

## BUSINESS MEN LISTEN TO THIS

### ROAD SHOULD BE BUILT TO THE COUNTY LINE.

A Good Road From Concord to the Lower Section of the County is Absolutely Necessary. — Several Miles of It Already Built.

There is a large section of the county along the lower part of this county, the Stanly, Mecklenburg and Union line. It is a productive section and will be more productive when the railroad now being constructed is completed. The produce and general business from that section and between here and there will amount to a vast sum. The business of this section will grow rapidly from now on than ever in its history and, therefore, the total sum will amount to more and more each year.

Concord can get the business from this section and profit by sharing in the vast sum its products will amount to. Concord cannot get this business unless it makes an effort to secure it. Therefore it behooves the business men of this city and county to take steps toward securing this business. The first and by the far the most important action to be taken is the construction of a good road from here to the county line in that direction. A good road is absolutely necessary if the business is to be gained and the country developed. If the road is not constructed then all other efforts to secure business will be of little avail, for any market, to make a successful effort for business, must base its efforts on a good road.

The road can be constructed. The citizens in that section should have a good road leading to their market. It is likely the county commissioners would order the road built if the people along the route and the people here would show them that they wanted the road. Cabarrus can well afford to make the expenditure of whatever funds necessary to construct the highway. All the matter needs is for the interested parties to take advantage of the opportunities that are now presented.

A part of the road is already macadamized and the other part could be put in the same condition in a short time. As long as the matter is delayed it means a loss to every one connected with the route in anyway and to the wealth and progress of Concord and Cabarrus. The matter of building this road is of a nature to warrant the consideration of the people of that section and the business interests of Concord.

### Progressive Measures for Kansas.

Topeka, Kas., Jan. 15.—With the Democrats in overwhelming control of the legislature which convened today, all signs point to the enactment of some radically progressive laws for Kansas this winter. Among the subjects expected to be brought up for consideration and action are the initiative, referendum and recall, inheritance taxation, jury trials in labor injunction cases, the eight-hour work day for women, State aid for irrigation, mothers' pensions, workman's compensation, and the Massachusetts ballot law. Judge William H. Thompson, of Garden City, the Democratic candidate who defeated Governor Stubbs in the primary, is slated for election to the United States Senate to succeed Charles Curtis.

### Paper Implanted in Tree for Fifty Years.

Medford, Oregon, Jan. 16.—A page from a fashion magazine of half a century ago, describing and portraying the beauties of the hoop skirt as the latest thing in women's adornment, has been found imbedded in the center of a large oak tree cut down by Harold Corlies on his ranch near Phoenix.

The tree had grown around the paper, which remains in perfect condition. By counting one year to each ring on growth, it is estimated that the paper was put, or blown into a hole in a young tree fifty years ago.

### Cotton Facts.

Washington, Jan. 16.—A census Bureau report shows the cotton consumed during December amounted to 445,287 running bales; cotton in manufacturing establishments on December 31, 1,794,429 bales and in independent warehouses, 3,390,615 bales. Imports were 25,075, equivalent to five hundred pound bales; exports, 1,301,385 running bales. Cotton spinning active during December was, 30,148,756.

### Salisbury Woman Found Dead in Bed.

Salisbury, Jan. 15.—Mrs. W. L. James, a widow aged 75 years, was found dead in bed in her home, 425 North Main street, this morning when her daughter, Miss L. James, went to awaken her. She had been feeble for some time and last night complained of neuralgia but finally went off into a peaceful sleep. This morning when she failed to get up an investigation resulted in the finding of her death.

## THE PARCEL POST IS WORKING SMOOTHLY.

Merchants Do Not Yet Realize the Vast Possibilities of It.

The parcel post is working smoothly locally. However, the merchants have not yet started to taking full advantage of the many opportunities it offers them in so far as serving trade in this immediate section is concerned. Several, however, have used it and the results have been eminently satisfactory.

If the proper efforts are put forth the local merchants can utilize the parcel post as a "delivery boy." This can easily be done by starting a campaign to familiarize their customers with its methods and advantages. As an example of the way it worked in one particular case a citizen of Kansas phoned a local haberdashery for a pair of trousers. The goods were sent out immediately by parcel post, they proved satisfactory and the trade was consummated with small cost and bother to both parties.

