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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Summary of Legislative Proceedings During the Past Week.

SENATE.

Tuesday, February 23rd—There was a great debate begun in the Senate, when James A. Lockhart, author of the anti-trust bill championed the measure in his brilliant speech which carried conviction and a sense of right with it. Only two senators occupied the floor in the discussion, the other being Mr. Bassett, who had reported the Blow-Bassett substitute to the Senate with a favorable report. Further consideration of the bill was postponed until Wednesday.

On motion of Mr. Blow, chairman of the Committee on Education, it was ordered that five hundred copies of the bills affecting the general education laws be printed. The bills are now on the calendar.

HOUSE.

The House made considerable progress on the Revenue bill in committee of the whole, very nearly completing consideration of the various sections.

One of the most important of the bills introduced was by Graham, providing that telegraph and telephone companies be made to pay taxes. There was a mild consternation when the committee on constitutional amendments reported Haymore's bill to extend the suffrage educational qualification clause until 1916. But when Mr. Haymore imprudently moved to make consideration of the bill a special order for Wednesday night, he was headed off by a motion to refer the bill to the Judiciary Committee.

This motion prevailed, and this morning, after a full and extended session in the afternoon reported it unfavorably, by a vote of 15 to 5.

Consideration of the Revenue bill will probably be finished at tomorrow's session.

The only bill that passed final reading was to amend the law relative to publication of the laws of the General Assembly.

SENATE.

Wednesday, February 24th—The discussion of the Lockhart bill, containing subject "A" and amendments that strengthen the law, and the Blow-Bassett substitute embodied in the Manning substitute, was resumed at the expiration of the morning hour. The consideration of the bill was continued at the Senate's next session. Action will probably be taken on the bill tomorrow. The advocates of the Lockhart bill strongly urge its passage on the grounds that the Democratic party promised effective anti-trust legislation, and that the people are demanding its passage. The advocates of the substitute claim that its enactment would make good the pledge of the Democratic party, promising effective anti-trust legislation.

A bill was introduced out of order by Mr. Travis to regulate primary elections in Halifax county.

HOUSE.

Mr. Horn practically completed the revenue bill in Committee of the Whole, and it passed its second reading on roll call with the understanding the several amendments which are pending shall be considered at third reading, or at another session of the Committee of the Whole.

The Senate bill by Emrie, to prevent the sale of quail and pheasants for two years was defeated on the second reading by a large majority. The drainage bill which provoked so much discussion in the House two weeks ago, passed its final reading by an almost unanimous vote.

Mr. Haymore, of Surry, filed a minority report on his bill to extend the grandfather clause of the franchise law another eight years.

He tried to have consideration of the bill made a special order for Thursday night; but by a vote of 48 to 21 the House refused to make a special order.

SENATE.

Thursday, February 25th—At the conclusion of an exhaustive debate the Senate by a vote of 33 to 13, adopted the Manning-Bassett-Blow substitute for the Lockhart anti-trust bill, and it was ordered sent to the House.

The Senate bill providing for the maintenance of a four months school in every school district in North Carolina, by an appropriation and special tax, passed its final reading.

HOUSE.

In the House the bill to authorize Steps taking instantly. Cures piles, eczema, salt rheum, tetter, itch, hives, herpes, scabies—Doan's Ointment. At any drug store.

the issue of \$500,000 of bonds to carry out the provisions of the Bickett act of 1907 passed. The last Legislature passed an act appropriating \$500,000 for permanent improvements of hospitals for the insane and for epileptics. The bill originally provided for a \$500,000 issue of bonds at that time.

On motion of Mr. Dowd, chairman of the Finance Committee, it was ordered that the Revenue and Machinery Acts be made a special order for Friday morning.

A message was reported from Governor Kitchin transmitting a report of Insurance Commissioner Young, relating to the result of his investigations as to dangerous condition of the Agricultural buildings, and with recommendations as to how to lessen the fire hazard.

The message was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

Reduce Your Acreage.

