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REJECTED BY THE STATE

RATE CONCESSIONS ARE INSUFFICIENT

As Result of Conference Held Tuesday at Raleigh Governor Craig Rejects Latest Freight Rate Reduction Proposition of the Railroads—Up to Legislature—Railroads May Voluntarily Operate Readjusted Scale.

Charlotte Observer, 13th. Raleigh, Aug. 12.—The proposal of the railroad companies doing interstate freight business in North Carolina, submitted through the Corporation Commission to Governor Craig for settling the differences between the shippers of this State and railroads because of excessive rates to North Carolina points compared with Virginia cities, is rejected by the Governor as a result of the conference here today in which the Governor, the Legislative Freight Rate Commission, the Corporation Commission, and the Council of State participated. The general impression is that there will be no further negotiations of consequence until the Legislature meets September 24.

In a significant speech closing the conference, Governor Craig said he was gratified at the unanimity in the conference on the proposition that the proposal should not be accepted. It is also a fact, to which the Governor did not allude, that there were the widest sort of differences as to what sort of an adjustment would be acceptable.

John C. Forester of Greensboro, in the closing moments of the conference declared that there is no wisdom in a "multitude of counselors" on freight rates, that somebody had to take the situation in hand, fix it and then look the people of the State in the face and say "we did the best we could." Nobody could fix a scale of rates that would satisfy everybody.

MR. JUSTICE REMARKS. E. J. Justice of the Legislative Commission made the significant statement that "no doubt the railroads will regret that the State has jurisdiction over a number of things."

The final afternoon session of the conference was a long and spirited one. Governor Craig said it was a matter of congratulation that substantial reductions have been offered. He reviewed the negotiations since the last Legislature, congratulated the General Assembly on having boldly undertaken to serve the public, and said that the Corporation Commission in securing and working out this proposal has performed for the State a patriotic service, doing the very best it could.

He said the people want peace and he wants peace, but just reductions have not been offered. The railroads are perfecting greater service for Virginia cities for a far less rate than exacted from North Carolina points for a far less service—this, too, under the terms of the proposal rejected. He quoted instances he had worked out applying to all sections of the State. He felt that it would be wrong to accept the proposal.

WANTS ENTIRE JUSTICE.

He subscribed to the "long and short-haul doctrine," but he could not subscribe to the contention that lower rates could not be accorded to the border points in this State. He declared that if the reductions proposed would save the people of the State \$1,000,000 on freights, he was sure that really just reductions would save \$5,000,000, and he could not fight for entire justice.

He wanted it understood that he was willing to meet the railroads in a spirit of compromise and endorses rates not so low as those given Virginia cities, but that they must be something near to it. He noticed that the terms of the proposal suggested that in the event of rejection there should be another conference with the officers of the railroads. He was willing to meet them and would be in Raleigh for the purpose and sincerely wished for an adjustment satisfactory to the people.

CONTINUE THE FIGHT.

The Governor said he disliked to disagree with J. Allen Taylor and the Wilmington delegation that whatever adjustment is made the relative rates between Wilmington and the interior must be maintained.

"We will continue the fight," he said, "for just rates. In rejecting this we may fall, but if we fall, we fall. We cannot accept this because it is not just." He said that President Finley and Counsel Thom assume that there will be appeals to courts of equity, "but we purpose to appeal to that court of equity, the General Assembly of North Carolina, which we believe will exercise jurisdiction rightfully and righteously."

AGREEMENT AN ESTOPPEL?

At the opening of the afternoon session Governor Craig called for expressions. Judge Council, explaining that the third member of the Legislative Commission, N. B. Broughton, was absent and that he and the third member, E. J. Justice, were in accord, asked Mr. Justice to speak. Mr. Justice raised the issue that the railroads wanted the acceptance of the proposal to be an estoppel of all freight litigation. He could not agree to this. Chairman Travis explained that there was no such understanding when the proposal was worked out and it could

PURCHASES PROPERTY

GAS COMPANY SECURES A GOOD SITE

Gaston County Gas Company Purchases Tract of Land From J. L. Beal Near Plaster Factory—To Begin Work Soon—Have Already Done Some Work to Hold Franchise—Other Real Estate News.

