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Good Politics; Bad Economics

The sales tax in North Carolina has now been in operation long enough for the people of the state to form some opinion about its efficiency. When the legislature last convened there was ample reason to believe that conditions of the budget demanded extraordinary remedial measures. Therefore, when the sales tax was brought forward for consideration its passage soon became a certainty. The economic life of the state, it is true, was in an awful bog at the time and, although the sales tax seemed a heaven-sent idea to the hard pressed legislators, the consequent strain on the merchants has given rise to much unfavorable comment.

It is when one subjects the sales tax to an honest analysis that its weaknesses become apparent. To the student of economics the sales tax possesses one major fault—it does not tax in accordance with ability to pay. The purchase of commodities which are vital necessities involves just as much tax payment as the purchase of luxuries; thus the poorer the individual or family the greater is their financial burden.

The tremendous salaries paid to some of our tobacco executives indicate that this industry is not quite in the doldrums; inheritance, gift and luxury taxes are still ridiculously low in relation to the fearful taxes in other branches of our state economy.

Our present policy of "soak the little man" is not only in contrast to the spirit of the National Recovery Administration but is bad psychology and economics as well.—V.J.L.

A Striking Improvement

To the casual observer the announcement which appeared in yesterday's Tar Heel to the effect that 865 bad checks were given out by Carolina students during the past year might seem to constitute a severe indictment against the University honor system. We should, indeed, be ashamed that any bad checks should be given, but when we consider the fact that most of these were given through ignorance and carelessness rather than through maliciousness, then even this number is quite an improvement on last year.

The value of the 865 bad checks given last year amounted to \$6,422 as against a total value of the year before of \$12,989 on 1,620 checks. The amount of money involved was reduced by slightly more than half. Herbert Taylor, chairman of the committee, also revealed that over one-third of this number was caused by last spring's bank holiday.

To those who have been acquainted with the credit system in Chapel Hill during the past few years these figures bring very gratifying results. Several years ago it was almost impossible for a Carolina student to cash a check without strong identification and the endorsement of a reputable person, unless he waited several days for the check to go through. Such a condition naturally worked a hardship on the students, yet the merchants and the bank had encountered so much trouble that they were forced to adopt strenuous methods.

Since the organization of the student council check committee this inconvenience has been removed. The committee is composed of members of the student council and it requires every casher of a bad check to make it good under penalty of suspension, with also the penalty of probation or suspension for continued violation.

The check committee is teaching the students the necessity for accuracy and business like methods in handling their bank balance, and its progress in this direction is remarkable. But in addition, it is creating a better spirit of cooperation between the Carolina student body and the Chapel Hill merchant, and smoothing over the difficulties of every-day business transactions.—V.C.R.

Tobacco Prices

Of vital importance to eastern North Carolina in particular and to the southeastern states in general are the long-awaited measures to be taken by the federal government to raise tobacco prices. Time was when we can remember scrap tobacco selling for the average price high grades brought at the opening of the bright leaf belt markets, but that was during a price boom

which, if not that this country is never destined to see again, at least remains little short of phenomenal. It is hardly to be expected that the processing tax and acreage reduction proposals will bring back tobacco to the now almost fabulous seventy-five dollars a hundredweight prices of some years ago, but the NRA can do a great deal toward insuring the farmer at least a fair profit.

A lot of time has passed, however, since Governor Ehringhaus proclaimed a tobacco holiday, and millions of pounds have been kept off the warehouse floors. This present loss in anticipation of rising prices is being felt in every community whose business houses are dependent upon the buying power of the farmer. Not only that but most of the leaf put on the market in the early part of September was "high in order," which means in warehouse parlance that its content of moisture is high and the tobacco is therefore more highly perishable.

Clearly, quick and decisive action on the part of Secretary Wallace is imperative if this state and others are not to suffer irreparably from a lack of buying power to meet the already rising prices of necessary products.—A.T.D.

Working Together

The need and advantages of cooperation between individuals of a group, however large, have been forcibly demonstrated during the past few months—that is, since Roosevelt became president of the United States. The success of Roosevelt's entire program depends wholly upon the cooperation of the people of this country, upon their support of his administration and continued faith in him.

