

STRIKE TALK AT SPENCER SHOPS

Men, Forced to Work in Cold Round House. Carry Matter to President Spencer at Washington.

COMMITTEE OF EMPLOYEES WENT THERE LAST NIGHT

Fires in Stoves Put Out Last Friday to Cut Expenses and Discontent, Already Existing, Comes to a Head.

For some days past there has been considerable dissatisfaction among the employes of the Southern shops at Spencer, and yesterday and last night there was much talk of strike, while today there have been all sorts of wild rumors afloat about impending trouble.

The difficulty arose over the fact that somebody in authority decided to reduce expenses by putting out the fires in the round house stoves, and when the men went to work last Friday they found the building cold. It was one of the coldest days of the winter, yet the men's protest met with no response, and there have been no fires in the building since. Some of the men refused to work and some quit while many others have been talking about going elsewhere to work.

Efforts to get Master Mechanic Sheehan to adjust the matter to the men's satisfaction having failed there was a meeting held last night at which a committee of employes was chosen to go to Washington and lay the matter before President Spencer. The committee left last night on No. 40 and expects to have a talk with Mr. Spencer today. Meanwhile the round house is still cold, with no fires in the stoves, and the men are working under protest, waiting to see if Mr. Spencer will stand by Mr. Sheehan.

There has been considerable dissatisfaction ever since Mr. Sheehan assumed charge of the shops. Whether or not he ever said so, unwise a thing is not known but he is popularly credited with having said: "The unions are running things too much out here, and I am going to break it up."

It is hard to believe that a man with sufficient ability to arise to the position of master mechanic of the Southern's main shops should say it, but as many of the men believe that he did, Mr. Sheehan, who has never been as well-liked as were his predecessors is looked upon as hostile to the men and this has contributed largely to the discontent.

The editor of the Sun called up the round house by telephone to day to ask for the railroad's side of the case. He was informed by one man that Mr. Sheehan was there by another, that he was not. One man, who answered the telephone, vouchsafed the information that the trouble had not been settled and sent for someone whom he designated as "the clerk." This functionary, after being

told what was wanted, said he would call the assistant foreman. A man purporting to be the latter came to the phone and the same formula was gone through with once more. The last speaker started off after someone else and never came back. The only deduction to be logically made was that there was no desire on the part of the Southern's authorities to have their side of the case, if they have any, made public, hence the Sun is unable to tell the story from any viewpoint except that of the men.

DANCING PARTY LAST NIGHT

A very pleasant dancing party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marcus, at 614 East Horah street, last night in honor of Miss Elsie Smith, who is to leave Salisbury Wednesday, and make her future residence at Lexington. About 25 young people participated in the festivities, among whom were: Miss Elsie Smith, Miss Ola Inniss, Miss Betty West, Miss Lily Inniss, Mrs. E. T. Ludwick, Mrs. Scarvo, Miss Mable West, Bob Caultie, John Cavin, C. W. Kinsey, E. T. Ludwick, R. B. Corl, Jeff Beeker, David Miller Wick, Bud Cornelson, F. G. Dayton. The music which was excellent was furnished by Messrs. Pence and Scarvo. Dancing lasted until midnight. The friends of Miss Elsie Smith will learn with regret that she is to leave Salisbury.

CARD PARTY YESTERDAY

Mrs. J. B. Isenhour, yesterday afternoon, was hostess to Miss Annie Sloan of Reidsville, the guest of Mrs. R. L. Mauney. Bridge whist was the evening's amusement and combined with Mrs. Isenhour's dainty collation following the games, these made the party one of the pleasantest yet accorded this delightful Reidsville young lady.

LABOR NEWS

Justice Scott, of the Supreme Court of New York, has denied the right of a labor union to expel a member without permitting him to be present when charges against him have been preferred.

Franklin Association 18, of Junior Pressman, assistant and feeders, has signed an agreement with the Boston, Mass., Typothetae for a \$1 a week increase in the minimum wage, and a tacit understanding that all members get a \$1 increase to take effect May 1.

In the baking establishment, of Minneapolis, Minn., there are 3,486 employes who work on an average of 10 hours a day, receiving from \$2 to \$40 a week, the former price being paid apprentices.

J. P. Sousa, Innis and all the great bandmasters and players in the United States and Canada are members of the Musician's Union. In British Columbia there are branches in Victoria and Vancouver and branches are also being organized in Nanaimo and New Westminster.

The upper dog is willing to take the bone and let the under dog have the sympathy. A woman's face isn't always as bad as it is painted.

