

Vote On the Rate Last of the Week

Expected to Dispose of the Matter Friday... Difference in House and Senate... Other Legislative News.

The legislative head of debate on the rate bills, these bills conflicting in each branch in which, "through the to be appointed today," will finally passed, will contain a flat 2 1/2 cent pass...

CORTLEYOU MAKES LONG STATEMENT

Reviews Part Taken by Treasury in Recent Panic.

Secretary of the Treasury Furnishes Information to the United States Senate on This Subject—Says Action Taken by Treasury Checked Panic and Reduced Premium on Currency.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—Today Secretary Cortleyou sent to the senate a statement of the United States treasury's action and part it took in relieving the financial panic recently. Among the main points is the statement that while the national banks were seeking and exerting themselves to increase the circulation of the treasury, by the new issue, placed at their command the means to do so, that this was the means by which the panic was checked and the premium on currency reduced. It is a long document.

In his review of the financial situation since the last session, when he first started to meet the perceptible shrinkage in currency the secretary claims for his administration full credit for preventing a disastrous panic. He says it was "with deliberate intent" that the offer of bonds was made more attractive than certificates, the purpose being to avoid having money withdrawn from banks and to increase bank circulation. He defends his course in allotting bonds to national banks on the grounds that proper reservation was made in his circular soliciting proposals. He meets the charge of favoritism in distribution of bonds by producing records to show they went to forty states and certificates to eighteen states. He concludes the report as follows:

"In every measure taken the secretary felt he was bound to have regard not simply to operation of the treasury but to the effect of these acts upon financial conditions of the country. The present head of the department has not assumed this obligation willingly and would be glad to be relieved of it at least in part, by suitable action."

Interviewed Independent Tobacco Manufacturers

It is understood that a representative of the Department of Justice at Washington spent several days here last week interviewing the local tobacco manufacturers "not in a trust" questioning them as to whether they are being "oppressed" by the American Tobacco Company or its allies.

The purpose of the visit of the government officer was to secure evidence for the prosecution of suits now pending in the United States courts against the tobacco trust people.

What information (if any) was furnished the gentleman who called upon the independent manufacturers, was not learned.

A BRIGHT LIFE GOES OUT.

Death of Miss Cassandra Vaughn, One of Winston-Salem's Popular and Beautiful Young Daughters—Funeral Service Tomorrow Afternoon.

Miss Cassandra Vaughn, the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar D. Vaughn, and one of Winston-Salem's most beautiful and beloved young ladies, died at the home of her parents at 1:29 this afternoon.

Miss Vaughn had not enjoyed the best of health for several years, though her condition only became serious last Sunday night. Since then the attending physician gave the parents no encouragement regarding the daughter's recovery.

Diabetes was the cause of her death.

The deceased was seventeen years old and possessed a bright, lovable and attractive personality. She was a student at the Salem Academy and College and was exceedingly popular with her classmates and in fact every member of the school.

The funeral services will be conducted from the Presbyterian church tomorrow afternoon, details of which have not been arranged. The interment will be in the Salem cemetery.

FIRES OCCUR IN 3 LARGE CITIES

Destructive Blazes in Indianapolis, Chicago and Kansas City.

Big Damage Caused by Conflagrations That Destroy Valuable Business Property—Splendid Efforts of Firemen Keep Blazes From Being as Disastrous as They Would Have Otherwise.

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 29.—Fire which started here last night in the general shipping rooms of Coburn & Co. is still burning. Over a million dollars worth of property has been destroyed already.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 29.—The packing plant of Nelson Morris & Co. was partially destroyed by fire, the loss being over a half million.

CHICAGO, Jan. 29.—One of the most disastrous fires affecting downtown district since 1874 consumed practically five buildings, causing a loss of more than a million dollars.

NEGROES LYNCH NEGROES.

Mississippi Mob Reported to Have Taken Lives of Three.

COMMERCE, Miss., Jan. 29.—Negroes are reported to have formed a mob which ran down and lynched two or three of their fellows last night. The victims of the mob were accused of killing and robbing their fathers.

—Mr. H. D. Harwood and several members of his family are wrestling with the mumps.

PARLIAMENT NOW IS IN SESSION

English Law-Making Body Convenes in London.

Address of King Edward Contained Nothing Out of the Ordinary—Great Number of Bills in Interest of Poor People Are to Be Introduced in Lower Branch of Parliament.

LONDON, Jan. 29.—What London papers christen "poor man's parliament" on account of the great mass of legislation to be asked in the interest chiefly of the working classes convened today, King Edward drove down in state from Buckingham Palace as usual to deliver his speech which was nothing out of the ordinary.

An immense mass of bills is slated for early introduction in the lower branch of the assembly. The indications are that the lords will either reject the measures or modify them until their own authors will not recognize them.

Murder in Wilkes By Unknown Parties

NORTH WILKESBORO, Jan. 29.—Civil court is in session again this week.

Scarlet fever is epidemic in the eastern part of the county. Jesse Green was found dead in Jobs Cabin township last Friday morning. The coroner's jury returned a verdict to the effect that Green was murdered by unknown parties.

