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A CAMPAIGN ECHO

When the Suffrage Bill Passed the House.

A Scene of Excitement. New Bills Introduced. Norwood and Day Out. New Bern Charter. Personal.

JOURNAL BUREAU, RALEIGH, N. C., February 18. It was like an echo of the last campaign in the House yesterday. The constitutional amendment was voted on and passed by the two fifths vote and if it passes the Senate the people will vote on the question in 1900.

A change in the organic law of the State is certainly the most important question to be considered by a legislature. The deepest interest was manifested in the occasion. The House floor was filled with Senators and prominent men, Chairman Simmons was an interested listener. The galleries were filled, more than sixty ladies among the number. The part reserved for negroes was filled with the colored race.

Rountree of Wilmington explained the bill at great length and presented the views of the committee. He quoted opinions from the United States Supreme court on the Mississippi law and from the Supreme Court of Massachusetts and in conclusion declared that the amendment was entirely compatible with the Federal constitution. In conclusion he was liberally applauded.

Three of the colored members spoke against the bill. Smith of Craven spoke at considerable length but received attention which was at least paid due to the laughable character of his remarks. He worked in some history about Persia and quoted some poetry to embellish his conclusion. Several white Republicans also spoke against the amendment.

Winston of Hertie closed the remarks and called the previous question which brought the matter to vote. He said that he understood that there were white men here representing white people who hesitated to vote for this bill. He declared it was a time to sink the conscience in the public good. He made a powerful appeal in support of the ancestral feature of the bill. He said that in future years men in North Carolina would be proud that they were the descendants of the men who in this legislature had dared to vote for this bill. He said in the name of the women of North Carolina (tremendous applause) he bade these doubting white men rise to the height of their own manhood.

Then the voting began on the second reading of the bill. Many members in addition to the clerks were keeping score. It was an anxious time, for although the party managers felt sure of where they stood, something might happen, and as the doubtful ones voted "aye" applause rang through the hall, not until "W" was reached was there a two fifths majority and then there was great applause and when the final vote of 79 to 29 was announced, a great shout went up, and for a moment the House resembled a political convention.

As the vote proceeded many members voting "no" gave their reasons, most of them declared that they had "no apology to offer" and their explanations were various, chiefly of the Democrats that they had pledged themselves on the campaign not to vote for a limitation of the suffrage. The Democrats voting no, were Barnhill, Currie, Curtis, McNeil and Reinhardt. The Fusionists voting with the Democrats were Crumpler, Johnson, McIntosh, and Tarkenton. Twelve members were absent or refused to vote.

The amendment bill will now go to the Senate. It will have smoother water there than in the House. It is even predicted that not over four votes will be cast against it. The vote will probably take place by Monday or Tuesday.

Some new bills were introduced yesterday, to give livery men a lien on horses and mules, to make it a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of \$50 to work on Sunday, to regulate accident insurance companies, to appoint Justices of the Peace for Wilmington. The bill regarding the fishing in the Neuse river with Dutch nets was recalled before being ratified, to be reconsidered.

A special bill was pushed through to allow the sheriff to serve summons in quo warranto by leaving it at the residence or place of business in the absence of the defendant. This was to get at

LONG DISCUSSIONS

On Revenue and Jim Crow Car Bills Very Probable.

Two Great Days in Legislature. Insurance Gets Along Slowly. A Hit at Organized Labor. No Repudiation.

JOURNAL BUREAU, RALEIGH, N. C., February 20. The great days of the present Legislature were last Friday and Saturday, when the constitutional amendment was passed in the House and Senate by more than the necessary two fifths vote. It is not likely that such a scene will be enacted again this session and perhaps not for years to come.

When the time came to vote on the amendment in the Senate Saturday, it found the chamber crowded with spectators. It was necessary to refuse further admission on the floor. Every seat in the gallery was occupied by ladies and many besides were standing up. In the part reserved for the colored race were probably a dozen spectators of the eventful scene.

Nearly all the Senators were in their seats. Glenn, Osborne, Skinner, Justice, Bryan and other leaders were awaiting the casting of the vote, not anxious for its safe carrying, but anxious to have the important question disposed of. Representative Rountree who had helped so greatly in the House, was seated near to Senator Glenn, and other Representatives gathered around.

Each Senator was handed a printed copy of the bill. The first point of interest was when Goodwin, Populist, offered an amendment to the bill, that all persons who were disfranchised upon the adoption of the amendment should be exempt from all military and other duties and from paying a poll tax. This was promptly voted down, 42 to 6 on a roll call. Then the amendment itself came up. Those intending to vote against the bill gave notice that they would explain their vote when their names were called. Several for the bill also did the same.

In the House, speeches during the roll call were limited to one minute and time was promptly called by the Speaker or some member. In the Senate there was no limit and some of the speeches were too long. Especially so that of the negro Senator Fuller from Warren. He received good attention, but there was too much quotation from books, poetry, etc., to be appropriate and his plain talk was wide of the mark. Senators Travis and Fields, Democrats, made speeches, but the outburst that aroused the audience until cheers rang through the Chamber was from Senator Glenn. Crisp Republican, interrupted him with questions, until thoroughly aroused, his face flushed, his words echoed through the Hall, "I thank God who has enabled me to be here to record my vote in favor of the grand old Anglo-Saxon race, the virtue and welfare of the white women of the State. It is the proudest moment of my life."

