

OUR RALEIGH NEWS BUDGET.

Why the Prohibition Bill Was Given Such Prominence—Politics in Everything—Pleas For the Small Railroads—Rewards for Criminals—To Prosecute Vigorous Prohibition Campaign—Senate About Ready to Adjourn.

Messenger Bureau.

Raleigh, N. C., January 28, 1908.

One of the senators remarked today that one of his constituents told him when the special session began to wire him whenever anything of a stirring character was about to break loose. The senator said that this morning he had wired his friend to come down and hear the discussion on the railway rate bill, basing the telegram upon occurrences in the senate last night when the bill came up. There is general comment on the wisdom of the temperance people in getting their bill through before the great matter for which the legislature was called together. They had the pleasure of seeing their own matter completely overshadowed that which the legislature was called specially to consider; namely, the rate matter, and there is said to be not a few people in the state who are very glad this is the case, as it was not desired to have the rate matter cut so large a figure as it did some months, in fact, weeks, ago. This has been a rather history making little session of the legislature, and no little politics is injecting into almost everything. The date of the election on the prohibition question is fixed at the end of April in order to get that matter out of the way of candidates high and low in the coming campaign which promises to be quite full of interest.

The attitude of the republicans in this state has some interesting features too. A republican said today that his party was now made up of office holders and it was a close corporation, those inside thinking the smaller number the greater the profits, and hence here is no desire to enlarge the strength of the forces. The negro voter now cuts no figure with the North Carolina republicans, or with the national republicans, either, for that matter. It is said that with the coming election fewer negroes will vote than ever before and yet at the last election barely 4000 of them cast ballots. Some of the white republicans are frank enough to admit that they do not want to see the negro voter a factor in any way and although the negroes as a rule are very reticent, some of them admit that they care much less for white republicans than they do even for democrats.

The small railroads are very much interested in getting relief for their lines from the legislature in the matter of freight rates, etc. There are about twenty such roads and last week they got out a leaflet which has been widely circulated among the members. President John A. Mills of the Raleigh and Southport road seems to be taking the lead in this fight for the lesser lines and has issued a new leaflet to the members in which he says that only five years ago the little roads were not making any money, though it cost 25 per cent. less to operate them than at present and freight rates were higher in most respects than they are today and with much higher passenger rates. President Mills says that it costs his road nearly \$25,000 a year more to pay actual operating expenses than it did five years ago for the same service. The big roads own the freight cars and he says they have jumped the price on the little lines for the use of them, this not being due to the Southern, Seaboard Air Line and Atlantic Coast Line, but to the big roads in the north and west which own the majority of the cars in use. President Mills declared the conditions now existing, will, if continued, bankrupt every short line railroad in North Carolina and that he does not believe the people want such a thing to happen, but that they desire a good freight service and a safe and comfortable passenger service at a living rate for the road. He says the poor service will continue unless the little roads are allowed to charge full cost for what they give to their patrons and that railroad building has stopped forever unless the men who are going to put their money and energy into it get a reasonable recompense for their efforts. Many rural districts are suffering now for railway facilities. Mr. Mills built the road from Raleigh to Fayetteville and the people enjoy it, but he has learned that a road is not what the people think it is, for in the ten years since he began work he has never received a cent of interest. He calls on the legislature to help, instead of destroy the little roads.

There is a bill before the legislature requiring railways to make application to the corporation commission in cases where they desire to take off passenger trains, and with a penalty for such action unless by permission of the commission. This quite largely grows out of a case on the Western North Carolina railroads where two passenger trains have been taken off. Conditions there have been investigated by the mountain member of the commission, Samuel L. Rogers, and upon his report the commission is to order a hearing of this matter which is soon to occur.

The governor offers a reward of \$75 for the arrest of J. R. Warren, charged with seduction under promise of marriage in Moore county and he offers another reward of the same amount for Bud Powell, colored, who is charged with killing John T. Manniss and

with shooting William Baldwin, both colored, in Montgomery county.

Among the prominent visitors to Raleigh is President Finley of the Southern Railway who has his headquarters in his private car. Chief Counsel Thom was here a couple of days last week. President Finley has made a very pleasant impression by his strong personality and also by his manner and words. He has won quite a reputation as a speaker, not only here but in other states.