As this cooperation is necessary for the continued welfare of the large group of inhabitants in a nation, so is it necessary for smaller groups of individuals. A college campus is composed of a group of persons working toward a high ideal—that of education and training of the mind. A part, the minority, of the campus devotes its time to the training of the majority who have come ostensibly to expand their capacity for thought and form a foundation on which to build a life's career.

For the success of this educational program, wherein one or several men may direct, or at least greatly influence, the future trend of many as yet undeveloped minds, cooperation on the parts of the teachers and students is absolutely essential.

The student, more than the professor, is compelled to cooperate to a certain extent. He knows that he must prepare so much of his work, that he must attend a certain number of classes, to listen interestedly (or appear to listen interestedly) to the lectures. However, by going beyond this required amount of cooperation, by achieving a little more than is absolutely necessary, the student shows a real cooperative attitude and aids the professor in the attempt to do HIS part.

Although a professor may have harder and more trying work than a student. It is nevertheless just as important, perhaps more important, that he show a willing spirit of cooperation. This can be achieved by creating a certain amount of interest in the class, by not attempting to create out of himself a classroom character which is contrary to his own, and by maintaining, as far as possible, a fair and unprejudiced attitude toward each student.

Both professor and student can do much in making a course, even those required, more interesting and a greater part of the whole education. The student is almost forced to; his willing cooperation is all he can give. The professor does not have to—will he nevertheless cooperate?—C.G.T.

Pedagogic Theory

We have sometimes heard a criticism that is becoming somewhat the vogue among those who take an interest in the subject, on the present methods of teaching College Chemistry.

It seems, namely, that those who would disagree with what seems to be at present the approved method argue on the basis of the belief that too much time is given to the lecture period and that not enough time is spent in the laboratory.

They argue that chemistry, perhaps not like its sister sciences, is largely a study in which demonstration is the best teacher. According to them, it is impossible to teach by words, the laws of combinatio, ionization, or the compounding of chemical substances. They say that much more would be learned if the professor transferred his lecture room into the laboratory where the student could follow in experiment the teachings of the text.

A great deal of influence is being exerted in many universities to change the system now in vogue so as to include in the course, not four hours of lecture and four hours of laboratory work, but to conduct the work more nearly on the ratio of one lecture to seven hours of laboratory. Whether, of course, it will be an improvement, remains to be seen.—W.H.W.

Unusual Scientific And Social Research Fruit Of Geology Tour

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ing a coal mine. E. N. Kjellesvig had an attack of nightmares and several times the camp was awakened by his screaming.

This course is the only one of its kind to be found in this part of the country. However, it is included in the curriculum of most of the important northern and western universities.

Students who took the trip this summer were: C. E. Hare, a graduate student of the University of West Virginia; J. G. Walls of the University of Tennessee; E. P. Metzenthin; J. C. Dunlap; J. C. Goldston; W. Ray Johnson; E. N. Kjellesvig; T. E. Marshall; J. C. McCampbell; Simpson M. Parker; C. E. Prouty; W. W. Prouty; H. E. Vitz; J. B. Ward; R. H. Williams; W. T. Wilday. The business managers were I. L. Martin and Lindsey Hunt, instructors in the University geology department.

ENGINEERS WORK AT TRAINING CAMP

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to government specifications, with most of the equipment built by themselves. The station was used to determine the meteorological conditions during their stay at camp.

Camp Sapphire is conducted by Coach Bill Feltzer, brother of Coach Bob, and the former football coach at Carolina. The engineers were allowed all the facilities of the camp so that their days were spent in both work and pleasure. This summer camp provides actual experience in civil engineering for engineering students.

