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WILL IT MEET?

Possibility of an Extra Session of State Legislature.

Governor Russell Does Not Condemn Report. Loge Harris Urges Calling it. Supreme Court's Decision Upsets Things.

Special to Journal.
RALEIGH, N. C., April 29—There is a rumor here today that the Legislature may be called to meet in extra session. J. C. L. Harris and others have urged Governor Russell to call it.
The Governor was asked if he would call it, and replied, "I have nothing to say this afternoon."
Members of the Council of State say that they have not been consulted about the matter.
Harris says the session ought to be held to consider the matter of tax rate, since the Supreme court's adverse decision.
The 119th Supreme court reports was issued today.

THE STATE CAPITAL.

The State Treasurer Decides the Drummer Tax Inoperative. Dramatic Club Play, Asylum Matter, Tax Loss By a Decision.
JOURNAL BUREAU, RALEIGH, N. C., April 19.
The State Treasurer today issued the following important circular:
"Section 51, Revenue Act of 1897 provides that, 'Every person, firm, company or corporation who shall engage in the business of selling or offering for sale by a drum or drummers, with or without sample, goods, wares or merchandise of any description, in this State, shall, before so selling or offering for sale any such goods, wares or merchandise, pay to the State Treasurer a tax of fifty dollars (\$50.00), and of this license, which shall operate one year from its date.'"
"It is evident that the General Assembly, by saying, 'Every person, firm, company or corporation; meant that this tax should apply to all drummers alike, both foreign and resident. But as the Supreme Court, both National and State have decided that a State can not tax foreign drummers, therefore this section is inoperative and void as applied to foreign drummers. It is further evident that as the section was intended to apply to all drummers alike, and cannot apply to foreign drummers, it should not, and cannot justly apply to resident drummers. It is, also, evident that the Legislature intended to put this tax upon a class. If their power fails as to a part of the class, there is no reason to believe it was intended to be in force as to the rest. It is not rational to ascribe to the Legislature a purpose to impose a burden upon a portion of that class resident within its borders, and exempt that portion of the same class who are now resident."
"I hold, therefore, that Section 51, Revenue Act of 1897 inasmuch as it can not apply to all drummers alike as clearly intended, it cannot apply to any drummers and is therefore inoperative and void."
The Norfolk Dramatic Club arrived this afternoon. Tonight they played in a big house, "Princess Bonnie." The proceeds go to the hospital here and the one at Norfolk.
On all sides one still hears praises of the handsome reception given by Governor and Mrs. Russell on Tuesday to the Capital Club. It was indeed one worthy of the Governor of the State.
Mr. Henry E. Litchford has been chosen treasurer for the funds for the build in of the club house to be erected by the Capital club of this city. Work begins next week it is said.
The insurance conference did not last as long as it was expected; but it is said that much work was done. There were about 50 insurance men there.
Letters of inquiry are coming to the Superintendent of Public Instruction asking if the negroes can under the new law have school committees. He replies they cannot have committees, but can be represented on the committees.
Trinity and Wake Forest crossed bats at Athletic Park yesterday. It was a good game, standing 8 to 4 in favor of Wake Forest.
The total taxable property in the State by the tax list of 1897 was \$957,487,000. The decision of the Supreme Court losing three per cent, makes a loss of \$75,000.
It is said that the Governor will fill the vacancies on the Asylum Board right off.
It is said that in accepting the superintendency of the penitentiary that Mr. Smith is no longer a governor of the Goldboro Asylum. This applies to all others who accepted positions while on the different boards.

DAY OF HORROR.

Guthrie Overwhelmed by a Mighty, Raging Torrent.
GUTHRIE, Okla.—A cloudburst caused a mighty wave of water six feet high and a mile wide to sweep down the valley of the Cottonwood river and strike West Guthrie with a great roar. The water crashed houses and drove the people from their homes.
Fully fifty persons were drowned, but

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the exact number is not known yet, as the water has not subsided sufficiently to restore order out of the chaos that was caused.

The Cottonwood river is scarcely more than forty feet wide ordinarily, and winds in many curves between the banks in West Guthrie. A terrific rain fell the day before and a greater part of the night.
In the morning the river began to rise as if by magic. Higher and higher it went, jumping four feet in 30 minutes.
The river burst from its banks and a raging sea of water half a mile wide swept across the valley, carrying houses, barns and fences before it. To add to the horror of the situation the main supply pipe of the waterworks system burst where it crossed the Cottonwood in the southern part of the city, and all the water in the reservoirs burst into the river.
House after house was lifted from its foundation and swept away. The debris jammed against the strong bridge near the Heims ice plant. The bridge was torn from its moorings and carried away.
Many people floated down the stream before they could be rescued, and their fate is unknown; others will pass the night in trees in mid-stream or perched on house tops. The property loss is placed at something near a million dollars.

WAR IS OVER.

According to a Late Dispatch Peace is Restored.

The Powers Intervene and Restore Amicable Relations Between Greece and Turkey. Both Belligerents Seem Willing.
Special to Journal.
NEW YORK, April 29—Information this afternoon from Athens is to the effect that peace has been concluded between Greece and Turkey.
LONDON—Matters at Athens are likely to remain unchanged until the ministerial crisis is settled, when overtures from the Powers to intervene are expected. The Sultan is said to be willing to listen to terms.
Little or nothing seems to be known at Athens or is reported here as to the movements of the Greek fleet.
The only news of actual fighting in progress comes from Velestino, which is on the road to Volo. This indicates an intention of the Turks to march Southward. It is said that Ethem Pasha has sent a white flag to Volo with the assurance that he intends to occupy Volo.
The Greek forces now extend to a fourteen mile line from Pharsalos to Velestino, Pharsalos commands the Turkish pass and the roads leading to Athens by way of Larissa.
In Epirus, according to the dispatches the Greeks are losing ground. Defective arrangements for the transportation of supplies of food, etc., are alleged to be the cause of failure. There was it seems too much ill-directed popular enthusiasm, without science and discipline, and excessive reliance upon a rain of the Albanians.

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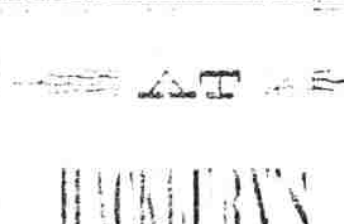
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