There is apparently no longer any doubt that Gastonia is to have a gas plant and that work will be commenced on same at an early date. The Gaston County Gas Company has just purchased from Mr. J. L. Beal a tract of four or five acres on North Marietta street in the vicinity of the Gaston Plaster Company's plant. The deal was made through Mr. George E. Haltheck, real estate agent. Mr. Jones, who is managing the construction of a similar plant at Concord for the same promoters, has been here within the past few days consummating the deal for a site and making other preparations for the beginning of actual work on the plant. According to the terms of the franchise granted the concern by the city work was to commence on the plant or system by July 15th. In order to hold the franchise a short line of pipe has been laid.

Mr. Beal has also sold, through Haltheck, to Messrs. W. H. Adams and J. White Ware a tract of land adjoining the property sold to the gas company and on which is located the Gaston Plaster Company's factory. Just what use the purchasers will make of this property has not been stated but it is supposed that it will, in all likelihood, be utilized for some manufacturing enterprise.

Mrs. Rebecca C. Bryan, former y of Gastonia but now living in Atlanta, recently sold, through Haltheck, to Mr. J. M. Hoyle her residence located at No. 112 East Low avenue.

The regular monthly meeting of the Home Building & Loan Association will be held in its offices in the Realty building tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Among yesterday's visitors to Gastonia was Mr. J. N. Roberts, of Lowell. Mr. Roberts is a staunch friend of The Gazette and has been a constant reader of it for many years. The only other paper which he has read habitually for a longer period than he has The Gazette is The Yorkville Enquirer, which he has read regularly for more than 50 years. He has been an actual subscriber to it himself, he says, for 47 years and read it several years before he first subscribed.

WILMINGTON'S PROTEST.

J. Allen Taylor of Wilmington protested against the rates being put on, even voluntarily, by the railroads as Mr. Justice suggested. This would ruin Wilmington and, if, on protest from the Virginia cities, the Interstate Commerce Commission should then readjust the rates North Carolina shippers would still be in as bad a position as at present. He insisted that the port rates will have to settle the interior rates. If interior points are pacified now with these concessions, there can be no development of sentiment for relief of the eastern water points like Wilmington.

He urged interior business men to recognize the fact that water alone can adjust the rate troubles. Procure a gateway for North Carolina through a substantial boat line to Wilmington and interstate rate reductions to build this traffic up, and the rate difficulties will be solved. He asserted that the carriers knew the proposal would not be accepted, but submitted it to create division among shippers in the State.

WATER ANOTHER MATTER.

Mr. Justice said he did not intend to excite the mind of Mr. Taylor and believed Wilmington would be a great port, but that the present freight would stagnate there. He believed Wilmington would have Norfolk rates but for a combination between the Clyde Line steamers and the railroads. He thought Wilmington ought to enjoy what its water entitled it to.

It was after this spirited discussion that Governor Craig adjourned the conference, subject to his call. President Tate of the Just Freight Rate Association gave notice that he will within 10 days name the committee of 10 to co-operate with Governor Craig and that this committee will enter any future conferences that may be called by the Governor without the necessity of a general attendance of shippers.

SULZER IS IMPEACHED

NEW YORK'S GOVERNOR FACES TRIAL

After an All-Night Session New York General Assembly Adopts Resolution Impeaching State's Chief Executive—Contained Scathing Arraignment—Wife Makes Confession to Save Him—Trial Set for September 18th.

The vote to impeach Governor Sulzer, of New York, passed in the Assembly last Wednesday morning, after an all-night session by the vote of 79 to 45. Ament the impeachment and its probable effects, special from Albany under date of Thursday say:

With Governor Sulzer impeached by the Assembly and the date of his trial before the Senate and the judges of the Court of Appeals fixed for September 18, the spectacle was presented tonight of two men claiming to be Governor of the State of New York.