To the Cotton Growers: A year ago I strongly urged you to reduce the acreage in cotton and grow more feed stuffs. It seems from the acreage report last year that only a part of the growers reduced their acreage and in some sections a small increase was shown. The result has been about as I predicted, the lowest prices we have had for several years. It now looks as if the crop will bring around \$550,000,000 or over \$500,000,000 less than last year's crop which was nearly 2,000,000 bales smaller and taking the cost of growing the extra 2,000,000 bales it means a loss to the South of over a hundred million dollars.

The time has arrived when you must decide on the acreage for this season. I strongly urge you to reduce your acreage in cotton at least ten per cent, and raise more grain and so you will be more independent at marketing time. When the spinner is assured there is enough cotton grown to supply his needs he is very independent and will only buy at cheap prices. With a possibility of a shortage he is a very eager buyer.

While the consumption for the first half of the cotton year ending March 1st will likely be a little less than half the crop the consumption the last half will be very much larger so that we will likely have about the same visible supply that we had last season so that we should raise next year at least a million bales less than the consumption in order to get good prices for it.

Now don't think that every one else will reduce and you can plant more and get a big price, for that is what too many of you did last season. It will take a uniform reduction in order to get proper results. You should only plant enough so that with the most favorable conditions the crop would not exceed 12,000,000 and then if weather conditions reduce the yield to 11,000,000 you get more money for it than if you raised 12,500,000.

I hope that every merchant reading this article will call his farmer customer's attention to it and urge the reduction. It is the extra hundred million dollars the cotton crop brings that makes trade good through the South. I suggest that meetings be held in every school-house in the South Saturday, March 7th, so that uniformity of action may be taken. Weekly papers please copy.

J. A. TAYLOR,

President National Ginners' Association.
Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 15, 1909.

His Deficiency.

A certain Chicago merchant died, leaving to his only son the conduct of an extensive business and great doubt was expressed in some quarters whether the young man possessed the ability to carry out the father's policies.

"Well," said some kindly disposed friend, "for my part, I think Henry is very bright and capable. I'm sure he will succeed."

"Perhaps you're right," said another friend; "Henry is undoubtedly a clever fellow, but take it from me, old man, he hasn't got the head to fill his father's shoes."

The vicar was invited to share in the festivities held in honor of the coming of age of the son and heir of a certain Berkshire squire. At the dinner table he sat in front of a goose, and the lady of the house occupied a chair on his left.

"Shall I sit so close to the goose?" he asked, thoughtlessly. Then, finding that his words might be misconstrued, he added, hastily, "Excuse me, Mrs. H.; I meant the roast one."

—Tit-Bits.

MATTERS OF GENERAL INTEREST.

What is Transpiring in North Carolina And Other States.

The naval bill carrying an appropriation of \$136,000,000 has been passed by the Senate. The amendment to the bill, providing for the restoration of the Marine corps to battleships and cruisers, having been adopted by a vote of 51 to 12, was placed in the measure.

The South Carolina Senate has passed an amendment to the prohibition bill, which provides that elections be held in the various counties, now "wet" on July 15. From July 1 to July 15 the entire State would be prohibition. Those counties voting to retain the whiskey sale would do so under the present law. Those voting to do away with whiskey sale would go prohibition. The counties now dry would not be affected.

Candidates from the United States, Canada and Mexico met in Washington some days ago in attendance upon the American Conference on Conservation, with a view to conserving their natural resources, and furthering their common interests. In addressing this conference, President Roosevelt said, "I feel that this conference is one of the important steps that have been taken of recent years looking toward the harmonious cooperation between the nations of the earth for the common advancement of all."

The name of Jefferson Davis that was eliminated from the stone tablet on Cabin John bridge six miles west of Washington, D. C., during President Lincoln's administration, will be restored. President Roosevelt has issued orders through the Secretary of War to the chief of engineers to restore it.

The tablet is on the bridge that arches Cabin John river on the Maryland side of the Potomac river, a structure famous for years as the longest single span stone bridge in the world. The bridge carries the conduit which brings Washington's water supply from the upper Potomac. It was begun under Davis as Secretary of War and when he joined the Confederacy and became its President, his name, under government orders was chiselled from the tablet.

