

## UNION IS DIVIDED

### Think Operators Will Consent to Arbitration While Others Doubt It.

Pretty Generally Believed, However, That If Operators Consent to Arbitration It Will Only Be With Reference to Those Matters That Are Not Considered by Former Arbitration Commission.—One Reason for Thinking Arbitration Will Be Accepted.

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## FRANCHISE GRANTED FOR MT. AIRY ELECTRIC LINE

Special to The Sentinel. MT. AIRY, April 6.—City fathers here have granted a franchise for an electric railway from Mt. Airy to the Sulphur Springs.

The franchise is to be for three years and asks for the right to build a street railway on one or more of the streets of this city from the depot to Main street and then up Main street to the corporate limits. The company must be organized within ninety days and work begin in one year and the road be completed in two years, or the franchise is forfeited.

The White Sulphur Springs are to be free to those who buy tickets to that point.

Mr. M. A. Morris, a prosperous farmer, who lives near Dobson, in this county, was in town today and made the remark that he was over fifty years of age and had never been a witness in court or seen a judge in his life. He was raised in Davidson county but has lived in Surry for the past fifteen years.

## CONTINUED FLOW OF LAVA FROM VESUVIUS.

By Wire to The Sentinel. NAPLES, Italy, April 7.—The continued activity of Vesuvius is proving extremely bad on vineyards in the region of the mountain. If rain should follow before the dust disappears all vegetation will be destroyed.

The continued flow of lava and the renewal of activity of the volcano have alarmed the whole country which is practically panic-stricken.

The new mouth of the volcano is 2400 feet above sea level.

## NEGRO SENTENCED TO BE HANGED MAY 25.

Special to The Sentinel. RALEIGH, April 7.—Late yesterday afternoon Ben Williams, convicted last week, was brought before Judge Council in the superior court and sentenced to be hanged May 25 for the murder of Alex Clark, a negro brakeman on the Seaboard Air Line who came to Raleigh from Petersburg.

Appeal was taken to the supreme court. Garfield Williams, another negro who was convicted last week of the murder of Chas. Bunch, colored, by having kicked him in the abdomen during an affray at a disreputable house, death having resulted in a few days, was also brought before Judge Council and sentenced to twelve years in the penitentiary.

## Ex-Confederates And Public Offices.

From Statesville Landmark. Referring to the suggestion of Hon. C. B. Watson for Congress in the Fifth District, the esteemed Greensboro Tar Heel says: It is about as difficult for an old Confederate veteran to be nominated and elected by the Democratic party in this State as it is for a decent Republican to be appointed and confirmed to office in this State under the present administration.

Oh, no! Not so bad as that. As a matter of fact the ex-Confederates, until the past few years, filled nearly all the public offices in North Carolina. There are yet many in office and the people haven't quit electing them to office. The latter part of the extract from the Tar Heel is interesting, however.

Preparations for the observance of Easter—the fifteenth instant—have passed the initial stage and the churches of the city will make this Easter season notable. All of them are arranging for special services and the musical programs will be unusually attractive. In the respective churches the usual Easter services will be, as of old, a part of the day's service but they will be supplemented by special music.

Every male citizen over 21 and under 50 years knows he is liable for poll tax, and every citizen who can read knows—and those who cannot read know it, too, for that matter—that unless he pays that poll tax by May 1 he will be unable to vote in any election this year. Now if any citizen wants to voluntarily disfranchise himself that is his business.

Mr. J. E. Dalton, of Pine Hall, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. W. M. Harris, returned home this afternoon.

Mrs. A. B. Kimball, of Greensboro, is visiting her sister, Mrs. R. B. Kern.

## BOTH SIDES APPEAR TO BE STILL UNCERTAIN.

Advocates and Opponents of Rate Bill Both Seem Afraid to Vote.

## THEY FEEL A TRIFLE UNCERTAIN ABOUT IT.

Although Both Sides Have Been Working Diligently Neither Feels Certain That It Has Corralled Enough Votes to Win Absolutely.—Date of Vote to Be Decided on Soon.

By Wire to The Sentinel. WASHINGTON, April 7.—The real reason no agreement has been reached on the railroad rate bill in the senate is that neither side yet feels confident of having enough votes to win. There are 55 active Republicans in the senate and 33 Democrats. Any closely contested proposition therefore requires 45 votes to succeed.

Neither Tillman nor "conservative" senators are yet satisfied that these 45 votes are so corralled that they are ready to risk the question.

The two main issues are scope of possible proceedings in court after interstate commerce commission has decided that a certain railroad rate is unjust, and whether, pending litigation in court, the decision of the commission shall remain in effect or not.

