

# LATEST NEWS OF THE LEGISLATURE

TO DO AWAY WITH LOCAL LEGISLATION AT THIS SESSION OF LAWMAKERS

## ARE AFTER MR. BUMGARDNER

Justice Defends "Rate Compromise"

Senate Defeats Bible Amendment—New Bills Introduced in Both Branches of General Assembly.

## Senate—Thursday

Raleigh.—The Judiciary Committee of the senate reported the Bumgardner bill from the House stating that, under the guise of a purely local measure, it undertook to transfer Wilkes County from the Seventh to the Eighth Congressional District. The report was signed by Chairman Daniels and Senator Grant, Republican, and the report was ordered spread on the Senate journal thus making permanent record of the denunciation of Representative Bumgardner and his bill.

The Senate passed the bill empowering the State Board of Agriculture to manufacture and sell to farmers inoculating cultures for seeds of leguminous crops.

## House—Thursday

The House spent most of the session in Committee of the Whole considering constitutional amendment proposals. Proposal four, as to relieving the legislature from enacting local and private legislation, came from the Judiciary Committee, slightly amended and was adopted by a vote of 81 to 19. The changes include retention by the Legislature of legislation as to highways, bridges and the like between counties. The Legislature to have power to repeal or amend its own local and private acts only.

## Senate—Friday

The Senate was in Committee of the Whole all of the session today. Senator Weaver, presiding, considering constitutional amendment proposals. Notice was given by Senator Bryant that he will call for final vote on the amendment proposals on the floor of the Senate at noon October 8. The proposal to change "insurrection" and "rebellion" in the Constitution to "War Between the States" was adopted. The proposal as to the Bible in public schools was defeated 28 to 6.

## House—Friday

By a majority of 21 to 3 the House Committee on Public Service Corporations, Mr. Sikes chairman, voted to report favorably the resolution of Mr. Young of Harnett to accept the proposition submitted by the railroads through the Corporation Commission and the Governor, for a settlement, the rate question.

The House, in session as a Committee of the Whole, overwhelmingly voted down the proposition to establish an intermediate appellate court, but passed the proposed amendments for ridding the constitution of obsolete matter and for creating extra or emergency judges. The consideration of the tax amendment was under consideration when the House adjourned.

## Senate—Saturday

Senator Ward introduced a bill from the special committee appointed some days ago to investigate the condition and needs of the State School for Feeble Minded at Kinston and report thereon. The bill carries an appropriation and also authorizes the trustees to open the school without observing the order of particular classes of inmates.

## House—Saturday

Twice interrupted by outside forces, the House made another slight inroad into the proposed constitutional amendments, the most important action being to vote favorably on an amendment by Mr. Doughton to make the tax levy for all purposes 65 2-3 cents, as at present, instead of 50 cents, as proposed by the commission.

Another important action of the House was to adopt a resolution by Mr. Graham, to authorize the erection at Gettysburg of a memorial to commemorate the gallantry and valor of the North Carolina troops on that famous battlefield.

## Burke County Poultry Show

Morganton is to have a great poultry show November 19, 20, 21 and 22. This will be the fourth annual exhibition of the Burke County Poultry Association, and the management is hard at work now getting the premium list ready. Everybody interested in poultry is enthusiastic, and there is no doubt that this will be the largest and best show ever held here, and this is saying something, for this show has the reputation far and wide of being one of the best conducted poultry shows held in the state.

## Winston-Salem Fair Closes

The Winston Fair came to a close recently with a brilliant display of fireworks. The horse show was held and quite a large crowd was in attendance. The fair in many respects has been successful. The attendance has been large and the exhibits were interesting and representative. The best of weather has prevailed, with the exception of a few minutes one day when a brief shower sent the people hurrying to the various buildings. But the rain was soon over, and everything was in full swing again.

## MORE OF CANDIDATE SWANN

Is Said to Have Disparaged Others Democracy.—Webb Will Be Asked to Name Another.

