

SENATE FOR A "DRY" CAPITAL.

Passes Bill to Close Washington Saloons, Without Referendum. House Is Expected to Take Same Stand.

Washington, Jan. 9.—The Shepard bill to abolish saloons in the National Capital after November 1, 1917, was passed late today by the Senate and now goes to the House, where its friends claim it is assured of passage. The vote in the Senate was 55 to 32.

While the measure prohibits the sale of liquor in the District of Columbia, it permits importation for personal use. An amendment which would have submitted the proposal to a referendum of citizens of the District was defeated just before passage by a tie vote, 43 to 43.

Neither the vote on the referendum amendment nor that on the passage of the bill was on party lines. There were 26 Democrats and 17 Republicans voting for the referendum and 22 Democrats and 21 Republicans voting against it. Most of the Republicans of the so-called Progressive group voted against it.

For the bill itself there were 28 Democratic and 27 Republican votes, with 22 Democrats and 10 Republicans against it. All the Progressives voted for passage.

In Memoriam.

Sarah, the wife of Mr. Moses Creech, died January the 1st, at 5 o'clock A. M., in a sanatorium at Rocky Mount. She had been sick about three weeks. All that loving friends, nurses and doctors could do was in vain. God called her and she answered the summons without a murmur.

She was the youngest daughter of the late Larkin Boyett and leaves a husband, four sons and three daughters, five brothers and one sister and a great number of relatives and friends who greatly lament her departure. She had been a member of Bethany church about 23 years and each day she lived near the Lord. Her's was an humble, quiet life. She did what she could in helping those about her who were in need, and in her devotion to her church, her husband and her children.

Her funeral was preached by Rev. W. D. Stancil at Bethany and singing conducted by Mr. Brown, after which her body was laid to rest by her little babe who died a few years ago. We feel that she is resting on the other side, where sorrow and sighing shall flee away and pain never comes, but we miss her so much and home is so lonely without mother!

May we all strive to imitate her consecrated life. Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord.

A FRIEND.

BETHANY NEWS.

Mrs. Lucy Stancil is on the sick list. This community was shocked by the sickness and death of Mrs. Sarah Creech. She was 45 years old and will be greatly missed. She was a loving wife and mother and kind neighbor. Our sympathy goes out to the bereaved ones in their grief.

Misses McMillan and Creech are having a good attendance in school now, and the work is moving along nicely.

Mr. John Crocker, of the Thanksgiving section, has moved into this community. We are glad to have them with us.

Miss Verona Hocutt, of Corinth, is with her sister, Mrs. Recca Creech, this week.

Misses Sallie Hodge, of Kenly, and Nancy Hodge, of Glendale, have been spending some time with their uncle, Mr. Moses Creech.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Whitley, of Rocky Mount, attended the funeral of Mrs. Sarah Creech.

Mr. and Mrs. Knox have just returned from a visit to friends in the Moore's Hill section.

Miss McMillan spent Saturday night with the family of Mr. J. A. Stancil, of Meadow View Farm.

Some of our folks attended the Christmas tree at Godwin school house. They report a fine time.

Measles seem to be raging in the Watson school district, yet we have not heard of any serious cases.

Messrs. Kirkman and Carmel Creech are gone to Washington City to spend a few weeks.

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January 9, 1917.

Within the last three years 111,000 square miles of Southern territory have been cleared of the cattle tick, but 419,000 square miles are yet to be cleared before the quarantine can be raised. Dr. Ramsey of the Federal Bureau of Animal Industry, gave out these figures at Atlanta Monday in an address at the opening of a four-day conference of State and Federal agricultural officials called to consider the cattle tick situation. He said 14,247 dipping vats were now ready for use, and beginning March 1 would have a capacity of a million head of cattle a month.

GENERAL NEWS ITEMS.

Ten per cent increase in salaries of all Agricultural department employees paid \$1,200 a year or less and 5 per cent for those who get from \$1,200 to \$1,800 is authorized in the annual Agricultural Appropriation bill, passed by the House. The measure carries \$25,694,685.

The board of canvassers of New Jersey have decided the disputed election in the Third congressional district by giving a certificate of election to Thomas J. Scully, Democrat. On the face of the original count, Robert Carson, Republican, had a majority of 11 votes, but a recount showed that Scully had a majority of 202.

Plans for a \$12,000,000 film corporation are under way at Chicago. The new concern will be known as the Universal Film Company and will be the result of consolidation by Carl Laemmle and Patrick Powers, who have fought a long commercial feud in the motion picture business. Laemmle is to be president of the new concern.

