

STATE-WIDE DOG LAW IS EFFECTIVE

Plenty of Teeth Provided For Its Enforcement in All Counties of The State.

AIMED TO PROMOTE THE SHEEP INDUSTRY

Ray's "Literary Gem" Was Much Amended But Essential Features Were Retained.

The 1919 session of the General Assembly in passing a State-wide dog control law did something that none of its predecessors ever dared to put through.

An act to tax dogs in North Carolina and to encourage sheep industry.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That any person owning or keeping about him any open female dog of the age of six months or older shall pay annually a license or privilege tax of two dollars.

Section 2. That any person owning or keeping any male dog, or female dog other than the kind specified in section one of this act of the age of six months or older shall pay annually on each dog so owned or kept, a license or privilege tax of one dollar.

Will Provide Tags.

Sec. 2 1-2. To every person paying the license or privilege tax prescribed in sections one and two of this act there shall be issued by the sheriff a metal tag bearing county name, a serial number and expiration date which shall be attached by the owner to a collar to always be worn by any dog when not on the premises of the owner or when engaged in hunting.

Sec. 3. That it shall be the duty of every owner or keeper of a dog to list the same for taxes at the same time and place that other personal property is listed, and the various tax lists of the State shall have proper abstracts furnished them for listing dogs for taxation, and any person failing or refusing to list such dog or dogs shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined not exceeding fifty dollars or imprisoned not exceeding thirty days; provided that the owner of the home or lessee of such owner, shall be responsible for listing of any dog belonging to a member of his family.

The license or privilege tax herein imposed shall be due and payable on the first day of October of each and every year, and all persons after December first thereafter who own or keep a dog or dogs upon which the license tax or privilege tax is not paid, whether said dog or dogs have been listed or not, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined not more than fifty dollars or imprisoned not more than thirty days.

Upon the payment to the sheriff or tax collector of the license or privilege tax aforesaid, such sheriff or tax collector shall give the owner or keeper of such dog or dogs a receipt for the same, which shall constitute a license under the provisions of this act.

Shall Make Diligent Inquiry.

Sec. 4. The tax lists for each township, town and city in this State shall annually at the time of listing property as required by law, make diligent inquiry as to the number of dogs, owned, harbored or kept by any person subject to taxation. The list takers shall on or before the first day of July in each year make a complete report to the sheriff or tax collector on a blank form furnished them by the proper authority, setting forth the name of every owner of any dog or dogs, how many of each, and the sex, owned and kept by such person. Any person coming in possession of any dog or dogs after listing the same, shall immediately ascertain whether such dog or dogs have been listed for taxes or not, and if so listed, it is hereby made the duty of such owner or keeper of such dog or dogs to go to the sheriff or the tax collector of his county and list such dog or dogs for taxes, and it is made the duty of the owner or keeper of such dog or dogs to pay the license or privilege tax as is herein provided for in other cases.

No Roaming At Night.

Sec. 5. No person shall allow his dog over six months old to run at large in the night time unaccompanied by the owner or by some member of the owner's family, or some other person by the owner's permission. Any person intentionally, knowingly and willfully violating this section shall be

guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined not exceeding fifty dollars or imprisoned not exceeding thirty days, and shall also be liable in damages to any person injured or suffering loss to his property or chattels.

Sec. 6. It is hereby made the duty of each list taker in the State to see that all dogs are listed for taxation under the provisions of this act, and the county commissioners may pay him for his services such an amount as may be just. Such pay shall be out of the money arising under this act.

Money Goes to Schools.

Sec. 7. That the money arising under the provisions of this act shall be applied to the school funds of the county in which said fund is collected; Provided, it shall be the duty of the county commissioners upon complaint made to them of injury to person or injury to or destruction of property by any dog upon satisfactory proof of such injury or destruction to appoint three freeholders to ascertain the amount of damages done, including necessary treatment, if any, and all reasonable expenses incurred, and upon the coming in of the report of such jury of the damage as aforesaid, the said county commissioners shall order the same to be paid out of any moneys arising from the tax on dogs as provided for in this act. And in cases where the owner or such dog or dogs is known or can be ascertained he shall reimburse the county to the amount paid out for such injury or destruction. To enforce collection of this amount the county commissioners are hereby authorized and empowered to sue for the same.

Sec. 8. Any person may kill any mud dog, and also any dog if he is killing sheep, cattle, hogs, goats or poultry.

Sec. 9. That all dogs when listed for taxes become personal property and shall be governed by the laws governing other personal property; provided, the larceny of any dog upon which aforesaid tax has been paid shall be a misdemeanor.