Such sales will become frequent when the workings of the parcel post system are more fully understood by the people. And the best way to acquaint them is for the local merchant to present the matter to his customers in nearby territory. It is contended that the parcel post will be a great boon to the business of the mail order houses. If the parcel post is of benefit to the mail order house there is not reason why it should not be of greater benefit to the local merchants throughout the country. If the mail order house puts forth the greatest effort to secure the business. If the local merchant will go after the business as diligently and persistently they will have no cause to fear the mail order house. The advantage in competition is with the local merchant in competing with the mail order house for the distance is many times greater for the latter. An additional cost is added to delivery for every zone a package passes through en route to its ultimate destination, giving the local merchant a far greater advantage.

The parcel post offers the local merchant a means of making a quick and inexpensive delivery and should be readily utilized by them.

### Merchants in "Movie Trust" Case.

New York, Jan. 16.—Before Edward Macker, of Philadelphia, sitting as a special examiner by appointment of the United States District court, the taking of testimony has commenced here in the Government's suit against the so-called motion picture trust. The purpose of the suit is to dissolve the combination on the ground that its existence is in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

The case is regarded by the government as one of its most important anti-trust suits because it brings squarely to issue the relation of the patent laws to the Sherman statute. The prominent motion picture concerns are accused of combining to monopolize the business through the Motion Picture Patents Company, a corporation organized for the purpose of holding patents, and the General Film Company.

The marvelous growth of the motion picture business in the past decade and the fact that no village is too small to have a picture show brings the matter close to the hearts of the people. It is estimated that a sum greatly in excess of \$100,000,000 represents the aggregate of investments in the different branches of the business, divided among the manufacturers of the cameras, films and exhibiting machines, the rental exchanges and the theatre owners.

### President Taft's Engagements.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 16.—President Taft has arranged to leave Washington tomorrow on a trip that will keep him away from the capital for several days. His first engagement is to speak at a dinner of the Clover Club in Philadelphia tomorrow night. Saturday night he is to attend a dinner in New York in honor of former President Andrew D. White of Cornell University. He will spend Sunday in New York and the next morning will proceed to New Haven to attend a meeting of the Yale corporation, of which he is a member.

### To Remove Remains of Revolutionary Hero.

Savannah, Ga., Jan. 16.—In order to make the final arrangements for the removal of the remains of Colonel "Light Horse Harry" Lee, a commissioner from the Virginia legislature passed through here today en route to Cumberland island, where the famous Revolutionary hero, father of General Robert E. Lee, was buried more than a century ago. Despite the objections made by the Georgia Division of the Daughters of the American Revolution consent has been obtained to take the remains back to Virginia.

### Parcel Post Business Booming.

Washington, Jan. 16.—That this week's total of business would double last week's figures of 1,000,000 packages handled by parcel post was the prediction of Postmaster General Hitchcock, who is exceedingly pleased over the patronage accorded the new system in the first seven days.

## COTTON MILL GOODS IN FOREIGN LANDS.

Senator Overman Has Appropriation Retained for Special Agents to Secure Information.

Washington, Jan. 16.—Senator Lee S. Overman, of North Carolina, who is rapidly recovering from his recent illness, and who is now attending to his legislative duties, was influential in retaining in the executive bill which was passed by the Senate yesterday, and appropriation providing for the securing of information in regard to the prices obtained for cotton mill goods in foreign lands.

This information is secured from commercial agents attached to the Department of Commerce and Labor who visit the different countries who purchase American made cotton goods and gather data as to the price paid and means by which the manufacturers may secure greater returns from their output.

Senator Overman initiated the movement to secure the necessary appropriation three years ago and has had it retained in the bill each succeeding year. The bill has already passed the House at this session. R. M. Odell, of Concord, is one of the agents who was originally named by Senator Overman. He has been in the service of the Department of Commerce and Labor under the provisions of this bill over two years. Mr. Odell has visited all the foreign countries using American made cotton goods and is at present in Canada.

Another North Carolinian was engaged in the same work for about a year, but resigned owing to ill health.

### WEBB WILL TRY TO SUCCEED HIMSELF.

Will Not Seek Senator Overman's Place.—His Present Intention.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 15.—Congressman Webb made it clear today that he does not contemplate becoming a candidate for the Senate to succeed Senator Overman. He authorized the statement that at present his intentions are to become a candidate to succeed himself, and that in his present frame of mind he is not seeking higher political honors. His statement was emphatic and unequivocal and is calculated to set at rest the report printed to the contrary in a North Carolina newspaper last week. Mr. Webb has been congratulated by his friends for the hard work he did as prosecuting manager representing the House in the impeachment trial of Judge Robert W. Archbald, of the Commerce Court.

### UNABLE TO PREVENT OVERTHROW OF TURKEY.

If the Proposal of the Allies to the Turks is Refused.

