

# PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE

PROGRESSIVE ELEMENT SHOWS IT DESIRES TO COMPLETE WORK OF ASSEMBLY.

## ENGINEER'S BILL IS PASSED

The Short Ballot Favored by Ex-Governor Bickett, Started on its Uncertain Way to Statute Books.

Raleigh. Jan. 28.—Spurred into action by the "secret" caucus of Thursday night and the continued rumblings of an insurrection by the young, the progressive element in the lower house showed evidence of completing its work within the sixty-day limit and passed a mass of local legislation before going into joint session to hear the governor's message.

**Senate Session.**  
The bill providing for abolishing the department of public welfare was tabled this morning on motion of Senator Nash, of Richmond, who was the father of the bill, thereby stopping the fight on the state-wide bill, which was to have come up for a hearing before the committee on propositions and grievances.

The engineers bill as amended in committee was finally passed, with a provision which takes care of the land surveyors who do not care to register, but who do want to continue the practice of their profession. The bill will require the registration and licensing of engineers and the creation of a board to pass on the qualifications of those seeking to practice the profession in North Carolina.

Jan. 29.—The short ballot for which ex-Governor T. W. Bickett so eloquently pleaded during his four years in the executive office of the state started on its uncertain way in the direction of the statute books when Senator Lambeth, of Davidson, introduced two bills which provide for the appointment by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate of all heads of state departments who are now elected by the people.

**New Senate Bills.**  
Jan. 31.—New bills introduced in the Senate were:

S. B. 207.—By Dewar: To provide compensation to workmen injured in the course of their employment; to set aside a fund for the payment of injuries; and to appoint a board for the administration of the same.

S. B. 208.—By Varner: To expedite the trial of issues of facts.

**New House Bills.**  
The following new legislation was offered in the House:

H. B. 294.—McGuire: To provide for State system of hard-surfaced roads.

H. B. 406.—Bowie: Providing horizontal reduction of property valuation of 25 per cent to be in force for four years.

Feb. 1.—Abolition of the office of county superintendent of public welfare, sought in a number of local bills introduced in the house was practically defeated this afternoon when the propositions and grievances committee of the lower body voted to report favorably the substitute bill of Commissioner Beasley for continuing the welfare work in the state.

Feb. 2.—Anti-suffragists who have feared woman's entrance into politics found themselves happy today when Mrs. Edith Vanderbilt made about the smartest 15-minute speech to a joint session of the general assembly heard within the historic walls of the statehouse in a long time. Among other good things, Mrs. Vanderbilt said:

"Our governor has a splendid and far-reaching program for road construction, and I am sure most of us heartily endorse his plan, and wish to see it carried through."

By a vote 22 to 19 the senate this morning refused to pass the bill providing increases in salaries for judges of the supreme and superior court benches and heads of state departments not included in the list of the constitutional officers.

### Denial From State College.

Students of the North Carolina State College of Agriculture and Engineering in mass meeting assembled emphatically denied the existence of a petition calling for the removal of President Wallace C. Riddick and declared the student body "in entire accord with President Riddick in his efforts to secure appropriations.

Incidentally, the student body's resolution voices the opinion that "propaganda" to the effect that such petitions were being circulated was not originated by any friend.

### Tenant Must Refund Advances.

The senate passed the bill making section 4481 of the Consolidated Statutes, prohibiting a tenant to desert a crop without refunding any advances he has received and forbidding any other landlord from harboring such a tenant, applicable to the entire state. The constitutionality of the law was questioned when it was under consideration some days ago, and Senator Hartsell pointed out that the supreme court has held that intent to defraud must be shown in order to convict under the statute.

### Demand Riddick's Resignation.

Demands of the student body of State College for the resignation of President Wallace C. Riddick and the selection of former Lieutenant Governor Max Gardner as his successor made upon the trustees leaked out here. The news was little short of sensational as it percolated through the lobbies.

A petition carrying the name of virtually every member of the student body was presented to the board, according to the best story of the movement to be had, and the trustees made a hard fight to defeat any publicity of the newest uprising among the boys.

It is the old row between the students and President Riddick pegged on to the popularity of Gardner for force. Two years ago the students demanded that doctor resign and they made such a "holler" the board of trustees investigated the president. Nothing came of the inquiry, the students withdrew their demands and apologized to Dr. Riddick.

