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NO MORE HOG PENS IN CITY OF CONCORD

BOARD PASSES ORDINANCE AGAINST THEM AND WILL STICK TO IT.

A Busy Session Held Last Night.—Ordinance Passed That All Vicious Dogs Be Muzzled.—For Dairy Inspector.—Draining Creek at Depot.—Asphalt in Business Section.—Other Matters.

The board of aldermen held a busy meeting last night. A number of new ordinances were passed and many questions of interest toward the welfare of the city were discussed. Among the most important of the new orders made by the board was the passage of an act prohibiting hog pens within the city limits of Concord and that all bull dogs, bull terriers and other vicious dogs be muzzled. Mayor Wagoner presided and all the aldermen were present.

The city tax collector requested the board to advise him as to the collection of privilege tax. He stated that there were several firms beginning business and that they were anxious to be relieved of paying the full tax as there was only a few more months of the fiscal year. After discussing the matter the board decided to let the matter stand as it is now, which requires that the full tax be paid for either a year or a part of a year.

Dr. W. D. Pemberton appeared before the board and asked that the ordinance against bull dogs running at large be changed so as to include bull terriers. Dr. Pemberton stated in the course of his remarks that there was a certain amount of fear on the parts of the parents here while the bull terriers run at large. After discussing the matter the board passed an ordinance requiring that bull terriers and other vicious dogs be muzzled.

City Attorney Hartsell reported that the county had agreed to pay half the cost in improving the crossing at the Marshall House. The matter was referred to the street committee with power to act. The committee will no doubt put down a cement crossing at this point.

Mr. H. M. Propst requested the board to grade Ann street, near graded school No. 2, so that cement sidewalks could be put down. The matter was referred to the street committee with power to act.

The board changed the privilege tax to sell candy on the streets from \$10 to \$2.50, the same as the tax on ice cream.

At this juncture of the proceedings Alderman Brown aroused the liveliest interest of the meeting when he asked what the board was going to do about the hog pens this year. He very candidly added that so far as he was concerned there would not be any.

This much mooted question has been up for consideration before. The board passed an ordinance prohibiting hogs in the city limits two years ago. No piece of legislation aroused as much opposition here in years. The people who were against it organized in a solid body while those who favored the action took no definite steps in support of it. The opponents of the ordinance went before the meeting armed with a petition containing about 1,000 names and after a hearing the board revoked the ordinance.

From the discussion it aroused tonight the ghost (not the kind that stalks about Valentine night) of that opposition was present. Mayor Wagoner, who has always come out squarely and vigorously for the measure, stated that he considered hog pens "a voluntary infliction on a civilized community."

Dr. King said that hog pens are breeders of flies which were spreaders of disease and that they are the birthplace of mosquitoes, which are the base of malaria.

Alderman Brown said it was impossible to keep down stench from them, as it had been tried around the mills when various disinfectants were used.

The matter was put to a vote and all the aldermen voted in the affirmative except Alderman Barrier, who voted against it. The ordinance will go into effect May 15.

The board not only passed the ordinance but agreed to stick to it.

The matter of having a meat and dairy inspector was brought to the attention of the board by Mayor Wagoner, who requested the city engineer to outline some plan for this work to be presented at the next meeting of the board.

The Cannonville Fire Department requested the board to put electric lights in the fire headquarters. The

matter was referred to the committee with power to act.

In the discussion of matters pertaining to the public health of the community the question of draining the creek just beyond the depot was brought up. The sentiment expressed by the board was that they would be only too glad to co-operate with the movement that is now underway to drain the creek. Dr. King stated that it was his opinion that \$500 a year would be saved in doctors' bills alone. Alderman Brunton stated that the bull rushes in the swamps were nothing but a vast collection of mosquito roosts. The board instructed the city attorney to take the matter up with those who are working on the drainage movement and see if there was not some plan whereby the city could co-operate with them.

City Engineer Smith requested the board to advise him as to whether they would accept the street car company's proposition to put down asphalt in the business section of the city. Mr. Smith said that if this work was going to be done there would be a considerable amount of sewer work to be done before the pavement could be put down. The matter was referred to the sewer committee.

The street committee was instructed to report at the next meeting and suggest some plan and estimates of the cost of putting down the proposed asphalt.

