

The Evening Dispatch.

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MORE MONEY FOR SCHOOLS

Audubon Society to be Deprived of Revenue

Solicitors' Bill Passes Third Reading in Senate and Sent to House—Empie Introduces Bill that Criminal Terms of Superior Court May Have Civil Jurisdiction—Also One for Appointment of Justices of the Peace—No New Bills After Wednesday.

Special to The Dispatch.

Raleigh, N. C., March 1.—Introduction of new bills in the legislature was out of today by joint resolutions, limiting the time to March 3rd, Wednesday, except by unanimous consent. Only a few new bills materialized in the Senate today. One by Empie to appoint Justices of the Peace for Brunswick and New Hanover, and another to regulate shooting birds in those counties. Also to give the courts of New Hanover, now held for the trial of criminal cases only, jurisdiction of civil cases also, this because of the Recorder's Court established. By Gay, to amend Article 2 of the Constitution, relating to the time of meeting of legislature, so as to meet in August biennially, instead of January.

By Klutz, amendatory of Section 641 of the Revisal, relating to the sale by execution of real estate. Lieut. Governor Newland returned to his seat as president of Senate today after a week's absence.

The calendar was taken up and a long calendar of inconsequential bills passed, and some of more importance, including the following:

Authorizing Columbus county to vote on the question of a bond issue. The substitute committee bill looking to a change of the county seat of Mitchell.

An important bill, which passed second reading, is that which enables the counties, which so desire, to increase pensions paid Confederate veterans and levy a tax to provide a fund for same, but the tax not to exceed 2 cents on the \$100 valuation of property and six cents on the poll.

Two hours of the Senate was then consumed in arguing the Ormond Solicitors salary bill (\$2,250) on third reading. All amendments were voted down and the bill passed final reading by a vote of 20 to 17. It was then sent to the House for concurrence.

The next bill of importance reached by the Senate was the Pharr bill designed to empower the corporation commission to put into effect by July, 1909, certain reforms which it is hoped will relieve the freight rate discriminations against North Carolina and work other reforms in freight rate transportation and charges. Passed final reading and was sent to the House.

A bill authorizing and directing the Secretary of State to purchase 148 sets of George Pell's new law work, Pells Revisal, being a codification of law. "No price stated in bill" but at regular price \$15, involves expenditure of \$2,200.

Ninety-eight copies proposed for county court houses and 50 in legislative library, etc. The bill provoked some controversy. Pharr thought the State entitled to some reduction in price, under all the circumstances. Finally amendment was adopted by which the Secretary of State is authorized to secure a reduction if possible. Passed the second reading only.

The minority report on the immigration bill, amending present law on subject, set for special order at 3 o'clock tonight. Empie report majority action on this bill unfavorably.

A bill authorizing a vote by the people on the proposition to remove the capitol to Greensboro passed second reading. It is regarded still as a joke, and on objection by Jones, further action was postponed until next Monday and that will probably be the last of it.

Many additional bills of minor importance were passed by the Senate, and then adjournment was taken at 2 till 8 o'clock tonight.

In the House. Speaker Graham today signed for ratification the New Hanover county Recorder's Court bill, passed by the Senate last week and in the House Friday night, and it is now the law.

Representative George W. Connor, of Wilson, tendered his declination of office of trustee of the University, to which he was elected Saturday. Resolution by Doughton was adopted to fill the vacancy tomorrow.

Representative Campbell sent to the clerk's desk and had read an extract from a letter from his wife, which stated "I think its a shame you fellows who wasted the first month and did nothing should now be compelled to work overtime and probably several

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THE POLITICAL GAME

MacRae Forces Play Card Today Calling for a General Committee Meeting Tomorrow Night—O'Brien Followers Busy and O'Brien Clubs Are Planned.

