

Through CAPITAL KEYHOLES

STRATEGY—The boys around Raleigh who keep busy trying to figure out what is going to happen in the gubernatorial campaign have been analysing the latest statement of Congressman R. L. Doughton that he will make another statement next Tuesday and tell the world if he is going to be a candidate. Some of the dopests figure his statement was a trial balloon aimed at measur-

ing his strength in this State. They express the opinion that the reaction to his last statement will be a big factor in determining the nature of his announcement on April 30.

NO DOUBT—While Lieutenant Governor A. H. Graham made no formal announcement of his candidacy he does not deny that he has already decided to enter the contest for Governor. A lot of folks are inviting Mr. Graham to make speeches these days and it looks like he is making an effort to accommodate all comers. Of course, a man holding a legislative office is handicapped in running a campaign but you can watch the Graham smoke after the General Assembly adjourns.

HOPEFUL—Friends of Clyde R. Hoey, Shelby Democratic leader, are hopeful that he will continue of a mind to enter the race for Governor. From the Cleveland metropolis comes word one week that Mr. Hoey certainly will run and then the next week comes a grapevine message that he is still undecided. Nevertheless, the Cleveland delegation in the Legislature, Representative Gardner and Senator Thompson, are of the very definite opinion that Mr. Hoey will run and equally certain that he will be elected. Other prognosticators are holding their bets on the probable victor in the event the trio just mentioned try to unhorse one another.

BIG STEAL—Senator Harris Newman the chairman of the State Senate finance committee who hatched the idea of levying the sales tax on gasoline and taking the toll out of the highway fund in order to divert an additional \$630,000 each year from your gasoline tax to the general fund, admits his plan is nothing less than "grand larceny". If the Legislature accepts his suggestion, and the Senate has done that very thing, it means you country people will be in the mud just a little longer. But the General Assembly has been encouraged in leaning toward diversion by reason of the fact that the folks back home are not kicking about it much. Just following the line of least resistance in getting the money. It now looks as if your gasoline money will be everybody's pie by the time the next session of the assembly convenes and the devil takes the roads.

EAATFUL—North Carolina members of Congress are still hearing plenty about the Rayburn bill which would give the federal government vast powers on the utilities industry. Thousands of people in North Carolina who own a little piece of stock in some power company express the fear that their holding will shrink if the Rayburn bill becomes law. A lot of other people are conscious of the fact (right in their pocketbooks) that federal control of railroad rates has not helped North Carolina. These payers of high freight rates that give Virginia business a great advantage over the Tar Heels don't want another blow delivered when they step up to the counter to pay their electric bill each month.

SUPPORT—Governor Ehringhaus is not lacking for encouragement in the suggestion that he oppose Senator J. W. Bailey in the primaries next spring. But despite the urging from many quarters the Governor still insists that he wants to make a good record in his present post before he enters into any idea of seeking another public office. That's what he tells his friends and usually they just go right out and think up some other reason why he should run for the Senate.

STORM BREWING—Everybody, or at least the farmers thought the cotton processing tax was all to the mustard when it was first levied to pay benefits to growers for reducing their crops. Now that the tax is said to be operating to depress the market for American cotton goods and opening the door to foreign competition, treating to close many southern mills, the tax is not so popular. You have seen in the papers that manufacturers are attempting to get the federal government to remove the levy or pay it out of relief funds but what you haven't seen is that a movement on foot to get the manufacturers in their June convention in Georgia to refuse to collect the tax. That would stir up a sorry kettle of fish that is now stewing.

FREE-FOR-ALL—This coming race for Lieutenant Governor looks like it is going to be open to all comers. Former Senator George McNeill, of Fayetteville, is campaigning full speed these days. Senator W. G. Clark, of Edgecombe, isn't losing any time and Senator Harris Newman of New Hanover and Speaker of the House Robert Grady Johnson, of Duplin, are busy getting their ducks in a row. You can find people around the State Capitol expressing a willingness to bet on any of these entries but their are few of the wagers. It's too early in the game to be predicting even who will actually file their candidacies in the race, much less to venture a prognostication on who will win.

HEADACHES—Since the State has taken over the eight month public school term the biennial worry of Legislators is the question of get-

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(By Edgar W. Willie, Pastor)
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ting the money without taxing a lot of poor folk out of existence. Amendments to the constitution have been proposed with a view to remedying that situation for small homes, increase the income tax maximum and classify property for the purpose of taxation. Those supposed to know their fiscal affairs say these changes would enable the Legislature to levy taxes on the rich without killing the poor as the case under the present uniformity clause of the constitution.

DANGER—All things, even Legislatures, must come to an end. There has been much talk about the present General Assembly establishing a State system of renting school books that would save parents thousands of dollars each year. But if such a law is to be enacted it should be speedily pushed to get it on the books before the Legislature finishes its chores and goes back home or there is danger of the measure meeting an untimely death by the

VENGEANCE CREEK

Mr. and Mrs. Max Ladd announce the birth of a son, born March 3th. Mr. and Mrs. Grady McGuire and family were visitors of Mrs. T. G. Kinsey Sunday.

Misses Alanard Bedonard Miller and Mr. Bascom Miller spent the week-end with their mother, Mrs. Fionnie Miller.

Miss Faye Ladd, of Anderson, S. C., is spending a few weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Ladd.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Derreberry were visitors in this section Sunday.

Misses Faye and Mae Ladd and Mr. Ralph Day attended the Baccalaureate services at Andrews Sunday night.

Mrs. Fionnie Miller is on the sick list at this writing. Her many friends wish her a speedy recovery.

DYNAMITE—The big explosion on the sales tax always comes on the question of taxing the meat and bread of the one-gallows man. Present legal exemptions have provided a means of many people escaping payment of the tax on other items. The proposal to exempt only four or five "subsistence" items of food appears to many leaders to approach a solution of the problem. It is admitted that if you exempt fat-back there will be little political dynamite in taxing porterhouse or surloin steaks. Once upon a time the anti-general-sales taxers were proposing to tax coffee and sugar a luxuries. Now they want them exempted as necessities. How times do change.

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