Former United States Senator Theodore E. Burton, of Ohio, has been elected president of the Merchants' National Bank of New York City. The bank was founded in 1803 and is the third oldest in New York. Its articles of association were drawn by Alexander Hamilton. The institution still occupies the site in Wall street on which it was established.

Gov. Simon E. Bamberger delivered his message to the twelfth Utah Legislature at noon Tuesday. He declared the most urgent legislation to be considered by the Assembly was the enactment of a prohibition law. He also asked for a public utilities board that would have full control of rates charged by all public service corporations.

Congressional approval of federal co-operation in vocational education, a step advocated by labor leaders and educators and recommended by President Wilson in his address at the opening of the present session, was given Tuesday when the House passed the Hughes bill, similar to a measure passed by the Senate at the last session, appropriating for the training and employment of teachers in State schools to help prepare boys and girls for useful employment.

Stocks of beef held in cold storage January 1 were much larger than a year ago, the Federal Bureau of Markets announced Tuesday. Frozen beef reported by 152 firms was 155,000,000 pounds, as compared with 126,000,000 pounds January 1, 1916, a 22 per cent increase. Cured beef reported by 179 firms was 38,000,000 pounds, as compared with 21,000,000 pounds a year ago, an 80 per cent increase. Reports on eggs, creamery butter and American cheese in storage January 1 indicated decreases under the stocks a year before of 41, 8 and 13 per cent, respectively. Apples decreased 30 per cent.

American shipbuilders had their third best year in 1916, when they built 1,213 vessels of 560,239 gross tons, the Department of Commerce announced Saturday. This output was exceeded only in 1908, when 614,216 gross tons were built, and in 1855, when 583,450 tons were put out. Last year's building consisted of 520,847 tons, 1,163 merchant vessels, for American registry and 50 vessels of 39,392 tons for foreign registry. The output of steel vessels, 152 ships of 414,029 tons, was exceeded only in 1908. Most of the steel vessels in that year were for the Great Lakes trade, while those of last year were principally for the foreign trade.

CREECH'S SCHOOL ITEMS.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Stancil, of Selma, spent last Friday night with Mr. J. W. Barnes.

Mr. Larry Boyett and family, of Beulah, spent the week-end in this section.

Mr. P. J. Kornegay spent last Thursday night in Pine Level.

Mr. W. P. Daughtry and family spent last Sunday at Mr. J. W. Barnes'.

The Christmas Tree at Creech's school was quite a success. In spite of the rainy night there was a house full of people. At 8:30 the program started which consisted of songs, recitations and short talks. The welcome address was delivered by the committeemen. Then appeared Santa Claus who delivered the presents. The music by the band was enjoyed very much by all. We especially want to thank Mr. and Mrs. Walter Creech for marking up the presents and seeing that everybody got one. If anybody was left out it was not our fault.

On last Saturday a crowd met to scrub the school house and oil the floors. If you want anything done at Creech's, all you have to do is to let it be known. GUESS WHO.

CLAYTON NEWS LETTER.

Clayton, Jan. 10.—Mr. J. J. Ellis left Tuesday morning for Sanford, Fla., where he will spend two weeks with friends.

Dr. B. A. Hocutt and Mr. Ransom Penny spent Monday in Smithfield on business.

Mr. J. R. Hinnant and Zeb Austin were business visitors to Smithfield Monday.

Sheriff Grimes was in Clayton Wednesday on business.

J. W. Vinson, of Wilson's Mills, was in Clayton Monday on business.

Miss Lois Massey returned to Oxford College Sunday, after spending some time here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Massey.

Miss Melba Whitley, of the Emit section, is spending some time in Clayton the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Stancil.

Miss Jessie Guley left last Sunday for Selma, where she is to spend some time with her sister, Mrs. Will Smith.

Mr. Willis Poole, who is now holding a job in Raleigh, spent Sunday here the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Poole.

Miss Mary C. Pitts delightfully entertained the teachers Monday night from 8 until 11 o'clock.

Miss Stringfellow, of Culpepper, Va., who is to fill the vacancy made by Miss Ann L. Tyson, arrived here Friday night.

Mr. J. W. Talton, of Coats, is visiting his son, Mr. J. T. Talton.

Dr. U. N. Barnes, who has been spending the holidays with friends and relatives in Wilson, returned to Clayton Tuesday.

Mrs. M. E. Yelvington, who has been spending several weeks in Mt. Olive with friends, returned to Clayton Tuesday.