Last week by sweeping majorities the House of Representatives rejected the Senate's amendments to the legislative appropriation bill providing for salary increases for the President, the Vice-President, the Speaker, the Judiciary, and for the creation of the offices of under secretary of state. By a vote of 57 to 102 the Senate amendment increasing the salary of the Speaker was voted down; the amendment to increase the President's salary was rejected by a vote of 141 to 168. An amendment by Mr. Watson, of Indiana, would fix the President's salary at \$75,000. The effect of the amendment will be to leave where it now is the President's salary added to which will be the \$25,000 heretofore appropriated for traveling expenses but which the bill strikes out as a specific item of transportation, etc.

President Taft's cabinet, with the addition of Franklin McVeagh as Secretary of the Treasury, has recently been completed. It is composed of the following members: Secretary of State—Philander C. Knox, of Pennsylvania. Attorney General—George W. Wickersham, of New York. Secretary of War—J. M. Dickinson, of Tennessee. Secretary of the Navy—George von L. Meyer, of Massachusetts. Secretary of Commerce and Labor—Charles Nagel, of Missouri. Secretary of the Interior—R. A. Ballinger, of Washington. Postmaster General—Frank H. Hitchcock, of Massachusetts. Secretary of Agriculture—James Wilson, of Iowa. Secretary of the Treasury—Franklin McVeagh.

On this list there are five lawyers, and it is by no means a coincidence that this is so, but it is an accomplishment carefully planned. Mr. Taft believes that he has five lawyers than which there are none better in the country.

This is an Easy Test.

Sprinkle Allen's Foot-Ease in one shoe and not in the other, and notice the difference. Just the thing to use when rubbers or overshoes become necessary, and your shoes seem to pinch. Sold everywhere, 25c. Don't accept any substitute.



The Test That Tells.

Dothan, Ala., Jan. 21, 1909. Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. Gentlemen:—About one year ago two of my children suffered badly from weak kidneys and diabetes; their urine was very bad and they would have severe spells of dizziness, and were all run down in health. I was just about discouraged. I tried several remedies and finally a doctor, but they did not seem to improve. I knew a friend who was taking Swamp-Root for kidney trouble with good results, and I decided to get some for the children. I noticed there was some improvement after they had taken two large bottles, and continued to give it to them until they had taken a half dozen bottles and were well on the road to recovery. I think Swamp-Root has done more for my children than any other medicine I have tried and I recommend it to one having children who suffered as mine did.

A Georgia Woman.

Sparks, Ga., Jan. 11, 1909. Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. Gentlemen:—Some time ago I was troubled with kidney trouble; had severe pains in my back and hips. Was treated by a physician, but without any benefit. I noticed some Swamp-root advertising and resolved to give it a trial. After taking four bottles I was completely cured. Have not suffered any pain at all since and can recommend Swamp-Root to anyone suffering from kidney trouble.

A Clergyman.

New Roads, La., Jan. 22, 1909. Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. Dear Sirs:—I write today to the public that your Swamp-Root cured me of kidney trouble. I was almost past going; having spasmodic spells with my kidneys that were breaking down my constitution. The best medical aid was employed and they pronounced my trouble as alkali in the kidneys, but were unable to do me any permanent good. I took four bottles of Swamp-Root and became a well man. This was six years ago and I have had no trace of the trouble.

Results after Using.

Boston, Ga., Jan. 13, 1909. Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. Gentlemen:—Some time ago I was troubled with kidney trouble. I thought for some time I was suffering with Diabetes. I had severe pains in my back and hips. A friend recommended Swamp-Root and I decided to give it a trial. I obtained a few doses, felt relieved. After taking several bottles the pain was entirely gone and I have not suffered the slightest since. I cannot be too enthusiastic in my praise of this wonderful medicine and it gives me great pleasure to give my testimonial in regard to its merits.

J. B. ROUNTREE, Former Mayor and Member Legislature. We have sold Mr. Rountree Swamp-Root and have also sold it in a number of cases for kidney trouble and always with perfect satisfaction.

J. C. Adams & Sons.

The Value of a Remedy is Proven by Its Cures.