As soon as the articles of impeachment adopted at an early hour this morning by the Democratic majority in the Assembly were presented to the Senate, shortly after 3 o'clock this afternoon, Lieut. Gov. Martin H. Glynn announced his intention of opposing the Executive chamber.

WILL NOT GIVE UP. Friends of Governor Sulzer declared that the Governor intended to continue in office and would use everything in his power to maintain his position on the ground that the Assembly had no constitutional right to consider impeachment at its extraordinary session.

Some asserted that the Governor would go so far as to summon military protection if necessary to prevent the Lieutenant Governor from occupying the Executive chamber.

Judge D. Cady Herrick, who will act as chief counsel for the Governor at this trial, said tonight that "talk of resort to force is the merest rot."

"He will meet the charges against him in an orderly and dignified way," said Judge Herrick, "and will do nothing unbecoming the dignity of the State. He will engage in no physical scuffle to assert his rights to discharge the functions of the office of Governor."

The Governor himself was silent when at 6 o'clock tonight he left his office in the Capitol where he was asked if he expected to return tomorrow.

"Yes sir," he replied in angry tones.

So far as could be learned, no attempt was made by Lieutenant Governor Glynn in any way to exercise the functions of Chief Executive today but there was every indication that there would be a clash of authority tomorrow when both men appear at the Capitol.

Silence also will be the policy of the Governor until he appears at the bar of the court of impeachment. "Counsel for Governor Sulzer," said Judge Herrick tonight, "have no desire to be interviewed or try his case in the newspapers, or to make statements in his behalf. They have advised the Governor to refrain from making any statement at present, likewise his wife. We have engaged in his defense not for William Sulzer, but as a professional duty to the Governor of the State and to preserve so far as it can now be preserved the good name and fame of the State."

"After an examination of Mr. Sulzer in relation to the transactions disclosed by the Frawley Committee, we are satisfied that there has been only a partial revelation of the facts so far and we are satisfied that he has been guilty of no wilful wrongdoing. We ask the public in his behalf for a suspension of judgment until all facts can be disclosed before the proper tribunal and in an orderly way."

VOTE OF IMPEACHMENT.

The vote to impeach the Governor was passed in the Assembly shortly after 5 o'clock this morning, after an all-night session, by a vote of 79 to 45. A committee of nine managers headed by Assemblyman Levy, majority leader, then was appointed to present the articles of impeachment to the Senate. The Senate met at 3 o'clock and 15 minutes later the House committee of managers was solemnly ushered into the Senate chamber where Assemblyman Levy read the eight long articles of impeachment.

Senator Wagner, president pro tem of the Senate, then declared the articles of impeachment "herby received" and announced that he would summon the court of impeachment to meet at the Capitol on the 18th day of September, 1913, at the hour of noon.

While the court was this summoned to meet on this date, it was said by a member of the Assembly committee of managers tonight that the actual trial of the Governor would probably not begin until a few days later as it would be necessary to formulate rules of procedure and arrange other details.

The articles of impeachment against Governor Sulzer, as passed by the lower house of the New York State Legislature this morning, make a document of over 4,000 words. They are introduced by the formidable heading:

"Articles exhibited by the Assembly of the State of New York in the name of themselves and of all the

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A FARMERS CONVENTION

TAR HEEL SOIL-TILLERS WILL MEET

Eleventh Annual State Farmers Convention and Roundup Institute to Be Held in Raleigh August 26th, 27th and 28th—The Program in Full.

Acting Secretary C. B. Williams is sending out the program for the eleventh annual State Farmers' Convention and Roundup Institute to be held at the A. and M. College in Raleigh August 26th, 27th and 28th. The officers of the convention are C. W. Sprull, president; E. B. Moore, first vice president; J. H. Currie, second vice president; I. O. Schaub, secretary-treasurer. Reduced rates will be given on the railroads for this occasion.

In the circular sent out it is stated that "the college will furnish rooms in the dormitories free. Persons expecting to stay in the college rooms should bring their own towels, sheets and pillows. Meals will be furnished in the college mess hall at twenty-five cents each. It is believed that one of the best programs ever offered to the convention is given below, both for the men and women. It is urged that all who receive a copy come to the meeting and bring their neighbors. Let us have the largest convention of farmers in the history of the State and mutually help one another."

