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STATE CAPITAL NEWS

BILL EQUALIZING PER-EMPTORY CHALLENGES. \$20,000 BOND ISSUE HELD UP.

Anti-Pistol-toting Bill—Regulation of Women and Child Labor in Factories—An Attack on the Department of Labor and Printing—New State Bank Examiner.

Bill Equalizing Peremptory Challenges.

Enterprise Bureau, Special Correspondence.

Raleigh, Jan. 19. The House judiciary committee No. 1 has named a sub-committee composed of Messrs. Doughton, Harshaw and Connor to consider and report on Speaker Graham's bill equalizing the number of peremptory challenges in capital cases to twelve each for State and defendant, the State to stand none at the foot of the panel. Speaker Graham in an address to the committee, called attention to the fact that the great disparity now, 23 for the defendant and 4 for the State with the rule that the State can stand ten at the foot of the panel is because originally the defendant was not allowed to testify for himself and hence was given all advantage possible otherwise.

The general sentiment of the committee seems to be to cut down the disparity to some extent, but not to the point of equality, on account of the advantage of the State in having the opening and closing argument, and all are of the opinion that if the number of the State's challenges is to be increased, there should be no standing at the foot of the panel.

The committee favors Mr. Higdon's divorce bill, which simply amends the present law granting divorce when the parties have lived apart for ten years if there are no children by providing that any children of the union must have attained the age of 21.

Unfavorable is the committee's verdict on Senator Pharr's bill that liens must be filed within six months instead of twelve months.

\$20,000 Bond Issue Held Up.

The House committee on counties, cities and towns is holding up the Burlington twenty thousand dollar bond issue for improvements, including a water plant, for the reason that the bill calls for the issue without submission to the vote of the people and also because the water plant is not made liable in case the pressure is not maintained. It appears that the courts have held that water companies can be held liable in such cases.

Pistol Toting Bill.

Mr. Latham, of Beaufort is the author of a remarkable anti-pistol toting bill which would require all dealers to procure license from the county commissioners at fifty dollars the year to benefit the public school fund. The dealers must keep records open to the public setting out the name of the purchasers of pistols and cartridges and personal descriptions of each, these to be transmitted to the clerks of Superior Court and thence to the solicitors to be read out to the grand juries after the judge has delivered his charge.

Bill to Regulate Women and Child Labor.

There is a bill of importance just introduced in the House by Hinsdale of Wake to regulate labor of women and children in factories. It would prohibit any child working in factories who is under fourteen years old and any under sixteen at night and would limit work by women and children to sixty hours per week. Written statements of the age of the child and place of birth must be filed with the employer by the parents and there is punishment for false statements. An inspector of factories is provided to be appointed by the Governor in conjunction with the commissioner of labor and printing, his salary to be \$1,000 and expenses, all violations of the labor laws he discovers to be reported to the solicitors of the various judicial districts.

In a remarkable bill offered in the House by Mr. Morton of New Hanover, he regrets the

passing of the "old time darkey" and prescribes that no teachers shall be employed in public schools for the negro in this State who is not a graduate of some school approved by the State board of education, these teachers to be trained so that they will inculcate proper ideas in the negro youth they teach.

Attack on Department of Labor and Printing.

The attack on the department of labor and printing yesterday afternoon in the House stirred the biggest sensation of the session thus far and the end is not yet as the whole matter comes up again Wednesday together with discussion as to the advisability of reducing the clerical force of the office. Commissioner Shipman insists that he will stand out for the \$2,500 allowed by the Senate and that must be allowed an assistant. A fierce assault by Representative Grant of Davie, the young Republican who has served several terms upon the efficiency of the office of commissioner of labor and printing made things lively in the lower branch of the General Assembly to-day. It was over the Senate bill increasing the salary of the commissioner from \$1,500 to \$2,500, as recommended by Gov. Glenn. Mr. Grant declared that the commissioner during the ten years since the establishment of the office had done nothing but submit his biennial report every two years and that this consisted merely of statistics tabulated from the reports sent in reply to his letters, was all office work and done by the assistant; yet the State pays to that department about \$4,000 a year, including clerical help and traveling expenses. A compromise amendment offered by Mr. Cotten of Pitt, making the salary \$2,000, was adopted on a roll call vote of 57 to 35. The bill had passed its second reading 45 to 38. Finally on motion of Mr. Rasco, of Bertie, who thought the matter of clerical help in the office ought to be looked into further, the bill was made a special order for Wednesday at noon, when it will come up on its third reading, as amended. During the discussion Mr. Julian of Rowan came to the rescue of the department, and Mr. Turlington of Iredell voiced the message of Governor Glenn in saying that if the State were not more liberal in the matter of salaries only rich men could afford to hold office.

New State Bank Examiner.