This time they appear to be far more belligerent and to have something to offer if their first demand is granted. They have sprung their appeal for action at a time when interest in the institution is keenest.

C. W. Gold, of Greensboro, secretary of the board of trustees of the State College of Agriculture and Engineering, declares that there was no foundation in fact for the report of trouble between students at the college and Dr. W. C. Riddick, president.

### Bickett Again in Office.

Former Governor T. W. Bickett was elected president of the North Carolina Conference for Social Service at the concluding session of the conference here when the body went on record in favor of censorship of motion pictures and endorsed the bill which has been tentatively drawn by the Legislative Council of Women.

Other officers elected at the closing session of the conference were Mrs. Henry A. White, High Point, vice president, Mr. E. C. Lindeman, second vice president, and Mrs. J. J. Bernard, third vice president, and Mrs. T. W. Lingle, Davidson, secretary and treasurer.

### Progress of Furniture Plants.

In spite of the depression which has affected the furniture manufacturing business in North Carolina, during which many factories were closed for weeks, most of the plants have opened for full time operation and the industry shows unmistakable signs of steady advancement, according to Commissioner of Labor and Printing M. L. Shipman in his thirty-second annual report.

"As compared with the totals for the biennial period ending December 31, 1918, the number of establishments engaged in the manufacture of furniture, from which reports have been received, has increased from 89 to 124."

"Conclusions drawn from correlated reports show the actual authorized investment of capital in the furniture industry to be \$14,790,327.77. Value of plants, \$14,761,625; value of yearly output, \$32,106,739; yearly payroll, \$7,334,310; total horse-power employed, 14,478.

### Major Stedman is Felicitated.

Washington, (Special).—An unusual scene was enacted on the floor of the House when republicans and democrats vied with one another to extend felicitations and pay tribute to Major Charles M. Stedman, the fifth N. C. District Congressman, on the occasion of his 80th birthday anniversary. A fine tribute to Major Stedman was made by Representative Bankhead, of Alabama, selected by the democrats to give voice to their felicitations. Bankhead is a son of the late Senator John H. Bankhead, of Alabama, who was the last of the "Confederate Brigadiers" in the senate and who died last year, while Major Stedman is the last Confederate in the house.

### Morrison's First Parole.

Governor Cameron Morrison made first use of the power of parole when he paroled Emma Mordecai, negro woman, sentenced to thirty days in the Wake county jail upon conviction in city court of larceny.

The petition for parole was presented by Mr. J. B. Pearce and the request was concurred in by Judge W. C. Harris of the Raleigh city court.

### Hear Revaluation Opponents.

The joint committee on finance will meet for the purpose of hearing opposing to the revaluation bill, or rather for the purpose of hearing those who want some radical changes made in the bills as it now stands on the books. President Stone, of the Farmers Union, has sent out a call to the locals in the state, asking that they bring big delegations to Raleigh on that date and Collector J. W. Bailey has also given notice that he will have opponents of the measure here to give their views.

### Monthly Tobacco Reports.

Tobacco warehousemen of the state are strongly in favor of strict enforcement of the law requiring that monthly reports of leaf tobacco sales be made, says Mr. Frank Parker, agricultural statistician of the division of crop estimates of the Department of Agriculture. Recently letters were mailed to the warehousemen to ascertain their attitude on the matter as to sales and prices of tobacco in the state. Practically every warehouseman expressed himself strongly for enforcement.

# DISARMAMENT UP TO UNITED STATES

NO TIME HOWEVER TO WORK OUT PROBLEM BEFORE ADMINISTRATION CHANGES.

## OUR DUTY TO LEAD THE WAY

Mondell of Wyoming Says If an Agreement is Not Reached Soon America Will be To Blame.

Washington. — An international agreement for limitation of armaments is absolutely essential to the avoidance of bankruptcy by some of the more important nations of the world, with attendant measureless confusion and distress Representative Mondell of Wyoming, republican house leader, declared before the house naval committee.

If an agreement is not reached in the near future, Mr. Mondell said the fault will be that of America, as in former days the fault was that of Germany. He added, however, that there was no time to work out the problem before the change in administrations next month.

