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## BILL TO FORM NEW COUNTY

PART OF WILSON WOULD GO INTO PROPOSED RANSOM COUNTY—NEW BILLS ETC.

### TO AID SOLDIERS WIDOWS

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 2.—Hawkins, of Vance, introduced in the Senate today a bill to form Ransom county out of portions of Wake, Wilson, Johnston and Franklin.

A bill to prohibit placing coupons in cigarette and tobacco packages was offered by Cotten.

Thorne introduced a bill to encourage the use of non-trust goods.

Many more petitions against near beer and liquor came on into both houses today.

The House passed the Quickel bill to amend the hours of the labor law of 1907 so as to relieve railroad employees from being guilty of a misdemeanor for working over sixteen hours. Its purpose is to give employees injured while working over time ground for damage suits under a ruling of the Supreme Court in the case of Lloyd vs. Southern Railway, where it was held one can't sue if he is guilty of a misdemeanor. It is claimed that the present law conserves the protection of the travelling public from the mistakes by over-worked train men.

The Battle bill for the cities and towns to amend their charters at will adopting a commission or other form of government was reported favorably from the Judiciary Committee. Five hundred copies were ordered printed. Many railroad employees sent petitions today in behalf of the Relief Association like that of the Atlantic Coast Line.

The bill for an annex for the wives and widows of Confederate veterans at the Soldiers' Home was referred to the Appropriations Committee after a favorable report from the Pensions Committee. The bill carries a \$5,000 building appropriation and \$2,500 for maintenance.

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### MAKE RECORDS AT TARGETS.

Excellent Work of Fort Caswell, Coast Artillery Corps.

The following from the Baltimore Sun will be read with much interest in this section:

"The excellent record at target practice made by a mortar battery at Fort Howard, when eight hits were made out of ten shots, has been beaten, according to reports which have reached the coast artillery headquarters in Washington. The reports show that two new world's records have been established.

"Two batteries made nine hits out of ten shots, each in less than ten minutes. The first record was made at Fort Caswell, N. C., by a battery of 12-inch mortars commanded by Capt. Gwynn Hancock. The time was a second less than 10 minutes and the distance about 5,500 yards.

"This record was outclassed in time by a battery at Fort Winfield Scott, guarding the harbor of San Francisco, commanded by Capt. J. B. Murphy which made ten shots, nine of which were hits, in nine minutes and 53 seconds. The distance was about 500 yards.

"In each instance the firing was upon a moving conical target, being towed at eight miles an hour."

Puerto Cortez, Honduras, Feb. 2.—The evacuation of Puerto Cortez by the Honduran government troops has taken place and the town now is in the hands of the American and British marines who are awaiting the arrival of the forces of General Manuel Bonilla, the leader of the revolutionists.

## NEWS ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST

MATTERS OF IMPORTANCE HAPPENING THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY

Washington, D. C., Feb. 2.—Census figures announced show that Hickory has a population of 3,716 as compared with 2,535 ten years ago, and 2,023 in 1890. Wadesboro has a population now of 2,376 as against 1,165 in 1900.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 2.—Rear Admiral Charles S. Sperry, who successfully piloted the United States fleet around the world in 1908-'09, died at the Naval Medical School Hospital here yesterday of pneumonia.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 2.—The First National Bank and the People's National Bank of Salisbury have been designated as depositories for postal savings bank deposits.

Rocky Point, N. C., Feb. 2.—The strawberry outlook is considered favorable and though the acreage is smaller, the yield is expected to approximate that of last season. Deeper cultivation and more intense farming is the order of the day. The weather conditions are ideal for work.

New Orleans, Feb. 2.—E. L. Cain, 35 years old, of McComb City, Miss., committed suicide by swallowing carbolic acid in a boarding house here yesterday. Cain left a note in which he said "pride and whiskey was the cause."

Fayetteville, N. C., Feb. 2.—The directors of the Cumberland County Good Roads Association met in this city yesterday and went over by sections the tentative bill for a good roads \$300,000 bond issue, which was drawn up by a committee appointed for that purpose.

