

Facts About Our Schools

DO YOU KNOW?

1. That public education is in serious danger in North Carolina and in America.
2. That educational costs in North Carolina have been reduced more than nine million dollars since 1928-29, or over 22 per cent.
3. That the daily average attendance of pupils has increased in North Carolina 83,303 since 1928-29?
4. That North Carolina's schools operated last year on the average fourteen and one-half days more than they did in 1928-29?
5. That North Carolina transports more children than any state in the Union at one-half the national average per capita cost?
6. That there is close relationship between the efficiency of the school and the number of promotions? The poorer the school the fewer are the promotions.
7. That there is a state standard of distribution but not a state standard of cost for the six months term?
8. That there is a tendency to refuse to allow a local community to exceed a state standard?
9. That local charters and laws provide a check on and a limit to local expenditures?
10. That different communities need different programs of education?
11. That modern methods are necessary to prepare for a modern world?
12. That the removal of the fifteen cent ad valorem tax will take almost four million dollars from the general fund from which the six-months term is supported?
13. That unless there can be substituted other sources of income the schools will bear the brunt of this reduction?
14. That last year county school tax rates showed a considerable reduction while tax rates for other governmental services actually showed a slight increase?
15. That North Carolina spent \$37.44 for the education of each child in 1930-31 while the nation was spending \$75.59 for each child?
16. That 1,220 fewer teachers taught 83,303 more children last year than in 1928-29?
17. That the North Carolina school current expense fund has been reduced from \$27,961,521 in 1925-29 to \$24,887,196 for 1931-32 with an average daily attendance of 83,303 more in 1931-32 than in 1928-29?

An analysis of the debt service requirements of the State, including all of its sub-divisions shows that it will take \$40,794,473 to pay the interest and maturities on bonds this year.

The following analysis of the way these debts will be paid, under the present laws, is made from the data in the tax commission report:

Special assessments, fees and earnings of municipal enterprises, \$4,460,419, per cent. of total, 10.9 (partially estimated); gasoline and motor vehicle license, \$4,460,419, per cent. of total 20.6; State General Fund revenues: State educational institutions \$1,101,668, other State purposes \$2,241,728, total \$3,643,397, per cent. of total 8.9; Paid from general property taxes: road bonds (county) \$7,613,661, road bonds (district) \$343,637, total \$9,157,298, per cent. of total 20.0; school bonds \$6,195,159, per cent. of total 15.2; For purposes other than schools and roads: municipal \$7,371,816, county \$2,274,211, district \$308,450, total \$9,954,485, per cent. of total 24.4.

If the analysis is made on the basis of the debt service requirements by various functions of the public service, it will be found that:

Roads, state, county and district, will require \$16,451,013 or 40.5 of the total amount during the present year.

Education, including the public schools and the state educational institutions, will require \$7,296,823 or 17.9 per cent. during the year.

All other functions will require \$16,956,632 or 41.6 per cent. of the total during the present year.

Next Week—Items of Local Importance.

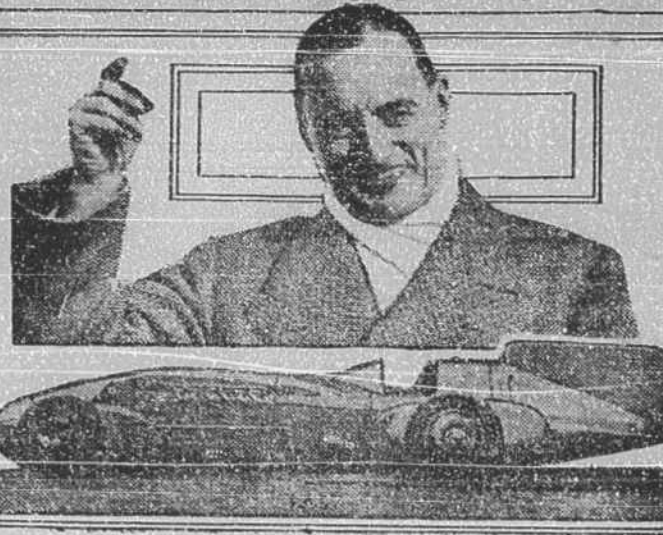
Harnett County farmers have perfected a local mutual exchange thru which they will buy and sell surplus produce.

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REAL PATRIOT IS THE FELLER WHO WHISTLES "STAR SPANGLED BANNER" WHILE MAKIN' OUT HIS INCOME TAX.