"The fault will be ours," he asserted, "because we are the only great nation which could maintain enormous establishments on land and sea without bankruptcy, without being condemned to bear indefinitely and add today's frightful load of national debt, it is our duty to lead the way toward relief from the present and future burdens of war-like expenditures, which irksome and oppressive to us, would be unbearable to other nations.

"More than that, it is our duty to lead the way, because strangely enough, we are the only great nation that, since the world war, has officially taken a position favorable to the increase rather than the decrease of armaments and warlike expenditures.

### Fighting to Save Her Son.

Ossing, N. Y.—Mrs. Anuna Foster, mother of Jesse Walker, the Evansville, Ind., youth sentenced to be electrocuted in Sing Sing prison, having been unsuccessful in her effort to have Governor Miller save his life, left for Washington to try and enlist the aid of the United States senators from Indiana and possibly President Wilson in her son's behalf.

### \$1,368,977 for U. S. Treasury.

Greenville, S. C.—R. Q. Merrick chief federal prohibition enforcement officer for South Carolina, in a report made public here, declared that a total of \$1,368,977 in fines, taxes and assessments were collected and paid in to the treasury of the United States as proceeds from the work of his force of 16 men.

### Final Action Expected.

Washington.—The National executive committee of the American Legion, meeting here in the first of a three-days' session, is expected to take final action on the offer of the Knights of Columbus of a gift of \$5,000,000 to be used for the erection in Washington of a war memorial building.

### Headed by New Premier.

Athens.—Delegates sent to the near East conference in London late this month will be headed by M. Kalgopoulos, the new premier, it was said here. M. Gounaris, minister of war, will not go to London, it has been decided, in view of British opposition.

### Birthday of Charles Dickens.

London.—Dickensian enthusiasts are celebrating the 109th anniversary of the birth of Charles Dickens. The famous novelist's home at Gadshill and other former residences were visited by pilgrims.

### Man Dies While Running Auto.

Norfolk, Va.—Aubrey W. Anderson, prominent automobile man, died at steering wheel of his machine while driving between Norfolk and Suffolk. He was accompanied by his wife and daughter, and was to all appearances in the best of health.

### Work on Jail Edict.

Newport News, Va.—The work on jail edict which city officials threatened a few days ago, has cut idleness and begging here to a minimum. City Manager L. C. Thom declared.

### Warship will be Target.

Washington.—A large warship, possibly a former German craft, is to be bombed by naval aviators to test the value of aircraft against major surface vessels, Admiral Coontz, chief of naval operations, announced before the house naval committee.

### Death and Wounds by Bombs.

Belfast.—One constable was killed and two others wounded by the explosion of a bomb thrown at them while they were on duty at Warren Point, near Dúnkalk.

### Michael Collins Killed.

Dublin.—Michael Collins, adjutant general of the Irish republican army, was killed in the ambush at Burgartia last week, in which it was previously reported he had been wounded, according to the police authorities here. Collins, they declare, was shot dead.

# U. S. Bureau Market Report

Washington (Special).—The following is a synopsis of market conditions made public weekly by the Bureau of Markets:

**Fruits and Vegetables**—Northern round white potatoes declined about 15c per 10 lbs. f. o. b., reaching 83c to \$1. Chicago carlot market down 5c to 10c at \$1.10 to \$1.20. Sacked round whites 15c to 20c lower f. o. b. New York shipping points, closed \$1.15 to \$1.20. Movement continues very light. New York lost 15c, reaching \$1.65 to \$1.80 bulk.

Baldwin apples from cold storage closed slightly lower around \$4 per bbl. Baldwins and Greenings slightly higher, jobbing mostly at \$4 to \$5; York Imperials, \$3.75 to \$4.50. Northwestern Extra Fancy Winesaps steady in New York city, jobbing \$3.50 to \$4.25 per box.

Carlot shipment week ended Jan. 26: Potatoes 2,814 cars; boxed apples 404, barreled apples 874; cabbage 432; celery 329; lettuce 399; onions 403; sweet potatoes 341. Shipments week ended Jan. 19: Potatoes 2,983 cars; boxed apples 385, barreled apples 46; cabbage 796; lettuce 432; onions 402; sweet potatoes 388.