## JEROME'S ATTITUDE AS TO INSURANCE CASES.

Special to The Sentinel. NEW YORK, April 7.—This is a statement of the contentions of the friends of various insurance officials:

The public has been very much interested in the treatment of Mr. Jerome of the insurance men whom the howling dervishes of the press have been demanding be sent to prison or set to work on Blackwell's Island. Equality before the law is what they were shouting, but how can there be equality before the law to catch a tramp, and convict him of theft, and send him to prison inflicts but little punishment upon him. He finds delight in it in some respect, for he has now that he is in quod, a roof over his head, with good food, and he is safe from all alarms, for the walls of stone are thick and strong. He is not kept awake by pangs of conscience, nor does he worry about what the public think about him. Indeed, he knows that the public isn't giving him a thought—he's too obscure. But take the rich man. On the merest suspicion of wrong doing, which may never be established, he becomes a flaring picture before the public at once, and continues such for months and months, while the newspapers are trying and convicting him to their own satisfaction. If we may judge from the effect on many during the past few months, whom this treatment has brought to utter prostration, with health ruined, we must suppose that these men are in hell from the very first moment they are accused, and continue in the inferno from then until they die. If the law clears them their reputations are blackened anyway. If convicted and sent to prison, what to the tramp is luxury, is to them excruciating torture. There is no equality of punishment at all in the two classes of cases.

The point that Mr. Jerome seeks to impress upon the court and the public is that it is a much more serious matter to accuse a man of standing and prominence than it is of an ordinary knave. And in the matter of calling the playing of political contributions larceny Mr. Jerome evidently thinks it is absurd to thus designate what has been done for years without question by men of character without any thought of offence. It looks too much like blackening people's reputation on technicalities. No body can think for a moment that George W. Perkins thought he was committing larceny when he handed over money of the New York Life Insurance Company to representative of a political party.

A contrasting picture was presented in court at the very moment that Mr. Perkins was arrested. A boy of thirteen was sent to a correctional institution for three years for stealing a cent. But the stealing of that cent showed that the boy possessed the very quintessence of the spirit of theft; that he almost strangled a little girl to get her penny away from her because he wanted to steal it. He was truly a thief, thoroughly impregnated with dishonesty, and when he was being taken away for punishment he turned and laughed. Theft is theft. Is there any relationship between that boy's forcible taking of that penny and Perkins' bestowal of a contribution on a political party?

## PHILIPPINE MATTERS BEFORE THE COMMITTEE.

House Committee on Insular Affairs Considering Resolution About Them.

## DIRECTS PRESIDENT TO CONFER WITH POWERS.

That is, to Try to Get Various Nations to Agree Not to Interfere With Philippines After Residents of Those Islands Are Given Their Independence, Whenever This May Be.—Hearing With Reference to the Bill Today.

By Wire to The Sentinel. WASHINGTON, April 7.—Moorefield Storey, of Boston, president of the anti-imperialist league, appeared before the house committee on insular affairs this morning in favor of the McCall resolution directing the president to reach an agreement with foreign nations of the world that they keep hands off the Philippines, should they be given their independence. Storey declared this was the most favorable time for pressing the question to allow Philippines to remain unimpaired. The passage of the resolution did not mean that the Filipinos are to be given their independence today, tomorrow or next year, he said.

Mr. Gilbert asked if it was true disorder in the island was prompted to a great extent by the belief that the United States would never give the Filipinos their demands. To him Mr. Storey replied that disorders undoubtedly came from the people's desire for freedom and that some promise for independence held out would have great effect in keeping turbulent element down.

## MEETING OF PYTHIANS A DECIDED SUCCESS.

The district Pythian meeting, held with Forsyth lodge, of Wauchoy, last night, was a decided success—one of the best ever held in this (eighth) district.

The attendance was large, every lodge except Bethania being represented; the reports were encouraging; the addresses were superb and Forsyth lodge entertained her guests royally.

Mr. C. C. McLean, a prominent and enthusiastic member of Greensboro and a candidate for vice state grand chancellor, was present, representing State Grand Chancellor A. S. Barnard, of Asheville, who was prevented from attending by private business. Mr. McLean made a brief but inspiring address on the good of the order, showing how it was growing in membership and usefulness in North Carolina.

After the formal exercises connected with the opening of the lodge, District Deputy F. H. Vogler took charge and presided over the meeting.

Mr. Sparrow, of Forsyth lodge, welcomed the visiting Pythians in a hearty and enthusiastic address.

The response was by Mr. A. B. Eynum, of Damon lodge No. 41, and it was no less earnest and pleasing than the happy address of welcome.

