

# LEGISLATURE'S THOUGHT BEING DIVERGED THROUGH 'DEFICIT' SMOKE SCREEN

## Progressive Spirit Inspired by Present State Administration's Program is Being Assailed With "Alarming Viciousness and Persistence, the Motive Being to 'Kill Morrison.'"

(By Brock Barkley)  
North Carolina may be facing just now the greatest crisis in its history. The new and progressive spirit that was aroused through the bold program of Morrison administration in the 1921 general assembly is being assailed with a viciousness and persistence that is alarming.

Through the smoke screen of the cries of a treasury deficit has created, the attention of the Legislature is being diverted from opportunities for carrying the state onward and placing it in line with the greatest among the progressive states of the union.

If ever the emergency existed when the people of a state should speak, that emergency developing during the past few days, has now blossomed into full bloom. Unless concerted action from the people back home is brought to bear upon the general assembly, strangulation of the progressive movement within the state will certainly be accomplished.

"Kill Morrison" is Motive  
Back of the whole scheme unmistakable lies the determination to "kill Morrison." He is growing too powerful and too influential in his hold on the people as the result of the state's realization of his dominating desire to serve the state. Politics is fighting statecraft with all its might, and unless there comes an unmistakable demand for the continuation of the work that has begun and the furthering of a recognized program of progress, the cause for which Morrison has been fighting will be lost.

"Kill Morrison; sacrifice the state if necessary, but kill Morrison"—that might well be excepted as the slogan of many among the reactionary forces that are spreading their propaganda with a willfulness and a pointlessness that threatens to virtually nullify the progressive work that has been inaugurated.

There really isn't so much more to be done when compared with what already has been accomplished, but if that proposed for the next two years should go through, the success of the Morrison administration could be to great for the comfort of many political antagonists.

Program Ahead  
Morrison wants the educational and charitable institutions extended program of the 1921 general assembly duplicated. That would require some \$6,700,000 in appropriations. Fortunately the road extension recommendation got through before the poison propaganda got a hold. He wants the natural possibilities of the fish and oyster beds and inland streams developed. That would cost half a million and yield millions in return, and the initial cost would be borne by those directly reaping the benefits. He wants the state-owned ship line project to have a fair trial. His other recommendations would require expenditures that are insignificant.

While advocating these further steps by the state, Morrison has planned for the safe-guarding of the states credit.

Two bills introduced in the general assembly at his special bidding will prove effective safety valves. Through constitutional amendment which the people will vote upon, the amount of bonding indebtedness the state may contract will be limited to five per cent of the assessed property valuation, and a sinking fund will be created to provide for the redemption of existing indebtedness as the bonds mature.

What Reaction Means  
The Morrison measures are safe and sound and look to the further betterment of the state, the broadening of opportunities for its citizens and the rounding out of a program that will put North Carolina in the very fore front of the great states of the Union.

The university, state college, the woman's college and all the other institutions must be throttled unless the means is provided for their expansion. With the high schools matriculating thousands annually, the state must provide for them than opportunity for fitting themselves for a life's work. That is the Governor Morrison's compelling desire—to give boys and girls of North Carolina the same educational advantages the greatest states of the union offer. If the work is stopped now the state will suffer.

Because every sees and uses the highways, their service to the state has been apparent and propaganda could not kill requirements for rounding out this part of the program.

Ship Line Project  
A fair chance for the ship line project is all the governor asks.

Through an expected compromise amillion dollars will serve as the immediate requirements, and that amount will go for permanent improvements in the form of port terminals facilities. The claim has been made that the success of the Morrison administration is at a stand still over the ship line project, which isn't necessarily correct, but an utter defeat for this would give more enjoyment to the anti-Morrison propagandists than any other development.

The educational forces of North Carolina, coming out today with the

proud acceptance of the cognomen of "propagandists of progressivism," have started the march on the legislature. Unless the progressive element of the state bestirs itself the whole cause will be lost.

Deficit cries are serving their purpose as smoke-screens. The state is ample able to carry on the work it has inaugurated and to extend and broaden it. The statements of men thoroughly familiar with the affairs of the government prove it.