Elkwood, Ala., Dec. 11, 1908. Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. Dear Sirs:—I have derived such great benefit from the use of your remedy, Swamp-Root, that I believe it to be most important for the public to know its worth. For the past ten years I have been the most miserable man. Did not know what the trouble was but had to urinate very frequently both day and night; was all puffed up generally. Could not sleep more than a couple of hours at a time, was greatly distressed after eating a meal and was about worn out. I had tried nearly everything I could see advertised and heard of, without helping me to any great extent, until finally in October last at Ripon, Wis., I purchased a one dollar bottle of Swamp-Root and commenced taking it according to directions and I followed that with another bottle and experienced such great relief and benefit from same that I purchased five dollars worth at Huntsville, Ala., and continued its use and am now taking it, but in smaller doses and twice a day in place of four times a day and believe by the time present supply is used up I will be entirely well. I am feeling better now than for ten years past. Can eat and sleep first class, in fact I am feeling so good that I resist telling you about it. You are at liberty to publish this testimonial should you wish.

Very Respectfully,
THOS. STALLARD, U. S. A., Retired, Box 7, R. R. No. 2, Elkwood, Ala.

Baptist Minister.

Brinson, Ga., Jan. 20, 1909. Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. Gentlemen:—Some time ago I suffered severely with pain in my back and hips. My back pained me continually and I felt miserable. A friend recommended Swamp-Root. I obtained and took the contents of two bottles when I felt relief. My back has not troubled me since and can thoroughly recommend Swamp-Root to anyone suffering from kidney troubles, as I find it afforded me great relief.

Yours very truly,
REV. E. T. DAVIS.

Mail Carrier's Experience.

Blountville, Tennessee. I have been a rural letter carrier for over five years. Some two years ago I was taken with severe pains in my back. I used medicine from my family physician for several months without any benefit. A friend, Mr. J. D. Nelson, advised me to try your Swamp-Root. I had no faith in it, but continued to grow worse and at last decided to try this remedy and bought of Long Bros. a fifty-cent bottle which gave me great relief. I then bought two one-dollar bottles, which I can truthfully say have completely cured me.

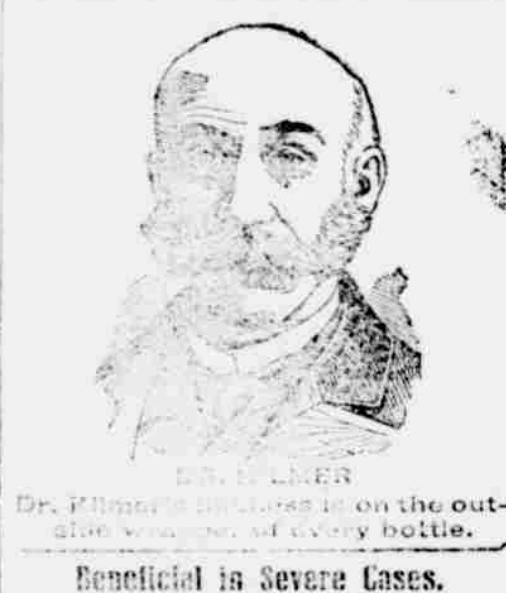
Had it not been for Swamp-Root, I would have been compelled to quit the rural free delivery service. I advise all mail carriers who get pains in their back that Swamp-Root will cure them.

I was so bad that very often my wife would have to help me to urinate. H. B. HENDRIX, Rural Letter Carrier, Route No. 2, Blountville, Tenn.

A Contractor.

Donaldsonville, Ga., Jan. 20, 1909. Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. Gentlemen:—About four years ago I suffered from kidney trouble and rheumatism in my hips. The pain across my back became so severe that I could hardly straighten up and could not walk without dragging my feet. I would urinate frequently and would have to rise two or three times during the night, causing me to suffer from loss of sleep. And with the pain I was all run down and began to lose flesh. I saw Swamp-Root advertised and bought one bottle to try it. After taking it I felt better and could sleep all night at night. I continued to take it until I had taken four large bottles. I was entirely free from any pain in the back and began to gain weight. I always recommend Swamp-Root to my friends as I think the cure in my case remarkable.