The revenue people made a sale of 9 barrels of sealed whiskey and today delivered this to the various buyers. One of the deputy marshals says he never saw such a demand for whiskey. It was sold entirely by the barrel and will be carried away and divided by the buyers. There was a rumor that a Raleigh syndicate had bought a barrel of it and would divide it, but officials said they knew nothing about this.

The prohibition campaign is going to be a short and lively one and between now and the last Thursday in April, there will be "something doing all along the line." Prohibition headquarters will be maintained here and the flag will fly, says Chairman John A. Oates, who will be on hand to direct the big fight. Of course State President Heriot Clark of the Anti-Saloon League will be here a good deal and so will many of the workers. Many speeches are to be made and very active field work is to be done. Liquor has now but a small footing in the state, something like 90 per cent. of the whole territory being clear of dispensaries saloons and distilleries. The saloon men make no secret of their belief that the show is almost over. One business man here said that a Suffolk whiskey seller was simply coining money, he being the largest shipper into Raleigh. It is said that there are in this city several men who are drummers for whiskey houses and who take orders regularly for this line of business, and it is against these and others of their class that a bill in the legislature was directly aimed. The names of at least three of these are called here, all being ex-barkeepers.

Senator Aycock remarked today that the senate would be in shape to adjourn tomorrow, if the house was ready, as it had cleared away everything and would pass the rate bill tonight. He then went on to express the opinion that the legislature would adjourn Thursday or Friday night sure. In the legislature today a bill was introduced to legalize the issuance of certificates which were made by banks at various places in North Carolina. It is really against the law to issue any such evidences of debt, but it seems to have been a case in which conditions were superior to law, and so things went right on and there was no complaint.

The condition of Secretary Thomas K. Bruner, of the board of agriculture, is not encouraging today as he had a third set back. Of course conditions have really been grave almost all of the time since his severe attack began early last September.

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"The weather used to be in four acts—spring, summer, autumn and winter. 'Well?'
"But now nature seems to have gone into vaudeville."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

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A Brooklyn judge has just decided that a garage is not a stable. There are still some persons left who are ready to vindicate the honor and dignity of the noble but overshadowed horse.—New York Tribune.

Take DeWitt's Kidney and Bladder Pills; they are for weak back, inflammation of the bladder, backache and weak kidneys. Sold by R. R. Bellamy.

That portion of the railroad rate bill that makes it a misdemeanor to accept a pass in violation of the law is going to make some of them sit up and take notice.—Durham Herald.

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The legislature is taking hold of the rate matter without rant or bluster and we therefore have reason to hope that what will be done will be fair and just to both the state and the railroads.—Durham Herald.

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THE LEGISLATURE

Why it Will Probably Remain in Session Twenty Days.

The legislature has decided that no more bills shall be introduced, a conclusion that should have been arrived at the first day of the session. Members of that body have made regular nuisances of themselves, bobbing up with dozens of little petty bills. A sense of the proprieties of the occasion should have deterred them.

The specific purpose for which the session was called was for consideration of the rate bill. There was also a plan, plain and well defined, for some action on prohibition. These two should have been considered and nothing else. But maybe after all certain members wanted pay for twenty days; perhaps they needed the money. Federal jurors used to get \$3.00 a day and most of them kicked over working more than five hours a day on the ground that they might work themselves out of a job.—Greensboro Record.

THE TEMERITY OF MR. LASSITER

One Lone Democrat Who Ventured to Tell Mr. Bryan for His Face That He Ought to Sideslip.

One lone democrat of all the party leaders who have conversed with Mr. Bryan since his arrival here on Saturday has the hardihood to advise the Nebraskan to sideslip the nomination.

This is Representative Lassiter of the Fourth Virginia district, who speaking of his interview with Mr. Bryan, said:

"I told him although some people would loyally support him if nominated, there are many who would not, and I did not, in my judgment believe that he ought to be nominated, and I nominated he could not be elected. Our conversation was most friendly, but I gathered from what Mr. Bryan said that he was determined to remain a candidate. Legislation, rather than politics, said Mr. Bryan today, was the reason for his present visit."—Washington special to Charlotte Chronicle.

