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WORK OF LEGISLATURE.

Brief Summary of Some of the Measures Enacted Into Law.

A Short Account of the Laws Passed That Relate to Johnston County.—The Instructions of the Convention Carried Out.

The Legislature which recently adjourned, passed a great many laws, perhaps a greater number than any Legislature of recent years. We propose from time to time to give the readers THE HERALD a summary of the most important measures passed. Since our people are more interested in the laws passed relating to Johnston County, we shall begin our summary this week by calling attention to the laws that affect the people of this county alone.

The Johnston County Democratic Convention, held last August, instructed our Senator and Representatives to have enacted into law two bills, and two others.

The first of these was introduced by Representative George L. Jones and is entitled "an act restoring to the people of Johnston county the right to manufacture and sell wine and cider." Under this act the farmers of this county are allowed to manufacture and sell wine and cider from their own lands or rented lands upon which they live. There is no limit to the quantity as to cider, but wine must not be sold in less quantities than one gallon.

The second measure demanded by the people in Convention assembled was the reduction of fees in the several county offices. A bill embodying the resolutions passed by the Convention was introduced by Senator Charles M. Wilson. This act will go into effect April first and make a substantial reduction in quite a number of instances. This bill was published in full in THE HERALD of January 25th.

The following measures introduced by Representative Jones passed both Houses and are now law:

An act to amend and consolidate the charter of the town of Smithfield. The charter as now amended allows the Board of Aldermen to levy taxes not exceeding 66 2/3 cents on the hundred dollars worth of property and two dollars on the poll.

An act to amend and consolidate the charter of Pine Level.

An act to amend the Smithfield Township road law. This law gives the road Supervisors more power in their work of improving the roads and provides that the Sheriff shall collect the road taxes and turn the same over to one of the members of the Supervisors, who shall be treasurer of the road fund and thus save about \$75 per year to the fund.

An act to amend the Selma Township road law so as to give the Supervisors more power in the building of roads.

Mr. Jones also introduced and had passed a law giving to the people of Cleveland Township the right to vote on a special tax for a public building in the township. This law provided that the taxes shall not exceed 1-8 of one per cent on the hundred dollars worth of property and ten cents on the pole.

Another act introduced by Mr. Jones allows the defendant in a case before Justice of the Peace, the right to have his case moved and put before another justice of the peace, who may reside in an adjoining township.

Mr. Jones also introduced a bill providing for a cotton weigher in the town of Benson, and appointed Mr. J. R. Denning as weigher for the first term.

Senator Wilson introduced a bill giving to the people of Selma the right to vote on a bond issue for the establishment of electric lights in that town.

Senator Wilson introduced and had passed an act legalizing the manner of drawing juries in Johnston County. This act pro-

vides that township boxes shall be provided and that in drawing the jury each township shall be represented.

Representative Josephus Johnson introduced a bill allowing farmers to sell their brandy in packages of not less than five gallons.

Our Senate and Representatives introduced other measures, some of which became law, and some which failed to pass. We shall probably have something further to say relative to the work of our Senator and Representatives in a future issue.

Clayton News.

Miss Swannanoa Horne, who is attending the Baptist University, spent Sunday and Monday at home.

Mr. Lonnie Holland, who is in the employ of the Southern, spent Sunday here with relatives and friends.

Mr. J. M. Beaty, of THE HERALD, was in our town Wednesday working like a Turk for his paper. We are always glad to see Mr. Beaty.

The Aldermen of Clayton are being asked through petitioners, to grant an election on the matter of "Hogs or No Hogs," to be in the regular election.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. O'Neil and children are here this week visiting relatives. Mr. O'Neil has a splendid position with the Virginia Life Insurance Co., and is located at Greensboro.

The Clayton Buggy and Furniture Co. has just received a solid car of white furniture, a solid car of Tennessee wagons, and already have in stock a big house full of buggies of all kinds.

Mr. Wade H. Ellis left Friday night for Concord to join a Carnival Company, but found that arrangements were not quite finished for the opening and will be here until about the 24th of April.

The young people here have planned a big picnic for Easter Monday and we hope they will have a good day for it. There is also planned a game of base ball here for the afternoon of that day.

Clayton's merchants are hustling. If you could see the dray loads of merchandise that are being marked up you would think we were looking for the biggest trade in our history and if you thought this way you would be just about right.

