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GOVERNOR'S SALARY INCREASED TO \$6,000

TORRENS SYSTEM UP FOR DISCUSSION AND IS SENT TO AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE.

Discussion on Stubbs' Measure for Constitutional Convention Takes up Most of Today—Woodson Objects to Some of Proceedings as Published by News and Observer—Some of the New Bills.

Special to The Tribune.

Raleigh, January 25.—Most of the session in the Senate was consumed in discussing and passing by a vote of 42 to 9 a bill increasing the salary of the governor to six thousand dollars. Graham made an ineffectual effort to fix it at five thousand.

The Lenoir and Blowing Rock Turnpike incorporation ratification measure made special order for today was put on the calendar for tomorrow, the difference to be adjusted at a meeting this afternoon.

Senator Cotton formally presented his Torrens system of land registration bill and after a fight succeeded in having it referred to the agricultural committee.

In the House the discussion was on the special order which was the Stubbs measure, which provides for a state constitutional convention. Stubbs and Woodson for and Ewart and Battle against made the leading speeches which lasted well into the afternoon.

Among the most important new Senate bills today are:

Cox, to raise revenue to protect forests.

Ivins, to allow owners of mortgaged property deduct debt in listing taxes.

Hobgood, another judges salary bill.

New bills in the House were:

Battle, relating to wages of infants in factories.

Richardson, amendatory divorce law.

Williams, prevent appointment of conductors on railroad trains, unless they have served at least two years in subordinate positions on railroads.

McGill, amendatory law regulating sale of concentrated feed for stock.

Ray, to make certain offences felonies instead of misdemeanors, as at present.

Haffner, to regulate delivery of malt in North Carolina.

Woodson arose to a question of personal privilege and criticized the report in the News and Observer of the House proceedings regarding his speech, in which he is alleged to have reflected on certain of the judges of the Superior Court, and their incapacity to earn salaries paid them as judges while practicing law.

Political Graft.

Statesville Landmark.

Referring to the case of Squire Henry McWhorter, of Union, who refused pay as a legislative employe for work he had not done, a writer in the Raleigh News and Observer says:

"Which suggests the thought that if only those who earned it were paid money for services to the State the entire pay-roll of the General Assembly would be cut two-thirds.

"Of course it would. Almost every General Assembly puts from 50 to 75 per cent. more employes on the roll than necessary. It's the worst sort of political graft and has been denounced again and again, but it goes on just the same. Both parties are equally guilty. The fusion Legislatures of 1896-7 were as bad, if not worse, in this respect, than any business is inexcusable, but it will never stop until the people take matters into their own hands, pledge their legislative candidates to eliminate the useless employes and hold them to the pledge.

The weekly express from Hankow, China, Monday was crowded with fugitives. These included college professors, the Italian Minister, minor diplomats and person of means, who found the moment convenient for vacation or retirement. The debacle began, which had its first victim several days ago and, it is believed, many since then, is the primary cause of the outpouring through the gates of the city. Even military officers took opportunity by the forelock and joined the departing throng.

DUKES TO VISIT CONCORD.

Coming in Interest of Interurban Line—Much Interest Expected to be Manifested.

The Tribune has learned from a very reliable source that the Messrs. Dukes and associates, who are behind the enterprise for an interurban car line, are contemplating visiting Concord in a few days in the interest of the enterprise.

Interest has been aroused on the part of a number of the citizens of the city, but as yet the citizens generally have failed to manifest an interest commensurate with the great benefits that Concord would derive by being connected with such a line. As a business proposition such an enterprise is worthy of not only the support of all our citizens but a united effort on behalf of the people of this city and section to interest these great capitalists in coming to our city. Now is the time to make such an effort, as they are at present on a tour of inspection visiting the various cities along the route of the proposed line.

YOUNG BOY HAS LEG BROKEN.

While Playing Base at No. 1 Graded School Brevard Furr Falls Off Embankment and Breaks His Leg.

Brevard Furr, son of Mr. Charles Furr, of No. 18 St. Charles street, fell off the embankment at the edge of the playground at graded school No. 1 Tuesday afternoon about 1 o'clock and sustained a broken leg. Young Furr and a number of his playmates were playing base and the little fellow was running at top speed and failed to notice he was on the edge of the embankment, near the big spring, and suddenly fell over the precipice. His right leg struck a brick, breaking it below the knee and also inflicting a severe cut. His comrades immediately rushed to his assistance and finding that he was seriously injured they secured a conveyance and carried the boy to his home where a physician rendered medical aid.

No blame is attached to anyone for the unfortunate accident and the little fellow has the sincere sympathy of all his playmates and associates.

CONCORD TO MONROE.

A Railroad Proposition for the Immediate Consideration of the People of this City.

Mr. Editor:—What the people of Concord ought to do and do at once is to build a railroad to Monroe. Steps should be taken to get a meeting, determine on immediate action, secure a charter from the legislature now in session and get busy throwing dirt. We do not want any more roads built around us, do we?

CONCORDIAN.

Gold Ring in an Egg.

Winston-Salem Journal.

