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BEER BILL PASSES THE SENATE

ONLY THREE VOTES ARE CAST AGAINST IT.

All Amendments Voted Down, Except One—The Divorce Bill—Bill Passed to Allow Towns to Amend Their Own Charters—New Bills Introduced Special to The Tribune.

Raleigh, February 14.—After warm discussion and defeat of all amendments, but one, that changing the date to go into effect from June 1 to July 1, the House Kent bill, outlawing near beer licenses, was passed in the Senate today with only three votes against it (Parham, Bellamy and Greene) and it was sent to the House for concurrence in the Senate amendment.

In the House Connor special order, to protect railroad employes, was recommended for further amendment by the committee.

Roberts divorce bill, changing separation from ten to five years, was reached but went back on the calendar with a substitute offered by Nunn, which still calls for five years and also strikes out stipulation that parties shall reside continuously in the State.

Battle bill allowing towns to amend and frame their own charters passed finally in the House.

Among the new bills introduced today are:

By Bethel, amending section of the Revised Code relating to shooting at trains and to protect railroad employes and traveling public.

By Morris, to prevent seining in certain parts of Coddle and Cold Water creeks in Cabarrus county.

Latham, to prohibit the sale or handling of intoxicating drinks by clubs and other associations.

A resolution was offered by Gardner criticizing the state treasurer for withholding from the so-called "pauper" counties certain credits that would take them out of that class, referring to public service and other corporation taxes.

Special to The Tribune.

Raleigh, February 14.—The seventh week of the present session of the General Assembly finds most of the more important measures with which it has to deal either untouched or unfinished. But this is not unusual and has been customary for many years most of the "big bills" will be disposed of within the last three weeks of the session. Several of them are expected to receive the finishing touches this week and some of the others will be started on the evolution that is designed to create them into full fledged statutes.

The Matter of Bond Issues.

Three of the bills looking to bond issues are now in the hands of the Senate committees, one of them being a House bill that passed that body last Saturday with only one vote expressed against it, namely, the Dough-ton bill which provides for taking up the outstanding bonds of the State falling due before another session of the Legislature and enable the State Treasurer to meet the deficit in the treasury. The amount of the bonds authorized by this bill is five hundred and fifty thousand dollars. The Senate will also pass the bill. There is nothing else left for it to do to meet the situation.

There is another bond issue bill that will not have such easy sailing. This bill was presented early in the session by Senator Graham and provides for the financing of the appropriation bills to be passed at the present session so that they may be used for the purpose if necessary and thus prevent another deficit if the revenue income of the State during the next two years should prove inadequate as was the case during the two years just passed. There is strong opposition to issuing any bonds to meet current expenses and the fact that the Senate has allowed the Graham bill to remain unacted on all these weeks seems to indicate that it is not regarded with enough favor to insure its passage.

But the third of these bond issue propositions is quite a favorite with the legislators and at this writing it appears to be extremely probable that it will be adopted. Certainly this conclusion can be predicted with assurance if the Legislature can see its way clear to do so at this time. More than that the people of the State will hear-

tily approve of the action of their law-making body if it does so. I refer to the bill of Senator Boyden, of Bowman, which authorizes an issue of as much as one million dollars of bonds, if necessary, to purchase a site and erect thereon a suitable State Administration building. Such a structure is not only one of the most pressing but it is something that has been badly needed for many years. It has been regarded as such a heavy undertaking, however, that the last two or three legislatures while realizing the great need of it have allowed it to go by default. The time has come now, however, when the State can hardly afford to stave off favorable action a single year longer. There is not one of the one hundred and seventy legislators here this session that does not recognize this fact and no visitor can come here and give the subject an hour of investigation and come to an other conclusion. Hence the statement above, that the prospects of the materialization of this plan are exceedingly favorable. The Boyden bill was first referred to the committee on Public Buildings and Grounds, which reported back with an unanimous favorable recommendation. Under the rules, the bill was then referred to the Committee on Appropriations. This committee has during the last few days also reported it to the Senate with a favorable report, without a dissenting vote, and the bill has been made the special order in the Senate for Wednesday of this week. It will take several days to pass it, but it is possible that it may be acted on by both houses within a week and be ratified some time next week.

NEWS

A Good Man Dead.

John Franklin Herrin was born February 18th, 1845, and died February 8th, 1911. He was married to Malinda Sides in 1865, and to them were born seven children, four sons and three daughters, who are all living except the youngest daughter who was married to Mr. H. L. Hahn and died some years ago.

All those living were at his bedside when he passed away. They are: Jonas O. Marshall E., and D. C. Herrin, of Mt. Pleasant, Luther A. Herrin, of Bloomington, Stanly county, Mrs. N. N. Lambert and Mrs. D. F. Widenhouse, of Garrettsville.

