

Want The Australian Ballot, But Not The Absentee Voters Law

Senate Bills Provide Establishment of One and Repeal of One for the Far Heel Voters.

ABSENTEE LAW FIGHT OLD ONE

Sen. McNeal, of Ashe, Presented Bill for Australian Ballot—Now Used in Some Counties.

Raleigh, Jan. 11.—(AP)—Repeal of the absentee voters law in North Carolina, and the establishment of the Australian ballot system for all forms of elections, in North Carolina, were proposed in two measures introduced in the Senate today.

- (1) Presidential elections. (2) General ballot. (3) County ballot. (4) Township ballot. (5) Constitutional amendment or other proposition ballot.

The names of all candidates for the various positions in all forms of elections will be printed on this one ballot, and the voter will cast his ballot in private by making the proper mark beside the name of the candidate of his choice.

The bill was referred to the committee on election laws, and the chairman of the committee announced the adjournment of the Senate that his committee would have a meeting this afternoon for the purpose of considering this and other measures which have been referred to the committee.

The joint session lasted only thirteen minutes. Returns from the general election of November 2, 1926, were canvassed. Representative Winston, of Bertie, introduced a joint resolution which was passed, providing for induction in office of all elected officers on January 12th, with the exception of those who have already taken the oath of office.

Tellers were appointed to count the vote. They were Senators Dunlap, of Wadesboro, and Smith, of Charlotte, and Representative Byrd, of Wayne; Eure, of Gates, and Price, of Mecklenburg.

The committee on elections will hold a meeting the latter part of this week to investigate the contested election of Senator R. J. Roane, of Whittier, democrat of the 33rd district.

The following committee chairmen were named by Speaker Fountain: Election laws—Fall, Cleveland. Privileges and Elections—Miss McLean, Mecklenburg.

TRAIN WRECKED AFTER HITTING CAR ON TRACKS

Colored Fireman Killed and Several Persons Injured in the A. C. L. Wreck.

Lakeland, Fla., Jan. 11.—(AP)—A negro fireman was killed, and several persons injured when northbound Atlantic Coast Line passenger train No. 86 hit a cow and was wrecked this morning at Winston, four miles south of here.

A sleeping car and two day coaches overturned. The engine was wrecked when the wheels left the track after striking the cow, and plowed 200 yards before turning into a sidetrack and overturning.

With Our Advertisers. The G. A. Moser Shoe Store still has 175 pairs of No. 3 shoes, which they are selling at less than half price and giving free with each pair sold a pair of silk hose.

See Craven's for coal for any purpose. A weekly deposit of \$2.00 grows to \$100 in less than a year at the Citizens Bank and Trust Co.

See the low prices of Goodyear-built tires in York & Wadsworth Co.'s new ad, today. When you buy tires there you get service too.

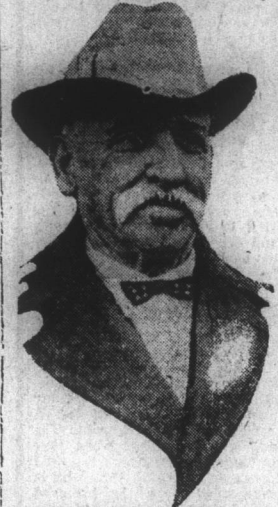
The John R. Van Arman Ministries open a two-day engagement at the Concord Theatre tonight. There will also be a Wednesday matinee at 3:30. Concert in front of theatre at 7:15 each evening. Admission 50, 75 and \$1.10 for night shows and 25 and 50 cents for the matinee.

North Carolina Should Be a Hunter's Paradise. Raleigh, Jan. 11.—(INS)—A State-wide game law soon would make North Carolina hunters' paradise, it was pointed out in a statement made public here today by W. G. McCormick, assistant State forester.

To Be Tried on Charge of Criminal Attack. Charlotte, Jan. 10.—Tarral Meigs and John McCullough, young white men, charged with criminal assault upon a 12-year-old school girl, today had their cases in Mecklenburg Superior Court set for Tuesday.

Long Practices Economy. (By International News Service.) Raleigh, Jan. 11.—The note of economy sounded in the biennial message of Governor McLean is being practiced by Lieutenant Governor Long in running the Senate.