Alderman Barrier requested that the board put a light on Kerr street between Depot street and Guy street. He was instructed to have a petition presented to the water and light board, which has control of all the city lights. He also requested that a crossing be put down on depot street at St. Andrews Lutheran church and at Pine street. The matter was referred to the street committee.

Chief of Police Boger reported that \$52.70 and four loads of wood had been contributed by citizens for charity during the recent cold weather. He presented an itemized report showing the amount and to whom the money was expended.

Pittman Believed Mrs. Surratt Innocent.

Cincinnati, O., Feb. 12.—Almost fifty years after the assassination of Abraham Lincoln, the pen of Ben Pittman, pioneer stenographer, who acted as official stenographer at the trial of the conspirators, has revealed facts supporting his belief that Mrs. Mary Surratt, the woman hung with three other conspirators, was innocent of the crime for which she was executed. The statement was written by Pittman just before his death here a year ago, and appears in the March issue of the Cincinnati magazine. A portion of Pittman's statement is:

"That Mrs. Surratt, who was hanged with three male conspirators concerned in a plot to assassinate President Lincoln and other government officials, was entirely innocent of any prior knowledge of or participation in those crimes is, to my mind, beyond question. My conviction is based on the following facts: That as official recorder of the trial; as having heard every word of the testimony; as compiler of the published volume 'Lincoln Assassination Trial'; more than all, as having previous to the trial written down from the lips of the principal witnesses their stories of what they knew or about which, in their employment of spies, they had learned, I have had the best opportunity of forming a true opinion as to the guilt or innocence of Mrs. Surratt."

Will Help Salisbury Mill.

The Interstate Commerce Commission Tuesday allowed the petition of the Southern Railway to establish new class rates on textile supplies, cotton-seed oil and other cotton products from Salisbury to Baltimore, Norfolk, Portsmouth, Newport News, Philadelphia and New York.

The new rate will be proportionately lower than the concurrent intermediate rates in effect between way-stations. The desire of the complainant was to be of assistance to a cottonseed mill recently erected at Salisbury in order that it can better compete with older rivals at Charlotte and Concord. It will allow other Salisbury shippers equal advantages with their Concord and Charlotte neighbors so far as they are concerned with reference to the northbound shipments of the articles mentioned.

Will Probably Give Answer Within Week.

New York, Feb. 13.—Theodore Roosevelt has received a letter from eight governors asking him if he would accept a presidential nomination. He is giving the letter careful consideration. He added:

"I shall reply within a short time, probably within a week. Until then I can say nothing on the subject."

ALWAYS HAVE PROOF OF YOUR STATEMENTS.

Official Figures Should Be Submitted in Order to Avoid All Chance of Argument.

How many times have you been sure you were right in an argument, but had no way of proving you contention? One man claimed that the battleship Maine was blown up in Havana harbor in the year 1898. Another man disputed this and said he knew it was in 1899 because that was the year of the Spanish-American war. The first man was correct as he could easily prove by the Standard Atlas. Both of these events occurred in the year 1898.

The Tribune's Atlas sets forth all of this information in such a way that one may get it at a glance. As is shown by these tables and charts of universal history, many important events occurred in the year 1898. It was the year of the great victories in Manila Bay and Santiago; the Dreyfus affair, that agitated official circles in France, came out in that year; it was the year of the annexation of Hawaii; other events of world interest are all shown in the Standard Atlas, not only the recent years such as are given in almanacs, but of all time so far as it is recorded, somewhere upwards of ten thousand years.

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Popular Prices at Concord Opera House All Next Week.

The Carleton Sisters and their own company of players will begin a week's engagement at the Concord opera house Monday, February 19. This attraction is said to be one of the best of its kind now on tour and the newspapers of the adjacent towns have given them very flattering notices. The supporting company is an unusually strong one. The opening play Monday night will be "The Whirlpool," a Western comedy drama in four acts by John C. Kaiser. Four big vaudeville features will be introduced between the acts. As is customary with attractions of this class, ladies will be admitted free Monday night with first one hundred seats sold. Tickets will be on sale Saturday morning at Gibson Drug Store.

A New Store For Salisbury to Open March 15th.