Mr. S. M. Finch, formerly of Raleigh, has opened a furniture store here in the building formerly occupied by Guiley & Guiley. He will carry a select line of furniture. We welcome this enterprise to our town and feel sure he will get a liberal share of the public's patronage.

Prof. Thos. H. Lindsey, of Durham, who for some time was principal of Clayton High School, gave an entertainment here Monday night. His monologues, impersonations and recitations were great. As an entertainer, Prof. Lindsey has the cake over any one we have heard.

Rev. C. W. Blanchard has resigned as pastor of the Clayton Baptist church to take effect the last of April. He has purchased a large interest in the Biblical Recorder and will assume the duties of editor. Our people regret very much to lose Mr. Blanchard and his family but rejoice that the Recorder has secured so strong a man as its editor.

The greatest treat of all the Easter time will be the entertainment to be given at the Academy on Easter Monday night. The teachers of Clayton High School have been working hard and will give you a treat such as you have not had the pleasure of in quite a while. The admission fees are small considering the good things that are in store for you. Don't forget the date and don't forget to come and bring somebody with you.

Clayton, March 27th.

State News Notes.

There are now 1,180 rural delivery mail carriers in the State. Those on routes of standard length—24 miles—get \$60 per month. After July 1st they will get \$75 per month.

Mrs. Charley Graer, of Watauga county, a few days ago tied her baby in a chair before the fire and left it alone. When she returned the child had fallen in the fire on its face and was burned to death.

In an affray near Andrews, Cherokee county, Sunday night of last week Avery Pulliam, aged 21 years, shot and instantly killed his brother, Elbert Pulliam. The survivor claims self-defense, of course. Drinking and gambling. No eye-witnesses to be difficult.

The rooms of the Colored Business Men's Social Company, in Greensboro, were raided by the police one evening last week and more than 100 gallons of whiskey and beer seized. The manager, Perry Young, was arrested on a charge of retailing. The concern was a mammoth "blind tiger."

A High Point news item says the North State Telephone Company, the independent company of that town, has increased its business 40 per cent. the past year and paid a handsome dividend to its stockholders. The company has 600 phones in High Point and long distance connection with several towns.

Polenta News.

We had a slight frost Tuesday morning; no damage to fruit.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. T. Jones are both sick, but are improving.

Mrs. C. J. Coats is quite sick, but was somewhat better at last reports.

Mr. Douglass Holt, of Norfolk, is in the neighborhood, visiting his relatives.

There will be preaching at Mt. Zion the first Sunday by Rev. Mr. Starling the pastor.

Mrs. Lizzie Johnson, wife of Mr. N. T. Johnson continues quite sick, we regret to report.

Dr. Wharton, of Smithfield, was out in the neighborhood Sunday night, on professional business.

Some of our people have already planted watermelons. If the predictions of others come true they will have to plant over.

Don't forget the Sunday School Convention at Oakland Sunday, (fifth,) Hon. B. R. Lacy, Hon. R. N. Simms and Mr. S. W. Whiting will address the Convention. Let all the Sunday Schools of the township have a big delegation present.

The residence of Mr. J. W. Stephenson, over in Elevation township, was destroyed by fire early Monday morning. The fire caught from a stove flue. The loss is considerable. Don't know whether the property was insured or not.

Rev. Mr. Souders on Sunday morning at Oakland preached a grand and touching sermon, his theme being the "Heavenly Home." It was deep, spiritual and easy of comprehension. It was indeed a feast to those journeying to that beautiful home of many mansions, and was sufficiently convincing to enlist all in an earnest effort to gain such a home.

On Sunday morning early Miss Linda Wood departed this life. She had for the past several months been confined to her bed with that dread disease consumption hence her death was not unexpected. She was about twenty years of age, and had for several years been a consistent member of Shiloh Baptist church. She leaves a mother and several brothers and sisters to mourn her demise. Our people deeply sympathize with the bereaved. She was buried at Shiloh. March 27. Typo.

The mansion of Chief Justice Marshall has been bought by the city of Richmond for \$13,000.

AT HOME AND ABROAD.

Items of General Interest Told in Short Space.

Some of The Happenings of The Week in Home and Foreign Lands Clipped and Culled for Herald Readers.

The United States last year exported \$250,000,000 in meat and dairy products.

Many Washington people believe President Roosevelt really prefers George B. Cortelyou as his successor.

