

RAILROAD ELECTION IN UNION.

Monroe Votes Bonds, but Goose Creek is Against Issue—Road to Cost \$1,000,000.

The last townships to hold elections on the proposed Salisbury and Monroe railroad were Monroe and Goose Creek, in Union county. The proposition carried in Monroe township by a vote of 438 to 149. In Goose Creek township the bonds were defeated by a majority of 6 votes.

As Goose Creek voted on an issue of only \$20,000, and Monroe on one of \$60,000, and the former would be likely to derive a much greater benefit from the proposed railroad than the latter in proportion to the amounts voted upon, the result in Goose Creek is a surprise to the supporters of the railroad proposition. In Goose Creek, the registration was 396, and 199 votes were necessary to carry; the vote cast was 193 for and 149 against.

The townships voting for bonds are as follows with the amounts:

Salisbury, Rowan	\$75,000
No. 8, Cabarrus	40,000
No. 9, Cabarrus	15,000
No. 10, Cabarrus	15,000
Monroe, Union	60,000
Total	\$205,000

Those voting against bonds and the amounts are as follows:

Litaker, Rowan	\$20,000
No. 6, Cabarrus	15,000
Goose Creek, Union	20,000
Total	\$55,000

It is estimated that it will take \$1,000,000 to build this road. The capitalists who are to put up the money agreed to do so if one-fourth, or \$250,000, should be voted by the various townships in the three counties. The amount voted lacks \$45,000 of being that much but it is said that the money will be raised in some way.

Machinery Act Hopes to Decrease Pauper Counties.

It is a notable fact that the new machinery act for the application of the revenue act of the legislature just adjourned adds \$500 per year each of the salaries of five members of the corporation commission on account of increased duties that the machinery bill requires of them as a state tax commission. These duties include the appointment in April of each year of a county tax assessor in each county, personal visits on the part of the members of the commission to each of the counties to instruct the county assessor and the township assessors and the general supervision of the assessment work the state over, including equalization of the standards of property valuations in the respective counties. This is the most decided change that the legislature made in the taxing system and was a compromise between the leaders who insisted on a separate state tax commission for immediate radical steps to equalize tax values in the counties, or rather between the counties and those who believed that the advance should be gradual and through the present commission. This is the year for general reassessment of real estate in North Carolina, which recurs every fourth year, and very considerable advances are expected to be made in real estate values and the purpose is to force a number of counties now considered to have especially low standards of valuation for taxes to raise them materially.

Simmons Says Democrats Must Oppose Reciprocity.

Raleigh, March 17.—United States Senator F. M. Simmons, in Raleigh, for a few days, says there was not the least bit of politics in his vote for Lorimer and he knows he was eternally right in his vote. He finds, too, that his course is being heartily endorsed by the people of the State who followed the investigation.

He does not see the biggest sort of a political issue in the Canadian reciprocity issue and insists that the Democratic leaders must stand out against the Taft measure until there is such amendments as will admit flour as well as wheat; beef as well as cattle, and other like imports free and preventing the manufacturing interests from getting all the benefits of the reciprocity scheme.

Moans Peace, Says Carnegie.

New York, March 16.—Andrew Carnegie, who arrived in New York yesterday from his winter home in Florida, is in a cheerful mood, but in need of assistance in walking.

"Everybody ought to be glad of the mobilization of troops on the Mexican border," he said, "for of course, it means peace, not war. We all know President Taft. You and I and everybody knows what his disposition is and that when he says a thing is so, that is just what it is."

Mr. Carnegie waved aside all references to the Carnegie Trust Company. "I don't know a thing about the inquiry or the affairs themselves," he said.

DEMOCRATS TO START NINE PROBES.

Taft Administration Will Need Strength to Stand Fire.

Washington, March 17.—Plans for a long series of investigations as a part of a Democratic "campaign for economy and retrenchment" were tentatively determined upon today by party leaders as the program for the extra session, in addition to Canadian reciprocity and a schedule-by-schedule revision of the tariff.