Champ Dad



A new claimant for the honor of being the champion father of America is Reuben Bland of Robersonville, N. C., parent of thirty-four children. He was presented to President Coolidge.

1,000 REPORTED MASSACRED BY CHINESE BANDITS. London, Jan. 11.—(AP)—A Reuters dispatch from Peking says that messages were received today from Shanghai, stating that all inhabitants of Wanghinpo totalling 1,000 have been massacred by bandits.

WILL THERE BE A FIGHT OVER EVOLUTION?

Both Sides Keeping Mum and Avoiding Newspaper Men. The Tribune Bureau, Sir Walter Hotel. By J. C. BASKERVILLE. Raleigh, Jan. 11.—If a bill or resolution to prohibit the teaching of evolution or of theories in conflict with the Bible is introduced into the present general assembly either by Representative D. Scott Poole, of Hoke, or by some one acting for the North Carolina Bible League, what would happen? First of all, the measure would be referred to the committee on education, of which H. G. Connor, Jr., of Wilson, is chairman.

TO DRIVE MOONSHINER FROM MOUNTAIN COVER. Effort to Be Made to Stop Flow of Liquor into Asheville. (By International News Service.) Asheville, N. C., Jan. 11.—The giant sponge in the hands of a dozen sheriffs in western North Carolina is going to be supplemented by a squad of ten men made up by R. Q. Merriek, of Richmond, Va., prohibition director for the newly formed district of North Carolina and Virginia.

The present committee on education is composed of 33 members, of whom 12 were members of the 1925 general assembly, thus leaving 21 members who were not in the last session. Among these 14 old members are eight who voted against the bill in 1925, and four who voted for it, thus giving the anti-evolution bloc a slight advantage when it comes to old members.

And the Men Rejoice. London, Jan. 11.—With the first of this year some of the big railway systems in England have abolished the time-honored rule requiring all trainmen to wear red neckties. Henceforth blue ties will be the official neckwear.

Order Investigation of Vore's Election. Washington, Jan. 11.—(AP)—Investigation of the senatorial election in Pennsylvania last November in which Representative William S. Vore, Republican, was credited with a majority over William B. Wilson, Democrat, was ordered today by the Senate.

Governor Frees 13 Prisoners. Little Rock, Ark., Jan. 11.—(AP)—In a series of executive clemency orders marking his last day in office, Governor Terrell today commuted the sentences of thirteen men convicted of murder and serving terms ranging from 21 years to life.

Engineer Grossman is Dead at Spencer. Spencer, Jan. 10.—Engineer Jacob H. Grossman, 52 years old, died at his home in Spencer tonight following several days of illness from pneumonia and other complications. He was partially paralyzed a week ago and had since been in a semi-conscious condition.

PINCHOT DOUBTS VARE'S ELECTION. CERTIFICATE SHOWS

Philadelphia, Jan. 11.—(AP)—Senator-Elect William S. Vore was urged by his campaign manager today to seek a writ of mandamus compelling Governor Pinchot to issue a new certificate of election. The governor, in the certificate sent to the President of the United States, said that Mr. Vore "appears to have been elected," instead of saying that he "was duly elected."

BLAND NOT WORRIED OVER ANY COMPETITOR

Father of 7 Says He Don't Guarantee to Beat Negro Competitors. (By International News Service.) Washington, N. C., Jan. 11.—Reuben C. Bland, newly-crowned champion father today refused to be worried over the possible loss of his title, in an exclusive interview with the International News Service. The 72-year-old Martin county farmer declared emphatically that the boast of "Uncle" Dolph Saunders, Wilson negro, that he is papa to 37 living children simply "doesn't count."

GOVERNOR McLEAN IS BACK AT HIS DESK. Went to New York to Affix Signature to \$10,000,000 Bonds. (By International News Service.) Raleigh, Jan. 11.—Governor A. W. McLean was back at his desk today, after returning from New York City Monday, where he went Saturday to affix his signature to the \$10,000,000 bonds of the \$10,000,000 issue sold a few weeks ago.

A STRANGE PORTEND. Steel Structure Bowed Its Head in Grief When "Sawney" Webb Died. Blue Ridge, N. C., Jan. 11.—INS.—At the hour of the death of Senator Sawney Webb, of Tennessee, a strange portend occurred in this state, where he was born, Webb Tower, a steel structure erected on the crest of Blue Ridge in his honor, bowed its head as if "in grief."