Raleigh.—A special from Washington states that the prospects for the appointment of J. R. Swann as postmaster at Marshall, Madison County are very gloomy as the result of a long heart-to-heart conference held with Senator Simmons by Plato Ebbs, J. J. Redmon, N. B. McDevitt and "Big Tom" Frisbee of Marshall, who explained to Senator Simmons their extreme objection to Swann's appointment.

Swann's appointment has been held up about three months by Senator Simmons, since the Marshall citizen was recommended by Representative Webb. The chief charge, on the surface, against Swann is that he has been entirely too severe in criticizing Simmons and Governor Craig, and made uncomplimentary remarks regarding their brand of Democracy.

Representative Webb returned to the State several days ago and when Simmons has taken a rest and renews consideration of the matter he will probably ask Webb to name another candidate.

The urgent deficiency appropriation bill, which passed the Senate recently and has already passed the House contains an appropriation of \$5,000 additional for the purchase of a site for the public building at Lumberton.

The nomination of John T. Borden of North Carolina to be an assistant surgeon in the Navy was confirmed by the Senate recently.

Senator Overman's amendment to the deficiency bill, to take deputy collectors and deputy marshals out of the Civil Service, met with strong opposition in the Senate but, weathered the storm under Senator Overman's guidance.

## Activity At Fair Grounds

The sound of the hammer and the industry of scoops at the Charlotte Fair Grounds indicate that the directors intend to make good their claim that they will have the best fair in the history of the association. The new buildings are all nearing completion with the exception of one new building for horses and with fair weather this building will also be completed in a short time. The poultry hall has already been completed and in a short time the wide avenue from the main exhibit hall and the center of the midway will be graded and covered with sand-clay. The entire midway has been given a perfect grade and workmen are now busy putting river rocks on the sidewalks on each side of the broad avenue so that in case of rain there will be a firm, sure footing.

## North Carolina New Enterprises

Charters are issued for the McRary Company, Asheville, capital \$25,000 authorized and \$1,000 subscribed by P. S. Moale, W. C. McRary and others for a mercantile business; Waynesville Lumber and Timber Co., Waynesville, capital \$100,000 authorized, and \$10,000 subscribed by C. Y. Mayo, J. H. Anderson and others; the Commercial Realty-Trust Company of Asheville, capital \$50,000 authorized, and \$1,500 subscribed by J. F. Glenn and others; the Thornton Lead and Steel Corporation, Hickory, capital \$500,000 authorized, and \$125,000 subscribed by Marcus Thornton, W. X. Reid and A. W. Curds.

## Pardons Cleveland County Boy

Governor Craig granted a pardon for Sheriff Stamey, serving four-months sentence on the Cleveland County roads for larceny. The prisoner is only 15 years old and the pardon is on account of the youth of the offender and some mental deficiency that, it is said, accounts for his crime. The trial judge and prosecuting witnesses recommended the pardon.

## Declare For Sand Clay Roads

Believing that the construction of macadam is not suited to the needs of this county, the Board of Commissioners of Buncombe has decided to construct no more such roads. In the future sand-clay highways will be built exclusively. The heavy grades in the mountains and the condition of the rocks used in macadamizing roads here make the macadam road a comparative failure.

## Greensboro Wants Parcel Post Depot

Greensboro has decided to go after the parcel post depot that is to be established in North Carolina and will contend earnestly for it. Representatives of the postoffice department have already been here looking over the field and will make report on conditions at an early date. While here representatives of the department met Mayor Murphy, President Wharton and Secretary Forester of the Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber of Commerce of Greensboro is preparing an argument in favor of Greensboro.

## Patents Granted Tar Heels

Messrs. Davis and Davis, patent attorneys of Washington, report the grant to citizens of North Carolina of the following patents: William T. Campen, South Creek, wheel-guard for sawmill carriages; Cephas V. Fite; Charlotte thermostatic circuit-closer; James A. Huggins, Red Springs, subsoil plow; William W. McArthur, Roanoke, riding harrow and cultivator; William L. Ward, assignor of one-fourth to B. H. Harman, Watauga Falls safety-stirrup.