The probes will be incident, Democrats say, to a drastic pruning of the Government payroll. They hope, incidentally to make campaign material for the Democratic party for 1912.

As a starter, it is stated that the following investigations have already been decided upon:

To determine the real reason for the Texas army "maneuvers."

To discover why the Steel Trust has escaped prosecution under the Sherman Anti-Trust law.

To fix the responsibility for the sale of the Philippine friar lands to the Sugar Trust.

To find out how much the promoters of the deal whereby the Government purchased the Panama Canal from the old French Company made.

To determine whether the activities of the various Congressional commissions—which have furnished soft berths for a number of "lame ducks"—warrant their continuance.

To determine the truth of the charge of mismanagement and inefficiency in the Postoffice Department.

To reveal the actual conduct of the Interior Department under former Secretary Ballinger.

To inquire into the methods of the Department of Justice in its alleged pro-Diaz activity in connection with the Mexican revolution.

Fire Destroys the Home of Mr. Caleb Bost.

Davidson, March 16.—Fire at an early hour this morning destroyed the home of Mr. Caleb Bost near here, together with the contents and an out-house. Mr. Bost discovered the house before it had gained much headway and states that had he had as much as a tub of water at hand when the flames were first found he could have prevented the loss.

On account, however, of having to go to a well nearby and draw water the flames gained such headway that they were soon beyond his control. It is Mr. Bost's opinion that the fire was of incendiary origin. He lost his home by fire about eight years ago. At that time a subscription was made up by friends which enabled Mr. Bost moderate circumstances. The loss today which will reach in all probability to rebuild and he was considered in \$2,000, comes as a heavy blow.

Accidents at Spencer.

Spencer, March 17.—F. I. Devereaux, an employe of the Southern Railway company at the Spencer roundhouse, was severely injured today by being caught under a falling iron beam. While passing around a locomotive under repair the beam caught him just above the knee and one leg was severely bruised. He will soon recover.

D. L. Parker, a hostler at the Southern roundhouse, was dangerously hurt yesterday while turning an engine on a turntable. A large cable broke striking him in the forehead, entailing a serious gash and he also sustained severe injuries to one hand. He is reported as improved today and it is thought will recover at an early date.

Southern Women Humiliated by Custom Hounds.

New York, March 17.—The wife and a daughter of Joseph Hull, of Savannah, Ga., one of the wealthiest and most influential men in the south, were required to disrobe in their stateroom aboard the steamship Lusitania today while a custom inspectress, acting on a mysterious tip, subsequently found to be false, made a vain search for a diamond necklace thought to have been purchased abroad, the search proving futile. Mrs. Hull and the daughter, Eliza Lamar Hull, were allowed to proceed to their hotel, where another daughter, Nina W., convalescing from an attack of typhoid fever, had preceded them without having been subjected to search.

State Peach Crop Has Been Badly Damaged.

State Horticulturist Hunt said today that the peach crop in North Carolina was greatly damaged by the present cold wave. The loss at one point is reported as being equivalent to \$40,000. The thermometer here this morning was down to 24 degrees. The apple crop is uninjured, as the blooms are not yet out.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature on every box.

STATE MACHINERY ACT.

Differs in Levying Taxes in Several Particulars From Former Acts. Salisbury Post.

The machinery act passed by the legislature, which provides the machinery for levying taxes is different from former acts in several particulars. In the first place the time for which property on hand shall be listed is changed from June 1st to May 1st, and the date on which county commissioners shall meet to levy taxes is changed from June to August, so that all the property for assessment shall be in before the tax levy is made. Heretofore taxes were levied before the assessment was made.

The principal changes from the old law are in sections 15 to 25. It is provided that the State tax commission—which is the corporation commission—shall appoint one county tax assessor, a resident freeholder of the county, and the county commissioners shall appoint a tax assessor for each township, to be known as assistant tax assessor, who shall begin their work May 1st and continue until July 1st.