Yackety Yack Pictures

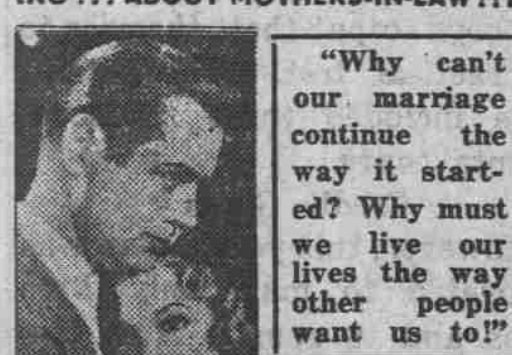
All students listed below are reminded to have their picture taken at Wooten-Moulton's today for this year's Yackety-Yack. Failure to do this will be a personal loss to the student as he has already paid for the picture.

Stewart Robertson, Ann Candler, A. O. Cush, Morris Bemin, Ashby Baus, B. W. Carr, John Barrow, T. G. Wolke, D. H. Cason, H. S. McKay, W. T. Betts, M. E. Watts, Grace Bowes, A. Greenberg, S. S. Unger, William Smithson.

C. A. Poe, C. Matthewson, J. D. Malliner, W. C. Ewing, E. A. Pascal, D. G. McLeod, T. P. Holland, J. M. Remmie, T. H. Andrews, E. C. Funderburke, James S. Queen, Preston W. Sparrow, E. L. Lee, John L. Womble, R. B. Rorison.

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CAROLINA

Public Administration School Has New Course

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plications for enrollment received, all out of state requests were refused because work is to be confined to this state. There are at the present time 27 members in the class but more are expected to be enrolled in the next few days.

This course is being given by the School of Public Administration in conjunction with the State Emergency Relief Administration, and is headed by Dr. Roy M. Brown. George Lawrence, who is assisting him, is also supervisor of field work of the division of public welfare and social work of the Public Administration school.

Conducting the classes for this course are the two heads and Dr. Jackson, head of the Public Administration school, and Miss Katherine Jocher.

Broadway, Summer Theatres Use Many Former Playmakers

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George as assistant technical director and electrician.

Whitner Bissell, who is remembered here for his fine work in "Strike Song" and "A Doll's House," acted with Eva LeGallienne last season and will tour with her company this winter. His summer season was spent at the Surry Playhouse, Bar Harbor, Maine.

The Playmakers' juvenile, John Schon, acted in the Guild Production of "The Good Earth" in New York and on the road tour.

Harold Baumstone of "The Butter and Egg Man" production, is a member of the Repertory Playhouse Associates. Audiences have seen him in New York and in Putney, Vermont.

Strudwick Entering Movies
Shepherd Strudwick, Broadway's newest star, gave a memorable performance in the production of "Both Your Houses," the Pulitzer prize play of last season. He is now in Hollywood making screen tests, and will probably do a picture before his return to Broadway in the late fall. This summer he played the leading role in Barrie's "What Every Woman Knows," at the Cape Playhouse.

Helen Dortch, a former Playmaker, is connected with the Jitney Players who have made annual visits to the campus. Chapel Hill will see her soon again when that troupe comes to the Playmakers theatre some time this season.

Elizabeth Farrar, daughter of

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10c Limeades 5c
10c Ice Cream, all flavors 5c
10c Double Size Ice Cream Cone 5c
10c Orangeades 5c
SUTTON DRUG COMPANY

Dr. Preston Farrar of the education department, is in London. She is studying and acting with Elsie Fogarty, the famed English actress.

Alvin Kerr, the author of "Sad Words to Gay Music," which the Playmakers presented last year, is still in New York. He is hard at work on a literary production of unknown variety, but his future plans are indefinite.

Minister Away

Due to a hurried call to New York last Sunday, Rev. Edwin Pigott-Simkins of Ashboro was unable to deliver his sermons at the Presbyterian church last Sunday, and his place was filled by the Rev. Watt M. Cooper of Graham. Next Sunday, Rev. C. K. Taffie, formerly of Henderson, will conduct the services.

Staff Members Confined

Thomas Walker, managing editor, and J. D. Winslow, a city editor of the DAILY TAR HEEL staff, were confined to the infirmary yesterday. Walker has a cold and Winslow is suffering from a slight swelling in the jaw. It is understood that both men will be released by the latter part of this week.

Twenty boys have been appointed by the self-help committee and T. E. Hinson of the Book Exchange to work in the concession booths at Kenan Stadium during the Davidson game.

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