The Finley store room, next to Vaughn-Hemphill & Co's is being fitted up for a skating rink.

CAUSE FOR DELAY OF CONSTRUCTION WORK ON THE SOUTHBOUND RAILWAY

"Will the Southbound Railroad ever be built?"

This question is asked almost daily by those interested in an enterprise that would prove of incalculable benefit to Winston-Salem and in fact every section through which it would pass.

The Sentinel speaks with authority in saying that the contracts for the construction work would have been awarded a year ago had it not been for the "tie-up" caused by the company failing to make satisfactory terms with certain land owners in Davidson county for rights-of-way.

This morning's Charlotte Observer contains the following special from Lexington:

For a time last summer it was feared that the building of the Southbound Railroad might be abandoned for years to come, but it now looks as if such will not be the case. It is learned that the entire right-of-way through this county, with one exception, has been secured. One man through whose farm the road is to run has not come to any agreement. Judgments given against the road at the last term of superior court where condemnation proceedings had been started to have been settled. The action of the company in settling upon these matters is looked upon as meaning that the project has not been abandoned by any means, and it is believed that work will probably be resumed on the road next spring.

Fayssoux's Feats Delight Another Good Audience

Fayssoux, the mind reader and hypnotist, delighted another fair-sized audience at the Auditorium last night. Some really splendid feats were performed and everyone present seemed to be well pleased.

The young man who has been asleep in the window at T. L. Vaughn Jr. & Co's store, was awakened after a large rock had been broken on his chest. Much interest was manifested in this feature of the performance.

All indications point to a very large audience tonight, as Fayssoux's performances the first two nights have given such general satisfaction. Those who intend to go tonight would do well to get their seats early.

—Messrs. R. J. Boxen and Bro. have purchased the stock of Edison phonographs and records carried by the Winston-Salem Phonograph Co. This stock was today moved to the music store of Bowen and Bro. in the Gray block. It is the purpose of Mr. Bowen to have a talking machine department in connection with his music store and carry a full and complete line of machines and records. Mr. Spangh sells his phonograph store in order that he may have more time to devote to the drug store business.

Miss Inez Davis, of Kernersville, was in the city today.

Watkins' Book Store In Handsome New Quarters

The new quarters of the Watkins book store at 111 1/2 West Fourth street, next door to Rosenbacher's, is one of the handsomest stores in the city and the handsomest book and stationery store in the state. The interior arrangement of this store was designed and worked out by Mr. Watkins and it is indeed a modern book store, in which the department idea is well carried out.

Several of the various lines of this store will be strengthened. The blank book department is now very complete and the line carried is the largest and most varied ever carried by this store. Among the other departments to be increased is that of office supplies, office fixtures and filing devices. This one line alone is to be a department in itself and all the methods for shortening and simplifying office work will be shown and demonstrated.

This new store, as a whole, is one that would do credit to a city much larger than Winston-Salem.

Death of Father Kirwan.

MOBILE, Ala., Jan. 29.—Rev. Father Kirwan, 41 years pastor of St. Patrick's Catholic church, of this city, died here today. He was an authority on church matters of the United States.

Attorney Littleton Makes Masterful Plea

Harry Thaw's Chief Counsel Delivers Magnificent Address to the Jury—Synopsis of Argument.

BIG LAND COMPANY ORGANIZED HERE.

East Winston Land Company Is Incorporated With \$16,000 Capital Subscribed and \$125,000 Authorized.

The secretary of state has issued a charter for the East Winston Land Company, of this city. This concern has an authorized capital of \$125,000 with \$16,000 already subscribed. The incorporators are W. B. and J. P. Taylor, W. H. Wheeler, W. E. Franklin and others.

It is the intention of the company to do an extensive business and to develop the eastern section of the city. It is understood that the land of the company will embrace that owned by R. J. Reynold, Dr. W. H. Wheeler and other nice tracts. The idea is to have the street car line extended into East Salem as early as practicable. The new company will doubtless be a splendid factor in the upbuilding of the Twin-City and will be a success from the very start.

Negro Woman Star Performer In Court.

The recorder's court this morning was of short duration. There were only five cases to be heard.

Anna Mabin, a negro woman, was the star performer in the court. She was arraigned on a warrant charging her with the larceny of \$29 from J. F. Burton, a young white man from Davidson county, yesterday morning. Runa gave the money to Harrison Fleming to get it changed. He took it to a store and got the change, keeping \$15 and giving the woman \$5 of it back. Fleming was arrested and the \$15 was found on him. Anna, through her counsel, admitted probable cause and she was bound over to the next term of criminal court, her bail being fixed at \$100, in default of which she went to jail.

Lidel Pou and Tom Ash, two small negro boys, were tried for loitering on the streets at night. They were found guilty of the charge and a sentence of 30 days each on the county roads was given them.

The case against Charles Meyers, charged with cruelty to animals, was continued on account of the absence of some witnesses.

Baxter Smith was made to pay a fine of \$5 and taxed with the costs, in a case against him for trespass.

The case against Cal Martin, colored, for an assault on Blanche Simmons, was continued.