The many friends of Miss Mary C. Pitts regret very much to learn of her resignation on account of her mother's illness. She left Wednesday morning for Elk Hill, Va.

Miss Ruby Penny went to Raleigh Wednesday shopping.

Mrs. Sallie Fowler returned to Clayton Saturday, after spending several weeks in Mt. Olive with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. McCullers spent Wednesday in Raleigh shopping.

Mrs. B. A. Hocutt delightfully entertained the Wednesday Afternoon Book Club.

State Normal Wants a Big Sum.

The trustees of the State Normal College at Greensboro have decided to ask the General Assembly now in session for the sum of \$125,000 for maintenance. There is a pressing need for enlargement of dining-hall, more dormitory and class room and a larger auditorium. The enrollment is 740.

NOTICE OF SALE.

North Carolina, Johnston County, In the Superior Court December Term, 1916.

Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company and R. G. Grady, Trustee

vs. T. H. Stephenson and wife, Della Stephenson.

Under and by virtue of the authority contained in a judgment made and entered in the above entitled cause at the December term, 1916, of the Superior Court of Johnston County, North Carolina, the undersigned commissioner will offer for sale, for cash, to the highest bidder, on the premises at the former residence and storehouse of T. H. Stephenson, located on some of the lands herein described, at 12 o'clock M., on Wednesday, February 7th, 1917, all of the several tracts of lands hereinafter described:

TRACT ONE: The following tract or parcel of land lying and being in Johnston County, State of North Carolina, adjoining the lands of T. H. Stephenson, Simeon Stephenson and others: Beginning at a stake in Simon Stephenson's line, and runs West 5 chains to a stake; thence North 5, East 18 chains to a stake; thence East 5.09 chains to a stake in Simon Stephenson's line; thence South 5 degrees West to the beginning, containing nine (9) acres, more or less, and being the tract of land conveyed by deed from J. B. Johnson and Mary Johnson to T. H. Stephenson and recorded in Book "J" No. 6 of Deeds on page 555 of the Records of Johnston County.

TRACT TWO: Lying and being in Johnston County, adjoining the lands of A. B. Johnson, A. R. Stancil and others, and bounded as follows: Beginning at a stake in T. H. Stephenson's line and runs South 85 degrees East 3.17 chains to a stake; thence South 5 degrees, West 5.34 chains to a stake; thence N. 85, West 3.17 chains to a stake in T. H. Stephenson's line; thence North 5 degrees, East 5.34 chains to the beginning, containing one and three-fifths (1 3/5) acres, more or less.

TRACT THREE: Beginning at a stake, T. H. Stephenson's corner, and runs thence North 34 degrees, East 4.76 chains to a short straw pine at the head of a small branch; thence down the center of said branch 10.20 chains to a small maple on the run of Indian Branch; thence up the run of said Branch 5.20 chains to a black gum, J. B. Johnson's corner; thence South 5 degrees, West 12.94 chains to a stake, T. H. Stephenson's corner; thence South 85 degrees 3.17 chains to the beginning, containing six and three-fifths (6 3/5) acres, more or less.

Tracts Nos. 2 and 3 herein described are the lands conveyed from Simon Stephenson and Nancy Stephenson to T. H. Stephenson, recorded in Book

No. 6 of Deeds, on page 467 in the office of the Register of Deeds of Johnston County.

TRACT NO. FOUR: That certain tract or parcel of land in Johnston County, State of North Carolina, adjoining the lands of T. H. Stephenson, J. H. Johnson and others, beginning at a stake, T. H. Stephenson's corner, runs South 29, West 6 chains to a stake; thence South 12, West 9.60 chains to a stake on the run of the Great Branch; thence down the run of said branch to a stake, J. H. Johnson's corner; thence South 80 degrees, East 4.58 chains to a stake; thence North 5 degrees, East 17.70 chains to a stake; thence West 5 chains to the beginning, containing 12 3/5 acres, more or less, and being the land conveyed by deed from John B. Johnson and Mary J. Johnson to T. H. Stephenson, recorded in Book "A" No. 7 of Deeds, page 337, in the office of the Register of Deeds of Johnston County.