London, Jan. 16.—An official note of the great powers, to be presented to Turkey today or tomorrow, intimates in a diplomatic way that the powers will be unable to prevent the complete overthrow of Turkey, if the Allies' proposals are unaccepted. The Balkan envoys announced that they would take no further action until the Porte's reply to the powers' note is received.

### New London Merchant Weds Concord Girl at Greensboro.

A very pretty though quiet wedding was solemnized at the residence of Rev. and Mrs. J. F. Shenk, on Washington street, with Mr. Shenk officiating, yesterday shortly before noon, when Miss Leta H. Walters, of Concord, became the bride of Walter Lefler, of New London. Mr. Lefler and his bride came to Greensboro yesterday morning from Concord and, securing a marriage license, repaired to the home of the Lutheran minister, where the nuptial event was celebrated. The bride, a charming and attractive young lady of Concord, presented a sweet picture of lovely young womanhood in a coat suit, with gloves and hat to match. Following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Lefler left for Washington and other points east and north, where they will spend their honeymoon of several days before going back to New London to make their home.

### Two Western Rowan Items.

Mrs. Allison Carraker, of Carraker Springs, is seriously sick with pneumonia, and there is very little hope for her recovery. Mr. Walter B. Stillman and Miss Leta Carraker, daughter of Mr. C. J. Carraker, both of Western Rowan, were married Wednesday at the Lutheran parsonage in Landis, Rev. B. S. Brown officiating.

### Wanted Their Money.

Washington, Jan. 16.—A small item published Sunday in a New England newspaper has resulted in a deluge of letters, each asking for "his" or "her" \$25.72, pointing in upon Director of the Mint, Robert S. Lyden. The item merely stated that there was \$25.72 for every man, woman and child now stored away in the Treasury Department vaults.

## TWO WAIFS OF THE CARIBBEAN SEA



While G. E. of Jamaica is a veritable "waif of the sea." Down where Willie lives the bathing is always fine, and he "takes to water like a fish." Ward passage State Dignely espied a monster coconut tree, to which a human being was clinging. The being turned out to be a little ten-year-old Jamaican pickaninny, almost starved to death, but clinging to his dog. They had been blown 100 miles out to sea in a hurricane.

### NOVEL "JIM CROW CAR" CARRIED IN SUPREME COURT.

Mississippi Railroad Wants Relief From Award Given Miss Morris for "Distress of Mind."

Washington, Jan. 14.—Probably the most novel "Jim Crow car" case ever before the Supreme court of the United States reached it today when the Alabama and Vicksburg Railroad company filed an appeal from the verdict of the Mississippi court which awarded Miss Pearl Morris \$15,000 for distress of mind and body caused by being required to occupy a berth in a Pullman car in which three negro men occupied berths. The Supreme court of Mississippi reduced the damages to \$2,000.

No case of this nature has ever been considered by the Supreme court. The case is attracting particular attention because the Mississippi courts have interpreted the "Jim Crow" law of that state as applicable to interstate commerce as well as interstate travel. They justify the law on the ground that the "Jim Crow" law was enacted to preserve order by separating the two races and disturbance is likely to occur upon an interstate train passing through the state as upon a local train.

Another point upon which the case may serve as a precedent in case of affirmance is that state "Jim Crow" laws securing separate accommodations on passenger trains means that furnished Pullman cars must be furnished as well as separate "passenger" cars. In the case brought to the court today Miss Morris boarded the train and upon entering the Pullman car observed the presence of three negro men. She at once demanded separate accommodations, which were refused. She boarded the train at Vicksburg for New York.

### Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Ramsaur to Leave Concord.

Mr. Claude C. Ramsaur has resigned as secretary of the Locke cotton mill and will locate elsewhere to engage in business. Mr. Ramsaur's resignation will take effect in a short time. He has not yet decided where he will locate, having several business propositions under consideration. Mr. Ramsaur has been a resident of Concord four years and is a young man of recognized business ability. He and Mrs. Ramsaur have made many friends during their residence here and their departure will be regretted by a large number.

### Another Respite for the Aliens.

Richmond, Va., Jan. 16.—Governor Mann this afternoon gave Floyd and Claude Allen, the Hillsville mountaineers, another respite. They were to have been electrocuted at dawn tomorrow for their part in the murders in Judge Massey's court room in March. In his statement the Governor announced that he had set February 1st as the date for the hearing of arguments for commutation of the death sentences imposed on father and son.

### LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR DAUGHRIDGE TAKES CHARGE.

As President of the Senate.—Succeeds Lieutenant Governor Newland.