The program is as follows:

TUESDAY, AUG. 26.—SOIL DAY.

10:30 a. m.—Greetings—President D. H. Hill and Commissioner W. A. Graham.

Soil Work in the State, by Director B. W. Kilgore, Raleigh, N. C.

Do Soils Wear Out? Prof. C. L. Newman, A. & M. College.

How I Am Saving Labor by Tillage Implements, W. D. Boseman, Rock Mount, N. C.

Results of Late Applications of Commercial Fertilizers, by C. B. Williams, North Carolina Experiment Station.

Dinner.

2 p. m. Address, C. W. Sprull, President of the Convention.

2:30 p. m. Demonstration of Constructing the Mangum Terrace, by P. H. Mangum, Wake Forest.

3 p. m. Demonstration in Laying Out, Digging and Placing of Farm Tile, H. M. Lynde, U. S. Department of Agriculture, and Prof. M. E. Sherwin, A. & M. College.

3:30 p. m. Essential Principles of Co-operation, Dean H. C. Price, State University, Columbus, Ohio.

Marketing Cotton, by C. J. Brand, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Co-operation in Marketing Fruit Crops, by J. F. Fooshe, Progressive Farmer, Raleigh, N. C.

Co-operation in Live Stock and Dairy Products, by A. O. Nelson, Svea, Minn.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 27.—LIVE STOCK DAY.

5 a. m. Trip over College and Station Farms.

7:45 a. m. Judging Farm Mules, by Prof. J. C. McNutt, A. & M. College.

8:15 a. m. Judging Draft Horses, by Schuyler Salisbury, A. & M. College.

8:45 a. m. Judging Hogs, by Dan T. Gray, N. C. Experiment Station.

9:30 a. m. Silage for Beef Cattle, by W. F. Ward, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

10:15 a. m. Development of a Profitable Dairy Herd, by Alvin J. Reed, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

11 a. m. Southern Markets for Beef Cattle and Sheep, by R. S. Curtis, N. C. Experiment Station.

11:45 a. m. Demonstration of Methods of Injecting Hog Cholera Serum, by Dr. B. F. Plowe, State Department of Agriculture.

12:30 p. m. Demonstration in Recognition of Tuberculosis in Cattle, by Dr. G. A. Roberts, A. & M. College.

Dinner.

2 p. m. Public sale of Berkshires, Poland Chinas and Duro-Jerseys, held under the management of the North Carolina Swine Breeders' Association. (For descriptive catalog of offerings at the sale, write to R. S. Curtis, Secretary, West Raleigh, N. C.)

7:30 p. m. A Message from the Sand Hills, by Hon. Henry A. Page, Aberdeen, N. C.

8:30 p. m. Address, by Hon. A. F. Lever, Chairman Committee on Agriculture, House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 28.

7:30 a. m. Practical Demonstration of the Principal Stages in the Production of Peaches and Apples:

1. Methods of "Laying Off" the Orchard, Mr. Detjen.

2. Planting the Tree, and Its First Pruning, Mr. Stoddard.

3. Training the Tree, Prof. Pillsbury.

4. Methods of Cultivation and Implements, Prof. Hutt.

5. "Worming" the Trees, Mr. Shuford.

6. Preparation of Bordeaux Mixture, Prof. Fulton.

7. Preparation of Lime-Sulphur Solutions, Prof. Sherman.

8. Spraying the Trees, Messrs. Hill and Klein.

9. Picking and Packing the Fruit, Mr. Shaw.

9:30 a. m. This Farm Pays: That One Does Not. Why? by J. M. Johnson, U. S. D. of Agriculture.

10:15 a. m. How to Prevent Cottonseed Meal from Poisoning Hogs.

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IN SOCIAL CIRCLES

LATEST EVENTS IN WOMAN'S WORLD

MISS SPENCER ENTERTAINS.