A gold ring on the inside of a perfectly sound and perfectly normal hen egg!

That is the seeming miracle that Mr. T. G. Lowe, salesman for the Wall Mercantile Company, Greensboro, says is vouched for to him by unimpeachable authority. Here is the story told by The Telegram:

The other day Mr. R. H. Poindexter, of the city waterworks, bought some eggs from the Wall Mercantile Company. Mr. Lowe was the salesman who waited on him. Yesterday Mr. Poindexter was in the store and told Mr. Lowe that Mrs. Poindexter in breaking one of the eggs was astonished to see a gold ring drop out of the shell along with the usual contents of an eggshell.

"This is a true story—there's no doubt in the world about it," said Mr. Lowe. "No it is not a scheme of the Wall Mercantile Company to sell a big lot of eggs," he added. "Naturally, we can't promise to purchasers of our eggs any repetitions of Mrs. Poindexter's experience."

Has Too Many Wives.

Israel Coble, who was arrested in Greensboro last week on a charge of bigamy, was given a hearing before Justice D. H. Collins, and in default of a bond of \$300 remanded to jail. The testimony was that Coble has one wife in Stanly county and another at Pomona. The minister who performed the ceremony in Stanly county was at the trial. Coble has two wives dead and is said now to have three living wives. The woman with whom he was living at Greensboro learned of the other wife in Stanly county and had the warrant issued.

Guilty of murder in the first degree was the verdict returned Monday at Marshfield, Nev., by the jury in the case of Walter A. Dipier and Goldie Smith, charged with the murder of Stanley Ketchel, pugilist. Sentences of life imprisonment were recommended for each defendant. The jury was out seven hours.

EDITORS WON'T GO TO CHARLESTON.

Break in Roadbed of Southbound Train an End to Charished Trip—Foolish Pushers Receive Cordial Welcome to Twin City.

With two interesting business sessions at Winston-Salem Tuesday and an enjoyable social function at night, in which the editors and their wives participated, the midwinter meeting of the North Carolina Press Association is in full swing.

The excursion to Charleston, the feature of the session has been abandoned, to the keen disappointment of the members, many of whom had planned to take the trip. A telegram from an official of the road, read to the association, stated that a break in the roadbed near Whitney would militate against the excursion, and on motion of Editor Varner, of Lexington, the trip was called off.

The editors were cordially welcomed to the Twin City by Judge George P. Pell and Mr. A. H. Eller, the response coming from Mr. Archibald Johnson, editor of Charity and Children.

Rev. Dr. Neal L. Anderson, in an excellent address, paid graceful tribute to the local papers, and the power for good they had wielded in the community.

Mr. R. F. Beasley, editor of The Monroe Journal, delighted the assemblage with a humorous address on "Side Issues," in which he perpetrated some rich jokes at the expense of the editors.

President M. L. Shipman called the session to order in due form, with a few appropriate remarks, and Secretary J. B. Sherrill, always "on the job" was at his post.

The real feature of the first day's events was the address of Mr. Locke Craig at the smoker tendered the visitors by the board of trade through the orator shared honors with the orphans from the Methodist Children's Home, who entertained the guests with a concert.

Mr. Craig, whose subject was "North Carolina," set forth the salient facts of the State's growth in past years, and with bold imagination painted the inevitable development of the future calling upon the editors as allies to carry forward the spirit of true growth. He stated as his positive belief that that material welfare must precede the higher life.

Following the smoker, the editors attended a social session of the Elks' Club. Tuesday afternoon they were tendered an automobile ride over the twin cities and their attractive suburbs.

Today preceding the business session they witnessed an auction sale at one of the big tobacco warehouses. This afternoon the gentlemen will be the guests at a barbecue, while the ladies will enjoy a recital at Salem Academy, and at night, a reception, the crowning feature of the session, will bring it to a close.

Greensboro Daily News Sold.

The directors and stockholders of The Daily News of Greensboro, in an adjourned session in Raleigh Tuesday, sold the plant and newspaper to W. A. Hildebrand and George B. Crater, of The Gazette-News, of Asheville, who take charge at once. Mr. Hildebrand began newspaper service with The Charlotte Observer and has achieved success both as editorial writer and special Washington correspondent. He will remain in Washington until Congress adjourns before taking up his duties in Greensboro. Mr. Crater won an enviable reputation as a newspaper business manager of The Charlotte Observer and has been with the Gazette-News for some time. He assumes charge of the business department of The Daily News at once.

The Standard Oil company was adjudged not guilty Tuesday of violating the antitrust law of North Carolina by cutting prices of kerosene oil so as to drive out competition. The case was heard in December by Police Justice Alex Stronach, who handed down a lengthy written opinion in favor of the Standard Oil company on all counts.

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MESSRS. LONG AND JOYNER LOSE SUIT.

Interesting Court Decision in Regard to Store Which was Burned in September 1908.

Tuesday morning's Charlotte Observer has the following in regard to the suit of Messrs. Joyner and Long, which was tried in Charlotte this week:

Is a fire insurance policy valid and accepted as soon as it is deposited in a postoffice addressed to the person in whose name the insurance is written?