There were no new developments so far as candidates go today—that is so far as definite candidates are concerned. The present municipal campaign is still spirited, however, and the supporters of the different candidates are waxing warm, if not eloquent. The MacRae committees from the different wards are preparing for hard work, and a general meeting has been called for tomorrow night, while the O'Brien followers are not idle by any means and O'Brien clubs are being planned.

Today the call for the MacRae meeting for tomorrow night, with a list of the committeemen named, was issued by the chairman of the last Tuesday's mass meeting, as follows:

"In pursuance of the resolution adopted at the citizens meeting, held on February 23rd, 1909, authorizing the chairman of said meeting to appoint an executive committee of five from each Ward to conduct the campaign on behalf of Captain MacRae," I do hereby appoint the following, suggested by their respective Wards, to wit:

First Ward—Liston Larkins, J. M. Woolard, C. C. Rice, Joe Chadwick, C. L. Spencer.

Second Ward—George E. Leftwich, A. S. Holden, James S. Williams, E. H. Munson, A. H. Shepard.

Third Ward—L. B. Rogers, H. G. Fennell, L. C. Grant, J. O. Powers, J. W. Little.

Fourth Ward—George L. Peschau, John Sholar, E. H. Freeman, R. W. Price, M. S. Willard.

Fifth Ward—J. W. Willets, John Thomas, R. B. Moore, H. L. Hewitt, R. A. Burnett.

The said gentlemen from each Ward are requested to meet at the Purcell House on Tuesday, March 2nd, 1909, at 8 o'clock P. M., to organize the committee and for business.

E. S. MARTIN, Chairman.

WRESTLING MATCH TONIGHT

Ed Adamson Will Meet Chas. Berg at The Academy.

Tonight at the Academy, Ed Adamson will meet Chas. Berg on the mat and no doubt there will be a big outpouring of grapple fans. In addition to this big event there is to be a snappy preliminary and a big and laughable "Patle Royal."

Friday night Adamson, if successful tonight, will meet the "Terrible Greek," from Charleston. The Greek put Tommie Ryan's shoulders to the mat in short order.

NEWSY NOTES

Concerning the Work at the Young Men's Christian Association.

The Bible Study Club will meet for supper at the usual hour this evening. Owing to the absence of Dr. McClure from the city, the regular lesson will not be studied. In its place Dr. Akerman, Messrs. W. H. Sprunt and W. M. Cumming, delegates to the Laymen's Missionary Convention held recently at Birmingham, Ala., will give brief reports of that great and important gathering.

The Class in First Aid to the Injured, will meet on Wednesday evening next at 9 o'clock. Dr. Joseph Akerman has very kindly consented to instruct the class.

The next games of the Basketball League will be played on Tuesday night commencing at 8 o'clock.

The weekly meeting of the Literary Society will be held at the building this evening at 8 o'clock.

SELLING FOR TAXES

County Disposing of Property Under the Ban.

Today at noon the sheriff commenced the sale of property against which there are tax claims. The sale is made imperative by the law and will continue from day to day. However, like all of the sales there is not much real and very little interest. They are more of a matter of form, but, of course, the taxes have to be paid, and with cost, in the end.

Important Meetings.

The meetings of the Board of County Commissioners this afternoon, and of the Board of Aldermen this evening will be of an interesting nature as a number of important matters will be brought to the attention of both boards. Steps will be taken at the commissioners' meeting for the inauguration of the Recorder's Court. It is expected that a definite report will be submitted the aldermen by the special committee on the water-works matter and that this question will be settled. It is also expected that the special sewerage committee will make a preliminary report covering negotiations this far.

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MAKING READY IN WASHINGTON

Thousands Flocking in for the Inauguration

City Fast Assuming Holiday Attire and Elaborate Preparations for the Inaugural Ball—Hard Time Finding Boarding Places—Precautions to Protect Visitors Against Crooks.

Washington, March 1.—Washington has already assumed the appearance of a city in fete work. Finishing arrangements for the inaugural ball went on all day yesterday. Though thousands of visitors have already arrived in the city, the real influx began today, when thousands more poured through the Union Station. The hotels are already filled to overflowing and those coming now without rooms reserved have to spend hours looking for accommodations. The authorities are taking every precaution to protect the visitors from crooks.