Fleming and Hill Tried. At a special session of the recorder's court which convened this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, Harrison Fleming and Worth Hill, the two negroes alleged to have accepted money from Anna Mabin, knowing at the time that it was stolen, were given a hearing. Fleming acknowledged accepting the money, but stated that he did not know it was stolen until the next morning. He said Anna passed him on the street and gave him \$15 and told him to keep it until she called for it. She stated that on the same night she met Worth Hill and he told her if she did not give him \$5 of it he would tell on her and she gave him that amount. Fleming also stated that after they had arrested Anna her mother came to him and told him to give \$10 to Mr. J. S. Grogan to appear for her in court, which he did. Hill denied having any knowledge of the money. Anna stated that after he had given Hill the \$5 that he went back to her house and came back saying to her that "there were two policemen and a protector" down there looking for her.

The judgment of the court was that the two defendants be bound over to the next term of court under bonds of \$100 each. In default thereof both were taken to jail.

Veneer Manufacturers Here.

The Southeastern Veneer Association held a called meeting here this afternoon to discuss business conditions. Mr. O. L. Williams, of Mocksville, is president, and L. V. Phillips of Lexington secretary. There was a large attendance of members.

100,000 POUNDS AT \$13.00 PER HUNDRED. The Winston market sold about 100,000 pounds of tobacco today at an average of \$13.00 per hundred. This is a high-water mark.

Among the best sales today were: I. S. Spurgeon, of High Point, 991 pounds at 22 cents.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Steering entirely clear of "Demencia Americana" and other rhetorical pyrotechnics, Martin W. Littleton today made a plea to the jury which will decide the punishment to be meted out to Harry K. Thaw for the murder of Architect Stanford White. Littleton's plea was a masterful argument, couched in direct terms and delivered in an emphatic and impressive style, free from all spread-eagle tactics. He made a plain insanity plea with no other argument advanced than that Thaw could not be adjudged guilty of murder because of mental incompetency at the time he killed White. The argument mainly comprised a review of the evidence and development of its worth. He combatted absolutely the insinuation that the defense of insanity was picked up by him as a subterfuge and only intended for use to save the defendant.

Thaw was plainly nervous during the argument.

REVIEW OF THE TRIAL.

Representative of Hearst News Service Makes Some Interesting Observations.

BY DOROTHY DIX.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—Mr. Littleton has riveted together the last link in his chain of evidence to prove that Harry Thaw has been practically insane all of his life.

He has brought together in dramatic succession four physicians and a trained nurse, all of whom attended the prisoner in some phase of his mental aberrations.

These doctors foregathered from many cities, from Pittsburg, from London, from Rome, from Paris. It did not take the most valuable of them ten minutes to tell what he had to say.

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Does Twin-City Want Professional Ball Team?

Will Winston-Salem get in the national game?

The Twin-City for the first time has an opportunity of becoming a member of a baseball association and securing a professional team.

The local fans say that it will require a guarantee fund of \$2,000 in order to "play ball" here. It remains for those interested to put up the cash. The matter is to be decided within the next few days.

It appears now that if this city does not take advantage of the opportunity to secure a large amount of advertising, Raleigh will take her place.

Let every baseball lover get busy and assist the committee in soliciting subscriptions.

PROCEEDINGS IN HOUSE.

Railway Rate Matter Is Considered by That Body.

RALEIGH, Jan. 29.—The sum total work in house were three speeches on the railroad rate bill, one by Manning for minority, one by Mangum for governor's compromise and one by Blount favoring minority bill, which is to strengthen the present law. Blount advocated a two-cent rate in preference to 2 1/4 cents, but would accept the best thing he could get. A motion to limit speech to fifteen minutes was proposed and finally withdrawn by Mull, of Cleveland, who will urge the passage at the session tonight. Several minor bills were taken up and passed. Justice on the floor said the session would probably end this week.

Local Pythians Invited to District Meeting

The Pythian district meeting to be held in Greensboro tomorrow night promises to be an interesting and profitable occasion for those who attend. A letter was received here today by Grand Chancellor Crist from District Deputy McBride Holt, of Graham, inviting all Pythians in the Twin-City to attend, assurance being given of a delightful gathering. There will be rank work, addresses and refreshments.

Bank Examiner Hull, who has been here since Monday examining the local banks, left this afternoon for Elkin and Mt. Airy. He will return via this city in a few days.

A sociable will be given at the Methodist Protestant church, Wednesday night, by the Ladies' Aid Society, from 7:30 p. m. to 10:30. All Methodist Protestants of the city are invited. Refreshments will be served.

—Mrs. John Coleman, who has been ill for several days, was reported to be greatly improved this afternoon. Mrs. V. P. Mole's condition shows no material change since yesterday.

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County Fair Association

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County Fair Association express our thanks to business men of N. C. for their lit- The Forsyth County from time to time

ARS SHOE OFF.

as Almost Miracu- From Death. Jan. 28.—A mirac- death by lightning by a force thunder Monday night. A partially wreck- bank Crossman liter from one of Mrs. without doing her to painfully bury d. Glen Crossman. required the at-