**Hay and Feed**—Stormy weather and bad roads curtailing hay shipments in west. Receipts light. Timothy prices fairly steady at recent decline. Alfalfa quoted \$1 to \$2 over last week's prices. Demand limited. Low grade prairie, almost unsalable. Eastern market, dull because of light demand. Quoted Jan. 26: Timothy—New York \$32.50, Cincinnati \$26, Chicago \$23, Minneapolis \$20. No 1 alfalfa—Kansas City \$25, Omaha \$21. No 1 prairie—Kansas City \$13.50.

**Live Stock and Meats**—Compared with a week ago prices of hogs at Chicago ranged from 5c to 20c lower; beef steers and heifers 15c to 35c lower; cows 15c lower to 10c higher; veal calves 11 to 12.25 higher; fat lambs and yearlings firm to 25c higher; feeding lambs weak to 25c lower; fat ewes unchanged. Jan. 27 Chicago prices: Hogs, bulk of sales, \$9.10 to \$9.65; medium and good beef steers \$7.65 to \$9.60; butcher cows and heifers \$4.60 to \$9.

**Grain**—Prices were weak at the opening but on the 22nd report that Belgium had secured loan of twenty million dollars in United States caused advances that were continued until the 24th. However, subsequent bearish sentiment caused selling and prices dropped about 7c in two days. On the 27th there was a slight advance due to good export sales and covering by shorts. Report that Argentina probably would not place surtax on exports and would permit around forty-seven million bushels of wheat to be exported free of super tax was a depressing factor in American markets. Germany reported out of American market until April. Report that Italy expects to obtain remainder of requirements from Argentina.

**Cotton**—Spot cotton prices as reported by the 10 designated spot markets, closed around 13.94c as compared with 14.82c a week ago. New York March futures down 78 points, closing at 14.72c.

**Dairy Products**—Butter markets weak and unsettled during most of the week but business the past few days indicates that tone is somewhat firmer. The recent arrivals of Danish at New York have moved slowly at around 49c to 50c. Prices 92 score, domestic New York 50½c; Philadelphia 50½c; Boston 50c; Chicago 46c.

### North Carolina Markets.

Asheville—Corn, 90c bu; wheat, \$2 bu; oats, \$1 bu; Irish potatoes, \$1.50 cwt; home made butter, 38c lb; creamery butter, 48c lb; eggs, 55c doz; spring chickens, 25c lb; dressed hogs, \$16 cwt; country hams, 35c lb. Charlotte—Corn, \$1 bu; wheat, \$2.25 bu; Irish potatoes, \$4 bag; home made butter, 60c lb; creamery butter, 70c lb; eggs, 65c doz; spring chickens, 35c lb; dressed hogs, \$18-\$20 cwt; country hams, 50c lb.

Raleigh—Corn, \$1 bu; wheat, \$2.25 bu; oats, 35c bu; Irish potatoes, \$3.75 bag; home made butter, 50c lb; creamery butter, 54c lb; eggs, 60c doz; spring chickens, 30c lb; country hams, 50c lb; middling cotton, 13c lb.

Fayetteville—Corn, 85c bu; wheat, \$2.25 bu; oats, 65c bu; Irish potatoes, \$4 bag; home made butter, 40c lb; creamery butter, 50c lb; eggs, 45c doz; spring chickens, 30c lb; dressed hogs, \$20 cwt; country hams, 45c lb; middling cotton, 14c lb.

Scotland Neck—Corn, \$1.05 bu; oats, 80c bu; Irish potatoes, \$4 bag; home made butter, 50c lb; creamery butter, 65c lb; eggs, 60c lb; spring chickens, 45c lb; dressed hogs, \$16 cwt; country hams, 40c lb; middling cotton, 13½c lb.

Smithfield—Middling cotton, 13c. Wadesboro—Middling cotton, 13½c. Monroe—Middling cotton, 15½c. New Bern—Middling cotton, 13c. Clinton—Middling cotton, 13½c. Tarboro—Middling cotton, 13c.

### Weak Demand for Feed.

The demand for feed shows very little improvement. Stocks in feeders' hands appear ample and production of several feedstuffs is reported heavier than for some time. Market shows declines of \$1 to \$5 from last week, hominy feed showing greatest loss in prices. Lardseed meal and cottonseed meal firm but inactive. Alfalfa meal weak. Jobbers and dealers well supplied and showing no desire to increase holdings. A better inquiry is reported in southeastern and north-eastern sections.