HIS FIGHT FOR FREEDOM.

Lawyer Patrick Brought Today From Sing Sing.

New York, March 1.—Albert T. Patrick, who wants his freedom, came to New York from Sing Sing prison today in charge of Detective Jackson to open a new legal phase of his case with his attorney before the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court in Brooklyn. Patrick was dressed in a sack suit, and was joined in Manhattan by William L. McDonald, his attorney, and William Mill Butler, who volunteers to help.

A HARD QUESTION.

Cooper Lawyers Want to Find Out What State's Doctor Knows.

Nashville, Tenn., March 1.—Judge Hart had a hard question put up to him in the Cooper-Sharp trial this morning. Dr. Glasgow had been employed by the State to examine the body of Carmack to ascertain the course of the bullet. The defense learning this subpoenaed Dr. Glasgow. He refused to tell the defense what he knew without permission from the State. The defense appealed to Judge Hart. The judge said it would be "highly proper" for him to tell the defense what he knew. The doctor accompanied the lawyers for conference, but again refused to talk without definite orders to do so. The judge said the question was a new one and he would have to look up authorities. The defense then objected and interposed no further objection.

SPEECH TO STAND.

Representative Cook's Address to be a Matter of Record.

Washington, March 1.—The special committee appointed Friday by Speaker Cannon to examine the speech of Representative Cook, in which he violently attacked the President, reported today that under the rules there is nothing in the speech whereby it should be stricken from the records. The speech is the most severe criticism of Roosevelt ever delivered in the House.

THE HAINS TRIAL.

Date for It Will be Set Friday of This Week.

New York, March 1.—The date for the trial of Captain Peter C. Hains, accused murderer of Wm. E. Annis, will not be set until Friday. It was expected the date would be set today, but Attorney McIntyre for the defense could not be in court. The trial will probably be set for the first week in April.

Presentation of Flag.

The United Daughters of the Confederacy will present a new and handsome flag to the Wilmington Light Infantry tomorrow evening. The presentation exercises will take place at the armory at 8:15 o'clock and the flag will be presented by Bishop Robert Strange, on behalf of the Daughters, and received by Captain W. F. Robertson for the company. The company will wear dress uniform and will be under command of Lieutenant T. J. Gause. A cordial invitation is extended all friends of the organization to be present.

Hospital Quarantine.

A meeting of the County Board of Health was held at the court house Saturday afternoon. It was recommended that the law governing quarantine regulations be enforced at the hospital covering a period of fourteen days. This was perfectly agreeable to the authorities and therefore the institution will be closed to all visitors and patients, except emergency cases, for the next few days.

NUMBER OF ARRESTS

During February, 1909, Were Exactly Two-Thirds Less Than the Total for the Same Period Last Year—Number Arrested During the Last Past Month 43 as Against 129 for February of Last Year—Detailed Account of Arrests.

The decrease in the number of arrests by the police during the past month, under the enforcement of the prohibition law in comparison with the same period last year when open saloons prevailed, is of such a marked nature that it will undoubtedly surprise even the most sanguine adherents of prohibition. For the four weeks of February which ended last night the arrests for causes of a trivial nature, amounted only to 43. For the same period last year the total number of arrests for all causes reached the large number of 129. The difference in arrests for the two periods under comparison will be seen to be 86, that is there were 86 more arrests with open saloons than under the good effects of the prohibition law. In other words, from a study of the figures given above, it will be seen that the total number of arrests for February, 1909, in comparison with those arrested during February, 1908, is exactly one-third of that apprehended last year. To express in another form the arrests for the period last year exceeded by two-thirds the number of arrests during the past month. The arrests during the past month, both white and colored, and the causes were as follows: Drunk, 12; vagrancy, 2; violation of the prohibition law, 3; disorderly conduct, 9; affray, 9; larceny, 1; violation of the sanitary law, 3; insane, 2; fast driving, 1; safe keeping, 1.