J. Kemp Doughton, former teller in the State treasury and now cashier of the People's National Bank, Winston-Salem, is chosen by the North Carolina Corporation Commission State bank examiner to succeed F. J. Hayward resigned. Mr. Doughton has had extensive experience in the banking business. He is a son of Hon. R. A. Doughton who is one of the most prominent members of the Legislature. The commission re-elects W. L. Williams assistant examiner.

Luke Richardson, colored, who has served seven years of a fifteen year sentence to the penitentiary for criminal assault, has escaped from the State farm.

SEAWELL'S NOMINATION SENT TO THE SENATE

President Roosevelt Name, Carthage Man for the Eastern Judgeship. Washington, D. C., Jan. 18.—President Roosevelt to-day sent to the Senate the nomination of Herbert F. Seawell, to be judge of the Eastern District of North Carolina, thereby settling a vigorous fight over this vacancy.

Wedding Party.

Messrs. C. F. Tomlinson, E. H. Farriss, H. A. Millis and Dr. Perkins left to-day for Rockingham to participate in the marriage ceremonies of Dr. A. E. Frazier to Miss Lida Whitaker. The event will be celebrated at 6:30 to-morrow evening at the Methodist Episcopal church in Rockingham.

Charming Picture.

Miss Edith Moore, assisted by Reid Miller in a song recital at Greensboro last night. The Telegram this morning speaking of Miss Moore says: Miss Edith Moore, of High Point, always a favorite with a Greensboro audience, sang most acceptably and won applause that called for encores, to which she responded graciously. She made a charming picture.

WILLETS SCORES ROOSEVELT

Representative From New York Scores the President, Reviewing His Record and Puts an Estimate on Him as a Man and Official—Called Down by the Republican Members.

After declaring that in the face of all sorts of conditions Americans were possessed of a universal sense of humor, Mr. Willet said that to such people "it must be confessed, a chief magistrate who has himself no sense of humor, moving like a horse-tender over the hayfield of American activities; stirring up every drying blade of once green grass, to let it fall dryer than before; quarrelling one day with the practical politicians, then with the part-your-hair-in-the-middle reformers, then with the socialists, then with the great industrial corporations; wrestling in agony of spirit with Noah Webster and our glorious English tongue; taking a fall out of nature-fakers, exhorting our women to avoid race suicide, cannot be an unmixed nuisance.

"He plays tyrant, to be sure but he is a tyrant who fears the carnival trickier. He sees thousands that have a bad smell, but the fresh breezes of capitol hill does not let the odor linger.

"He tries our patience, but he is always good—to laugh at. Thank Heaven for the things that makes us laugh! Without them we might easily become raw, untamed Anglo-Saxons making much of Maena Charta, bellowing about an effete bill of rights, or even ready to fight for freedom of thought, freedom of speech and freedom of the press, as did our uncivilized ancestors at Lexington and Bunker Hill.

"And Mr. Chairman, should the gentlemen who view this curious figure with feigned admiration ask how any son of Adam can be at the same time a hay-tender, a jocularist and a gargoyle, I can only answer that this particular hero is an eccentric exception to all rules, a solism sui generis, a mixed metaphor viviant, an impossibility, a comet that roves at will regardless of the limitations of order law that apply to earth and moon, to stars and planets.

"He exults in a strain of the old Hugonot, but the French gentleman does not fly into a passion and lash the horse of a timid young girl, whose only offense is inadvertently passing the royal party in a public highway. Even Louis XIV was not that sort of a tyrant, and Henry IV, Henry of Navarre, the great Hugonot king, wore the white plume of noblesse oblige.

"He tells us that Southern aristocrats were among his polyglot ancestors; but I can inform him that if the wife of a Robert Toombs or of a Jefferson Davis had been treated by him as Mrs. Minor Morris was, he would have been called out or branded as a coward if he had been a thousand times a President.

"He is proud to insist that the family whose name he bears came from Holland; but his ready surrender to the politicians of his own party makes it clear that fat burghers who put up their shutters at the first beat of the war drum must have been his progenitors. He beats the Dutch, however, as even his severest critics must confess.

"We have a king and a court now," Mr. Willet exclaimed, "as good an imitation of the real thing known to the nobility of monarchical countries, as the scion of a family of trading Dutchmen can concoct."

The President, "Mr. Willet declared, showed his teeth at all real heroes "because real heroes are gall wormgood to bogus ones."

the navy by allowing intolerable treatment of sailors "at the hands of aristocracy of Annapolis officers," had permitted the degrading of soldiers at West Point who had been put to menial work, and had given a Scotch verdict in connection with the alleged Panama canal scandal.

Presentation of Flag

The Baraca rooms were crowded this afternoon with old soldiers and citizens generally, the occasion being the presentation of a flag to High Point Camp, United Confederate veterans by High Point Chapter Daughters of the Confederacy.

The occasion was a very interesting one indeed and marks a new era in the history of both the organizations.

Program.