Automobile Speed King Again at Daytona



Sir Malcolm Campbell, holder of the world auto speed record, is again at Daytona, Fla., with his famous rebuilt "Bluebird", and ready to try to lower the mark he established on the famed beach speedway last year. The car is being tuned up and made ready for favorable racing weather.

Eighth to See Her Son President United States

New York — Franklin Delano Roosevelt's mother, Mrs. James Roosevelt, is the eighth woman to see her son elected President of the United States, an exhaustive study of historical records disclosed.

The mother of George Washington lived until four months after her illustrious son's inauguration. She was 82 when she died.

Mrs. Susanna Adams died at the age of 83, six weeks after her son, John, became the second President of the United States.

Mrs. Nelly Madison, who came within two weeks of being a centenarian, lived 20 years after her son James was elected.

Mrs. Jane Polk not only saw her son, James, become President, but outlived him.

Mrs. Harriet Grant lived for 14 years after her son went off to the White House, and she died just two years before he did.

When James A. Garfield was inaugurated, he paused during the ceremony to embrace his aged mother, who sat on the platform beside him.

One of the prized pictures in historical museums is that of Mrs. Nancy McKinley sitting under a parasol at the inauguration of her son, William.

Many of the Presidents left for posterity glowing tributes to their mothers. Most celebrated is Lincoln's: "All I am or hope to be I owe to my angel mother."

Buchanan wrote that "any little distinction which I may have acquired" was the result of his mother's influence.

But, in general, history has paid little attention to those women whose sons for 141 years have guided the nation.

VALUE OF FARM GARDENS REPORTED BY GROWERS

A farm garden, one-half acre in size, is worth exactly \$168.33 in cash to a family of six persons and its value probably exceeds this when the better health of the family is considered.

"We usually do not think of the cash value of a garden in a system of self-sustaining farming but records kept for us last year by 75 farm families show this plot of land to be an important asset," says H. K. Niswonger, extension horticulturist at State College. "The average size of the family from which the records were secured consisted of the farmer and his wife and four children. The garden plot averaged one-half acre in size and cost \$4.77 in seeds and fertilizer to get in shape. The returns in fresh vegetables were valued at \$168.33 above the cost of the seeds and fertilizer."

The amount of fresh vegetables used amounted to an average value of \$150, Mr. Niswonger said. In addition, there was an average of 115 quarts canned during the summer and valuing this at 15 cents a quart, the return was \$17.40. Fresh vegetables to the value of \$15.70 were sold from each garden and about \$12.50 worth were given away to neighbors or needy persons.

Mr. Niswonger believes it more than ever important to have a good garden this season. The one-half acre size is all right for the small family but larger families need an acre given over for the production of vegetables. In addition, other land should be planted to watermelons, cantaloupes and sweet potatoes.

At any rate, the soil for the garden should be prepared as quickly as possible and large amounts of manure should be plowed under, the horticulturist advises.

The County Home farm in Catawba County will have enough Korean lespedeza seed to sell this spring to buy the fertilizer needed on the place.

Man, Thin as Rail, Iron Gives Ped and Weight

"I was tired, run-down and thin as a rail. Since taking Vinol (iron tonic) I sleep well, feel better and have gained 10 lbs."—R. A. Cromberg. Vinol is delicious. Watauga Drug Store.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF WATAUGA

Boone, N. C. February 10, 1933

The Board of Aldermen of the Town of Boone, North Carolina, met in regular session on the 10th day of February, 1933, the following members being:

- PRESENT:
- J. M. Moretz, Mayor,
 - H. B. Perry, Alderman
 - R. L. Clay, Alderman,
 - C. B. Duncan, Alderman,
 - H. B. Perry, Town Clerk.
- ABSENT: None.

WHEREAS, this Board of Aldermen did on July 8th, 1932, pass an Ordinance authorizing the issuance of \$15,000 Refunding Bonds of the Town of Boone, N. C., and

WHEREAS, this Board of Aldermen now desires to amend said Ordinance,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, that said Ordinance be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 1. Pursuant to the Municipal Finance Act of North Carolina as amended, bonds of the Town of Boone, North Carolina, are hereby authorized to be issued for the purpose of refunding valid bonded indebtedness of the Town of Boone, incurred prior to July 1, 1931, and which indebtedness is now due or payable within one year from the passage of this Ordinance and was created for necessary expenses and for special purposes with the special approval of the General Assembly, and which indebtedness is more particularly described as follows:

Town of Boone North Carolina, Street Improvement Bonds, dated January 1, 1928 and due January 1, 1932	\$1,000.00
Town of Boone, North Carolina, Street Improvement Bonds, dated February 1, 1926 and due February 1, 1932	2,000.00
Town of Boone, North Carolina, Street Improvement Bonds, dated May 1, 1926 and due May 1, 1932	1,000.00
Town of Boone, North Carolina, Water Supply Bonds, dated July 1, 1925 and due July 1, 1932	2,000.00
Town of Boone, North Carolina, Street Improvement Bonds, dated October 1, 1922 and due October 1, 1932	1,000.00
Town of Boone, North Carolina, Street Improvement Bonds, dated October 1, 1926 and due October 1, 1932	1,000.00
Town of Boone, North Carolina, Street Improvement Bonds, dated January 1, 1924 and due January 1, 1932	1,000.00
Town of Boone, North Carolina, Street Improvement Bonds, dated February 1, 1926 and due February 1, 1933	2,000.00
Town of Boone, North Carolina, Street Improvement Bonds, dated May 1, 1926 and due May 1, 1933	2,000.00
Town of Boone, North Carolina, Water Supply Bonds, dated July 1, 1925 and due July 1, 1933	2,000.00
Total	\$15,000.00

Section 2. In case all or any part of the foregoing described bonds are not presented promptly for exchange for the Refunding Bonds herein authorized, said Refunding Bonds, or any part thereof, may be exchanged for any outstanding bonds of the Town of Boone, North Carolina, maturing on or before July 1, 1933.

Section 3. A tax sufficient to pay the principal and interest of the bonds shall be annually levied and collected.

Section 4. A statement of the debt of the municipality has been filed with the Clerk and is open to public inspection.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and shall not be submitted to the voters.

The foregoing Ordinance was passed on the 10th day of February, 1933, and was first published on the 16th day of February, 1933.

Any action or proceeding questioning the validity of said bonds must be commenced within thirty days after its first publication.

H. B. PERRY, Clerk
Town of Boone, North Carolina.

Combined Debt of State Placed at \$32,330,417

Raleigh.—The combined public debt of North Carolina's state and local governments June 30, 1931, was \$532,330,417, of which \$370,048,367 is classed as local, \$161,682,050 as State, with \$14,926,950 in special school building bonds. Of this total \$532,000,000 indebtedness \$75,000,000 was incurred for schools and \$457,000,000 for other purposes, or 14 per cent for schools and 86 per cent for other purposes, it is shown in the Tax Commission report for 1932, just issued.

A further study of these and other Tax Commission figures reveals that of the \$40,794,473 paid for 1931-32 in debt service requirements, as interest and retirement of principal, \$4,660,419, or approximately 10.9 per cent, was paid from special assessments, fees and earnings of municipal service enterprises; \$3,383,715, or 20.6 per cent, was paid from gasoline and motor vehicle license taxes, and \$3,643,397, or 8.9 per cent was paid from State general fund revenues, divided into \$1,101,669 for state educational institutions, and \$2,541,728 for other purposes.

From the local general property tax collections, these figures show county road bond payments amounted to \$6,157,298, or 20 per cent, while school bonds amounted to \$6,195,159, or only 15.2 per cent. For purposes other than schools, municipal, county and district, the debt service amounted to \$9,954,485, or 24.4 per cent of the total.

An analysis of the debt service requirements by functions for 1931-32 shows that highways and roads required payments of \$16,541,013, divided equally between State payments and county and district payments, or 40.5 per cent of the total, while education required payments of \$7,296,823, or \$6,195,159 for public schools and \$1,101,669 for State educational institutions, or a total of 17.9 per cent, while all other purposes required payment of \$16,956,632, or 41.6 per cent.

This is contradictory to the oft repeated statement that the public schools are the greatest beneficiaries and are responsible for the bulk of the State and local debt, since only 15.2 per cent of the 1931-32 debt payments were for schools; 40.5 per cent was for highways and roads, and 41.6 per cent was for all purposes other than schools and roads.

Steve Donald of Brasstown, Cherokee County, reports feeding sixteen head of cattle this winter with silage saved by the use of a trench silo and says the animals are all in excellent condition.

A well known doctor opens his bag and lets out a few professional secrets. See the American Weekly, the magazine distributed with next Sunday's Baltimore American. For sale by all newsdealers and newsboys.