Penalty For Violation.

Sec. 10. Any person failing to discharge any duty imposed upon him by this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall pay a fine not exceeding fifty dollars or be imprisoned not more than thirty days.

Sec. 11. All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed; provided, this act shall not have the effect to prevent any county from increasing the amount of the license or privilege tax on dogs under the provisions of chapter two hundred and six, Public Laws of North Carolina, session one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, but shall be construed to repeal that part of same allowing counties to vote off said tax.

Sec. 12. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Dinner Party.

Six couples of the younger married set were delightfully entertained in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. McBrayer on Thursday evening. It was Mr. McBrayer's birthday anniversary and in honor of the occasion, Mrs. McBrayer gave a dinner party. In every particular the evening was a brilliant success.

The color scheme was yellow. Butter-cups and Jonquils being used for the decorations.

The ladies were handsomely gowned and the men were in full dress. When the dinner chimes interrupted the gleeful bable, and the dining room door opened Mrs. Trela D. Collins wearing white satin and net trimmed in pearls, was accompanied to the head of the table by Mr. McBrayer. Next came Mrs. T. W. Ruffin who was dressed in flesh colored tulle over silver cloth trimmed with tiny rose buds and silver lace, accompanied by Mr. O. Y. Yarboro. Then Mrs. E. H. Malone wearing pink taffeta and tulle accompanied by Mr. H. L. Candler. They were followed by Mrs. O. Y. Yarboro who wore green tulle over silver cloth, accompanied by Mr. T. W. Ruffin. Mrs. McBrayer whose gown was composed of black tulle over gold cloth with sequin panel, was accompanied by Rev. Trela D. Collins. Mrs. H. L. Candler dressed in white net and salmon tulle trimmed in silver lace, was accompanied by Mr. E. H. Malone.

The table was tastefully arranged, with golden jonquils in the center surrounded by four candle sticks holding lighted tapers of sunset shade. For two hours and a half the party sat around the table enjoying the elaborate seven course dinner, composed of grape fruit, soup, baked scud, then the turkey dinner, followed by salad, marshmallow whip, a big birthday cake covered with tiny carnations, and coffee.

After dinner the ladies enjoyed a gab-fest while the men had a smoker. Then they reassembled for a short programme of music.

In disbarring the party spoke cordially of the genuine pleasure which the hostess had provided and wished the host many happy returns of the day especially if it should bring another such enjoyable occasion.

E. D. C.

All members of the Joseph J. Davis Chapter of United Daughters of the Confederacy are earnestly requested to pay their dues at once to Mrs. E. H. Malone, Treas.

Mrs. J. L. PALMER, Pres.

AMONG THE VISITORS

SOME YOU KNOW AND SOME YOU DO NOT KNOW.

Personal Items About Folks and Their Friends Who Travel Here And There.

Mr. P. A. Reavis visited Raleigh Monday.

Mrs. Malcolm McKinne is spending the week in Richmond, Va.

Mrs. D. E. McKinne left Tuesday to visit her daughter in Wilmington.

Mrs. E. F. Thomas spent the week end with her people in Lousburg.

Mrs. H. H. Dial, of Cambridge, Md., visited her people here the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Cralle returned Tuesday from a visit to Richmond and Blackstone, Va.

Lieut. Edmond B. Webb returned Monday from a visit to friends in Columbia, S. C.

Messrs. W. H. Yarborough and B. T. Holden, visited Zebulon and Raleigh Monday.

Lieut. S. G. Boddie, who recently returned from France, was in Lousburg the past week visiting his people.

Gov. Thomas W. Bickett, came over from Raleigh in the State's new Marmon automobile and spent Monday in Lousburg.

Mr. J. T. Duke returned the past week from Baltimore, where he had been receiving treatment at Mercy Hospital. His many friends will be glad to learn that he is improving.

Rev. G. F. Smith, Pres. F. S. Love and wife, Mrs. W. E. White, Miss Ida May Yow, Messrs. E. H. Malone, J. L. Palmer, F. B. McKinne attended the Centenary meeting of the Raleigh district in Raleigh Tuesday.

To Practice at Franklinton.

Mr. Thos. W. Ruffin, junior member of the local law firm of Wm. H. and Thos. W. Ruffin, announced this week that he would visit Franklinton on Tuesday of each week for the purpose of attending to the legal business of the citizens of that town. The occasion comes, Mr. Ruffin says, from a request of many of the citizens, and the fact that they have no local attorney.

Water Report.