LONG DEBATE ON WINBORNE'S BILL

House Spends Three Hours Discussing it and is Still Arguing at 3 O'clock

A RADICAL MEASURE

Makes Finding of Weapon on Person of Slayer Evidence of Premeditation

(Special to The Sun)

Raleigh, Jan. 31.—The Senate today passed the bill to extend the corporate limits of Monroe on the second reading over an unfavorable report from the committee.

Mr. Ellington introduced a bill to make finding deadly weapons on the person of a man who kills another, evidence of premeditation, and Mr. Crisp introduced one to repeal the act of the legislature whereby the State is empowered to defend registrations of elections indicted by the Federal courts for violations of the registration laws.

The house has spent three hours over Mr. Winborne's bill to authorize the Supreme court to order new trials in criminal cases in case of newly discovered evidence. The argument is still in progress.

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 31.—Judge B. B. Winborne, chairman of the Democratic caucus of the House has called a caucus of the Democratic members of the house this evening at 7:45 in the house of representatives. The Democratic members of the Senate are invited to attend and participate in the caucus, should they so desire.

Among the matters to be considered will be the Winborne bill to amend the constitution which provides for a four months school annually for all the children of school age in the State and after that the legislature may discriminate between the races, or may permit either race to levy a special tax upon its property for the benefit of the race so taxed. This bill has been before the committee on constitutional chairman, and received its unanimous endorsement.

The senate committee on counties, cities and towns, Senator Vann, chairman; by a vote of 4 to 2 yesterday afternoon decided to report unfavorably the bill to extend the corporate limits of the town of Monroe. This action was quite unusual since both the representatives from Union county and the two senators from the district, were in favor of the bill. Mr. William Heath, representing the cotton mill which would be taken in by the proposed extension, addressed the committee in opposition to the bill, making the usual argument against such measures. A delegation of citizens from Monroe, including A. M. Stack, J. E. Stack, Randolph Redford, James Shut, T. C. Collin and J. M. Fairley, were here for the bill and made customary argument legislative committees hear in favor of such bills. The matter will now be fought out on the floor of the senate. Senators Williams, Cox, Webb and Jones, it is understood, will support the measure with argument, while the defeat in the committee was brought about by Senators McLean, Odell, Watkins and Bryan.

The reformatory bill introduced yesterday by Senator Grady of Sampson provided that when any minor is convicted of a felony the judge shall not give him a definite sentence, but shall pronounce a sentence with a maximum and minimum limit and the minor shall not be worked with other prisoners, but shall be kept in a separate place at the state prison, not required to wear stripes and taught some useful employment. The instructor shall be appointed by the governor, the salary to be fixed by the superintendent of public instruction, and paid out of the State treasury. These youths shall be given moral, mental and industrial training and the heads of the department shall be called chief instructor, instructor and chaplain, named by the governor, and the prison physician shall constitute a board of commissioners of parole. These prisoners may apply to this board for parole or discharge and a full record shall be kept of the conduct of each prisoner, including a biography and other facts relative to the prisoner. The board may prescribe conditions for parole and if violated or if he lapses into bad company, he shall be brought back to prison upon warrant by the prison warden or other official of the reformatory and he shall serve his full sentence. Upon proper conduct an absolute discharge may be granted.

STREETS ON FIRE IS REBELS' WORK

Civil War in Warsaw, Poland's Capitol, and Absolute Anarchy Prevails

WOMAN'S BRAVE DEED

From Her Balcony, Picks Off Cossacks With Rifle Till They Kill Her

Berlin, Jan. 31.—Dispatches to all Berlin newspapers this morning report that a condition of civil war exists in Warsaw, the capital of Poland. The rebels have erected barricades and poured tons of petroleum into the streets, which they have set on fire. Hundreds of shops have been plundered and absolute anarchy prevails. A woman, posted on the balcony in front of her house, picked off Cossacks with a rifle, while the soldiers were trying to drive the strikers from the streets. A Cossack finally shot the woman, but his own life was at once exacted as a penalty. Fighting around the barricades continued during the night and this morning. At Zetochow the rebels are masters of the situation. The chief of police of Warsaw is taking stringent precautions to prevent further disorder and among other things has put a ban on all visiting and has closed all houses, except to their usual residents.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 31.—A message from Sachstun, to the southeast of Mukden, says that the Japanese attack on Landeaung has been repulsed. There were 10,000 casualties from Wednesday to Saturday of last week, but the percentage of killed was small.