# DAIRY FACTS

## MILK PRODUCTION PROBLEMS

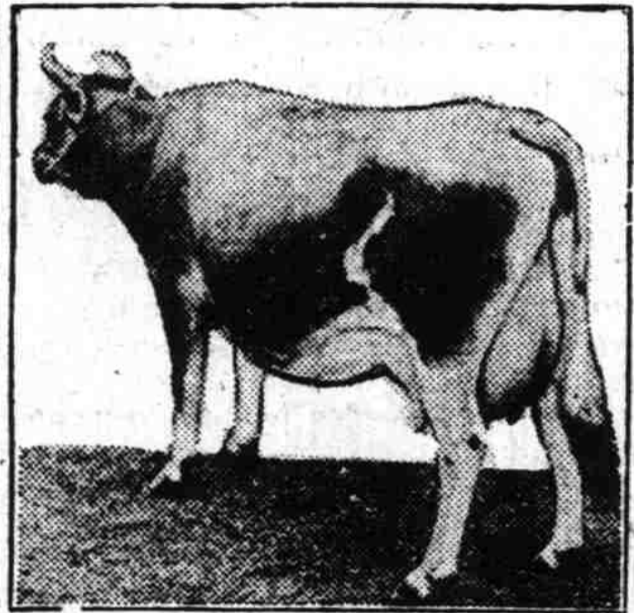
Department of Agriculture Has Been Carrying on Interesting and Instructive Studies.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

For 180 cows that average less than 5,000 pounds of milk annually, the part of the milk check that represented profit and reimbursement for the owner's managerial ability was 23 per cent. For 257 cows averaging more than 6,000 pounds annually, the per cent remaining for profit and the owner's skill was 41 per cent.

For the last five years the dairy division, United States Department of Agriculture, has been making studies which bear on this problem in many dairy sections of the country; and two-year investigations on the requirements for producing milk have now been completed on groups of dairy farms in six of these communities. One of the latest of these studies, carried on in Vermont, is the one on which the above figures are based. What it has disclosed in regard to economy of production and the requirements for producing milk, may be of value to the dairyman who is interested in finding out where milk returns are going.

These figures, which were obtained from a study of the production records of 587 cows which remained in the herds a full year, show that the average annual production of the 180 lower-producing cows was 4,146 pounds; also that the average production of 257 higher producers was 7,144 pounds a year. After subtracting from 4,146 pounds the amounts of milk



What Part of Your Milk Check Represents Profit?

required to pay production costs (feed, 1,810 pounds of milk; labor, 806 pounds of milk; and other costs 570 pounds of milk) only 960 pounds of milk remained for the profit and skill of the owner. For the high-producing group, however, 3,074 pounds of milk remained after the following deductions had been made: For feed, 2,802 pounds of milk; labor, 806 pounds of milk, and other costs 962 pounds of milk.

Here, then, were cows in the same locality, in some cases standing side by side, and all requiring about the same labor; yet some were producing three times as much profit as others, even though they were charged with greater quantities of feed and a large amount of "other costs."

The figures adduced are significant also in that they show that in milk checks size is not always a true measure of real value; but that the per cent of profit, as determined by the cows that are kept, plays an important part.

The figures upon which this comparison is based were actual records of production; feed, labor, and other costs were obtained by monthly full-day visits on each of the farms for a period of two years. Careful records were made on these visits of the daily milk production of each cow, feed consumed, labor required, overhead costs, etc. Using these data, the requirements for producing 100 pounds of milk were worked out. So far as possible, the requirements were determined in terms of pounds of feed, hours of labor, etc., so that constantly fluctuating prices would have no effect on the value of the figures. Results may be interpreted at any time by using prevailing prices.

The requirements for producing 100 pounds of milk, based on 847 cows, with an average annual production of 5,252 pounds of 8.9 per cent milk, were as follows:

	Winter	Summer
Grain (pounds).....	33.1	8.7
Hay and other dry roughage (pounds).....	129.9	18.7
Silage and other succulent roughage (pounds).....	19.3	27.8
Hauling and grinding concentrates.....	\$0.020	\$0.006
Bedding (pounds).....	11.2	—
Pasture (acres).....	—	.10
Human labor (hours).....	2.7	2.0
Horse labor (hours).....	.8	.4
Overhead and other costs.....	\$0.355	\$0.425
Credit for calves.....	.025 of .009 of	one calf one calf
Credit for manure (lbs.) 332	332	66

## WATER OF MUCH IMPORTANCE

Cow Should Have 150 Pounds a Day in Summer and About 100 Pounds in Winter Season.