A total of 199 lives and 54 vessels were lost during the last winter along the coast of New England and the Maritime provinces.

A negro who attempted to assault a woman near Florence, Ala., was tied to a tree and riddled with bullets by a mob Sunday.

Lieutenant-Colonel Goethals will succeed Mr. Stevens as chairman of the Isthmian Canal Commission and engineer in charge of the canal work on April 1. As chairman Colonel Goethals will receive a salary of \$15,000. Majors Gaillard and Sibert and Civil Engineer Rosseau \$14,000 each, and Dr. Gorgas, Jackson Smith and Mr. Blackburn \$10,000 each.

Joseph Ralph Burton, who until his conviction in the Federal Court was United States Senator from Kansas, was last week released from the county jail at Ironton, Mo., having completed his sentence of six months, imposed when he was found guilty of violating a Federal statute by appearing before a governmental department as the paid representative of an alleged "get-rich-quick" concern of St. Louis.

Attorney General Bonaparte has given another opinion on the new immigration law, in which he holds that a State can advertise its inducements for immigrants and pay their passage, but cannot contract with them to come over for any specified employment; passage can be paid by a State from contributions from individuals and the immigrants will not be excluded, provided there is no contract, but it may make the contributors of such funds liable to the law.

Every member of the grand jury in the Circuit Court at Rolling Fork, Miss., last Friday indicted himself for violating the Sunday liquor law and each appeared before Judge Booth and was fined \$10, with a lecture from the bench. The self-indicted grand jurors also returned bills against several petit jurors for the same offense. A religious wave, following a Methodist revival recently, swept over Sharkey County, and people of high and low degree are purging themselves.

An act of union, by which the Congregational, United Brethren and Methodist Protestant Churches of 14 States are formed into one large religious organization to be known as the United Churches, was consummated at Chicago last week. The final vote was taken after the Methodist Protestant delegates from Louisiana and Mississippi "bolted" the conference. The unification of three churches brings together more than 1,200,000 communicants and the new church will be about the fifth largest Protestant organization in the United States.

The State Department received the following dispatch Tuesday from Jose de Olivares, the American consul at Managua, Nicaragua: "This government reports that on March 18 an army of 5,000 Salvadoreans and 1,000 Hondurans, commanded by Gen. Presa, a Salvadorean, attacked the Nicaraguan vanguard near Namasique, Honduras. The battle lasted three days, resulting in the complete rout of the Salvadoreans, who lost 1,000 killed. Nicaragua has 23,000 troops at the front, and will commence an immediate attack on Choluteca and Tegucigalpa."

Kenly News Notes.

Mr. Will Hooks has accepted a position here as operator.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Pope attended church at Micro Sunday.

Miss Penny Outlaw, of Goldsboro, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. C. Grady.

Mr. F. A. Edmondson, of Morganton, spent a few days in our town this week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Rentfrow spent Sunday at Buckhorn with Mr. Rentfrow's father who is very ill.

Miss Crama Richardson, of Spring Hope, spent a few days last week with her sister, Mrs. Turner Bailey.

Mr. and Mrs. Green Copeland, of Fremont, visited Mrs. Copeland's sister Mrs. Joe Pearce, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. R. O. Martin returned Monday evening from Jamesville where he has been spending a few days with his parents.

The Jr. O. U. A. M. has requested us to announce that they will raise a flag at Buckhorn in the near future. The date will be given in the next items.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Sasser and little daughter Hazel spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. Sasser's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Sasser, in Wayne County.

Miss Elena Teague, who has been attending school here for the past year, returned to her home in Siler City Monday, much to the regret of her young friends.

Rev. A. L. Ormond filled his regular appointment here Sunday at the M. E. church. Rev. Herald filled his appointment at the Presbyterian church Sunday night.

Those who are on our sick list this week are Mrs. Ransom Alford, Miss Maud Edgerton, Mrs. Turner Bailey who was reported sick last week and little Adna Lee Bailey. We hope for them a speedy recover.

On last Thursday morning about eight o'clock The Dennis Lumber Co., here unexpectedly received a message from Williamston N. C. announcing the sudden death of Mr. Dennis S. Biggs the President of the Company. Immediately upon receipt of the message the mill was ordered closed, and they did not resume work until last Monday.