GORMAN AND GREEN ENLARGING

Will Move Into Enlarged Quarters This Week—Big Stock

The walls between the present Gorman and Green Jewellers' establishment and the storeroom recently vacated by S. L. Swiggood, will tomorrow be cut and the moving into their enlarged quarters will begin.

When the rooms are consolidated, it will be the prettiest establishment in the State. There may be larger ones, but there will be no store of its nature nearly so pretty compared to a city the size of Salisbury, and it will be one of the State's largest. The stock to be carried by the Messrs. Gorman and Green will not be less than \$20,000. That it will be a select one, goes without saying, for this place has always kept the best wares on the market. The business of these men has assumed expensive proportions. They are running an attractive branch house at Spencer. Associated with him in the mechanical department, Mr. Gorman has C. G. Thelling who has proved himself master of his profession. The South hasn't a better workman than Mr. Gorman, and his scrupulous dealing with his patrons is being rewarded in a very gratifying way. He deserves infinitely more than he has received.

STUDENTS VACCINATED

Another Smallpox Case at Chapel Hill, Negroes Having Caught It

Chapel Hill, N. C., Jan. 31.—Another case of smallpox has developed in Chapel Hill. Betty Irkland, a middle aged colored woman, is the victim. It is believed that she caught the disease in Catham county, where she visited during the holidays; for she had not been exposed to the one case in the college. She lives a mile from the depot, fully a half mile from the campus, where she and her three children are now quarantined.

The town aldermen have ordered compulsory vaccination to begin at once and fixed a penalty of five dollars a day on all who are not vaccinated by Saturday night.

There are no more cases of smallpox in the University. Compulsory vaccination of the students had already been enforced. Out of the 600 students in college only five refused to be vaccinated and they had been sent to their homes. If the disease spreads it will not be due to any negligence on the part of the college or town authorities.

THE WEATHER.

Washington, Jan. 31.—North Carolina forecast: Fair tonight, and warmer Wednesday. A longer period of dry weather may be looked for.

For all News read THE SUN.

TWO OFFICERS ARE SUSPENDED

Policemen Torrence and Parker Had Sensational Street Encounter Yesterday

MAYOR FINES BOTH

Quarrel Over an Arrest Leads to Fight. Fine of \$10 and Penalty of Suspension

A street sensation that caused no little talk and excitement, was an encounter yesterday between Officers Max Torrence and Luther Parker. In order that the merits of the difficulty might be put properly before the people, reference to the matter was deferred until a hearing was given the men.

The briefest statement of the case is this:—

Sunday, Mr. Torrence arrested a Greensboro man and locked him up. The prisoner gave the officer money to telephone to Greensboro for a bondsman. This was done, but there was no answer to the message for some time and Mr. Parker received it. This message was to the effect that a Greensboro man would deposit with a city officer, money for the release of the prisoner. Upon this assurance, Mr. Parker loosed the defendant. Officer Torrence reprimanded his fellow officer for loose business dealing and a quarrel took place ending in a slight fistfight, which amounted to very little.

Smarter still under the affair, Officer Parker renewed the quarrel later and asked Mr. Torrence to settle it with him after he retired from duty this morning. This was agreed upon and Officer Parker applied an uncivil epithet, which was resented with a blow. The second encounter was cut short by the interposition of friends and no considerable damage was done.

A hearing was given the officers yesterday afternoon in the Mayor's court and the men were fined \$10 each. Upon this Mayor Boyden imposed penalty in the shape of suspension for 30 days as to Mr. Parker, and an indefinite period as to Mr. Torrence.

The affair was regrettable throughout. Both officers are popular, everybody likes them, and their encounter is a theme more for sorrow than for jesting.

A word here personal to the reporter. He has been asked, begged to have nothing to say of the sensation. A moment's reflection will cause any reasonable person to see the cowardice and the injustice of such a course. The province of a newspaper is not the boosting of a pet nor the roasting of an enemy. It is simply that of telling what happens. A poor nigger or a sorry white man, seldom finds reportorial or judicial clemency. These because of the hardness of their hearts may oft times deserve it, they don't receive it. And it is entirely too much to ask, that those who know best the law and are appointed to maintain its majesty, should be left unnoticed when they openly transgress it.

BALLOON ASCENSION

Manningites Expect Great Time at Closing Exercises of School

Manning, Jan. 31.—The young people had a "pound" party at P. S. Klutz's Saturday night.

L. V. Elliott and V. S. Sifford were out from Salisbury Sunday.

Paul Barger and sister, Miss Maggie of Bock Creek, were at Salem Sunday.