Yours very truly,
M. H. HICKSON, Donaldsonville, Ga.



Beneficial in Severe Cases.

Edgefield, Tenn. Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. Gentlemen:—I hardly know how to express my appreciation for the good your Swamp-Root has done me. I had been greatly troubled with my kidneys, and with pain in my back; also with what the doctors termed inflammation of the neck of the bladder. Sometimes my back would get in such shape that I was almost helpless. I had tried several doctors and medicines to no good effect, and finally I noticed in some paper where Dr. Kilmer proposed to send a sample bottle of his kidney medicine, Swamp-Root, free by mail. I sent at once and received promptly a sample bottle. After taking it I found it did me good. I then purchased two bottles from our merchant, Mr. W. J. Elizer. After taking the medicine I felt like a new man, and each day rode five miles to school. You are at liberty to use this letter, or refer anyone to me, as I will always be glad to tell them what a wonderful remedy this Swamp-Root is. Mr. James Ivens, of Spaulderville, Tenn., is taking it with good results.

D. A. MONTGOMERY, Member Tennessee Legislature, Rural Route No. 21, Edgefield, Tenn.

Results it Has Proved.

Dothan, Ala., Jan. 21, 1909. Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. Dear Sirs:—Have been suffering generally from kidney trouble for the last two years and was induced to try your Swamp-Root. Am happy to say, or give you testimonial, that it has cured me. I am a traveling salesman for Messrs. Colgate & Co., New York, and am always traveling on the road. Drinking the different waters at each of my kidneys.

Yours Respectfully,
SAMUEL WOLF.

A Prominent Man.

Jackson, Tennessee. According to my experience, I do not consider that there is anything so equal to Swamp-Root for kidney affection.

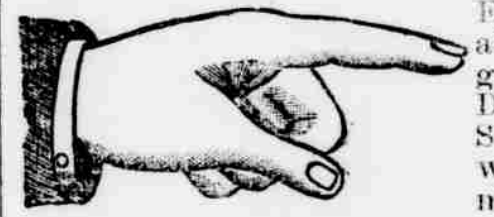
Twice it relieved me when I was completely helpless. The last time I was traveling in Texas, when my kidneys became affected, and for ten days I suffered excruciating pains, accompanied with several chills. Several years previous, I had been relieved of a similar attack. I naturally sought relief before from Swamp-Root. After using four of the large size bottles, I was completely restored and went on my way rejoicing and praising Swamp-Root. This was three years ago and I have had no indication of a return of the affliction.

J. C. SMITH, JR., 32 Mason.

Fully Satisfied.

Waycross, Ga., Jan. 5th, 1909. Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. Dear Sirs:—During last October I suffered from my kidneys. I consulted my physician, who prescribed for me, but his treatment did not benefit me. After reading some Swamp-Root literature, I decided to give it a trial. After taking a few doses, I felt somewhat relieved, and after two one dollar bottles had been taken, I had no more and was completely cured. I have not had the slightest pain in my back or hips since. From my own experience, I can cheerfully recommend Swamp-Root to any one suffering from kidney trouble.

Yours very truly,
SIMON MARTIN. Mr. Martin conducts a carting and transfer business.



Every mail brings many unsolicited testimonials from people from all over the United States and foreign lands, expressing heartfelt gratitude for what Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root has done for them.

Do not let anyone sell you some other medicine to take the place of Swamp-Root—if you do you will be disappointed—insist on getting what you ask for—There is no other medicine as good as Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root.

SWAMP-ROOT is not recommended for everything, but if you have kidney, liver or bladder trouble or obliged to go often during the day and get up many times during the night, have swelling or irritation in passing or heart disturbance due to kidney trouble, Swamp-Root will be found just the remedy you need.

DON'T BE MISLED—For example, when you ask for Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great Kidney, Liver and Bladder Remedy, don't allow any druggist, drug clerk or store keeper to persuade you into buying something else in its place. Every time he succeeds in selling you a worthless substitute he makes more profit, but you are humbugged at the expense of your health.

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