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 16.—Last afternoon President Newland called the Senate to order for the last time, and the Senate to order for the last time, and appointed Senator Pharr, of Mecklenburg, Daniel, of Halifax, and Grant, of Davis, to escort Lieutenant Governor Daughtridge to the chair. The Senate received him standing. President Newland made a brief parting speech in which he thanked each and every Senator for the uniform courtesy and kindness accorded to him at all times, thanked the clerks and all employees and newspaper men and pages, and bespoke for his successor the same consideration.

Applause greeted Lieutenant Governor E. L. Daughtridge as he took the chair. He expressed himself as feeling a deep sense of gratitude and appreciation for the confidence reposed in him by the people of the State and solicited the co-operation of each Senator and asked their cordial support in order that he might reside over the body fairly and impartially. He spoke of the question of taxation as one of the most important matters upon the General Assembly would be called upon to pass and said there must be some plan adopted by which the burden of taxation would rest evenly and uniformly upon all the people, and that would raise sufficient revenue to meet the needs of the State government economically administered. But no backward step should be taken in the great educational work of the State. We must not fail to provide sufficient means to care for the State's charitable institutions, nor could we withhold from the old soldiers any part of the appropriations given them in the past, but if necessary increase the appropriation, and also build and maintain a home for the needy wives and widows of the veterans. He urged the promotion of the farming industry, and expressed the belief that money judiciously invested by the State in the practical education of the farmer boys and girls would yield greater returns than if invested in any other way. With the hope that he might approach as nearly as possible that degree of success to which his predecessor had attained, he declared the Senate ready for the transaction of business.

Senator Thorne, of Nash, offered a resolution expressing the thanks of the Senate for the services of President Newland. Adopted by rising vote. Senator Grant, of Davis, on behalf of the minority, tendered the thanks of the minority for the kindness and courtesies shown them by the retiring Lieutenant Governor. On motion of Senator Ward, of Craven, the speech of Lieutenant Governor Daughtridge was ordered spread upon the Journal.

See Hoover's new ad. today. One-third off on all prices on clothing, hats and underwear.

## OLD TIME DARKIES FEAST.

Mr. W. H. Gibson Host at a Dinner to Six of Concord's Well Known Negroes.

Abig dinner was served in Concord yesterday. Although there were no notable among the guests, nevertheless it was a big dinner and reflected a big and generous spirit on the part of the host. While the guests were not men of wide reputation and the ever ready "prominent citizens" will not fit in here, what they lived in prominence they made up in appreciation.

Mr. William H. Gibson, assistant cashier of the Catawbas Savings Bank, was host at the dinner. The guests were six of the older negroes of the city, relics of ante-bellum days in the South. The dinner was served in the kitchen at the Gibson home on North Union street. The table was neatly arranged and to say that the repast was enjoyed would be expressing it mildly. Just before the hour appetizing refreshments were served and then the feast was served. A big turkey and all the accessories had been prepared and the guests were invited to partake to their own satisfaction. Only one little plan went wrong. Wiley Miller, the faithful janitor at the Morris building, "fell down" when it came to carving the turkey. The host asked Wiley a few days ago if he could carve. Wiley declared that he was a carver extraordinary. But when the big brown turkey was placed before him Wiley's carving art deserted him, leaving him helpless before his comrades around the festive board. A carver was soon secured and Wiley and the other diners feasted sumptuously.

Mr. Gibson's guests were: Joe Gibson, Bill Gibson, Taylor Waggoner, Wiley Miller, Laird Boger and Hess Turner.

### Schwab Makes Important Deal.

New York, January 16.—Charles Schwab, president of the Bethlehem Steel Company, returned today from Europe, where he completed a deal for ore property which it is said will prove a great benefit to his steel corporation. It included the purchase of iron ore land at Couquimbo Chili, claimed to be the richest in the world. He said the Panama canal made possible the development of the Chilean purchase. The increase in the output of the company will be sixty per cent.

### Home Rule Bill to Be Voted on Tonight.

London, Jan. 16.—The Home Rule bill, giving Ireland the right to run a provincial government comes to a vote in Parliament tonight.

### Weather Clock Crosses Up; Stopped at 37 Below Zero.

Moorhead, Min., Jan. 15.—The weather was so cold that the clock in the local weather bureau stopped, the official forecaster asserts, and he was unable to tell positively at just what time the mercury registered 37.2 degrees below zero. It fell to that point, however, the lowest of the winter, and within a half a degree of the record of several years.

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