Supt. G. C. Hill hands us the following report on the condition of the city water:

Location Lousburg, N. C. Source Fire House. Marked Town of Lousburg. Collected March 8, 1919. Received March 10, 1919. Reported March 13, 1919. Sediment—sl. O. K. Color—Platinum-cobalt standard—0 O. K. Turbidity—Silica standard—v. sl. O. K.

Alkalinity (in terms of Calcium carbonate) acid O. K. Alum—present O. K.

Colon bacilli in 1 c. c.—Good. Colon bacilli in 10 c. c.—Good. Total number of bacteria at 20 degrees C. per c. c.—Negative.

Total number of bacteria as 35 degree C. per c. c.—Negative. Total number of acid-producing bacteria—Good.

C. A. SHORE, Director. J. E. MALONE, Health Officer.

List of Magistrates.

The following is a list of Magistrates appointed by the last Legislature for Franklin County for the next two years: Dunn's—W. H. Williams, B. F. Pierce, J. M. Stallings, C. E. Weathers.

Harris—J. B. King, J. A. Underhill, M. L. Fowler, J. L. Byron. Franklinton—J. E. Nicholson, C. C. Holmes, G. R. Moyer, S. C. Ford. Gold Mine—C. C. Murphy, Percy Gupton, A. S. J. Hamlet.

Hayesville—R. G. Winn, H. L. Stokes, R. L. Stokes, A. A. Medlin. Sandy Creek—J. J. Cooper, E. N. Williams, W. H. Bledsoe, M. C. Gunton.

Cedar Rock—T. W. Stokes, E. D. Parrish, J. Pete Davis, George S. Earp, R. A. Harris. Cypress Creek—J. A. Boone, Alton Wilder, N. C. Moore.

Lousburg—J. L. Palmer, A. W. Allison, George M. Manning, A. F. Strickland, W. G. Uzar, P. W. Watson.

Youngville—C. C. Winston, J. R. Tharrington, H. M. Green, J. R. Pearce, J. T. Wilson.

Oxford Orphans.

We are informed that the concert that is being given this year by the Singing Class of the Oxford Orphanage is, in some respects, different from any that has ever before been offered to the public. The program this year includes several patriotic numbers that are calculated to inspire and enable to create a deeper and more abiding love of country and its institutions. Do not fail to hear this concert; tell your friends about it; come and help to give these children a rousing reception.

RALEIGH-GREENSBORO HIGHWAY A MATTER OF A SHORT TIME

All the Counties Along the Route Have Asked For or Received Federal Aid.

State Highway Engineer W. S. Falls, who has just returned with H. K. Bishop, Federal district engineer, from a trip of inspection of the roads of the State, said Wednesday that a hard surface highway between Raleigh and Greensboro in the immediate future was, from all indications, a certainty.

He also said that it is apparently certain that Greensboro will be connected shortly with South Carolina by way of Charlotte by hard surface roads. All these roads will be built with the aid of federal money.

Every county between Raleigh and Greensboro, including Guilford and Wake, have been heard from, and all either have asked for or have received Federal aid to carry on road work necessary to connecting up Greensboro and Raleigh. Durnam county is preparing a million dollar bond issue. Wake county Tuesday practically completed arrangements for the construction of \$600,000 highway across the county.

Between Greensboro, by the of Charlotte, to the South Carolina line, indications, Mr. Falls says, are equally favorable. Mecklenburg county is already well interlaced with hard surface roads and a large per cent of the road work to be carried on in the counties between Charlotte and Greensboro has already been approved by the Federal Government.

In making use of Federal aid in road construction, Mr. Falls says that North Carolina stands third of all the States of the Union and it is rated about eighteenth in good roads.

The highways when completed between Greensboro and Raleigh, will total 84 miles and the proposed hard surface highways between Greensboro and the South Carolina line about 125 miles.

In Memoriam.

On March 7, 1919 God in His infinite wisdom called from our midst our dear uncle, Mr. O. A. Perry. Words cannot express our heartfelt sorrow when the sad news of his instant death reached us.

He was born near Mapleville, N. C. and was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Howell W. Perry. He united with the Maple Springs Baptist church when only a boy and was a true Christian gentleman, one whom will be missed greatly in his community and the surrounding country. A more loyal and kind person never lived than he, always a willing hand was ready to help a friend in time of need, he never knew the word no. Altho, his life was short here on earth, his many kind deeds will ever live after him. His friends were numbered by his acquaintances and he always wore a smile and had a cheerful word for every one.

When there was sickness or sorrow, he was there to advise, sympathize and encourage. Only one week prior to his death he was administering to the same cause, death, of a neighbor.