Mrs. Florence Frankman, of Ohio, attended divine worship at Salem Sunday. Mrs. Frankman is visiting her mother, Mrs. Rufus Saffrit.

There was a barn raising at T. D. Lihk's yesterday.

The crowning event at the closing exercises of the Salem school will be a balloon ascension. A great time is anticipated.

MRS. F. B. BEALL'S TRAVELS

Mrs. F. B. Beall has been heard from as far west as Kansas City. She spent two days in St. Louis with her son, J. M. Beall and family, and was entertained at a luncheon given at the Mercantile club in her honor. She expected to arrive in El Paso, Texas, Sunday morning, where she will spend quite a while visiting her brother, John M. Dean, who was at one time a citizen of Salisbury. He is a successful citizen and has been prominent in politics in the great state of Texas. Salisbury is proud of her sons and young men who have "gone West."

Read The Sun—The Home Paper.

HOBSON'S FATHER DIED LAST NIGHT

Eminent Lawyer, Jurist and Gentleman of Alabama Yields to Pneumonia

WAS BORN IN DAVIE

Many relatives in North Carolina Mourn Him. Married Judge Pearson's Daughter

Augustus H. Price, Esq., today received a telegram announcing the death at 11:30 last night of his uncle, Judge James Hobson of Greensboro, Alabama.

It is to be doubted if there is in the entire South, a man whose death will bring sorrow to more men than this one. Certainly in this State, the natural Hobson home, there will be personal grief in almost every home, and in Alabama, Judge Hobson's adopted state there will be sadness without mitigation.

Judge Hobson was born in Davie county, 65 years ago. He spent his early boyhood and manhood days at the old Hobson homestead, one of the loveliest places of ante-bellum days. He went through the war and returning studied law under Judge Richmond Pearson, whose daughter, Miss Sallie, he afterwards married. Mrs. Hobson died a year ago. To the union were born seven children, all living, Messrs. Richmond, James, Gus and Joe and Misses Annie, Florence and Margaret Hobson. To this same family belongs the world renowned Captain Richmond Pearson Hobson, a man whose name is known in every home in the land.

Judge Hobson is survived by one brother, Mr. W. H. Hobson, who lives at the Davie county home place. This surviving brother is one of the kindest men that ever lived, and there will be felt for him the tenderest sympathy where the dead was not personally known.

A courtly, knightly gentleman, a wise, a just jurist, an eminent lawyer, a king in the aristocracy of intellect, a sovereign at home and a courtier abroad—all these died last night. Such a one cannot miss a just reward.

LOCAL BRIEFS

Robert Kesler of Russell is in the city today.

C. L. Cailton of Albemarle, spent the night in the city.

Belk-Harry have a change of ad today. See page 4.

Ernest Cavin visited in Landis Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Mary Gaither of China Grove, is spending the day in Salisbury.

Cecil Teal left today for a couple of weeks' visit at his home in Concord.

Mrs. W. F. Sides left yesterday for New Bern where she will visit her relatives.

H. Wood Dorsett, Jr., of Lexington, spent last night and this morning in the city.

Miss Annie Cale Boyden of Selma, Alabama, is in Salisbury, the guest of Miss Ledbetter Smith.

Robert E. Leavell went to Newberry this morning, after spending the day yesterday in Rockwell.

Jackson Sechler, who visited his old home at China Grove last week, has been detained there by illness.

The Simple Life will be the next attraction at Meroney's Opera house, appearing Saturday, February 4th.

Frank Smithdeal returned last night from Winston-Salem, where he made a business trip for the Southern railway.

Judge L. H. Clement returned yesterday evening from Mocksville, where he spent Sunday and Monday with his mother.

Senator R. Lee Wright returned this morning to Raleigh to be present at the remainder of the term of the General Assembly.

J. P. Harper and J. T. Herne spent yesterday at the Narrows, where they will do grading for the Whitney Reduction company.

W. H. Wright, who arrived yesterday morning from Washington, D. C., returned tonight to his home at Blocton, Alabama. Mr. Wright is a brother of Mrs. R. M. Pendleton.

F. L. Rousears, grand chief of the Railway Carmen, the Spencer Male quartet, and the Spencer String band will be among the attractions at the Central Labor Union Smoker, tomorrow night.

J. J. McCaffrey, representing the Bobbit Chemical company of Baltimore Maryland, the makers of Rheumacide, was in this city today. Rheumacide advertising is regularly carried by The Sun, and one appears in today's issue.