

J. C. B. REFUSES TO CONDEMN THREE PCT. SALES LEVY

"Takes Off His Coat" and Wades into Sales Tax Critics at Meeting of Educational Association. