

Strong Committee Will Go to Washington Soon Relative to Local Public Building Matter

Not Known Yet Whether City Will Accept \$250,000 Or Wait For More-Representative Stedman Confers With Citizens.

What is Winston-Salem's pleasure in the matter?

Shall she accept the \$250,000 public building appropriation made at a former session of Congress or wait and take chances in securing an additional sum of the same amount.

Congressman Stedman, of this district, spent the morning here discussing with representative citizens what action was deemed advisable.

It was decided to appoint a strong committee from the Board of Trade to go to Washington soon after Congress convenes after the holidays and make a thorough investigation of the situation.

Representative Stedman met local citizens this morning in Secretary Kuykendall's office and gave them the facts in the case, as he expressed it. He was emphatic in the statement that if the pension bill which passed the House two weeks ago becomes a law it will play havoc with all new public building improvements the coming year.

Maj. Stedman made it plain that Chairman Underwood, of the appropriation committee, and other leaders in the House and Senate would ask that no new bills for public building appropriations be introduced at the present session.

It is generally understood that the appropriation made for Winston-Salem will be available as it is needed, provided the people here wish to accept it. Of the \$250,000, one fifth of the amount was used in the purchase of the lots fronting on Fifth and Trade streets. This means that two hundred thousand dollars remains to be used in enlarging the present postoffice building.

It is known that there is a sentiment for not delaying the matter any longer, provided assurance is given that the proposed additional appropriation cannot be obtained within the next year and that the government will use the full amount of the two hundred thousand in improving and enlarging the present inadequate structure. Others contend that the wise thing to do is to wait and not accept anything until the Twin-City can get just what she is entitled to.

Definite action in the matter will be left to the committee which will be named to go to Washington for a conference with the North Carolina Senators and Representatives.

In discussing matters this morning, Congressman Stedman stated that he not only voted against the pension bill but that he worked against its passage. He explained, however, that both Senators and Representatives from the Northwest were enthusiastic for it—Democrats and Republicans alike. He added that one conservative and splendid gentleman from Missouri made the statement that if he should vote against what many of the Southerners termed a pension grab, he would not be permitted to live in his district, much less entertain the hope or idea of securing another nomination and election.

In response to an inquiry, Maj. Stedman stated that he was not in position to say whether the pension "grab" bill would pass the Senate, but he did feel confident that if it did go through President Taft would not veto it. "Mr. Taft is a mighty clever man, but he is intent on securing a renomination," said the Fifth district representative.

Maj. Stedman told the committee this morning that he always stood ready to do all he could for Winston-Salem and her interests. He was assured that the people of this city had the utmost confidence in his sincerity and willingness to give his best service in the postoffice and all other matters pertaining to this city's material interests.

Representative Stedman returned to Greensboro this morning. He had planned to ask the present Congress for appropriations for the postoffice buildings at Mt. Airy and Burlington, but with the light now before him he does not see any hope of getting the bills even considered.

NEW AGRICULTURAL AGENT FOR SOUTHERN RAILWAY.

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Mr. Gross will devote his attention to the advancement of agriculture along the lines of the Southern Railway in Southern Virginia, advising with farmers as to advanced methods of cultivation, giving them all possible assistance without charge.

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ENGINEER KILLED; SEVERAL HURT. HUNTINGTON, W. Va., Dec. 28.—Engineer William Dunn was killed, Fireman Lacey Terrell fatally injured and a number of passengers hurt when the engine of train No. 5, on Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad, left the track at McKendree. The engine rolled down an embankment. A number of cars left the rails. The train is one of the best on the system.

RESIGNATION OF DR. ALVAH H. DOTY DEMANDED

ALBANY, Dec. 28.—Governor Dix has asked for the immediate resignation of Dr. Alvah H. Doty, health officer of the port of New York. His resignation was recommended by Commissioner Bulger, who declared that the history of the management of the state's quarantine is replete with evidence of gross incompetency and inexcusable negligence. Dr. Doty drew \$12,500 annually.

STOP SPECIAL PENSIONS. Senator Works Will Attempt to Attach Rider to Sherwood Bill.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Senator Works, of California, will attempt to attach to the Sherwood pension bill a provision absolutely prohibiting any special pension bills and making ineligible for pension any person who attempts to get special legislation. Senator Works hopes to stop the flood of special pensions which are passed by Congress at each session. In spite of the fact that the Senate committee on pensions is framing a substitute for the Sherwood bill, which would scale down the pensions proposed, the measure as it came from the House has found many supporters in the Senate who favor the "dollar-a-day" allowance.