Heretofore the commissioners appointed a tax-taker for each township and every fourth year, when real estate was to be assessed, two assessors were appointed for each township to assess the real estate. Under the new arrangement the assessor appointed for the county will visit each township and with the assistant assessor appointed for the township will make the assessment. The county assessor and the board of county commissioners form a board of equalization for the counties, their work being subject to review by the State tax commission.

The county assessor is to be appointed by April 1st and he can devote his entire time for three months of each year to his duties at not more than \$4 a day. The assessing of property is to begin May 1 instead of June 1. The county assessor is to visit all the townships and confer with the township assessor, and instruct them in their duties and the work of the township assessor is to be done over jointly by him and the county commissioners and the assessments revised. All assessments are to be made as near as may be to the true value in money. The county board of equalization meet on the second Monday in July for the performance of their duties.

Inspection of Co. L.

"They swing around the corner like a company of regulars," said an ex-army officer yesterday afternoon when Captain Brown was drilling Company L down the street for the annual inspection. General Stringfield, Colonel Gardner and an officer of the regular army were here and made the inspection. Captain Bown marched the boys to the graded school grounds where they were put through various kinds of military tactics. The boys showed up in their usual excellent manner, and the officers expressed themselves as highly pleased with the condition of the company from every standpoint.

Small Fire This Afternoon.

There was a small fire at the home of Mr. T. M. Hinson, on West Depot street, adjoining the livery stable of M. J. Corl & Sons, this afternoon about 1:30 o'clock. The fire started on a bed and it is supposed it originated from sparks that popped out of the fireplace near it. The blaze caused very little damage but the floors, walls and rugs were badly damaged by water. There was no insurance on the furniture.

Some are Cutting Out Coca Cola.

"Make me a lemonade please—I am going to cut out 'dopes' for a while as they say they are poisonous," said a young business man of the city to a soda water dispenser as he walked into one of the drug stores here this morning. And this is an example of the effect the testimony of the governments witnesses against the Coca-Cola Company is having on the sale of coca-cola locally.

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PERSONAL MENTION.

Some of the People Here and Elsewhere Who Come and Go.

Mr. W. B. Odell is spending the day in Gastonia.

Miss Constance Cline is spending the day in Salisbury.

Mr. John A. Blackwelder, of Newberry, is in Concord today.

Mrs. W. J. Rudge, of Monroe, is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. C. Houston.

Miss Ruth Thom, of China Grove, is visiting her sister, Mrs. B. M. Gillon.

Miss Ila Thompson, of Salisbury, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. A. Jones Yorke.

Messrs. H. L. Propst and C. W. Price, of Lexington, are visitors in the city today.

Mesdames J. W. Cannon, Jr., and M. L. Cannon are spending the day in Charlotte.

Mr. I. N. Pharr, of Cox's Mill, has returned from a visit to relatives in Anderson, S. C.

Miss Irene McConnell, of the State Normal College, is visiting relatives in the city for a few days.

Miss Edie Turner, who has been teaching school at Flow's, returned to her home in Cool Springs Friday.

Mrs. C. W. Johnson has returned to her home in Charlotte, after visiting her daughter, Mrs. E. J. Braswell.

Miss Fleta Crowell, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Walter Ritchie, has returned to her home in Salisbury.

Miss Eloise Beebe, of Easton, Md., is expected Monday to visit at the home of her uncle, Mr. F. A. Archibald.

Attorneys W. G. Means and L. T. Hartsell have gone to No. 8 township to appear in a case before Squire T. A. Moser.

Miss Kate Archibald, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. S. J. Hooks, at Dunn, for a month, is expected home Monday.

Mrs. D. B. Coltrane has returned from Greensboro, where she has been with her daughter, Miss Elizabeth Williams, for a week.