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 2.—Bishop Joseph Blount Cheshire, of the Diocese of North Carolina, has just returned from Jamaica, where he participated in the consecration of churches that have been rebuilt since the great earthquake. En route back to North Carolina the Bishop stopped in Cambridge, Mass., and delivered an address on "The Church in the Confederate States."

### HUNG JURY IN HOLLY CASE.

The Jury Took The Case Shortly After Two O'Clock and Had Reached No Decision up to 9 O'Clock Last Night.

Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 2.—Although the case in which J. C. Holly is charged with the murder of Edward Cromwell and firing the Rock Spring Hotel to conceal the crime, was given to the jury yesterday afternoon shortly before 2 o'clock, and no verdict had been returned last night at 9 o'clock.

It is a case in which only a verdict of murder in the first degree can be returned, leaving no chance for a compromise verdict.

Judge Peebles' charge was favorable to the prosecution, and many who heard it thought it would have the effect of causing the jury to reach a speedy agreement. The opinion prevails that the jury will never agree. Holly has several strong personal friends on the jury, and it is not believed that they will favor conviction, as all of the evidence was circumstantial.

No beast so fierce but knows some touch of pity.—Shakespeare.

## THE WEATHER

Cloudy and Colder.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 2.—For North Carolina: Cloudy tonight and colder in the west and central portions. Friday fair and colder, with moderate westerly winds.

## TERRIFIC EXPLOSION

CARGO OF DYNAMITE EXPLODES NEAR JERSEY CITY—THIRTY MAY BE DEAD

### DAMAGE NEAR \$1,000,000

New York, Feb. 2.—A cargo of dynamite in transit from a freight car to the hold of a lighter moored at a pier near Communipaw, N. J., let go at one minute past one o'clock yesterday, 150 yards south of the Jersey City terminal of the Central Railroad of New Jersey and in the widespread ruin that followed seven men are known to have been killed, seven more are missing, hundred were wounded and varying reports leave from fifteen to twenty more unaccounted for.

Thirty seems to be a conservative estimate of the dead and property damage will hardly fall below \$750,000. The cause of the explosion is variously attributed to the dropping of a case of dynamite and to a boiler explosion on a boat. Just what was the direct cause probably never will be known.

The Jersey Central terminal was wrecked; three ferryboats in the slips were torn and splintered; lower Manhattan across the river, was shaken from the street level to the top of the Singer tower; severe damage was done in Brooklyn and Staten Island, and to the immigrant detention station on Ellis Island; the shock was felt at Amityville, Long Island, 35 miles distant, and in New Jersey at Long Branch, 45 miles away. The damage is so widely scattered that it is impossible as yet to more than roughly estimate, placing the damage at about \$1,000,000.

The lighter receiving the dynamite, the Katharine W., owned by James Healing, of Jersey City, vanished utterly with her crew of seven men, including the master, Edward Traver. Alongside was the lighter Whistler, which was so badly shattered that she sank with her crew of two, while the Swedish steel barkentine Ingrid was stripped of her rigging and the lives of two deck hands snuffed out. Fragments of one man's head was found swinging high on a tangled piece of rope.

The Katharine W. was tied to the outer end of the pier, and a crew of dock hands was unloading a consignment of fifty-pound boxes from two freight cars to the lighter when the crash came. One report was to the effect that the explosive was consigned to contractors up the river for blasting along the Palisades; another that it was bound for Havana.

With the explosion the Katharine W., simply disappeared; not a splinter of her has been found. Only the Whistler's flag pole has been found. The freight car went up in a puff of dust. On the rear deck of the barkentine Ingrid were found a pair of iron trucks, that were also torn to bits.

Fifty yards back stood another car of dynamite. The explosion ripped the roof off it and broke in the doors, but the dynamite itself did not explode.

### Blount Is Elected.

Pensacola, Fla., Feb. 2.—That William A. Blount has been nominated for the United States Senate is the claim made last night by the Pensacola Journal and the Blount headquarters in this city. According to The Journal, the returns show a vote of 35,000, with Blount having a majority of 1,492. The immense majorities given Mr Blount in west Florida counties sent him ahead of Bryan. It is declared, and the nomination of Mr Blount is conceded by about 1,000 majority.