Mr. J. F. Hendren, of Eldie, the speaker of the evening, was happily introduced by Mayor O. B. Eaton. Mr. Hendren is a good lawyer and an entertaining speaker and his address on this occasion was full of inspiration to all who heard him. He spoke of the great brotherhood of man and of the principles of Pythianism: Friendship, Charity and Benevolence. He told how men today, on account of the mad rush for money, forget to scatter sunshine and gladness—neglect many of the good things in the social life, etc.

Other brief and impromptu remarks were made by E. A. Ebert, G. H. Royser and several others. Mr. Royser, who resides at Greensboro, told of the progress of the Endowment Rank, the insurance branch of the order. He said that more insurance was written in 1905 than any year since the order was founded and he expressed the opinion that 1906 would be another record breaker.

District Deputy Vogler was perhaps the happiest man at the meeting. The large attendance, enthusiasm manifested and the encouraging reports submitted, were responsible for his smiles and good humor.

At the close of the exercises Forsyth lodge served oranges, bananas and cigars. The meeting closed and the visitors were on the street enroute to their respective homes before 11 o'clock.

## TRIAL OF G. L. SMOOT IS AGAIN POSTPONED.

Special to The Sentinel. GREENSBORO, April 7.—Federal court was in session but a short while this morning, the jurors and witnesses being excused.

The case against G. L. Smoot, charged with counterfeiting, was to have been tried today but Major Steadman appeared before the judge and stated that he and Col. James T. Morehead, who were Smoot's attorneys, were both detained at the very important hearing of the city street paving and junction case. Judge Boyd allowed the cases to go over until Monday. Several ladies from Winston and business men, present as witnesses, were lunch put out at having to go back and come again Monday.

It is thought the criminal docket will be concluded by Monday night and on Tuesday civil cases will be called. The first case to be tried is the one from Wilkes county, where creditors of Hardin, Davis and Combs are seeking to have them declared bankrupt and a large stock of hardware subjected to payment of debts. This case will probably consume several days. It is a very important one and at least six big lawyers are in it.

## MR. H. E. FRIES NAMED AS ONE OF COMMITTEE.

Special to The Sentinel. RALEIGH, April 7.—Governor R. B. Glenn has announced the members of the committee from North Carolina to attend the conference at Washington April 25 between the congressional committee having in hand the Appalachian Forestry Reserve Bill and the delegates from the States interested. The committeemen are Frank H. Hewitt, of Asheville; H. E. Fries, Winston-Salem; D. A. Tompkins, Charlotte; Hugh MacRae, Wilmington; T. S. Rolles, Asheville; Dr. Joseph H. Pratt, Chapel Hill.

## New Advertisements.

The Huntley-Hill-Stockton Co.—House furnishings at money saving prices. The advantage of our divided payment plan.

Owens Drug Co.—Best drug store service.

C. A. Jenkins.—Best bargains in town in real estate.

The Rominger & Crim Furnishing Co.—Last week of great special sale, specials in rugs and druggists.

Watkins Book Store.—An attractive Kodak ad. on the 8th page.

The Lick Co.—Jack and the Bean Stalk concentrated fertilizer for lawns, for sale by all druggists.

Reynolds Bros.—Dry wood arriving daily, the kind that will burn either morning, noon, or night.

The Misses Martin.—Special Easter reduction sale beginning Monday on silk costumes and clothe suits.

Dean Transfer Co.—Phone 305 or 568 for either carriage or baggage.

W. F. Crouse, superintendent Winston branch of Conservative Mutual Life Insurance Co., of Charlotte, N. C. The advantage of an industrial policy.

## UNION DEPOT TO BE BUILT AT GOLDSBORO.

Special to The Sentinel. RALEIGH, April 7.—The corporation commission received notice from the Atlantic Coast Line, Southern and Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad Companies that they have agreed on a location for a union depot at Goldsboro, it to be in the western suburb of the town, the tracks to skirt the town rather than traverse the main street as at present. A map showing the location of the proposed site is filed, their selection being subject to the approval of the commission.

At the Skating Rink. The skating rink in the old Walker factory on West Fourth street is drawing large crowds. The managers are now using two floors of this large building and with a big lot of new skates are prepared to accommodate more than two hundred people.

For the purpose of organizing the Men's Missionary League in Charlotte Hon. J. C. Buxton, of Winston-Salem, will address the congregation of the Church of the Holy Comforter, DeWorth, and St. Peter's, Sunday morning and evening, respectively, at the usual time of service. Mr. Buxton is secretary and registrar of the Men's Missionary League in the Convocation of Charlotte, an organization planned to enlist the help and sympathy of men in the extension of the work of the Episcopal church in the Diocese of North Carolina.—Charlotte Observer.