There will be a regular meeting of the Light Bearers of Central Methodist church tomorrow after Sunday school.

Watch Him!

Mark the young man making weekly deposits with the building and loan association. Keep your eyes on him for future valuation. With religious regularity he plods along week after week the building and loan way. The day of opportunity comes and see how he is prepared. Watch how he can realize on his saving account, grasp the opportunity and ride on to success.

The young man who carries our pass book is on the right track. His importance grows, his self respect increases and his community trusts him. Be a saver and see how many more opportunities come your way.

OPPORTUNITY NO. 1, April 1st, when the Cabarrus begins the 27th Series.

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STARVING CHINESE.

Feared They May Eat Their Own Children as a Last Resort.

Washington, D. C., March 17.—That the only saleable property remaining to the starving people in the Chinese counties of Nansueh and Mengsueh are their children, which are being exchanged for food is the statement of Consul Wilder, in a report to the State Department from Nanking, China. In these two counties alone, the estimates the number of starving at three quarters of a million.

Outside the city of Nanking, 100,000 famine refugees are without food or clothing, and are sleeping in the mud in the open air. Thousands are even lying in the water, the living mingling with the corpses of the dead, which the authorities have failed to remove from the refugee camps.

In the famine districts, the people are dying so rapidly that no attempt is made to number the fatalities. By imperial edict, taxes have been remitted in three of the famine districts, and it is expected that similar action will be taken throughout the entire famine region.

Consul Wilder reports that the money contributed for famine relief is being honestly expended. The American Red Cross and the State Department are co-operating in sending the money contributed in the United States to China, but much more is needed.

The Harem Skirt Strikes Birmingham.

Birmingham, Ala., March 17.—Birmingham was given a decided shock this afternoon when a unknown young woman appeared on the streets in a harem skirt. There was no question about its interfering with traffic. The curious grew to a regular mob and no less than five hundred people followed her everywhere she went. She finally took refuge in one of the big buildings.

Statesville Landmark: Mr. R. H. Walker, a Cabarrus county farmer,

has taken a position at the Iredell Test Farm and will work there until he has familiarized himself with the modern methods of farming employed in the conduct of the State Farm.

Mr. M. L. Linker will leave Monday for Salisbury where he has accepted a position with the Norman Furniture Company.

OUR BILL NYE FUND.

Mr. John A. Cline Adds Three Dollars to It Today.

Our Bill Nye fund for the erection of the cottage at the Jackson Training School grows steadily. Mr. John A. Cline is the latest contributor. The fund now stands:

Mrs. J. W. Cannon	\$ 25.00
J. W. Cannon	25.00
J. Locke Erwin	25.00
Cash	25.00
R. A. Brown's Sons	25.00
C. B. Wagoner	25.00
Frank L. Smith	15.00
Arthur B. Pounds	10.00
Cash	10.00
C. F. Ritchie	10.00
P. B. Fetzer	10.00
C. A. Cook	10.00
Boys at Training School	9.15
Times	5.00
Mrs. R. A. Brown	5.00
Tribune	5.00
C. W. Swink	5.00
J. F. Honeycutt	5.00
John A. Cline	3.00
Cash	2.50
Total	\$249.68

Southern Power Company to Take 15,000 Crossies Soon.

The Greensboro Record has the following which will be of interest here:

It comes to The Record in an authoritative manner that the Southern Power Company, through its accredited representatives, has closed a contract in Greensboro with a firm for 15,000 crossies to be delivered in the near future. It is said this will be sufficient to lay six miles of track and the story is that the sills are for the electric line between Greensboro and High Point.

Another story with some credence in it is that work will commence in Greensboro, in Charlotte and perhaps at some point half way distant between the two places at about the same time. The line to High Point will be constructed as a part of the through system.

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Boys and girls new Belts	15c, 25c
Ladies black and white Belts	25c, 50c

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