LIVES AS DEAD. Man Has Been Unconscious for Past Five Weeks.

SOUTH NORWALK, Conn., Dec. 28.—To live for weeks as one dead is the peculiar fate which awaits George Cohen of New York, according to the medical experts. Cohen was struck on the head by a trolley car five weeks ago, and since that time he has been unconscious in the Norwalk hospital.

SEVENTH HUSBAND AT 65. Many-Times Bride Wasn't Sure Of Age, But Guessed at It.

VINCENNES, Ind., Dec. 28.—Catherine Carter weds her seventh husband, John Woodrum, 71 years old, a farmer of Casey county, Kentucky. All her former husbands are dead. The bride did not know her age, but told the clerk she was about 65 years old.

LILLIAN RUSSELL TO TRY MATRIMONY FOURTH TIME.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Lillian Russell, the actress, will marry Alexander P. Moore, of Pittsburg. This will be her fourth matrimonial venture.

Fire Still Raging. TORONTO, Dec. 28.—Half the business section of Golden City was destroyed by a fire which is still raging, according to a dispatch received here.

THRONE FAVORABLE TO YUAN SHI KAI'S IDEA

PEKING, Dec. 28.—The throne has agreed to Premier Yuan Shi Kai's suggestion to refer the question of the future government of China to a national conference and abide by its decision.

Decides To Leave Peking. LONDON, Dec. 28.—A telegram from Tien Tsen to the Exchange Telegraph Company says the imperial family has decided to leave Peking. The decision will be announced later today.

REGISTRATION FOR BOND ELECTION ENDS SATURDAY

The registration books for the bond election to be held in Winston and Broadway townships on January 8th will close next Saturday. A new registration is required.

Winston township will vote on issuing \$100,000 bonds to aid in the construction of the Randolph and Cumberland Railroad from Cameron, N. C., via High Point to Winston-Salem and thence to Yadkinville and Elkin, to be paid when the road is completed to Yadkinville.

Broadway township will vote on issuing \$50,000 to aid in the construction of the road, to be paid when the road is completed to Winston-Salem.

The proposed road would connect with the main line of the Seaboard Air Line Railway at Cameron, N. C., and would give this city its fourth great railway system.

Quite a number of people have already registered for the election but it is desired to have as large a registration and vote as possible.

DOES MINCE PIE MAKE YOU SLEEPY? SOUTH HADLEY, Mass., Dec. 28.—Mt. Holyoke College girls were so sleepy and sluggish at the recitations held at 2 o'clock every afternoon that the faculty, long puzzled, decided to investigate. It was finally reasoned that as the girls became drowsy after luncheon the explanation was to be sought in the luncheon menu. It was, or at least the professors think it was, for it was announced that when the girls return after Christmas holidays mince pie and apple dumplings, found to be the favorite luncheon food, will no longer be served. Luncheons hereafter will consist of fruit and other light edibles.

"DOLLAR-A-DAY" VETO HINT. Taft May Disapprove Pension Bill Costing \$75,000,000, If Passed.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 28.—Secretary of the Interior Fisher informed President Taft that final adoption of the Sherwood "dollar-a-day" pension bill as it passed the House would increase the Government's annual pension expenditures at least \$75,000,000. Pension Commissioner Davenport will send a detailed report to Congress. Mr. Taft has refrained from stating definitely that he would veto the Sherwood bill if it came to him, but close friends believe that he would.

NAT GOODWIN WILL TRY MATRIMONY AGAIN. NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Nat C. Goodwin denies that he is preparing to step into matrimony now.

SEES SONS IN FATAL DUEL. Mother Unable to Prevent Fight That Ends in Fratricide.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 28.—As their mother looked on, two brothers fought till one of them dropped dead at Wheat, Doane county.

FOUR-MASTED SCHOONER IS HURLED ON LEDGES. BLOCK ISLAND, Rhode Island, Dec. 28.—A northwest gale hurled an unknown four-masted schooner on the ledges off the west side of Block Island this morning. The schooner filled rapidly. The crew was driven to the cross-trees. Life-saving crews are trying to rescue them.