Expert accountants, who have had the opportunity to examine the financial affairs of the state, declare "North Carolina's financial condition is far better than that of any other southern state; in fact it is on a par with the great east of the great northern states."

Big things are coming this week, the apostles of progress a reexpected to assert themselves for one thing and much is out, likely, to clear up the smoke-screen that all the ballyhooring over deficits has caused.—Charlotte Observer.

### IN MEMORY OF DR. J. B. PHILLIPS

On the hill overlooking the home, under the low spreading branches of the oak and chestnut, marks the last resting place of Dr. J. B. Phillips who for more than four years went in and out among the people to whom he gave the best service of his life, which always seemed a pleasure and joy.

He was born May 18th 1841, died January 21st, 1923, aged 81 years, 8 months, and 3 days, and was buried by the members of his Lodge, Snow, No. 363. His faithful companion, who for 57 years shared his every joy and sorrow, died January 25th 1923, and was laid beside him. Just separated 5 days, they said goodbye here to strike glad hands where there is no more parting.

Dr. Phillips was Sargeant in the 37th N. C. Infantry, and it is said that he was ever at his post of duty. As a neighbor he practiced the golden rule. He represented Watauga County in the Legislature about the year 1880. To his church he was faithful, and lived a clean christian life. He was a loyal Mason. He attended the regular communications as often as he was permitted, and enjoyed the visits from the Brethern during his long affliction.

As a physician, we have not seen his like in his day. Doctors were scarce, and his calls were many. The night was never too dark for the weather too inclement for him to ride far and near to relieve the suffering, and often with no hope of remuneration.

In his practice he was so kind, sympathetic and fatherly that he endeared himself with all with whom he came in contact.

Such are the beautiful deeds that soften sorrow and leave a lasting impression on our memories, and make us proud of him.

He was afflicted for more than twenty years but was patient and submissive. A good man is gone. What more can we say?

Therefore, be it resolved:

- 1st. That we humbly bow to the decree of the wise and Merciful Ruler.
- 2nd. To the immediate family and friends, we offer our deepest sympathy in the loss of father and mother.
- 3rd. That the Lodge has lost a worthy brother, and in Honor of his memory, the members will wear the usual badge of mourning for thirty days.
- 4th. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, and a copy sent to the Watauga Democrat for publication.

Feb. 1st, 1923.

Signed, J. M. SHULL, Com.

Wheels by the Million.  
Eight million wheels, exclusive of spares and wheels for replacement purposes, were used in the manufacture of motorcars and trucks during 1922, according to statistics compiled by the Motor Wheel corporation. Placed in line, with rims touching these wheels would extend 3,080 miles, or across the American continent from the Atlantic to the Pacific coast.

# 50 GOOD CIGARETTES 10¢

GENUINE "BULL" DURHAM TOBACCO



# PHARAOH'S COUCH TAKEN FROM TOMB

Only one object was removed on January 24 from the tomb of Tutankhamen. It was a large hatched wooden couch thickly overlaid with strips of gold. Each side of the couch was shaped to represent a sacred cow, or Hathor. The horns stood up straight for more than a foot and the tail was the cow's back. But as the back was only about five inches wide, when this was detached from the couch—as the numerous visitors saw it, because Howard Carter was unable to remove the couch in one piece—the effect was rather grotesque.

Those who had seen the other contents of the tomb unanimously agreed this couch—and it might be added the other two couches with lion heads and typhon heads still in the tomb—does not compare in an artistic sense with many of the other objects in the tomb. But when it is remembered that this couch had a religious significance it is easy to comprehend that the designers put religion above art.

This fact is in itself an illuminating sidelight on the spirit animating these ancient artists. Where there was no religious significance involved the artists allowed their artistic conception full play, but once they had to confine themselves to the conventional or traditional form of gods or goddesses—forms designed in earlier periods of Egypt when there was no such freedom of line or delicate grace as characterized—they subordinated their sense of beauty. The result was seen in this couch. It was most impressive, but largely because it was grotesque.