In honor of several visiting girls among Gastonia's younger social set, Miss Ruby Spencer entertained at progressive luncheon last Tuesday morning. The honorees were Misses Nellie Herndon and Mary Anthony, of Shelby, Lela Durham, of Dallas, Minette Marshall and Annie Peart Proffit, of Spartanburg and Saran Garland. At the conclusion of the games a delicious salad course was served.

MISSES HENDERSON ENTERTAIN.

At their hospitable home in Mr. Holly last Saturday night, Misses Jean and Bain Henderson entertained a number of their friends at an enjoyable gathering. In addition to cards and dancing a memory contest furnished quite a good bit of amusement. The guests were allowed a peep at a table laden with 50 or more different articles and then allowed to make a list of those remembered. Delicious refreshments of punch, salad and wafers were served.

MISS COLUMBIA KELLY MARRIED.

The following item from yesterday morning's Charlotte Observer under date from Salisbury will be of interest in Gastonia:

Miss Columbia Kelly of Salem, Va., and Mr. E. M. Shenk of Greensboro were quietly married here last night the ceremony being performed by Rev. W. B. Duttera. The young couple had been visiting at Misenheimer Springs, Stanly County, and took their friends by surprise in announcing the marriage.

Miss Kelly is a sister of Mrs. Fred L. Smyre, of Gastonia and has visited here frequently. She has many friends in town who will be interested in the above.

MRS. PIERCE ENTERTAINS.

Last Tuesday afternoon at their home on South Oakland street, Mrs. S. P. Pierce and Miss Ethel Pierce entertained in honor of Mrs. J. N. Ross and daughter, Miss Rachel Ross, of Charlotte, formerly of Corsicana, Texas.

Mrs. W. F. Michael met the guests at the door and showed them to the receiving line which was composed as follows: Mrs. Pierce, Mrs. Ross, Mrs. S. N. Boyce, Mrs. J. C. Galloway, Mrs. Edgar Long, and Misses Pierce, Ross, Elizabeth and Jenn Coltrane, of Concord and Ada Winslow, of Brooklyn.

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KELLY-PATRICK MARRIAGE.

A marriage of much interest and one that came somewhat as a surprise to their friends, although whispered in Tuesday's Gazette, was that of Miss Nina Patrick of the Union section and Mr. A. C. Kelly, of McAdenville, which was solemnized at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Mary Patrick yesterday morning at 7 o'clock. Rev. G. A. Sparrow, pastor of Union church, was the officiating minister.

The bride was dressed in crepe de broche with pearl and net trimmings and carried a bouquet of brides' roses. Lohengrin's wedding march was played by Miss Clara Patrick, a sister of the bride. During the ceremony Schubert's serenade was played. The vows were spoken before an improvised altar garlanded with ivy and morning glories. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Kelly came to Gastonia where they took train No. 39 yesterday morning for Asheville, Toxaway and other points in "Sky-land". In about ten days or two weeks they will return and be at home in McAdenville.

There were present at the ceremony only a few intimate friends and relatives of the contracting parties. Mrs. Emma Kelly and Miss Emma Kelly, mother and sister of the groom, of Clarkton, were present. The bride is one of the county's most charming young women. She has for several years been a teacher in the public schools. Last year she was at Lumberton.

The groom is a native of Bladen county but has for a number of years made his home in McAdenville where he is manager for the Catawba Store Company. He is a young man of excellent business ability and of sterling worth.

Engraved announcements reading as follows were sent out yesterday:

Mrs. Mary J. Patrick announces the marriage of her daughter
Nina Craig
to
Mr. Angus Cromartie Kelly
on Thursday, August the fourteenth
nine hundred and thirteen
Lowell
North Carolina

A PLEASANT BIRTH-DAY PARTY.

At their home on West Third avenue Wednesday evening from 5 to 7 o'clock little Misses Margaret and

NEWS OF THE COUNTY

LATEST FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS

Newsy Letters from Gazette Correspondents Here and There Over Good Old Gaston—What Our Neighbors Are Doing in the Various Sections of the County—Personal Mention of People You Know and Some You Don't Know.

LANDER'S CHAPEL NOTES.