A cow will drink 150 pounds of water a day at a temperature of 60 degrees, but if the water is ice cold she will not drink all she needs. She will, however, be chilled through and will eat more to get warm. She ought to have in summer time at least 150 pounds of water a day and in winter time about 100 pounds.

# CONDENSED NEWS FROM THE OLD NORTH STATE

NOTES OF INTEREST TO CAROLINIANS.

Wilson.—The prediction by the warehousemen that Wilson will lose this season sixty million pounds of tobacco is being verified.

High Point.—High Point lost one of its best citizens when W. F. Norman, prominent business man, died suddenly of apoplexy at his home.

Fayetteville.—A pledge to reduce their cotton acreage to one-third of that planted in 1920 was signed by fifteen hundred cotton farmers at a huge mass meeting here.

Lexington.—Alexander T. DeLah, formerly sheriff of Davidson county for six years, died almost suddenly at his home here. His death "came as a shock to the community.

Mount Airy.—The school property in the rear of the Mount Airy high school building is being surveyed with the purpose of laying off a baseball diamond.

Charlotte.—Following an illness of 16 days, 13 of which he was comatose, Fred Look, 16-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Look, 906 East Fifth street, died of "sleeping sickness."

Salisbury.—Local officers have arrested five negroes in connection with the murder of "Dad" Allen, negro, who was killed with an axe by Johnnie Gordon, negro. Gordon has not been taken.

Winston-Salem.—Greensboro was the next meeting of the annual session of the council of the Junior Order United States American Mechanics at the meeting of the executive committee of the state council here.

Dunn.—Counties included in and surrounding the Dunn district will reduce their combined cotton production by approximately 40,000 bales in 1921, if the farmers live up to the pledges signed in Lillington, Smithfield, Clinton and Fayetteville.

Salisbury.—At the home of their son, Captain J. H. Rickmond, superintendent of terminals of the Southern at this place, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Rickmond, of Danville, Va., celebrated their golden wedding anniversary.

Durham.—Cheatham Carrington, a member of one of Durham's leading families committed suicide at the home of his mother, Mrs. W. T. Carrington, by ending a bullet from an army automatic pistol through his heart.

Washington, N. C.—E. L. Brooks, prominent business man of this city, committed suicide at his home here by firing a bullet from a revolver pressed against his temple. Death followed a few minutes later.

Dunn.—Dunn merchants and industries suffered losses approximately \$50,000 through the worst snow and sleet storm to visit this section since the winter of 1917.

Asheville.—The headless body of a man believed to be named Cannon has been found on the railway tracks of the Carolinas, Clinchfield and Ohio near Toecane, Mitchell county.

Henderson.—Sydney P. Cooper, vice president and secretary of the Henderson and Harriet Cotton mills corporation, has been elected to the position of president of the two companies to succeed his father.

Charlotte.—Consideration of the selection of a site and letting the contract for the erection of the hotel for Charlotte will be taken up within the next two weeks by the board of directors of the Citizens Hotel company, it is learned.

Asheville.—Jack Reed, son of Chief Prohibition Agent J. Henry Reed, was sentenced to serve 18 months on the chain gang, following conviction in three cases of transporting and retailing whiskey.

Wilmington.—Trains numbers 57 and 58, running between this city and Florence, S. C., will be discontinued February 6, according to order from the Atlantic Coast Line general office in this city.

Winston-Salem.—The General Joseph Winston chapter D. A. R. was hostess to distinguished officials of the National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution, Mrs. George Maynard Minor, president general, and Mrs. John L. Buell, state regent, both of Connecticut.

Asheville.—The spring session of the Appalachian logging congress, of which many timber men of western North Carolina are members, will be held in Cincinnati in April.

Lumberton.—The Lumberton chamber of commerce will employ a whole-time secretary. This was decided at a recent meeting of the chamber and Mayor A. E. White, K. M. Biggs, and J. P. Russell, the last named, president of the chamber, were appointed as a committee to employ the secretary.