Mr. Carter first removed one side. He had to exercise the greatest care, as the height of the cow from the hoofs to the tip of the horns was almost as high as the doorway and passage.

Again in the decorations on the cow's attenuated body there was evidence that the artist's clinging to tradition rigorously. Ages before the time of Tutankhamen the marking on the sacred cow's hide had been set, and they were reproduced precisely as on this couch. They were disappointingly crude in comparison with the other artistic treasures of the tomb.

There was a dramatic inter-upton in the work by the chief inspector of the Antiquities Department of Upper Egypt, who informed Mr. Carter that the Egyptian Government had ordered that newspaper men were to have access to the tomb on Friday. Mr. Carter was nonplussed to go to Cairo on Thursday evening to meet the Earl of Carnarvon.

### STATE FINANCIAL INVESTIGATION ORDERED

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member of the corporation commission. Asserting that he was a messenger bringing tidings that were not cheerful, the corporation commissioner said he was presenting the "bare bones" of the state's condition. His article was a protest against increased expenditures by the general assembly, and making the point that appropriations and finances had nothing to do with the state road building program, which was being carried by special taxes.

That part of his statement which the governor assailed is as follows:

#### Maxwell's Conclusions

The recently issued report of the state treasurer calling attention to a deficit of \$1,853,895.41 was discussing the deficit for the one full fiscal year only, in that fiscal year there was included in revenue receipts a return for a full year of income tax under the new law. For the preceding seven months period, in which none of this income revenue was collected, the figures in the treasurer's report show another deficit in revenue receipts against operating expenses of \$1,982,519.83. No report has been issued for the last five months period, but a statement has been made by the treasury department, July 1st 1922, to December 31 1922, which shows a deficit of \$1,808,529.64. Taking the three periods separately, each of them shows a heavy deficit, and taking them collectively, the treasurer's figures are as follows:

Revenue Receipts		
Dec. 1, 1920, to June 30, 1921	\$1,756,252.89	
July 1, 1921, to June 30, 1922	6,274,088.83	
July 1, 1922, to Dec. 31, 1922	2,554,049.18	
Total revenue receipts \$10,584,390.90		
Operating Expenses		
Dec. 1, 1920 to June 30, 1921	\$3,738,772.72	
July 1, 1921, to June 30, 1922	8,127,984.24	
July 1, 1922 to Dec. 31, 1922	4,386,578.82	
Total operating expenses \$16,252,335.78		
Less cash balance, Dec. 1, 1920		10,584,390.90
Deficit in revenue receipts		\$5,644,944.88
Less cash balance, Dec. 1, 1920		597,529.99
Net deficit		\$5,047,414.89

### Tutt's Pills

Disregard all ANTI-BILIOUS MEDICINE stimulates torpid liver, strengthens digestive organs, regulates the bowels, relieves sick headache.

### NORTH CAROLINA TO HAVE

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ber of spindles installed during 1922 was smaller than for any year during the past 12 years. The number in sight for this year, however, shows that the business depression is over in this section and that the textile industry is preparing to forge ahead at a rapid rate, the number of spindles to be installed this year being greater than for any year during the past 12.

North Carolina alone will install more spindles this year than the average number installed per year in the entire South during the past 12 years. The number of spindles to be installed in North Carolina during this year has been exceeded by the entire south in only three out of the past 12 years.

Economic authority in North Carolina and those from other states who have investigated the industrial situation in North Carolina have been one in their opinion that the remarkable development in the textile and other industries in North Carolina has been the result of several notable causes, among them being the attitude of fairness and friendliness upon the part of the people of the state as a whole and the legislative bodies; the availability of cheap, convenient electric power in large quantities; the type and character of the men who man the industries of the state. The intelligence, the spirit of independence, the industry, the ambition, and the thorough-going Americanism of the North Carolina working man in considered by many to be the biggest factor in the prosperity and expansion of the industries of the state. Industry in North Carolina, it is frequently noted, has been remarkably free from the labor troubles and agitation which has been a serious handicap to industry in many sections of the country.—Charlotte Observer.

Halifax county is feeding ten carloads of hogs to be shipped co-operatively according to a report from the county agent.