His sterling qualities were better shown in his home where he was a devoted father and husband. His body was entered in the cemetery of the Maple Springs Baptist church. The floral tribute was large and very impressive. He leaves to mourn his loss, a wife, one daughter, Miss Hilma Perry, three sisters, Mrs. J. W. Perry, of Lousburg, Mrs. J. W. Bowden, of Norfolk, Va., and Mrs. H. M. Sledge, of Mapleville. Four brothers, Mr. J. R. Perry, of Washington, D. C., Mr. H. W. Perry, of Lousburg, Mr. W. H. Perry, of Mapleville, and Mr. H. B. Perry, now with the A. E. Forces in France. The bereaved family have the sympathy of the entire community.

Sleep on beloved; Sleep and take thy rest; Lay down thy head upon thy Savior's breast.

We love thee well, but Jesus loves the best.

—ONE WHO LOVED HIM.

A Letter From France.

Feb. 12th, 1919.

Dear Father: Will try to write you a few lines to let you hear from me. I am well and hope these few lines will find you all the same.

Papa why don't you write to me? I would like to get a letter from home every day. I will be so glad when I can be at home with you all. Then I will spend the rest of my life with you.

To farm this year but I can't get back. I wonder will you and mama look to me like they did when I left home. I wonder if you are worrying about me. I don't want you to worry over me. That is all that worries me. I am afraid that some one at home will be missing when I get home. I know mama is getting old and she can't stand like papa. I will have to write for this time as I have got to close another letter. I will send another picture as it might be that you didn't get the first one I sent.

Goodnight, from your boy. J. T. FINCH.

The light of happiness is often shut out by the shadow of suspicion.

STEERING COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO REPORT ON WAR RESPONSIBILITY

Developments at The Peace Conference Speed Work of Clearing Up This Important Subject.

MATTER OF AERONAUTICS RECEIVES ATTENTION

Commission Appointed With Admiral Kapp and Gen. Patrick As American Members; International Labor Legislation Committee Holds Session, With Gompers Presiding; War Council Discussed Military, Naval and Aerial Terms To Be Imposed On Germany; Other Developments in Peace Council Circles.

Paris, March 17.—The supreme war council met today from 3 to 7:30 p. m. and discussed the military, naval and aerial terms to be imposed on Germany," says the official statement.

"At the end of the meeting an exchange of views took place on the situation in Poland as described by the inter-allied commission. The next meeting will take place on Wednesday at 3 p. m."

Commission on Aeronautics.

Paris, March 17.—The supreme council today appointed a commission on aeronautics. The American members will be Rear Admiral Harry S. Knapp and Brigadier General Mason M. Patrick.

The council named Belgium, Greece, Portugal, Brazil, Cuba and Rumania to represent the small nations.

International Labor Commission Meeting.

Paris, March 17.—At today's session of the commission of international labor legislation of the peace conference the commission, says the official statement, discussed the subject of raising as to the application of labor conventions of certain states with Federal constitution, and decided to permit the question to a small subcommittee which would report with the least possible delay.

"The committee," the statement adds "then proceeded to examine seriatim the labor clauses presented for inclusion in the treaty of peace."

Samuel Gompers presided over the session.

Steering Committee on Responsibility For War.

Paris, March 17.—A steering committee to prepare the final report of the commission on responsibility for the war was appointed by the commission at its meeting today. The report after being approved will be referred to the peace conference. The members of the drafting commission are representatives of the Belgian, British and Italian delegations.

Silesia Plans To Resist Claims of Poles and Czechs.

Paris, March 17.—(French Wireless Service).—The German military and civil authorities in Upper Silesia reports from Warsaw say are making active preparations to resist Polish and Czech claims to that part of Silesia. Military preparations are said to be under General Grosnor as volunteers are coming in from all parts of Germany. They are well armed and are said to receive good pay.

Reports from Prague say trenches have been dug and barbed wire entanglements constructed along the southern frontier of Silesia. The Germans are said to be well supplied with guns and ammunition.

Riots in Germany Continue.

Berlin, Mar. 15.—(By the A. P.)—Fifty-five persons have been killed and one hundred and seventy wounded in the riots at Halle. Two hundred and eighty persons have been arrested for pillaging. The value of the stolen property is estimated at 18,000,000 marks.

Ukrainians Enter Przemysl.

London, Mar. 17.—(By the A. P.)—Ukrainian troops have entered Przemysl according to a German wireless dispatch. The Poles are still in the northwestern part of the town.

The Ukrainians are also in the suburbs of Lemberg and along the whole Przemysl-Lemberg line traffic there being completely stopped.

Pearce Items.