CANTATA AT BETHANIA A DECIDED SUCCESS. A Christmas cantata was given at Bethania last night in the High School Auditorium by the Bethania Sunday School under the direction of Mr. Chas. H. Griffith. The program was a splendid one and was creditably rendered. The entertainment was witnessed by a crowded house. Quite a number went out from Winston-Salem.

POLICEMAN WORTH QUARTER OF MILLION. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 28.—George W. Cromwell, one of the country's wealthiest policemen, retires Jan. 1, after forty-nine years of service. He is worth a quarter of a million dollars. He says he made it in realty investments.

RING AND ALBUM PRESENTED TO ARCHBISHOP FARLEY.



Archbishop Farley, recently inducted into the office of Cardinal of the Catholic church, took with him to Rome one of the finest Cardinal's rings in the world, and it contains a sapphire with the largest surface of any sapphire in New York. It was presented to the Archbishop by a lifelong friend, and memories of many happy associations will come to him when he wears it as a prince of the Church. The photographs of the ring reproduced herewith are taken from three points of view and represent the actual size of this remarkable example of modern goldsmithery. Above is also shown the title page of an illuminated album presented to the Archbishop and the prelate's coat of arms. All the photographs were taken just before Archbishop Farley's induction into the cardinalate.

Large Attendance On the Big Poultry Show Now In Progress Here

Hundreds of people visited the first annual poultry show of the Winston-Salem Poultry Association last night and today in the Gorrell building on North Liberty street. A large attendance is expected late this afternoon and tonight. The admission is only ten cents and the building will be open until 11 o'clock tonight. On account of the large number of entries for the show, the judges have not yet completed their work of judging the birds and the awards cannot be secured for publication until tomorrow. The score card system of judging is in vogue, insuring absolute fairness in judging the birds. Although the Winston-Salem Poultry Association is comparatively young in age, still it makes up in enthusiasm for its youth and it is certain that one of the finest poultry exhibits in the history of the State has been gathered through its efforts.

Words fall in attempting to describe the beauty of the chickens on exhibit. Nearly every variety is represented in the collection. There are something over 600 birds entered and a visit to the show is indeed well worth while. Entries have been received from quite a number of out-of-town fanciers and many of local breeders have splendid exhibits. It is indeed most pleasing to note the large number of local fanciers who have exhibits as it shows that poultry raising is becoming more and more general in this section. The show will close tomorrow night.

House Will Consider Steel Schedule First

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Representative Underwood, chairman of the ways and means committee, announced that the first tariff legislation taken up by the House would be the steel schedule.

The committee will not draft a wool bill until the full text of the tariff board report has been printed and thoroughly examined. This will take some time. In the meantime the committee will draft a revised steel schedule, contemplating reductions of from thirty to forty per cent.

SIX MORE PERSONS DIE FROM POISONING. BERLIN, Dec. 28.—Five more inmates of the Municipal Shelter for the Homeless died last night, bringing a total dead from ptomaine poisoning caused by eating decayed smoked herring up to forty-one.

Prominent Men Talk on Sports. NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Once a year the chosen representatives of the leading colleges and universities of the country, comprising the organization known as the National Collegiate Athletic Association, get together to agree on uniform rules and to discuss other matters tending to keep athletic sports at American colleges on a high plane and free from taint. Today, at the Hotel Astor, the association began its sixth annual meeting with an attendance of delegates from nearly four-score of the prominent educational institutions of the country.

The morning session was made notable by the presentation of addresses by several eminent men invited to address the association. The speakers and their topics included the following: "The Military Value of Athletics to a Nation," Major General Leonard Wood, chief of staff, U. S. A.; "Collegiate Athletics from the Viewpoint of the President of a University," Chancellor McCormick, of the University of Pittsburgh, and "The Influence of Collegiate Athletics Upon Preparatory Schools," Professor Scudder, of Rutgers Preparatory School.

AN EXAMINATION ORDERED. Officers of Medical Corps, U. S. A., Will Examine Morse.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 28.—Acting under instructions issued by President Taft, a special board of inquiry composed of officers of the medical corps U. S. A., arrived here to make another examination of Charles W. Morse, the New York banker, confined in the army hospital at Fort McPherson. The board consists of Colonel Henry Birmingham, Major Fauntleroy and Major Russell, all on special assignments at Washington.

It was stated at Fort McPherson that a preliminary examination of Morse was made soon after the arrival, but nothing as to the nature of their findings was made public. According to officers at Fort McPherson, Morse's condition has remained about the same during the past few days, with no signs of any improvement as a result of the change from the federal prison to the army's hospital.