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Other Firemen Rushed Forward. The light disclosed a life-sized doll. "Mamma!" came a sound from the crib. "Quick!" Foster cried, "bring me a light."

In the News of the Nation



MICHAEL I. PUPIN MARJITH ATTWOOD

Static and fading are caused by other worlds trying to signal us, Professor Michael I. Pupin, of Columbia University and internationally famous scientist, declared. Marjith Attwood, Metropolitan Opera singer, was injured in a taxi accident in New York. Major General Mason M. Patrick, chief of the air corps, was to be summoned to tell Congress the condition of his forces. Professor Kirsopp Lake Winn, of Harvard, was to make a trip to Palestine to induce the Bishop of St. Catherine's Monastery to permit him to photograph rare manuscripts there.

THE COTTON MARKET. Showed Renewed Steadiness at the Opening. With First Prices 3 to 7 Points Higher. New York, Jan. 11.—(AP)—The cotton market showed renewed steadiness at the opening today, first prices being 3 to 7 points higher on a renewal of yesterday's buying movement which seemed to find additional encouragement in Liverpool cable advices and reports of continued trade buying to six prices.

DELLINGER DESTITUTE. But Will Renew Fight to Establish His Identity as Charles Ross. (By International News Service.) Denver, N. C., Jan. 11.—Destitute but still hopeful, Julius Dellinger, or Charles Ross, local carpenter, will renew his fight to establish his right to the name of the kidnapped son of a Philadelphia millionaire as soon as he is able to secure funds with which to push the claims, he said today.

Gov. McLean Wears a Smile. Raleigh, Jan. 11.—Governor A. W. McLean is wearing a smile these days, and is digging his work with renewed vigor, because of the apparent hearty reception which has been given his budget message and the attached revenue and appropriations bills. He regards the preparation of the various financial statements, especially the entire balance sheet of the state—the first ever prepared—as among the biggest jobs he has ever accomplished, and is much pleased that so many people believe their eyes when the loosened platform thirty feet above the ground came into view.

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Portland Ned at Work. Portland, Jan. 11.—(INS)—"Portland Ned" Howard recently granted a parole from State's Prison here, is going to try his hand at beautifying Raleigh's city parks. Portland Ned established something of a reputation as a gardener at State's Prison. City officials have already made arrangements with him to prepare Nash on Moore Square for the planting of bulbs and flowers.

CATHOLICS BATTLE MEXICAN OFFICERS OVER REGULATIONS

Mayor of Cocula, Local Deputy and 19 Others Reported to Have Been Killed During Clash.

AGRARIANS OFFER CALLES SUPPORT. Members of Agrarian Organizations Instructed to Support Federal Troops Wherever Needed.

Mexico City, Jan. 11.—(AP)—Special dispatches from Guadaluajara State say that twenty-one persons have been killed and ten wounded in a clash between Catholics and the municipal authorities in the town of Cocula in the state of Jalisco.

There are reports of armed Catholic uprisings in the states of Durango, Michoacan and Jalisco, and one bishop claims to have information that in several places he has captured, and news being suppressed. These reports, however, have not been confirmed.

Bandit outrages are also increasing, and a half dozen villages within a score of miles of Mexico City are virtually deserted.

The second was the arrest and ordered deportation of Bishop Pascual Diaz, of Tabasco, secretary of the Catholic Episcopate in Mexico. Five other prelates were taken with him at the episcopate building.

Junior College as Part of County School System. New Bern, Jan. 11.—(INS)—Plans are under way here for the creation of the first junior college to be operated in North Carolina as a part of the county school system.

Center For Sale of Glass Eyes. (By International News Service.) Knoxville, Tenn., Jan. 11.—This city claims certain honors as a center for the sales of glass eyes, one hundred having been sold during the past year by one company. When blindness comes as the result of drinking poison alcohol, the eye is usually removed, according to a local optician. This is thought to have been the cause of many of the sales made here, an increase since the advent of prohibition and the promiscuous use of hard whiskey having been noted.

Would Revoke 1926 Postal Rates. Washington, Jan. 11.—(AP)—Restoration of the 1926 rates on second class mail matter was approved today by the Senate postoffice committee. Johann and Heinrich Melahn, 87 year old twin brothers, are the oldest twins in Germany.