## ARE AGAINST SALE

A. & N. C. STOCK.—FORMER CONGRESSMAN SAYS RAILROAD SHOULD BE KEPT.

## WILL BE OF FABULOUS VALUE

Mr. Thomas Says That the Shares Will Be Worth \$300 By the Time Lease Expires.—Adhere to the Trunk Line Idea.

Raleigh.—The Legislative Commission appointed at the last regular session to investigate and report as to the advisability of accepting the proposition of E. C. Duncan and associates to buy the State's stock in the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad at \$75 a share, heard argument again against the acceptance several days ago, one of the principal speakers being former Congressman Charles R. Thomas of Craven.

He insisted that the statement of 1852 were especially wise in their plan to establish a great trunk railway line from the Atlantic at Morehead and Beaufort, through the whole length of the state to the Tennessee line, and that latter-day statesmen have made serious mistakes in not adhering to this policy.

He insisted that the sale of the West ern Carolina road had been a serious mistake. Now the Atlantic & North Carolina and the North Carolina roads were leased for periods that expire at the same time. He charged that the Atlantic & North Carolina is now leased for a rental that is ridiculous and predicted that the stock would be worth par in 10 years and probably \$300 a share before the lease expires. The road is, he said, the key to the Atlantic seaboard, and the inland waterway under impending development, and will become fabulously valuable.

Former Governor Jarvis and ex-Judge Biggs were present as counsel for Mr. Duncan and his associates and insisted that the Duncan proposal is a good business proposition for the state and will make possible eastern Carolina development in the near future that would take many years to accomplish, if it could ever be accomplished, without this sale to the railroad interests desiring to buy the property. There may not be a report from the commission at this special session.

## Lenir Convicts Still At Large

Kinston.—Up to the last report all efforts to capture the remaining seven of the ten convicts who recently escaped from the Lenir county camp near here have been unavailing. The local officers, exhausted after the strenuous search during the past eighty hours are now certain that all of the seven are out of the county. Nestor Whitley, the leader, and two others of the gang who mutinied, beat a guard and escaped, are believed to be somewhere between New Bern and Chocowinity. Henderson Williams was arrested there and Whitley and the other two are supposed to have had warning and gave the police the slip.

## Governor Craig Is Endorsed

Asheville.—The action of Governor Locke Craig in declaring two good roads days next month was heartily endorsed by a meeting of the Asheville board of trade, when the organization recommended that the presidents of the Good Roads Association of Asheville and Buncombe county, the Asheville Motor Club and Board of Trade appoint a central committee to make these two co-operative road building days a success.

## Guilford Physicians Meet

Greensboro.—The regular monthly meeting of the Guilford County Medical Society was held several days ago in the assembly room of the public library. Following the meeting a luncheon was served by the ladies in the directors room of the Dixie building. Those who read papers were Dr. Chas. Roberson, Dr. H. H. Dobson, Dr. J. W. Long and Dr. Addison G. Benizer, the latter of Charlotte.

## In Interest Of Mecklenburg Fair

Charlotte.—Mr. Edgar B. Moore, secretary-treasurer of the Charlotte Fair Association, went to Winston-Salem and attended the Forsyth County Fair. Mr. Moore will attend the fair at Greensboro and Raleigh and will secure additional attractions for the fair which begins here October 28. While practically all the events have been decided upon, this practice in an old one of visiting other fairs and picking out the best attractions. The midway will be almost booked by the time Mr. Moore returns.

## Car Skids, Killing Driver

Thomasville.—The celebration of Thomasville's annual event of Everybody's Day was marred when Mr. A. W. Hughes was killed. The big parade had just ended and the first event of the day was in progress. This was an automobile race, participated in by several of the citizens of town who owned machines. Mr. Hughes entered a car in the race and it was in this that he was killed. He was the only occupant and the accident occurred just as he reached the end of the distance.