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Atlantic Grayhound BUS SCHEDULE

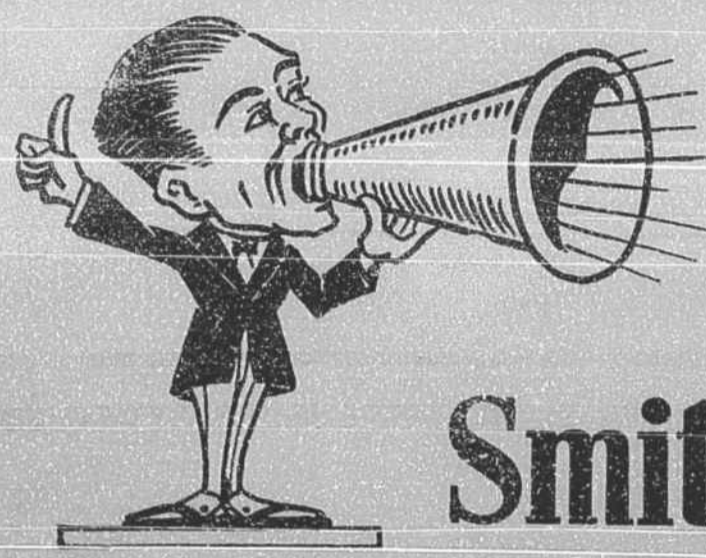
Leave BOONE 9:30 A. M.; 6:30 P. M. for Statesville, Charlotte, Winston-Salem, Greensboro, Durham, Raleigh and all Points Southeast.

LEAVE BOONE 11 A. M. & 8 P. M. for Elizabethton, Johnson City, Knoxville, Bristol, Abingdon, Bluefield, and points North.

RIDE A GRAYHOUND

Backache bother you?

A nagging backache, with bladder irregularities and a tired, nervous, depressed feeling may warn of some disordered kidney or bladder condition. Users everywhere rely on Doan's Pills. Praised for more than 50 years by grateful sufferers the country over. Sold by all druggists.



I AM Going Back to Smithey's

TO BUY SOME OF THOSE WONDERFUL BARGAINS. I have never seen the beat. They are simply leading everything in price value. WHY, I NOTICED—

Cigaretees LUCKY STRIKE, CAMEL and CHESTERFIELD 10c

- 100 lb. bag Buckeye Cotton Meal 90c
- GOOD THICK FAT MEAT, per pound 5c
- 4 1/2 STRAND BROOMS, strong, sound full of sweeping spirit 15c
- PINK SALMON, 3 cans for 25c
- 2 lb. JAR OLD RELIABLE PEANUT BUTTER for 19c
- 1 lb. 12 oz. can STRINGLESS BEANS, No. 2 1/2 can 10c
- GALLON CAN TOMATO CATCHUP for only 49c
- SUGAR (we brought it down, others followed) any size 4 1/4c
- 12 PACKAGES GRANDMAS POWDER for 25c
- OAT MEAL, per box 5c
- QUEEN OF THE WEST FLOUR WITH DYNAMITE sell'g quality 28c
- CARAJA COFFEE, PER POUND 10c
- ELEPHANT SIZE P & G SOAP, 3 cakes for 10c
- MAYFIELD SWEET CORN, 2 cans for 10c
- PEACHES No. 2 1/2 can 10c
- OCTAGON SOAP, small, 2-5c
- CHIPSO 8 1/2c
- CELERY fresh large bunch 5c
- KILN SWEET POTATOES, 13 pounds for 15c
- GOOD GRADE CHOP, Bag 95c
- FIRST GRADE GAS 18c
- BIG 5c TABLETS 5 for 5c
- BIG BEN OVERALLS 69c
- 100 lb. Buckeye COTTON MEAL 90c
- 100 POUNDS CHOP 95c
- 100 lbs. COTTON HULLS 45c
- CELERY 5c
- LETTUCE 5c
- BEETS 5c; Green BEANS 5c
- CORN, Bushel 50c
- BREAKFAST BACON 10c; BOLOGNA 10c; Tall MILK 5c

- NEW SPRING COATS AND SUITS \$4.95
- NICE CURTAIN SCRIM (Plain and figured) 8c yd.
- NEW DRESS GINGHAMS, per yard 7 1/2c
- NEW PIQUE, per yard 7 1/2c
- DRESS GINGHAMS, 3 yards for 15c
- 9-4 PEPPERELL UNBLEACHED SHEETING, yard 19c
- 10-4 PEPPERELL UNBLEACHED SHEETING, yard 25c
- VARIETY OF SHIRT MATERIALS 10c yd.
- OIL CLOTH IN NEW COLORS, per yard 15c
- NICE VEGETABLE BOWLS, at 12 1/2c