There will be a Fiddler's Convention at Pearce's Academy the 27th. \$2.50 awarded for the best fiddler. \$1.50 for the best banjo man. Everybody is cordially invited. Admission 25 and 45 cents.

Misses Eunice, Ruth and Alma and brothers, Messrs. Edwitt and Bennett Perry spent Sunday afternoon with their sister, Miss Mae Perry.

Private Henry Pearce who has just returned from France, came home Sunday.

Miss Ola Alford spent the week-end with her parents in Bunn.

Miss Flora Pearce and Mr. Johnnie Carter were quietly married at Popular Springs last Saturday evening.

The School raised \$1.30 for the benefit of the Armenian Relief.

Methodist Services.

At the morning hour, 11 o'clock, Rev. G. F. Smith, pastor of the Methodist Church will preach from the subject "One Final Test-Service." At the evening hour, 7:30 special music and other interesting features will be held of which a partial program is as follows:

Quartette.

Solo by Miss Dodson.

Reading—My Money Creed, by Mrs. S. Love.

Three minute talk by a minute man.

Reading—Thanksgiving Ann, by Miss Henninger.

Baptist Church.

Rev. Trela D. Collins, pastor of the Lousburg Baptist Church, will preach on "Making Disciples," at the eleven o'clock hour Sunday morning and "World Brotherhood" with a song service at the evening hour. Sunday School will be held at 9:45. All are invited to these services.

To the Tax Payers of North Carolina.

The General Assembly, just adjourned, has imposed a responsibility upon the Corporation Commission as a State Tax Commission which it feels unable to properly meet without the support of the tax payers of the State.

As Chairman of the Commission, I desire to take the people into the confidence of the Commission and acquaint them with the purpose of the General Assembly and request of them their full co-operation in aiding us in the proper discharge of our duties.

For many years, it has been the law that every person's property should be assessed for taxation at its full value in money. Notwithstanding this law, nearly everybody in the State has escaped a full valuation or his property for taxes. The General Assembly, just adjourned, has said by passing the Revaluation Act, that an end must be made of this condition and that hereafter property must be valued for taxes at its true value. It places the responsibility upon our Commission to see that this is done and it must and shall be done. It is the purpose of the General Assembly upon a proper valuation being made, to lower the tax rate, and it will meet after the property has been assessed, for that purpose, so that the burden upon the tax payers will not necessarily be increased. This is assured to us as a Commission and we in turn desire to assure the tax payers of the State that a full valuation of their property will not mean greatly increased amount of taxes. The Act under which this assessment is made provides that the State, no County or municipality shall collect in excess of ten per cent. more taxes after this revaluation is made than is being collected in 1919 under the present valuation.

I call upon the people of the State to assist the Commission in the selection of a splendid business man in each County as County Tax Assessor. He should be a man of fine judgment, good business ability, having a good knowledge of values both in Town and Country, and one in whom the public has confidence as to his honesty and integrity.

It is not a political office but one of strictly business and we trust our political friends will understand this and only suggest the most competent men. After the County Supervisor is selected by us, we trust every tax payer in each and every county of the State will fully co-operate with him to the end that he will be able to assess each person's property at its true value in money.

W. T. LEE, Chairman.

Dental Society To Meet in Lousburg.

Dr. D. T. Smithwick, President of the Seaboard Dental Society, informed the TIMES reporter yesterday that the Society will hold its next regular meeting in Lousburg, on Saturday, March 29th, 1919. Lousburg will gladly extend a hearty welcome to these distinguished gentlemen.

Young Woman's Missionary Society.

The Young Woman's Missionary Society met at the home of Mrs. J. M. Allen, Wednesday evening, March 19, 1919, in a study circle. The scripture lesson was taken from Samuel 22, which was read by Mrs. O. J. Hale, followed by a prayer by Miss Clara Young. A very interesting lesson was read and discussed from Sons of Italy. Those present were Mesdames O. Y. Yarboro, E. L. Best, F. O. Swindell, O. J. Hale and J. M. Allen. Misses Pearl Taylor, Clara Young, Sun Aiston and Neva Rowland. Mrs. Allen served delicious refreshments.

The meeting adjourned to meet with Mrs. E. L. Best, Tuesday evening, March 25, 1919, 8 o'clock, in a regular missionary meeting.

Stop! Look! Listen.

Supper will be served at the College Friday night, from 7:30 to 10 o'clock. The menu consists of fried oysters, chicken salad, sandwiches, cocoa, and coffee. For the benefit of the Senior Class. Go out and get something good to eat and in the same time help the Class.

A good bluff is all right until it meets a bigger one.