Mr. C. P. Hoyie, one of our popular young men, left Saturday for New Berne where he wedded Mrs. Rosa Jones, one of New Berne's charming young ladies and a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry T. Brinson. They are now visiting Mr. Hoyie's parents in Dunn, after which they will return and make here their future home. Their many friends welcome them here, and wish them a long and happy life.

Miss Florence A. Hodson a charming young lady, of Indiana, who has been teaching here for the past year, and Mr. Edw. B. Moore of Brockton, Ga. left here last Tuesday morning for Goldsboro where they were married Wednesday at 11 o'clock in the Friends church. Many of their friends accompanied them from here. The church was beautifully adorned with ferns, flowers and growing plants, and the congregation was composed of kinpeople and friends of the popular young couple. Messrs. Ed. Davis and Nathan Andrews acted as ushers, and the ceremony was in accordance with the old time custom of the Quaker church. Just before the bridal pair entered the church Miss Leon Edgerton, of Kenly, sang in a sweet voice "O Promise Me," which all the congregation enjoyed. Mr. C. B. Bailey acted as best man and Miss Emma Matthews as maid of honor, both young people of Kenly. The bride and groom will spend some days with relatives and friends near Goldsboro and other parts of the State, and will be at their home in Brockton, Ga., after April 1. Their many friends here extend their hearty congratulations and best wishes for their future happiness.

Kenly, March 27th.

The Hero Located

Not long since I wrote an article which was published in THE SMITHFIELD HERALD headed; "A deed of Heroism performed by a Private in the Banks at Plymouth, N. C., in 1864."

In answer to my letter last week's mail brought me the following:

"In answer to a clipping from THE SMITHFIELD HERALD sent to me by a friend, whose name at the bottom is W. N. Rose, Bentonsville, N. C., I have this to say: that I was the identical soldier that volunteered to swim the creek and bring the boat across, the night of the 19th, before the battle next morning, and will in support of the same, offer the following evidence. I will be 82 years old on the 3rd day of April, 1907.

"Yours truly,

"Wm. Cavanaugh."

"We, the undersigned ex-Confederate soldiers do hereby certify that we belonged to the 35th Regiment N. C. volunteers, and the above facts made by Wm. Cavanaugh are true.

H. W. Humphry, Capt. Co. A., 35th Reg. N. C. T.

B. Venters, Lieut. Co. A., 35th Reg. N. C. T.

S. B. Taylor, Lieut. Col. 35th Reg. N. C. T.

Ransom's Brigade."

"I, F. D. Shaw, a notary public, hereby certify that I am well acquainted with the above names and know them to be gentlemen of repute and full worthy of credit.

F. D. Shaw,

Notary Public."

This settles it as to the man that swam the creek and got the boat the night before the storming of Plymouth, N. C., in 1864, by the Brigades of Gens. Hoke and Ransom, and this act should make the name of Wm. Cavanaugh, Company A., 35th N. C. Regiment famous among the thousands of noble heroes that fought for the lost cause in 1861 to 1865.

W. N. Rose

Beasley, N. C., March, 17, 1907.

Tom Walker to Hang April 15.

Wednesday afternoon at Fayetteville the jury, after a deliberation of fifteen minutes, brought in a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree against Tom Walker, the negro who on the night of March second, killed the Chief of Police of Fayetteville, J. A. Chason and Officer Lockamy. Judge Webb sentenced the negro to be hanged on April 15th. Tuesday afternoon Walker made an attempt to commit suicide by bumping his head against the steel bars of his cell. The trial has been an orderly one and the swiftness with which the wheels of justice has turned, meets the approval of all law-abiding citizens.

Death of a Young Man.

Mr. Cephus Johnson, of Meadow township, died last Saturday. He had been in poor health for about a year but since his recent visit to Florida to see his brothers Messrs. D. and Nathan Johnson he had seemed improved in health. Just before his death he had a slight attack of lagrippe but his condition was not considered critical and his death was a surprise. He lived with his mother, widow of the late John Johnson, and took a great interest in such things as pleased her and added to her comfort. He was a clever young man and liked by all who knew him. He was a brother of Dr. J. C. Johnson, of Benson.

Found At Last.

J. A. Harmon, of Lizesmore, West Va., says: "At last I have found the perfect pill that never disappoints me; and for the benefit of others afflicted with torpid liver and chronic constipation, will say: take Dr. King's New Life Pills." Guaranteed satisfactory. 25c. at Hood Bros. Druggists.

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