This was one of the legal points involved in a knotty case argued in superior court yesterday. Judge Biggs' negative answer to this question was one of several reasons for which the court was against the plaintiffs in the suit of Long & Joyner versus the Scottish Fire Insurance Company. The court intimated that he would charge the jury that if the evidence were believed the plaintiffs had no ground for recovery, whereupon Mr. L. T. Hartwell, of Concord, attorney for the plaintiffs, accepted an involuntary nonsuit and gave notice of appeal to the Supreme Court.

Messrs. A. F. Long and Hillman Joyner owned a country store about three miles from Concord. On September 10, 1908, a policy was taken out in the Virginia State Insurance Company. According to its terms it should be cancelled by the party of the second part at will and by the company at any time after five days' notice had been given. When officers of the company learned that it was a country store, they wrote to their agent, the Citizens' Bank and Trust Co., in Concord, calling attention to the fact that that company did not insure country property. A representative of the Citizens' Bank & Trust Co. told Mr. Joyner about this and said he would insure him in another company. This was agreed to and a policy was written in the Scottish Fire Insurance Company for which the Concord firm was also agent. On October 24, 1908, however, between the time the new policy was mailed and the time it reached Mr. Joyner, the store caught fire and part of the property was destroyed. Suit was brought on the second policy.

The Scottish Company, in addition to contending that the policy had never been in force for the reason first indicated, cited the fact that one of its provisions is to the effect that all of the property must be owned by the person named in the policy, whereas Mr. Long owns a part; and second, that the Virginia State Company had a policy in effect, whereas the Scottish policy stipulates that its own shall be the exclusive insurance carried.

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NEVADA CLOSED TO THE BOND LOOTERS.

The Nevada Legislature Met Tuesday and the Very First Act of the Senate Was to Repeal the Legislation That Was Sneaked Through at the Last Session.

The carpet-bag bond looters have been foiled again. The gentry who are promoting the worthless securities issued by the negroes and scalawags in the North Carolina Legislature during reconstruction times thought they had gained a foothold in the State of Nevada, but they were given a rude awakening Tuesday. A telegram received in Washington states that the State Senate of Nevada met Tuesday and repealed the act authorizing the State to accept gifts of bonds.

The legislature met Tuesday for the first time, and the very first act of the Senate was to vote to repeal the legislation that was sneaked through at the last session for the benefit of the carpet-bag bond speculators. It is understood that the House of Representatives of Nevada will follow the lead of the Senate.

Governor Dickinson having recommended the repeal of the legislation it is as certain as anything can be that the State of Nevada will clear its skirts of the looters who have tried to use it in a mercenary and discreditable way.

Remember, North Carolinians, that the bill is the same that Marion Butler and William F. Pettigrew put through the South Dakota Legislature to force the payment of the old repudiated bonds, which cost North Carolina more than a quarter million of dollars.

Nevada has repudiated the effort to use the State, and South Dakota will do so, probably at this session of the legislature.

North Carolina owes a debt of gratitude to Senator Nixon, who though a Republican member of the United States Senate, has taken the initiative in the matter. Senator Nixon called on Senator Overman and showed him a telegram which he addressed to friends in the legislature urging them to immediately repeal the sneak bill for the acceptance of the bonds. Senator Nixon received a message in reply announcing the action of the Senate, which he at once turned over to Senator Overman. Senator Nixon seemed as much pleased over the incident as did the junior Senator from North Carolina.

It will be recalled that the carpet bag bond looters gave Nevada \$400,000 worth of the repudiated North Carolina scalawag securities. The State Supreme Court of Nevada held only last week that the governor of the State must accept the bonds in behalf of the State.

The governor of Nevada was averse to this action, but the Supreme Court of the State said the law that is about to be repealed was mandatory, and that he must accept them.

The carpet bag bond looters are almost beyond the pale as far as the United States is concerned, though they will no doubt continue their efforts to capture North Carolina through the medium of the Republican party. Their only hope appears to be in the Butler faction of the Republican party or some South American country like Haiti, San Domingo or near African republic.

Social Clubs of Albemarle Put Out of Business.

The January term of Stanly county Superior court for the trial of criminal cases adjourned late Saturday night and a great many cases were continued on account of a crowded docket, there being now enough cases on the criminal docket to run another court for a week, tried.

Solicitor W. C. Hammer went after the social clubs with gloves on, closing every one in town. Numbers and numbers of bills of indictment were found by the grand jury, there being five or six of the clubs in this place. Mr. Hammer stated that he could have gotten more bills, but that he had already enough bills to do what was necessary to close out these concerns. None of the cases were tried at this term, but before Judge Lyon would continue the cases, he made the owners sign a paper that they would go out of business at once.

The foundation of the new government building has been completed and work on the concrete floor will begin tomorrow.

Our Muslin Underwear Sale...

Opened this morning at 9 o'clock with a big rush. If you was unable to attend, come to-morrow. The lot of Muslins was so large that to-morrow you can get a good selection.

The sale on Table Linens, White Goods and Muslins will continue Thursday, Friday and Saturday. . .

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