### A DEAR ONE IS GONE

The subject of this sketch was born December 31, 1912. Age 10 years, 11 months and 29 days. Departed this life December 29, 1922.

She was the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Danner. Verlee was loved by all who knew her. She always met her playmates with a smile. We loved Verlee but God loved her most and called her from us. She was a good and obedient child at home and at school. She loved to go to Sunday School and never failed to have a good lesson. We all will miss Verlee in Sunday School, but most of all she will be missed in the home, but God had a work for her to do and he said come. But we will say to the bereaved family and relations not to grieve for her for Christ said, "Suffer little children to come unto me for such is the Kingdom of Heaven." And unless we become as little children we cannot inherit Eternal life. There is a vacant chair by the fireside that cannot be filled but our loss is her eternal gain. Now let us all be prepared to meet Verlee where there will be no tears or sorrow but all will be praises around the throne of God. She is gone, forever gone; her journey here is done. Years and ages may still roll on but we will hear Verlee's sweet voice no more.

E. E. EARP

### NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the creditors of the Cove Creek Co-operative Store that on January 15th 1921, D. C. Mast and Mrs. D. C. Mast sold their entire interest in said store to David P. Mast. That on or about June the 20th 1922, through the directors of the Cove Creek Co-operative store, David P. Mast sold his entire interest in said store to J. B. Horton, J. J. Mast, John H. Bingham and A. C. Mast, doing business under the firm name of A. C. Mast and Company. They to pay any and all debts of the Cove Creek Co-operative store and all debts due same to be paid by A. C. Mast and Company. This January 27th 1923.

D. C. MAST, MRS. D. C. MAST, DAVID P. MAST.

### After Every Meal

# WRIGLEY'S

and give your stomach a lift.

Provides "the bit of sweet" in beneficial form.

Helps to cleanse the teeth and keep them healthy.

# How To Use Vick's VapoRub For Deep Grippy Colds

## First, It Is Very Important That a Thorough Rubefacient Or Counter-Irritant Effect Be Produced On the Surface of the Skin Around the Lungs.

### This draws the blood from congested lungs, Lessening the danger of Pneumonia.

### Then Treat With Vicks

Deep, grippy colds, frequently leading to pneumonia, have been unusually prevalent this winter. In some sections they are called influenza, but are not so virulent as the influenza cases during the first epidemic, tho they are worse than ordinary colds. For these cases the usual light application of Vicks is not sufficient.

#### The Danger Is From Pneumonia

What is needed therefore is something to decrease the congestion of the lungs. For this purpose there is nothing like a rubefacient or counter-irritant, as witness the use of blisters, poultices and plasters for many generations. This reddening or irritation of the skin causes a rush of blood to the surface; the circulation is improved; there is a sensation of warmth and the possibility of pneumonia is greatly lessened.

#### A "Quick Rubefacient Needed"

The value of this counter-irritant effect is greatly increased if it is produced quickly. Nearly every family has its favorite method—onion poultices, turpentine stapes, mustard plasters and poultices of various kinds are all good.

#### How to Produce This Effect

Our experiments have shown that an ordinary mustard plaster is very effective. Use one part of mustard and two parts of flour or flax seed meal for adults, and one to three parts for children under eight years. An even simpler method, particularly for adults, is to apply towels, wrung out in hot water—as hot as the patient can stand. Whatever method is used, the application should be applied over the throat and chest until the skin is thoroughly reddened. In very deep colds, the sides, and especially the back from the middle of the shoulder blades to a point just above the waist, should also be treated. For adults, a hot mustard foot-bath—one tablespoon of mustard to a gallon of water—given at this stage of the treatment, will aid in drawing the blood from congested parts.

#### Then Massage With Vicks

After the skin is thoroughly reddened, it should be dried lightly and immediately and the patient should be given a brisk massage with Vicks all over the parts. Continue this for five minutes. This increases the counter-irritant effect. Then apply Vicks thickly over all the parts; that is, spread it on like you would a poultice—about one-sixteenth of an inch thick or more—and cover with two thicknesses of hot flannel cloths.