The deceased was a member of the Methodist Protestant church at Plyler and his remains were laid to rest at Oak Grove, M. E. Church. The funeral was conducted by Rev. N. R. Richardson, of Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. Herrin was a type of the very best citizen, while not highly educated or so widely known as he did not seek notoriety.

There was no man in his community whose death would be a greater loss to the citizens as his one purpose in life seemed to be to live a righteous life.

He was a brave soldier, serving in the Civil War. He was in Co. H 8th N. C. Regiment; was wounded twice in the battle of Gettysburg, and after recovering returned and served in the ranks until the surrender and after returning home has since spent his life on the farm. He was a hard-working and industrious man and was very successful. He had been a sufferer for some years from sciatic rheumatism, but never gave up until last July, from which time he has been a great sufferer. His desire was to regain his health to remain with his wife and children whom he thought so much of. On his sick bed he expressed thankfulness that he had taught his sons and daughters in such a way as to lead them to honorable and useful lives.

May God bless and help the faithful wife; sons and daughters and loved ones and bring them to heaven where we expect to meet again. M.

Master Gets His Freedom.

Sunday's Charlotte Observer.

J. A. Masters, who has been engaged for some time in raising a cash bond of \$5,000 for his appearance at April term of Federal court here, succeeded yesterday in complying with the law and was released. His prison companion, J. C. Sibley, along with whom he is indicted for using the United States mail for fraudulent purposes, furnished a justified bond for the same amount Tuesday and was liberated. It was stated at that time that it was only a question of a few days when Masters would be free also. Their imprisonment grows out of charges preferred in connection with the Albemarle Land Company.

Referring to a recent article in The Charlotte Chronicle on the status of the Torrens bill in the Legislature, The Asheville Gazette-News says:

"We gather from recent reports that the bill still has some chance of passage, but it has to run the gauntlet of an assembly composed largely of lawyers. The adoption of this measure, more than any other thing would prove the disinterestedness of the legislators."

AMAZED AT THE

BOY'S TRANSFORMATION.

One of the Jackson Training School Boys, Home on Vacation, Amazed Those Who Know Him by Wonderful Change in Him.

Mr. Walter Thompson, Supt. Jackson Training School, Concord, N. C.

My Dear Thompson:—On the street today I happened to meet young Lee, who is one of your boys. I was simply amazed at the transformation and questioned him, finding out that he had been sent to you from our place. He was polite, happy, hopeful, manly and a good many other things I might say about him. He may not be what you want him yet, but I felt so happy over the improvement that I just wanted to tell you so. It is a great work you are doing and the State ought to be proud of it. The first time I have opportunity, I am coming down to see your place at first hand.

I hope all is going well and that the Legislature will not be "stingy" in its aid.

Very sincerely,
J. KENNETH PFOHL.

Explanation.

The Stonewall Jackson Training School, as a test of returning strength and a determined purpose to take their proper places in society, gives from time to time promising boys a ten-day vacation at their homes, with instructions to return to the institution on a certain day and certain train. Not one has violated the confidence. This boy was seen by Rev. Mr. Pfohl, and out of his surprise, pleasure and gratitude he voluntarily wrote the above. "There is a spark of divinity in every boy," as Superintendent Joyner says, regardless of his conduct and former reputation at home. He is the product of his environment, and the great State becomes a loving mother when she provides for one of these forgotten, wayward youths.

Very respectfully,
J. P. COOK, Chairman
Board of Trustees.

Gov. Kitchin Makes Appeal for Starving Millions in China.

Governor Kitchin, as president of the North Carolina Board of the American Red Cross, has issued the following appeal:

"To relieve starvation and suffering in China donations of money and provisions will be received and forwarded under the auspices of the American Red Cross. Congress has granted an army transport to convey relief. Flour, rice, dried fish, meat, coarse cotton cloth, cotton wadding for clothing and similar supplies should be forwarded to Seattle Commercial Club, Seattle, Washington, which is co-operating with the American Red Cross.

"An inventory of supplies sent and donations in money should be transmitted to Mr. Jos. G. Brown, treasurer, North Carolina Board of American Red Cross, Raleigh, N. C.

"The people of this State are invited to make such contributions as they may feel disposed to make for the above worthy object.

W. W. KITCHIN,
President N. C. Board of American Red Cross."

February 11, 1911.

Got the Mule and Gone on.

On Thursday last week John Moore and Worth Cook, of Forest Hill, borrowed a mule from Mr. E. A. Deas, saying they wanted to take Moore's horse to his brother's in Iredell county, and that he wanted to take the mule along to drive to the buggy on the return trip. No more was heard from them until Monday, when a letter was received by Mrs. Moore from Mr. Gus Thompson of Fort Mill saying Moore was there ill of pneumonia. Mr. Deas went down on the first train and found Moore ill as stated. Moore told him that Cook had taken the mule and that he did not know where he was. Neither the mule nor Cook have yet been heard from.

Moore, it seems, did not sell his horse and buggy to his brother. It is said that he sold them to some one else for \$15.00. When he bought the horse a few months ago he paid \$100 for it.