NO PAY, EMPLOYEES THREATEN TO DYNAMITE

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 28.—Deputy U. S. Marshal Robert Groner, accompanied by an Italian interpreter, went to Smithfield today to serve injunction papers on former Italian employees of the Smithfield Marl, Clay and Transportation Company who, it was alleged, were threatening to dynamite the company's plant because of failure to receive wages due. Italian laborers numbering sixty claim to have received no pay in six weeks.

KILLS WIFE AND CHILDREN.

Then the Mad Man Hanged Himself To Rafter in Barn. BENTON, Ark., Dec. 28.—Dependent, according to a note found, James Grant, prosperous farmer and merchant, whose home was near Benton, killed his wife and five children and then hanged himself. Grant's body was found suspended from a rafter in a barn and those of the woman and five children about the farm dwelling, their skulls crushed.

Hugh Grant, 16-year-old son, made the gruesome discovery when he returned from a holiday celebration on a neighboring farm.

The note explains that "owing to deep despair and that I see nothing for me or my children, whom I believe would be better off in Heaven, I commit this act." Instructions were given where money might be found to cover burial expenses and a request that Grant's parents be notified until after the bodies had been buried.

The body of the woman was found in a sitting posture partly disrobed. Apparently she was preparing to retire when she was killed. Those of the children, ranging in age from 5 to 13 years, were found in their beds. A heavy oak club, covered with blood was found near the bodies of the children.

LUCAS FAMILY GETS A PART.

Charlotte People Generously Remembered by Millionaire. LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 28.—Charity gets the bulk of the \$1,500,000 estate of the late John W. Hunt, millionaire owner of hotels in various parts of the United States. Hunt's will was filed for probate here today.

John E. Harris of Jacksonville, Fla., and Robert L. Lucas of Dallas, Texas, are named executors and instructed by the will to establish various charitable institutions, the names of which are withheld.

The beneficiaries named in the papers probated follow: Bunyan Lucas, 109 acres of land near Shawnee, Okla., and \$1,000 in cash; John Bunyan Lucas, \$10,000; Robert Lee Lucas, \$20,000; Charles P. Lucas, Atlanta, \$5,000; Henry G. Lucas, Fort Worth, \$10,000; John P. Lucas, Charlotte, N. C., \$10,000; Ambrose Lucas, Highlands, N. J., \$10,000; Theodore Lucas, Charlotte, N. C., \$10,000; Lois Lucas, Charlotte, N. C., \$20,000; Rosmond Lucas, Charlotte, \$20,000; Mrs. Monticello Lucas, \$5,000; Ruth Peak, Ontario, Ont., \$200.

ARRANGING FOR THE TRIAL OF RICHESON.

BOSTON, Dec. 28.—Arrangements for the trial of Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson for the murder of Miss Arin Linnell were partially effected by an order from Chief Justice Aiken, of the superior court, that the greater portion of the fourth floor of the court house should be reserved for the proceedings and that only counsel, jury and witnesses and newspaper representatives should be admitted.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Carter of Cambridge, with whom Richeson boarded during his pastorate there, were summoned to the District Attorney's office by Police Inspector Armstrong, acting upon the rumor that they expected to leave for the South before the trial, although wanted as witnesses.

Word was received from the Charles street jail that Richeson was making rapid recovery from his self-inflicted wounds and was fast approaching a normal condition.

BANQUET BOARD WILL GO FOR TRAVELERS.

GREENSBORO, Dec. 28.—Arrangements have been completed for the annual Christmas banquets of the local post T. P. A. and the U. C. T. council and traveling men and their lady friends are now awaiting with keen appreciation the "big night" in the year. The T. P. A.'s come first with an elaborate spread at the Clegg Hotel Friday evening and Caterer "Bill" Clegg is authority for the statement that no such table has ever been set in his house as that around which the genial spirits of the road will gather, together with their lady guests. Saturday night the U. C. T.'s with Governor Kitchin as the guest of honor, will make merry and feast at the McAdoo, and Manager Sterne is out in a statement similar to that of Mr. Clegg.

Men Quits Duty to Catch Rats.

VINELAND, N. J., Dec. 28.—Thomas Kee, who served on the Philadelphia police force for 25 years, has a Plymouth Rock hen which is a wonder to all poultry fanciers. This hen recently caught and killed two large rats and now refuses to do anything but watch for rats.