#### Vicks Acts Like a Vapor Lamp

The advantage of applying Vicks thickly over the body is this: Vicks is so made that the body heat gradually releases the ingredients in the form of vapors. The more Vicks applied the stronger these vapors and the longer these vapors will last. The night clothing should always be loose around the neck and the bed clothing arranged in the form of a funnel. These vapors being lighter than air rise up from the chest and, if the bed clothing is properly arranged, pass by the nose and mouth and are thus inhaled with each breath, carrying the medication directly thru

the air passages to the lungs. At the same time Vicks is absorbed thru and stimulates the skin.

#### Repeat the Entire Treatment

When the vapors being to lose their strength, fresh Vicks should be applied over the parts. This to keep up the continuous supply of vapors. When the redness of the skin begins to die out, all the Vicks remaining should be wiped off and the entire treatment repeated. That is, the hot wet towels or mustard plasters should be used until the skin is again thoroughly reddened, then massage with Vicks, spread on thickly and cover with hot flannels, just as previously done.

#### Can Add Mustard to Vicks

This redness of the skin should last for two or three hours, but varies with different patients. Some skins are much more sensitive than others. This redness can be prolonged by mixing a little ordinary powdered mustard with Vicks—about one part one part of mustard to four parts of Vicks, but this can be varied according to the patient's skin. Just enough mustard should be used to keep up the counter-irritant effect for two or four hours, so that the wet towels or mustard plasters will not have to be used so frequently as to prevent the patient from resting.

#### Use In a Tea-Kettle

Sometimes when the patient is badly choked up, the vapors from the application on the chest are not sufficient to make breathing easier. In these cases drop a teaspoonful of Vicks into a kettle of boiling water and allow the patient to inhale the warm steam and vapors combined for about ten minutes. Do this several times a day if needed. Keep the water boiling and put in additional Vicks whenever the vapors decrease. Put a sheet over the patient and the tea-kettle, making a kind of a tent, so as to confine the vapors. An ordinary steam vaporizer is even more convenient than a tea-kettle.

#### Scanty Applications Useless

This is a vigorous treatment, but to check congestion requires vigorous measures. Vicks must be used freely to be effective. The cost of this treatment is insignificant compared with the results which are frequently obtained.

#### Does Not Take the Place of the Physician

In all cases a physician should be called. These deep colds are too serious and have too many complications to rely entirely on many home medication. Vicks, however, does not interfere with any treatment that the doctor may prescribe. In addition the formula of Vicks is given on every circular so there is no reason why any doctor should object to its use, except the fact that a few physicians do not care to use anything which is advertised directly to the public.

Vicks VapoRub is the discovery of a North Carolina pharmacist. From the back room of a little drug store its use has grown until today literally tens of millions of families are never without the family blue jar. It is their standby for all forms of cold troubles and, in addition, is useful for the many minor ailments of the home. It is particularly a boon to mothers with small children, because it is externally applied.

Over 17 million jars are used yearly in the United States alone.

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## "Slimy Taste"

"When I feel stupid, get constipated, or bilious, I take a good dose or two of Black-Draught and it sets me straight," writes Mr. George B. Haislep, of R. F. D. 2, Columbia, S. C. "It cleanses the liver and I feel all right, and have not used any other medicine as I do not see the need of it. I am a guard at the State Reformatory, and have been for three or more years. When I first heard of

# BLACK-DRAUGHT

### Liver Medicine

and the good medicine it was, I had been having a tired feeling when I'd get up in the morning. I would be stiff and sore, and had a slimy, bad taste in my mouth, but didn't think so much of it till I began to feel stupid and didn't feel like eating—then I knew I needed medicine. It was then I began Black-Draught, and I felt all made over, ready for any kind of work, ready to eat and sleep. So, for any return of this trouble, I take Black-Draught, and for 25 years it has been my medicine, and I wouldn't be without it at all. My work is constant. I am on my feet a lot. I am out of doors, and fresh air and Black-Draught are all the medicines I need. I recommend it to others for I know it is good."

### Sold Everywhere.