THE VALUE OF GOOD ROADS.

Good Prices for Perishable Crops Can be Obtained Only Where There are Good Roads.

The necessity of good roads is becoming more and more known to the people of all sections. Recently in an address, Col. M. V. Richards said very aptly:

It is a plain common sense proposition that in order to obtain good prices in the northern markets for perishable crops on the farm such products must be disposed of without delay.

In every year there are bad weather or conditions at irregular periods, and in winter these conditions are often continuous. The old fashioned road leading from this far, to the nearest railway shipping point is during such season, or for many days at a time, almost, if not wholly, impassable. With ripened crops ready for the market, chicken maturing, eggs becoming stale, fruits and vegetables beginning to show signs of decay, the prices of wheat, oats, grain or hay, or the prices of all these declining, the farmer sits in his door way dividing his attention between the western skies above and the stretch of muddy road, here and there submerged, forlornly praying that it may be dried up soon. Finally as it doesn't dry, he loads up 2,000 or 2,500 pounds of his products on a two horse wagon and tries the road. Somewhere on the trip he mires or his wagon breaks down, and he sees worse mishaps ahead. He backs out and drives home with damaged outfit and worse damaged temper. If he is a persevering fellow, he may try this same performance the next day and the next, with the same results; while his products are spoiling or perhaps finally of no value at all; and instead of receiving profits on the yield of the farm for that season he faces a dead loss.

All these because the only route leading from his farm to a railway station is a mere travesty of a public highway, broken by zigzag gullies, lined with ruts axle deep, a succession of bumps and hollows, slopes, bogs, boulders that rise like immense walls in the middle of the road, and during the whole of the rainy season, perhaps, a miry pond of water to vary the situation.

Electrical illumination is used by more than 7,000,000 of a total of about 8,500,000 households in the United States.

When the time comes to dispose of the Philippines it would be an excellent idea to let Taal go with the hide.

Cash Drawer at Freight Depot Robbed.

The freight depot of the Southern Railway here was entered last night and the cash drawer rifled. About 15 cents worth of stamps and a few papers were the only contents of the drawer. These were taken and the drawer was carried on the outside of the depot, where it was found this morning. A large number of boys have been in the habit of loafing around the depot at night and for this reason the employes there have been careful about leaving anything of value in the station. There is no clue as to who committed the deed.

Death of Mrs. Sarah Wiley.

Mrs. Sarah E. Wiley died last night at the home of her son, Mr. J. A. Wiley, 195 North Kerr street. Mrs. Wiley was 72 years of age and a native of Alamance county, but had been making her home here with her son for several years. The funeral will be held tomorrow and the remains sent to Liberty, where the interment will be made.

A Valentine Social.

There will be a Valentine Social given at Epworth parsonage this evening at 7:30. This social is given under the auspices of the Woman's Home Mission Society. All are asked to give an offering at the door of 15 cents. Refreshments will be served by the ladies. Come and spend a social hour with us. X.

Public Missionary Day Postponed.

On account of unavoidable circumstances the members of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of Center Grove E. L. church have postponed their public missionary day to March 5th, being the first Sunday. All members and friends please take notice. W.

Other local matter on third page.

NORTH CAROLINA NEWS.

Items of Interest from all Parts of the Old North State.

A railroad from Winston-Salem to Raleigh via Greensboro, is one of the latest enterprises proposed.

The Forsyth County Good Roads Association endorsed the new road bill to be presented to the legislature for the enactment into law. The bill provides for a \$750,000 bond election.

A good roads central highway across North Carolina from Beaufort harbor to the Tennessee line is the purpose of a meeting called to be held in Raleigh at noon today, the proposed road to be built through eighteen counties of the state.

The Forsyth Dairy and Live Stock Association in session Saturday went on record favoring a tax on dogs in the county for the protection of sheep and other live stock. The association decided upon Guernsey cows as the best type for dairy purposes and Hereford cattle as best type for beef.

Salisbury Pythians are making extensive preparations for an annual sermon, which will be delivered on the principles of Pythianism on Sunday night of next week by the Rev. Gilbert T. Rowe, of Charlotte. All members of the order in Rowan are invited to Salisbury for the occasion, which will be one of great interest.

John Wilson, proprietor of a "social club" in Salisbury, was convicted in two cases in Rowan court Saturday for selling liquor. He was indicted in two other cases in which he waived examination and took the case to the higher court. Wilson is also owner of a branch social club in Spencer, the manager of which has been indicted several times for selling liquor.

After voting down a motion to refer, and also the Baggett Senate bill bearing on the same subject as a substitute, the House Monday night, after nearly three hours, passed on its second reading the Ewart bill reducing railroad fares to 2 cents on all trains which refuse to pull mileage. The vote on the second reading stood 43 to 55. On objection of Dillard of Cherokee, it went over for third reading.

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