The well known clothing firm of J. Feldman & Sons, are branching out and will occupy the entire building which will be devoted exclusively to the showing of the newest creations in ladies', misses' and children's ready-to-wear garments.

This store will be a fashion centre and will carry a complete line of New York and Paris styles, therefore, making it easy for you to do your shopping at home, instead of ordering from mail-order houses and paying enormous prices.

This store will in no way interfere with the clothing store for men, now being carried on successfully, two doors below the new store.

Watch for their ad. which will appear in this paper soon.

To View Panama Construction.

New York, Feb. 14.—Distinguished public officials of both the United States and Canada were included among the passengers who sailed for Panama today to view the progress of construction on the isthmian canal. Two members of President Taft's cabinet, Secretary of the Interior Fisher and Postmaster General Hitchcock, were among those in the party. Canada was represented by Hon. Clifford Sifton, former Minister of the Interior and for many years a leading figure in public life in the Dominion.

Norwegian Lutherans to Unite.

Madison, Wis., Feb. 14.—Following negotiations that have been in progress for several years, a general committee representing the Norwegian Lutheran Synod and the United Norwegian Lutheran Church of America met in this city today to arrange the final details of a plan for uniting the two branches into one organization. The union will affect nearly half a million Norwegian Lutherans, the most of them living in Illinois, Iowa, Wisconsin, Minnesota, North and South Dakota and Nebraska.

Charlotte News: Mr. George H. Rutledge, formerly of Charlotte, but who for years has been living in Concord, has returned to Charlotte to live. He will travel from here for the Pittsburgh Water Meter Co.

DRUGGIST FINED \$250 FOR SELLING WHISKEY

COLORED DRUG STORE PROPRIETOR FOUND GUILTY THIS MORNING.

Will Pearson Also Convicted and Fined \$50.00.—Attorney Hartsell Says He Will Insist on Road Sentences Hereafter, and Recorder Puryear Will Uphold Him to the Court's Full Powers.

Two whiskey cases were tried before Recorder Puryear this morning, one against Will Pearson, a negro boy better known as "Doodle," and one against the Eureka Drug Co., the colored drug store. Both defendants were found guilty. Pearson was fined \$50 and the drug store \$250.

The case against Pearson was tried first. He was charged with selling liquor to two white men, named O'Kelly and Hurley. O'Kelly testified that he and Hurley made a "pot," each contributing a certain amount and bought two half pints of liquor from Pearson last Saturday night a week ago. Hurley corroborated the testimony of O'Kelly. At the time of the sale both of the men were in the lockup for being drunk. The transaction took place about 11 o'clock. The city lockup is directly beneath the court room and it was a case of Pearson going right into the shadow of the bar of justice and vending his goods to men who were already behind the bars awaiting trial for violating the laws of the municipality. Ed Hendrick, an aged negro, was also in the lock up at the time. He also gave Pearson six cents and sent him for a pint, but Will failed to return. He testified that he was later refunded his money. Al the men testified that they were pretty "dry" and when Will called to act the good Samaritan they were only too glad to welcome him.

In the case against the Eureka Drug Company, Pearson was the principal witness for the State. He testified that he purchased the liquor he sold O'Kelly and Hurley from the drug store and that on Saturday night, February 10, he purchased a half pint of gin. The bottle of gin, with one good slug missing, was produced in court. It was of the "Red Rooster" variety and attracted considerable attention sitting on the bar of justice. Officers Sloop and Simpson testified that they watched Pearson go in the drug store Saturday night and that they saw him come out in a slightly intoxicated condition. He was searched and the half-empty bottle taken from him and he was advised by them to go home or he would be locked up, and he did so.

City Attorney Hartsell, who represented the State rested his case here, and Mr. T. D. Maness, representing the defendant, also rested.

Chicago's Oldest Citizen.

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colored drug store. Continuing Mr. Hartsell said, "I want to say right now that hereafter, from this day, February 12—Valentine day, 1912—that when a any man, high or low, rich or poor, black or white, is convicted of selling liquor here I am going to insist that he be sent to the road without any equivocation. They are not going to be caught by chance but a strenuous effort is going to be made on the part of the police to enforce this law. I have reason to believe that liquor has been shipped into this town to druggists and the railroad books can be brought here and the fact shown. Our officers have been criticised about this law and now I am going to insist that every man convicted shall be sent to the roads."