## TAFT CHANGES HIS PLANS

SOUTHERN TOUR IS CANCELLED—HOWEVER HE WILL SPEAK IN ATLANTA ON MARCH 10TH.

### MAY BE EXTRA SESSION

Washington, D. C., Feb. 2.—President Taft's announcement that the Southern tour, which he had planned to take the early part of next month would be cancelled with the exception of the visit to Atlanta on March 10th, started political tongues wagging with rumors to the effect that his purpose was to prepare for a possible extra session of Congress in case the present session fails to enact the reciprocity agreement between the United States and Canada, which the President is urging strongly as legislation needed by both countries.

Pressure of business and the fact that numerous invitations to visit many places in the South were making the tour which had been planned too large in proportions, are the reasons assigned at the White House for the President's cancellation of the trip. It is believed in many quarters, however, that Mr. Taft is clearing the decks of all but absolutely necessary engagements so that in case he should find it impossible to get his reciprocity measure through this session, he can be prepared for an extra session. He has said that he hopes to see it passed before March 4th.

Fears have been expressed, however, that the Senate will "talk the measure to death" or kill it in some other way, although it is believed the House, probably with the aid of Democrats, will pass it.

If this should be the case, the President will feel, it is said, that he can depend on a Democratic House, such as would exist after March 4th, to support him in his efforts to pass this legislation, which he looks upon as one of the most important of the present administration had urged. An extra session would force action on the question, with the chances apparently in favor of the President getting his reciprocity legislation.

Having promised a long time ago to address the convention of Southern Commercial Congress in Atlanta on the night of March 10th, the President was unwilling to cancel this important engagement, especially as it would take him away from Washington for only two days.

### Good Roads Men Interested in Central Highway Movement.

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 2.—Good roads men throughout the State are manifesting great interest in the big meeting being planned to be held here on February 14th for the purpose of launching a campaign looking to building a central highway from Beaufort to the Tennessee line. It is expected that the meeting will be attended by delegates from all the counties through which the highway is to run and a practical plan will be mapped out for prosecuting the work. The highway is to connect and link up most of the larger cities of the State and it is the purpose to get each county to aid in developing the project.

### "Rebellion" Stricken Out.

Washington, Feb. 2.—A dreary day in the House, devoted to a discussion of the Moon bill to codify laws relating to the judiciary, was brought to a dramatic close when by a unanimous vote the words "war for the suppression of the rebellion" were stricken from the bill on motion of Mr. Bartlett of Georgia, and the words "civil war" inserted.

## FARMERS INSTITUTE MET HERE TODAY

INTERESTING SESSIONS HERE AT COURT HOUSE--PROCEEDINGS OF GREAT INTEREST

The Wilson County Institute was held in the court house today and a number of farmers were present and exhibited considerable interest by asking questions of the speakers.

Mr. C. H. Hudson discussed the planting and growth of corn and also soil improvement. He said that soil is composed of sand, clay and vegetable matter, and that the vegetable matter furnishes the food for the plant, while the clay and sand are simply the foundation to hold the roots. The plants are fed on the nutriment furnished by the vegetable matter. If you should leach out, burn out or remove absolutely all the vegetable matter or humus, you would not be able to raise a crop, because all the food matter would be removed from the soil, therefore the necessity for turning under crops that furnish humus or vegetable matter.

The speaker discussed the depth at which corn should be planted and urged deep plowing, which serves to assist in the drainage of the soil. Land plowed to a shallow depth, say four inches, and planted to corn, will in dry weather quickly use up all the moisture, but if the land is broken deeply, the water is held in the earth and the roots find it in dry weather, and so does vegetable matter or humus help to hold the water and pulverize the soil.

