closing scenes of the general assembly took place. When Mr. W. E. Hooks, the genial and efficient engrossing clerk of the senate, was presented with gifts of appreciation, along with the young ladies of the office.



In a very neat speech Senator R. D. Johnson, of Duplin, made the presentation of a pair of gold cuff-but-

tons to Mr. Hooks and a beautiful gold stick-pin to each of the young ladies, Misses Hinsdale, Gray, and Trapier.
Mr. Hooks replied in a happy speech of acceptance, saying in part: "Mr. President, and gentlemen of the Senate:
"In behalf of the ladies in my office and myself, I wish to thank you most deeply for this evidence of esteem. We greatly appreciate these gifts and I want to say further, gentlemen, as engrossing clerk of the senate for two terms, I have endeavored to do my duty; as to whether I have done this it is for you to say. In regard to the young ladies in my office, I wish to say to them is due the credit; there is not a more efficient force in the United States, much less in North Carolina; they have at all times performed their duties well, have ever been courteous and faithful. And again, I thank you heartily."

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