Recorder Puryear stated at the conclusion of Mr. Hartsell's talk that the prosecuting attorney would be upheld in such a course to the fullest extent of the powers of the court.

Bud Miller and Adam Holbrooks, colored, were sent to jail under a \$25 bond for stealing a hide. Mr. G. R. Blackwelder hauled the hide here from Mount Pleasant and left it at A. F. Hartsell's store. Miller and Holbrooks came along and appropriated it. They later sold it to J. F. Dayvault & Co.

Mr. Varner Won't Run.

Lexington, Feb. 13.—Col. H. B. Varner will announce in the Dispatch tomorrow his withdrawal from the senatorial race in this district. He takes this step on account of private business and other duties which need his attention. He is planning to do a great deal of work for Hon. Oscar W. Underwood, candidate for the nomination for the presidency, and will have his hands full for the next five months. The senatorial fight would have been too heavy a load to carry and he was forced to give up the Underwood campaign or the senatorial fight, and chose to give up the latter. This leaves the field to Capt. Wade H. Phillips, though it is not at all certain that he will take the nomination without opposition. Outside of the fight for the senatorship from this district there has not been even a ripple on the political sea in this county, and nobody seems to be taking any interest in anything political.

A Meeting Out of the Ordinary.

Every male member of St. James' Lutheran church is called to a special meeting in the church Friday night at 7:30.

Such a meeting is unusual for the Lutheran folks and a large attendance is, therefore, looked for.

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MARRIAGE TOMORROW.

Miss Sue Nicholson Will Become the Bride of Mr. M. Cameron of Albemarle.

A marriage that will be of interest to the people of Concord and this section will be solemnized tomorrow afternoon at 7:15 o'clock at the bride's home on Franklin avenue, when Miss Sue Nicholson will become the bride of Mr. M. Cameron, of Albemarle. Owing to a recent bereavement in the bride's family the marriage will be a quiet one, only the relatives and friends and the contracting parties being present. The ceremony will be performed by Rev. Dr. J. M. Grier.

Miss Nicholson is a young lady of many noble qualities and by her gentleness and kindly nature has endeared herself to many friends. Much interest is attached to her marriage from this office, where she was book-keeper and stenographer for the past year. During that time she won a warm place in the esteem of the entire force, all of whom sincerely regretted to see her leave. Mr. Cameron is a native of Laurinburg but is now a resident of Albemarle, where he holds a position as secretary and treasurer of the Albemarle Mantle Co. He is a young man of ability and worth and the only thing we hold against him is that he took Miss Nicholson away from this office.

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PERSONAL MENTION.

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

Mr. Oscar Sappenfield is spending day in Charlotte.

Mr. C. W. Brady is spending the day in Charlotte.

Miss Johnnie Sims has gone to Kinston to visit her sister, Mrs. J. H. Mewborne.

Mrs. W. H. Harding, of Salisbury, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. G. G. Dally.

Miss Lizzie Young, who has been visiting Mrs. J. P. Allison, has returned to her home in Davidson.

Mrs. J. B. Womble and J. C. Fink left last night for Mobile and New Orleans to attend the Mardi Gras.

Mr. Winder Russell Harris, news editor of the Charlotte Observer, is a visitor in the city today, the guest of Mr. John M. Ogleby.

Mrs. H. B. Slack, who has been visiting her parents, Rev. and Mrs. N. Richardson, of Mount Pleasant, returned this morning to her home in Mebane. She was accompanied by her sister, Miss Merrie Richardson, who will visit her for several weeks.

An Interesting Romance.

If a woman's devotion to a man in desperate straits, making a pure love story of unusual heart interest, as shown in Charles Klein's latest play, "The Third Degree," interests playgoers, then the forthcoming production by the United Play Company of this drama, should be heralded as the dramatic event of the season. The love story is only one phase of the play, which is really an excerpt from life in some of its most interesting phases, dealing with police methods and also Fifth Avenue society.

Mrs. R. E. Reynolds, enroute from Washington, N. C., spent Tuesday in the city with his friend, Mr. P. B. Raeford, Sr. Mr. Reynolds has an important position with the Baptist Home Mission Board in Evangelistic work.

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