## CAME IN AN AUTO.

Salem Commissioner Shaffner Had to Hurry Home to Make His Vote Legal.

Met at Tyro Shops by Oscar Hege With His Automobile.—Arrived Just in Time for Salem Officials to Pass the Order for Holding \$125,000 Bond Election for the Purchase of Water Works Plant.

The order calling an election in Salem, to be held on Tuesday, June 26, when the question of issuing bonds in the amount of \$125,000 for the purchase by the town of the Salem Water Works plant and the improvement of same, passed second reading at the regular monthly meeting of the Salem commissioners last night.

The official order, which appears in this issue of The Sentinel, was not passed until 11 o'clock last night.

Three members of the board met at 8 o'clock last evening, but could not legally transact any business until another member arrived to make a quorum.

It was discovered yesterday that four members of the board were out of town and for several hours it looked like the second reading of the special election order would have to be deferred, which would mean a delay and the necessary selection of another date for holding said election. Legal advice was obtained and a member of the board was told that if the order was not passed last night the election could not be held within ninety days.

How to get one of the absentees back before 12 o'clock last night was discussed. C. R. Faw, who recently moved to Roanoke, had sent in his resignation as a member of the board but it had not been acted upon; H. E. Fries and L. B. Brickenstein were in the North, while Henry F. Shaffner was at Spencer looking after some business for the Watchtower Loan and Trust Company, of which he is treasurer. Mr. Shaffner discovered yesterday that on account of the collapse of the railroad bridge two miles from Barber Junction he could not reach home by rail in time for the meeting last night. He called up a member of the board at home and discussed the matter over the long distance phone. Mr. Shaffner was told what would happen if he failed to show up before midnight. He was asked to hire a hand car and come to Winston-Salem as quickly as possible. He refused this proposition, saying that he did not care to risk his life by this mode of transportation.

"Get an automobile then," said the commissioner at this end of the line. "There are none of those things here," replied Mr. Shaffner.

Later another plan to get the absent commissioner home in time was devised.

The proprietor of the lively stable at Salisbury said that owing to the bad condition of the roads he did not have a team that could make the trip to the Twin-City before midnight. Mr. Shaffner was then told to hire a two-horse team and drive to Tyro Shops, Davidson county, where he would be met by Oscar Hege, of this city, in his automobile. This was satisfactory and the plan was adopted. Mr. Hege carried a colored man along to look out for stumps and rudders, and to prevent the auto from getting too gay when running at full speed. The absent commissioner arrived at 10:52. It is interesting to hear him relate his experience during the run from Tyro Shops. However, it is admitted that if the roads had been first-class the fifty mile run would have been made easily in two hours. Mr. Hege and his automobile are entitled to the honors for the valuable service rendered the good old town of Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cannon, of Concord, arrived in the city this afternoon. They will be the guests of their daughter, Madames J. B. Douglas and Chas. Hill for a few days.

The leaf tobacco sales on the local market this week amounted to \$77,444 pounds.

Mrs. J. C. Ferabee, formerly Miss Bertha Lloyd, writes relatives here that she will leave Texas next Tuesday for Winston-Salem. She will probably spend several weeks here the guest of her father, J. S. Lloyd.

E. L. Gaither and daughter, Miss Adelaide, of Mocksville, were in the city today.

Miss Mabel Ireland returned this afternoon from Goldsboro where she attended the marriage of Dr. M. L. Smoot, of Spencer, to Miss Margaret Giddens, of Goldsboro.

Williams typewriter in fair condition for sale at bargain. Winston Mill Supply Co.

## ARRANGEMENTS ARE MADE FOR PICNIC HERE MAY 5

Committee was here today to make final arrangements for the picnic of the Southern Railway employees of Salisbury and to be held in this city on May 5. Chairman Swain stated today that picnickers this year would outnumber last year by several hundred. Picnics will be required where picnics were used last year. The picnic will be in two sections. The picnic will arrive here about 10 o'clock.

## RAISING BY THE WIDORS AT STOKESDALE

Hasten, of this city, was one of the speakers at a big flag raising picnic today. The program was under the auspices of the Order United American Men. The flag was largely attended and the flag was raised over the school building at Stokesdale. A Bible was presented in dedication. Past State Council P. Smith, of Raleigh, and Mr. J. C. Green, of Greensboro, also made addresses.

## FOR ALGER MUCH IMPROVED IN HEALTH.

Senator W. M. Mitchell, who went to Algeria for his health, has returned. He is steadily improving.

Reports from Detroit will not again be a candidate for the senate.