Prayer—Rev. E. L. Siler. Introduction—R. T. Pickens. Song—"Carolina." Presentation of Flag—T. J. Gold. Reception of Flag—Rev. Dr. J. B. Richison. Song—"Dixie." Remarks by veterans.

SPEAKER'S SALARY IS INCREASED TO \$15,000

Senate Compromises on the \$20,000 Suggested by Appropriations Committee.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 18.—By a vote of 37 to 27 the Senate fixed the salary of the Speaker of the House of Representatives at \$15,000 instead of \$20,000 as proposed by the committee on appropriations.

A vigorous speech against any increase was made by Senator Bailey, and numerous addresses were made in support of the proposition.

"His Private Secretary."

The Dramatic Club met last night at the Chamber of Commerce and decided to give a play the last of this month entitled "His Private Secretary." Due notice will be given.

Local and Personal

J. C. Siceloff and R. O. Lindsay are in Greensboro purchasing some stock for the new firm of Siceloff-Lindsay Hardware Co.

Geo. T. Penny is in Randleman attending a meeting of Randleman Chair Co.

J. H. Adams and Frank Hunsucker are spending the afternoon in Greensboro.

Mrs. W. E. Snow and Mrs. E. A. Bencini, left at noon for Winston.

Col. Jas. T. Morehead is in the city on legal business.

A. R. Bennett, of Winston is in the city.

Mrs. W. M. Allred is confined to her room on account of a painful attack of La Grippe.

Married Jan. 18th at the home of the bride, David L. Edwards to Miss Etta Bunnell, J. Mat Sechrist, J. P., officiating.

W. L. Charles, of Winston, is in the city visiting his parents.

J. J. Elder, special insurance agent left for Marion this morning.

L. C. St. Clair is spending the day in Greensboro.

E. W. McNary, of Greensboro, is here to-day.

A. G. Moore, of Greensboro, is here to-day.

T. F. Cheek, of Durham is here to-day.

DIFFICULT TO GET JURY

Great Difficulty is Expected Through Hearing of Cooper's Application for Bail.

PRINTING EVIDENCE A SEVERE HANDICAP

Supreme Court Has Held That a Man Who Reads What Purports to be Verbatim Newspaper Reports of the Testimony Disqualifies Himself.

Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 17.—With carpenters working overtime to get the new Criminal Court room completed with deputy sheriffs busy summoning witnesses, and with the attorneys on both sides making their final preparations, it is very probable that the Cooper-Carmack murder trial will be commenced here Wednesday morning. There have been vague rumors of an attempt on the part of the defense to secure further delay. But the missing witness, whose absence secured the last postponement is in the city.

The case will be tried before Judge William B. Hart. The most eminent legal counsel in the State have been engaged upon one side or the other. All that money and brains and influence can do will be done on one hand to convict the defendants, and on the other to free them.

History of Case.

The parties to the case enjoyed national reputation. Colonel Duncan B. Cooper, his son, Robin, a young lawyer and former Sheriff John D. Sharpe are jointly indicted for the slaying of former United States Senator Edward W. Carmack. Colonel Cooper had been prominent in State and national politics for years. He was a friend of President Cleveland and of President Roosevelt. Years ago he brought Mr. Carmack to Nashville as an editorial writer on the American which Cooper then owned. But those who know say that the men were never very friendly, and later Carmack became connected with a rival publication. In politics they belonged to rival factions. Even Cooper's friends admit that he is a dominating man—a man who has been wont to command and who liked to little those who opposed him. Carmack had ideas of his own, too, and was not backward in expressing them.

There was no serious difference between the men until the recent gubernatorial campaign, when Carmack opposed Patterson for the office. The issue was Statewide prohibition, with Carmack advocating it and Patterson opposing it. Carmack realized that he was beaten, but he was confident that prohibition would carry. The Patterson forces rallied to defeat this plank. Carmack, as editor of the Tennesseean denounced these efforts and criticized Colonel Cooper editorially. The latter, who managed Patterson's campaign, sent word to Carmack that he would kill the editor if the attacks continued. Carmack told his friends that if he complied with Cooper's demands that he would be branded as a coward all over the State, consequently he would refuse. The next editorial that Carmack wrote resulted in his death.

Claims of Both Sides.

The Cooper forces swear they will make out a clear case of self-defense. The State, on the other hand, claims that it will prove that the killing was the result of a conspiracy to assassinate. The feeling in the State is intense and sentiment is nearly equally divided.

The greatest difficulty will be experienced in securing a jury. The law provides that any one who has talked with a witness or talked with some one who purports to tell what the witness saw or heard, is disqualified as a juror. The Supreme Court has held that a man who reads what purports to be verbatim newspaper reports of the testimony disqualifies himself. The defense applied for bail, forced the State to put its witnesses on the stand, and then several newspapers printed stenographic reports of the testimony. Whether there are enough men in the county who did not read the testimony to make up a jury remains to be seen.

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