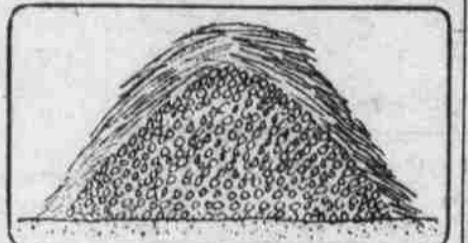
## STORAGE OF POTATOES

As Soon as Dug Tubers Are Piled in Heaps in Shade.

When Frosty Weather Comes Hole Is Dug for Them on High Well-Drained Ground—Layer of Hay Will Prevent Freezing.

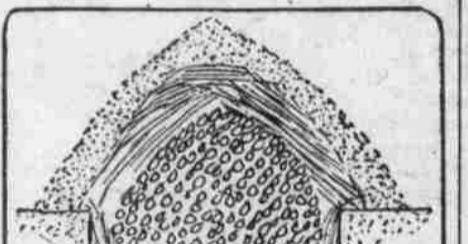
In answer to a query as to the best method of storing potatoes the Rural New Yorker makes the following reply:

In storing potatoes we use neither cellar nor loft. As soon as the potatoes are dug in the summer, we pile them in heaps under the shade of some large trees. Sometimes we make cone-shaped piles by dumping the baskets over the same point and letting the potatoes spread out as they will; while at other times we make ricks of them by laying two rails on the ground



Summer Heap of Potatoes.

parallel to each other and about four feet apart, and piling the potatoes just as high in between these two rails as we can without their sliding over them. We then cover these piles with a layer of hay from one to two feet thick, using the meadow top and laying it so that it will shed rain. In the fall as frosty weather comes on, we dig holes, from two to three feet deep and from eight to twelve feet in diameter, on high well-drained ground. The bottom and sides of these holes are then lined with about a one-foot layer of hay, and the potatoes poured carefully into them. They are piled up as high as possible without their spreading out



Winter Pit.

over the edge of the hole. A layer of hay about two feet deep is spread over the potatoes above ground, after which a layer of soil about one foot deep is thrown over the hay. This much hay and soil is usually sufficient to protect the potatoes from freezing here in South Jersey. However, it matters little if they do freeze so long as they are not removed from the pits while frozen, as they thaw out so gradually that no injury is done. They can be left in the pits until the first of April, after which they will begin to sprout if the weather is warm. In using this method of storing we have never experienced any loss except one year when we left them in the summer heaps so long that an early freeze caught them before they were buried.

## SAFE PLACE FOR A BONFIRE

Receipts for Burning Accumulation of Papers and Old Rubbish Is Quite Easy to Make.

When you want to burn an accumulation of papers and other small rubbish and not be troubled with bits of flying burning paper or the fear of starting a fire, take a large wire basket formed from a piece of chicken wire netting five feet long and about four feet wide so rolled as to make a hollow cylinder.

An old tin pan fastened to the bottom for holding the contents makes it into a portable affair that can be taken anywhere about the yard clearing out dried weeds, leaves, litter of all sorts, with perfect safety.

Any old tin pan cover makes a lid if one is necessary.

This is of use about a henery; in burning refuse of hen's nests, destroying myriads of insects easily.

## City Folks Pay Well

The supply of good poultry has never yet equaled the demand. City folks prefer poultry products direct from the farm and will pay any price you ask for them. If you are near town, become acquainted with those who use poultry products and try to supply their wants. There will be money in your pocket for such a trade.

## Watching the New Horses

Horse owners should be particularly watchful of new horses taken into the stable, as they may have a mild form of glanders or farcy, both of which are incurable, deadly and extremely contagious to horses and to human beings as well. A horse with a running nose may be as dangerous as a mad dog.

## Litter for Ducks

Keep the litter in the duck house dry by frequent changing. The ducks are great mussers.

## Don't Let Cows Dry Up

Do not let the cows dry up on account of short pastures.

## CEDAR MAKES BEST FENCING

Fence Built of That Material Still Standing After Forty Years of Continuous Service.