For last year the number of arrests in February, both white and colored, were as follows: Drunk, 31; disorderly conduct, 45; assault, 8; assault with a deadly weapon, 8; larceny, 4; vagrancy, 10; gambling, 4; murder, 2; cruelty to animals, 1; fast driving, 3; riding bicycle without a light, 2; violation of the sanitary law, 9; selling on Sunday, 2.

The above figures serve as silent and eloquent testimonials that the prohibition law has brought an era of peace and good order to the city, the like of which has never before been manifested, and the figures should convince the most skeptical that if absolute prohibition does not prevail, the city now rests under a most pleasing condition which may be described as a state of "near prohibition."

At the Bijou.

This merry and popular place has two of the latest and best films on the market for today. One is "King of the Ring" and the other "The Destructive Traveller." Each is a handsome film and should be seen.

THE BENEFIT FESTIVAL.

Many Anticipating a Delightful Time at the Affair Tomorrow Night.

The festival being planned by the ladies of the Earnest Workers' Society of the Advent Christian Church for tomorrow night is going to be a delightfully successful affair, and many folks are anticipating it with great pleasure. Special preparation is being made for delicious edibles and the festival should hold out strong attractiveness for those who desire a fine supper. In fact, one need not go home for this meal but can go direct to the festive scene, where the ladies will serve supper at the regular supper hour. At the request of many they have made this arrangement and the festival will consequently commence late in the afternoon.

As has already been stated, the festival will be given with a worthy object in view, being a benefit for the building fund of the new church. The affair will take place in the hall at Fifth and Castle streets, but no admission fee will be charged.

WILLARD MEMORIAL MEETING

Will be Held Thursday Evening of this Week at the First Baptist Church.

A Frances Willard memorial meeting will be held Thursday evening of this week at the First Baptist Church. This meeting will be of an especially interesting nature and a cordial invitation is extended the public to attend. An address will be delivered by Judge J. A. Erwin, pastor of the Christian church.

New Line of Candies.

Attention of Dispatch readers is called to the card of Mr. R. F. Warren in this afternoon's issue. Mr. Warren has recently taken the agency for the Red Band brand candies which sell from 10 to 20 cents per pound, and he guarantees that every one who gives the candies a trial will be pleased.

New Interest Quarter.

Our Regular Interest Period will begin on March 1st. Deposits made with us on or before March 2nd will be credited with interest in three months at the June 1st Quarter. The Wilmington Savings and Trust Co. 3t

The American National Bank OF WILMINGTON, N. C.

Deposits made in our SAVINGS DEPARTMENT on or before March 2nd, will bear 4 per cent. compound interest from March 1st.

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THOS. E. COOPER, Cashier.

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If your deposit was made with us on or before December 1st, you will be credited with 4 per cent. interest on March 1st. The amount may be drawn in cash or added to your balance as desired.

MARCH 1st—Deposits made with us on or before Tuesday, March 2nd, will draw interest at rate of 4 per cent. per annum, payable June 1st, 1909, for the full three months provided the deposit is not withdrawn before that date.

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STATEMENT CONDITION

The Murchison National Bank

Of Wilmington, N. C., at the close of Business February 28th, 1909.

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES	
Loans and Discounts	\$2,689,583.60	Capital	550,000.00
N. C. State & other bonds	289,568.15	Surplus & net profits	315,156.38
U. S. Bonds (at par)	550,000.00	Circulation	550,000.00
Bank Buildings	55,000.00	U. S. Bond Account	100,000.00
Cash	1,089,735.97	Deposits	3,158,731.34
	\$4,673,887.72		\$4,673,887.72

H. C. McQUEEN, President. J. W. YATES, Vice President. J. V. GRAINGER, Vice President. C. S. GRAINGER, Cashier.

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