The speaker gave a list of the leguminous plants that take nitrogen from the air and store in the soil: Alfalfa, vetch, crimson clover, cow peas, soy bean and red clover. He would not advise the growth of alfalfa because that requires so much time and patience that it might be discouraging to the farmers to attempt it. The time is coming, said he, when it would be found profitable here. He urged the farmers to plant vetch which should be planted with oats, both crops making fine hay. Vetch always grows higher than the crop it is sowed with. He also urged planting crimson clover, explaining that vetch crimson clover and the soy bean required inoculation, and the proper way to inoculate the land is to plant a small patch of each and with soil from these plots inoculate the plot of ground to be planted. This done by taking a wagon load of inoculated soil and spreading same over the land to be planted.

The speaker then discussed the great value of the cow pea for hay, stating it is worth 2½ times the value of fodder, while the fodder, if left or the corn, improves its quality and adds to the weight. It really does not pay to pull fodder because the farmer who does so wastes his labor since the pulling of the fodder destroys the corn to the extent of its value.

The saving of pea-vine hay, not only pays from the hay standpoint over

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## COTTON MARKET

The New York cotton market opened this morning a few points lower: February, 14.55; March, 14.67; May, 14.85; July, 14.86; August, 14.56; October, 13.53.

At twelve o'clock the market stood: March, 14.67; May, 14.86; July, 14.87; August, 14.57; October, 14.52.

The market closed: March, 14.54; May, 14.84; July, 14.85; August, 14.54; October, 14.50.

Spots in Wilson, around 14 5-8. Receipts in Wilson, 30 bales. Receipts at the ports yesterday, 40,386 bales against 28,115 last week and 5,969 last year. For the week, 180,000 bales against 215,265 last week and 76,806 last year. Yesterday's receipts at New Orleans, 2,493 bales against 1,341 last year and at Houston 6,000 bales against 2,391 last year.

## MYLIUS IS CONVICTED

SENTENCED TO ONE YEAR IN JAIL FOR LIBELING KING GEORGE

### THE CHARGES [FALSE

London, Feb. 2.—With the demand that King George be brought into court, Edward F. Mylius, charged with seditious libel, was arraigned before the Lord Chief Justice in the King's Bench Division of the High Court yesterday, and the most sensational litigation of its kind in a century was begun, which resulted in Mylius being convicted and sentenced to one year's imprisonment.

Mylius published in the Liberator an article declaring that the monarch, while Prince of Wales, had morganatically married a daughter of Admiral Seymour, and that several children had resulted from the union. He was tried on three counts and was convicted on all of them.

There was an immense crowd present, and hundreds about the outside of the court clamored for admission.

Public curiosity was at fever heat because of the likelihood of sensational evidence, which Mylius has threatened to introduce to establish his claims that King George, while the Prince of Wales, was clandestinely married to the daughter of an admiral at Gibraltar, and that several children were born to this morganatic union. The attack upon the morality of the King was printed in a paper called the Liberator, published in Paris, and the issue containing the story came from the press late last year.

Many women were in the crowd which surged about the court, attempting to break by the guards and enter.

It required the efforts of fully a score of policemen to keep back the people who tried to fight their way into the room after it was already filled.

Mylius conducted his defense in person.

Demands King's Presence. Immediately after the opening of court he petitioned the tribunal to compel the attendance of King George.

He gave three reasons why the King should be present, summing up his contentions in the following words:

"I demand the presence of King George, first, because the accused has the right to be faced by his accuser in court; secondly, because in a libel action the accused must be in court, and, third, because without the accused in court there is no proof that the prosecutor is alive."

Mylius also demanded the return of private papers which he declared had been seized.

In pronouncing sentence Lord Chief Justice Alverstone said that the punishment was inadequate for one who had chosen a weapon for a personal attack upon his majesty, from the use of which every honorable man would recoil.

### Chicago Girl Wanted To Wed Indian.

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 2.—Miss Madeline Sullivan, the pretty Chicago girl who wants to marry Plenty Hawk, a Crow Indian, was expected home from the Crow reservation yesterday.

In Wyoming Miss Sullivan found it was impossible for her to get a license, much less be married.

When she broached the subject her red-skinned sweetheart was arrested and thrown into jail and she was ordered to quit the reservation.

"The delays are only temporary," she said. "Sooner or later I will be Mrs. Plenty Hawk."