I know of a fence in our neighborhood that is still standing after 40 years of continuous service. The posts were made of cedar, charred to six inches above the ground and every one is still well preserved. Another fence of which the posts were not charred, decayed completely after 39 years. Oak and chestnut posts are not as durable as cedar, however, even if charred. Some of the oak posts we buy these days will not last ten years and it is a pretty expensive fence that has to be renewed every ten years. Speaking of fences, I wonder what we are going to do about the wire that some manufacturers are sending out. A great deal of it is made of good material and will stand long wear, but some of it is far from being what it should be. I suppose it is all a question of the honesty of the manufacturer and it is up to us to discover the one who makes honest goods. The experiment stations, some of which spend much time and work analyzing stock foods and fertilizers might find a ripe field in testing of fence wire.

## STORE MANURE FOR GARDENS

Practice of Fertilizing Every Year Late in Fall or in Spring Is Not Always for the Best.

A common practice is to manure the garden every year late in the fall or before planting in the spring, no further attention being given. This practice, however, is not the best.

The manure for the garden should be kept in a large box with a lid or so screened that flies cannot enter it. Manure heaps are the natural breeding places of these pests, and if they are allowed to remain near the house uncovered will prove a great nuisance.

A good plan is to use a very close wire screen nailed to a frame with hinges for the top. The manure should be spaded often on the top so that the water from the clouds or the sprinkling pot may penetrate to every part of it.

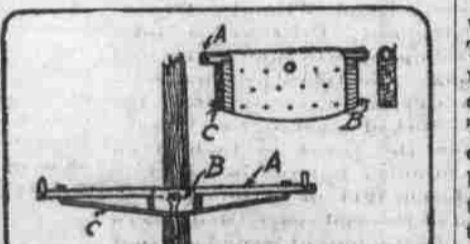
If kept in a box a spout should be placed in one corner at the bottom, so that the water may drain into a sunken barrel.

This will supply liquid manure, which can be used at all seasons when vegetables and flowers are growing.

## SIMPLE FOUR-HORSE EVENER

When Made Right Device Will Pull 3-Ton Load Through Mud Holes or Up 30 Per Cent. Grade.

I have a four-horse evener possessing many advantages, writes Charles Fredericks of Freedom, Okla., in the Farmers' Mail and Breeze. A is a 1 1/2-inch gas pipe 5 feet 10 inches long, with a hole 7 inches from each end for brace rod, and two more holes 1 1/2 inches from each end for double tree clevises. B is an oak



Explanatory Sketch of Evener.

block 18 inches long, 5 inches wide and about 2 inches thick. One edge is hollowed out for the main tree and the other is rounded off to conform with the brace rod. Holes are drilled into the pipe near the center and nails driven through them into the block. C is the brace rod of five-eighths-inch iron, bent as shown, and with threads cut in each end. The ends are put through the holes in the pipe and tightened up with nuts until the pipe is slightly bent. This holds the block tight at all times. The last thing is to cover the pipe, block and all with a plate of iron bent over it and bolted or screwed down. Small doubletrees must be used. If made right this evener will pull a three-ton load through mud holes or up a 30 per cent. grade. There are no square corners, everything works freely, and there is no chance of either team striking.

## Disposal of Manure

The most important part of the stable sanitation from the other fellow's standpoint is the disposal of manure.

The liquid manure should be absorbed by the bedding and the bedding changed every day. The solid manure should be cleaned up morning and evening and thrown in a flyproof box or vault. If possible, have it hauled away daily.

## Cutting Out the Weeds

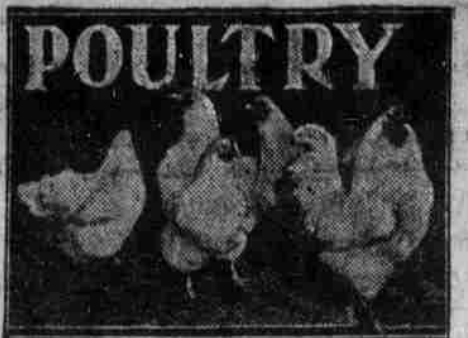
If it is desired to make the place look tidy and neat and keep the weeds from obtaining a more determined hold, they should be cut at the earliest opportunity. A mower will undoubtedly cut nearly all of them. A scythe will be found necessary only to cut the weeds under the fences and in the corners.