The final vote on the third reading was 42 to 6 and by that record of 7 to 1, the amendment goes to the decision of the people in 1900.

A contest is taking place in the Senate over Madison county bonds. A bill is before the Legislature to validate the bonds. They were issued in 1880 to pay county debts and to build bridges, etc., and amounted to \$21,000. There was some irregularity in the passage and there is an attempt to throw them over. It is claimed that the bonds were sold at a big discount to speculators. The committee reported unfavorably on the bill, but there was a minority report with Osborne, Skinner, Daniels and Glenn signing it, and these are among the weightiest men in the Senate, hence the sharp fight over the bill. The amendment question came up and caused the matter to be postponed. There is much interest in the question, for this Legislature is clearly against repudiation in any form.

The insurance bill is having a hard road to travel and was made a special order for Thursday at noon.

The revenue bill, naturally of leading importance will be considered in a committee of the whole on Tuesday. There is no telling how long the discussion on this bill may last, perhaps all the week and it may crowd to the wall both the Insurance and the Separate Cars bills. The "Jim Crow" bill is such a weakling that it must be crowded too hard or it will be smothered. Enquiries in regard to "Jim Crow" bring the reply that it will surely be treated fairly.

Trailing behind the Revenue bill is the Machinery bill which may make the Revenue bill operative. The Finance Committee is nursing these lusty infants and they are being fed on strong food.

The "local option bill" which provides for elections on liquor questions to be held in "off" years had a bad fall. It was amended to death and was only saved from being finally withdrawn by

THE DISPENSARY LAW

A Great Issue in Legislature. How It is Worked.

There is something going on in this State, that except in those localities immediately affected, is not attracting much attention. This is the spread of the dispensary law, fashioned much like the one in force in South Carolina where it is a state law. Here it is a local measure, confined to the counties interested. But the number of these counties has greatly increased by the applications to the Legislature. Some of the laws have passed. Others such as Charlotte are being argued before the committee and later will be before the Assembly.

In their main features the dispensary laws are much alike. The prohibition people generally favor them. They think many of them, that it is "the solution of the liquor question". On the other side are many equally as good people who are fighting the bills from disinterested motives. Huge petitions are brought to the Capital, containing thousands of names, for or against the dispensary, and delegation come by the car load to influence the passage of the laws.

The dispensary law just passed for Smithfield, Johnston county, can be taken as an example of these laws. Many people do not know the features of this law and may be interested in the main facts. It provides in the first place that it shall be unlawful for anyone to sell liquor of any kind in the county except by the dispensary. Three commissioners are appointed for the dispensary by the law for the town of Smithfield. They hold their offices for one, two and three years and nominate their successors who however must be approved by the town commissioners.

The dispensary commissioners are required to furnish a suitable place for the sale of spirituous, vinous, malt and other liquors, not within 300 feet of any church.

The commissioners choose a manager for the dispensary who must give a bond for \$500. His pay is fixed by the commissioners, not to exceed \$50 per month. It is the duty of the manager to keep a register in which shall be kept a record of the names of persons to whom any liquors are sold, the quantity, price and date of sale. His books and records are open at all times to the inspection of citizens and officers of the law.

The quantity of liquor to be sold to any one person is to be determined by the commissioners, but in no case shall wine or liquor be sold in quantity less than one half pint, and none shall be drunk in the building or on the premises. The Dispensary shall open at sunrise and close at sunset.

The price of liquors shall be fixed by the commissioners and shall not be sold at a profit exceeding 80 per centum above the actual cost. No "broken packages" shall be kept in the Dispensary.

An analysis of the liquor on hand shall be made from time to time and any condemned as impure shall not be sold, and payment refused to the parties purchased from, no liquor shall be sold to any one for the selling again, or they will be guilty of a misdemeanor.

The board of commissioners of the town shall appropriate a sufficient sum of money from the town treasury to establish the Dispensary, which amount shall be repaid by the profits arising from sales, and thereafter the Dispensary shall be supported by profits from the sales.

The Dispensary commissioners shall pay the regular license to the sheriff of the county. The commissioners shall be paid for their services the sum of \$25 per annum.

Every six months the profits of the Dispensary shall be divided, one half going to the town treasurer. The part going to the town treasurer shall go for the improvement of the town, the part going to the county shall be placed to the credit of the school fund and applied to the support of the free public schools in the districts in which the town is situated.

Such in brief are the main points of the Dispensary Law. From the provisions of the law it can be easily seen that there is room for a difference of opinion. No other questions before the legislature have excited more heated talk, or greater efforts for and against. Fayetteville has had the law and made a great effort to have it repealed but without avail. The opponents of repeal refused to allow it to be voted on again by the people, and fought it out on that line and succeeded.

Charlotte is now in the midst of the agony and there are others, many of them.

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Sugar	137 1/2	139 1/2	136 1/2	139 1/2
C. B. & Q.	147 1/2	147 1/2	146 1/2	146 1/2
Chicago Gas	115 1/2	116 1/2	115 1/2	116 1/2
B. S. Gas	61	61	61	61
St. L. & S. W.	30 1/2	30 1/2	30 1/2	30 1/2
C. & O.	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2
J. C.	105 1/2	105 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2

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