TRACT NO. FIVE: The following tract or parcel of land lying and being in Pleasant Grove township, Johnston County, adjoining the lands of A. R. Stancil, James B. Stevenson and others, and known as Lot No. 2 in the division of the lands of Simon Stephenson, deceased, and bounded as follows: Beginning at a stake in T. H. Stephenson's line, a corner of No. 1, and runs North 85 degrees, West 1.50 chains to a stake; thence North 23 degrees, East 16 chains to a stake; thence South 85 degrees, East 15 chains to a stake; thence North 5 degrees, East 13.12 chains to a stake in the run of Indian Branch; thence up the run of said branch to a stake, T. H. Stephenson's corner, at the mouth of a small branch; thence up the run of said branch 10.40 chains to a short straw pine at the head of said branch; thence South 34 degrees, West 4.76 chains to a stake in the field, T. H. Stephenson's corner; thence 5 degrees, West 7.07 chains to the beginning, containing 26 3/5 acres, more or less, and is the land conveyed by deed, dated March 19th, 1908, from W. J. Barber and others, to T. H. Stephenson, which deed is recorded in Book "E" No. 13, of Deeds, at page 60 of the records of Johnston County.

TRACT NO. SIX: That certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in Pleasant Grove township and known as the Mary Johnson land, adjoining the lands of John B. Johnson, W. A. Dupree, T. H. Stephenson and others, Beginning at a stake, J. B. Johnson's corner in T. H. Stephenson's line and runs N. 85, West 16.30 chains to a stake in W. A. Dupree's line; thence South 3 degrees, West 12.30 chains to a stake on South side of Great Branch; thence down the run of said branch to the road, a stake, T. H. Stephenson's corner; thence North 34 degrees, East with the road, 2 chains to a stake; thence South 63 degrees, East 6.76 chains to a stake, T. H. Stephenson's corner; thence North 12 degrees, East 4.66 chains to a stake; thence North 29 degrees, East 61.04 chains to a stake, T. H. Stephenson's corner; thence North 5 degrees, East 9.20 chains to the beginning, containing 26 1/2 acres, more or less, and is the land conveyed by deed from W. M. Wilson and others to T. H. Stephenson, recorded in Book "D" No. 9, page 483 in the office of the Register of Deeds of Johnston County.

TRACT NO. SEVEN: That certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in Johnston County, North Carolina, adjoining the lands of T. H. Stephenson, A. R. Stancil and others, beginning on a black gum in Indian Branch, T. H. Stephenson's corner, and runs South 5 degrees, West 5.10 chains to a stake in the field, T. H. Stephenson's corner; thence West 5.18 chains to a stake, T. H. Stephenson's corner; thence South 5 degrees, West 9 chains to a stake in the Hunter Road; thence North 85 degrees, West 16.30 chains to a stake in W. A. Dupree's line; thence North 5 degrees, East 15 chains to a stake, W. H. Dupree's corner; thence East 10 chains to the head of the Indian Branch; thence down the run of said branch to the beginning, containing 27 acres, more or less, and being the land conveyed by deed from J. H. Johnson and Isabella Johnson to T. H. Stephenson, recorded in Book "T" No. 12, of Deeds, page 470 of the records of Johnston County.

All of the above different tracts connect and join each other and include the home place where the residence and store-house of T. H. Stephenson are now located.

TRACT NO. EIGHT: The following tract or parcel of land lying and being in Pleasant Grove township, Johnston County, adjoining the lands of C. B. Dupree, D. M. Ivey, and others and contains fifty-four (54) acres, more or less, and is the land conveyed by Deed to T. H. Stephenson by H. A. Parrish, recorded in Book "L" No. 11, of Deeds, at page 533 of the records of Johnston County.

This January 8th, 1917.

E. J. WELLONS, Commissioner.

COMMISSIONER'S SALE.

By virtue of a judgment of the Superior Court of Johnston County in a Special Proceeding entitled J. E. House, W. F. House et als, ex parte, said judgment entered on January 10, 1917, the undersigned Commissioners appointed in said judgment, will sell at public auction for cash, to the highest bidder at the Court House door in Smithfield, N. C., at 12:00 P. M., on Monday, the 12th day of February, 1917, the following described lot of land, to-wit:

That tract of land lying in Boon Hill township, Johnston County, N. C., adjoining the lands of Elijah Wilkins, D. B. Oliver et als, and described as follows: Beginning at a stake in George Braswell's line, and runs South 60, East 101 poles to a stake, the John Wilkins corner; thence South 40, West 52 poles to a red oak near the Mill, the Reddie Warren corner; thence North 63, West 77 poles to a stake; thence North 17, East 64 poles to the beginning, containing 30 1/2 acres, more or less. See Registry Johnston County, Book "G" No. 3, page 533 and 534.

This January 10th, 1917. CHAS. C. LEE, J. R. BARBOUR, Commissioners.

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