## Cheap and Excellent

Air-slaked lime, freely dusted everywhere, is cheap and will destroy lice, gapes and the roup.

## Docking Lambs

The lambs should have been docked before this, but, if not, the job should be done at once.



## ROUP IN THE CHICKEN FLOCK

Disease Is Prevalent Where Fowls Are Kept in Filthy, Damp and Poorly Ventilated Quarters.

(By F. W. KAZMEIER.) Roup is prevalent in flocks kept in filthy, damp, poorly ventilated quarters. Vigorous stock in good surroundings proves quite resistant to the disease.

Common colds do not develop into roup if the specific germ is not present. The common belief is that roup is developed from a neglected cold. This is not the case, although it supplies the conditions so that the roup germs can easily get a foothold.

For the benefit of those who have been unlucky enough to get this terrible disease introduced into their flock I give the following successful way of combating roup: First, remove all conditions which tend to foster it, next, remove all affected birds as soon as discovered. Place them in a clean, dry room, of even temperature, that is free from draughts of air. If you desire to doctor them, treat as soon as the earliest symptoms are detected. Disinfect the poultry house and runs with a five per cent. solution of carbolic acid and repeat this disinfection at least once a week. Feed a well balanced ration containing some meat scraps. Burn all dead birds. A far developed roup chicken is worth more dead than alive. One good remedy is to put a few drops of kerosene oil on the affected fowl's head. This is also excellent for common colds.

Peroxide of hydrogen and water half and half, or creolin or carbolic acid in two per cent. solution may be used in the same manner. One of the remedies, that as a rule gives the best results, is a solution of two ounces of permanganate of potash in six pints of water. Submerge the fowl's head in it just long enough to prevent it from suffocating. Any of these liquids will help clear the nasal and throat passages and destroy disease germs.

A good preventive is to dissolve two ounces of permanganate of potash in twelve parts of water and give to all the birds to drink at least three times a week and on such days give no other water to drink.

Remember, the very best preventive is an abundance of fresh air without draughts, plenty of sunshine and sanitary surroundings, and guard against introducing the germ.

## COCHIN IS FAVORITE BREED

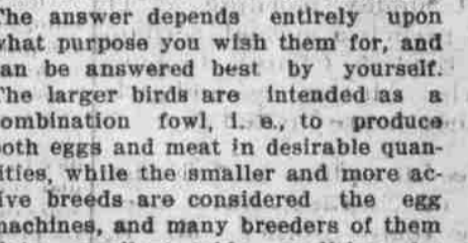
Four Varieties, Each Having Single Combs and Differing Only in Point of Plumage Color.

The question is frequently asked, what is the best breed of chickens? The answer depends entirely upon what purpose you wish them for, and can be answered best by yourself. The larger birds are intended as a combination fowl, i. e., to produce both eggs and meat in desirable quantities, while the smaller and more active breeds are considered the egg machines, and many breeders of them claim excellent table qualities for them, which no doubt they possess, the only objection being their small size.

## The Cochins

The Cochins are an old, and popular breed and has four varieties, each having single combs, and differing only in point of plumage color, which is: Buff, partridge, black and white, the buff being the preference. Their weights are: Cocks, 11 pounds; cockerels, 9; hens, 8 1/2; pullets, 7.

The other varieties in this class are: The Langshans, black and white.



First Prize Black Cochin.

Single combs. The blacks are a very fine all-purpose fowl, and by far the most popular of the two. The weight of the cock is 10 pounds; cockerel, 8; hen, 7; pullet, 6.

The Cochins have single combs and the Brahmas pea combs. The eggs laid by the varieties of the two classes mentioned above are all brown in the color of shell.

## Keep Male Birds Away

The poultryman who will keep his male birds away from the hens during the summer and fall months will reap the benefit of his foresight in the extra strong fertility of his eggs during the coming hatching season. The male bird that spends the summer and winter months in celibacy is in a much better condition to impregnate the eggs than one who has run with the hens the year round and is sexually exhausted or partially so.