(Crowded out of last issue.) LANDERS CHAPEL, Aug. 9. — Mr. J. C. Carpenter and family, of Chadbourn, are visiting Mr. Carpenter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Carpenter, of this section.

Mrs. Clarence Tate spent the past week at Hickory visiting relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Burgin Carpenter and Miss Bessie Carpenter, who have been visiting in this section for several weeks, left Tuesday for their home in Texas.

Mrs. David Huffstetter spent Saturday with Mrs. C. G. Carpenter. Quite a number of people of this section attended the picnic at Linwood Friday, August 8th.

Little Miss Alma Kiser, of Bessemer City, is visiting little Miss Audrey Kiser this week.

Misses Mabel and Ethel Lineberger spent Sunday with Misses Annie Mae and Leona Plonk.

Master Fred Payne, son of Mr. Zeb Payne, has been sick for the past week.

There will be a family reunion at Mr. P. S. Carpenter's on Saturday, August 16th. Everybody is invited to come and bring well-filled baskets.

MRS. MARY DELLINGER.

Mount Holly Lady Suddenly Dies at Age of 80.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

MT. HOLLY, Aug. 14.—The community was shocked today at the news of the death of Mrs. Mary Dellinger, which occurred at her home this morning. Mrs. Dellinger appeared as well as usual and was in the dining room arranging some dishes when she suddenly sank to the floor and expired within a few minutes. Mrs. Dellinger was 82 years old and was a devout Christian woman.

The following children survive: Messrs. L. G. and W. C. Dellinger and Miss Bernice Dellinger, of Mt. Holly, S. M. Dellinger, of Charlotte, Joseph Dellinger, of Newton, and Mrs. J. F. Joy, of Hickory.

HARMON FAMILY REUNION.

Mr. T. W. Harmon Celebrates Eightieth Birthday—Five Hundred People Present—Despite Age Has Cultivated Six Acres Himself this Year.

At his home on Buffalo creek, seven miles out from Kings Mountain on the Shelby road, Mr. Thomas W. Harmon Wednesday celebrated his 80th birthday with a family reunion. There were present, including both kin folks and friends, about 500 people from Gastonia, Bessemer City, Shelby, Kings Mountain and the rural districts. Of his three brothers there were present two, namely Messrs. A. N. and R. S. Harmon, both of Cleveland county, and his three sisters Mrs. O. W. Davis, of Gastonia; Mrs. E. S. Gamble and Mrs. M. A. Thoraburg, of the county. Another brother, Mr. W. H. Harmon, of Paris, Tex., was expected but has not yet arrived. A sumptuous dinner was spread in the grove near the house and water was supplied from a magnificent spring nearby. Music was furnished by a string band. From Gastonia those attending were Mrs. O. W. Davis, Mr. V. E. Long, Miss Wilma Long and the latter's guest, Miss Anthony, of Shelby.

Despite his 80 years Mr. Harmon is unusually strong and active as is evidenced by the fact that this season he has personally plowed and tilled to four acres of corn and two acres of cotton.

Conducting Singing Schools.

Mr. R. J. W. Moss, of Smyrna, S. C., the veteran singing school teacher was in town a short while this morning. He spent last night with his old teacher, Mr. J. R. Henderson, at Union. Mr. Moss is now engaged in conducting schools at Bethel and at Boyd's school house. He will be at Bethel again next Monday and Tuesday, the 18th and 19th, and will close there Friday and Saturday, the 22nd and 23rd. He will be at Boyd's school house today and tomorrow and will close his school here later.

Sarah Warren entertained quite a number of their young friends at a joint birthday party, celebrating Margaret's ninth and Sarah's twelfth birthdays. A guest of honor was Margaret Cox, of Norfolk, Va., who arrived Wednesday morning and will be here until Saturday. A "Geography" contest was greatly enjoyed, the prize being won by Myrtle Warren. Grape sherbet and cake were served, after which the birthday cake was cut. In cutting the cake Annie Blair Anders got the ring, Lottie Warren the dime, Louise Beal the thimble and Janette Davis the button. The occasion was one of great pleasure and enjoyment to all present.