HOW TO AVOID APPENDICITIS.

Most victims of appendicitis are those who are habitually constipated. Foley's Ointment cures constipation by stimulating the liver and bowels and restores the natural action of the bowels. Foley's Ointment does not irritate or burn and is mild and pleasant to take. Refuse substitutes. Robert R. Bellamy.

And now they are trying to show that those who were hollering loudest for state prohibition were more or less directly interested in railroad rate legislation and were willing to divert the minds of the members of the legislature.—Durham Herald.

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Perhaps Mr. Justice concluded, after all, that his duties as attorney for the state would not interfere with his duties as a member of the legislature.—Durham Herald.

A healthy man is a king in his own right; an unhealthy man is an unhappy slave. Burdock Blood Bitters builds up sound health—keeps you well.

It is not explained why the governor said so little about prohibition in his campaign and said so much about it in his message, and he probably could not explain it himself.—Durham Herald.

"Suffered day and night the torment of itching piles. Nothing helped me until I used Doan's Ointment. It cured me permanently."—Hon. John R. Garrett, Mayor, Girard, Ala.

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CANNON IS AGAINST IT

Chances for Appalachian Forest Bill are Very Slim—Don Gilliam Improving—Salisbury the Labor Center—Republicans May Filibuster.

Among today's visitors was Congressman Hackett who has been home for some days, since the Grand Lodge of Masons met here. He was asked about the chances for the passage of the Appalachian Forest bill and said they seemed to be very slim, as Speaker Cannon is dead against the bill.

Another arrival today was Judge James E. Boyd who is to hold a special term of the federal court here, in the absence of Judge Purnell who is in Norfolk. The docket is a very heavy one with over 251 cases, a great many of them for moonshining.

It is said that 75 money orders are sent on an average from the Raleigh post office for whiskey to come in by express a day.

Most people seem to think that this is the last week of the special term of the legislature, unless it should happen that there should be a wrangle between the senate and the house. There have been some hints that some republicans would like to filibuster.

Today before the police justice the young son of the justice of the peace was given a hearing on the charge of doing the blind tiger act; in other words was retailing whiskey in Raleigh.

Mr. T. H. Vanderford of Salisbury arrived today and says the liquor elements in that town see the handwriting on the wall and that this is the last year for their business. He says that town is the liquor center of North Carolina and that people in that business are coming in all the time; that there are now 16 saloons; 4 establishments which rectify and ship whiskey; 6 distilleries and two or three beer houses.

Adjutant General Robertson is making up the itinerary of the inspections of the national guard of this state and this has been submitted to the secretary of war for his approval as an officer of the regular army will accompany the state inspecting officers. The inspection by the army officer will be under the Dick law and of course will be much more strict than before.

News from Donnell Gilliam of Tarboro who fell on the streets here Friday and who it was thought had apoplexy is very encouraging. The doctors say it is only an attack of vertigo and that he will soon be out.

Raleigh, N. C., January 27.—Chairman Oates, of the state anti saloon league was seen tonight after the house passed the prohibition bill. He said the change of election date to April 27th was to let the election out of politics and that had it been an off year any desired date could have been secured.

He added that the change was all right. It means a quick and lively campaign. Representative Swift Calhoun of Greene had an attack of acute indigestion in the house tonight. He was carried into the corridor and attended by doctors and later taken to the hospital.

Mr. Landon writes: "If I owned your Tea, I would guarantee a cure or refund their money. I say it's nature cure and the only one for the blood." Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea cured him where other remedies failed.—R. R. Bellamy.

A Bill to Dispose of Ex-Presidents.

A bill has been introduced in congress which proposes to give to ex-presidents membership for life in the house, without privilege of voting. According to the provisions of the bill he would receive the salary of a congressman and have full privilege of the floor. Why a seat in the house? If the purpose of the bill is to give the nation the benefit of the wisdom and experience of ex-presidents through discussions, why seat him in the house where discussion amounts to little? Can some one suggest a sufficient reason for seating such a man as Mr. Cleveland in the house rather than in the senate?—Charlotte Observer.

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A BOLD BURGLAR

Enters a Fayetteville Residence—A Young Lady's Nerve.

(Special to The Messenger.)
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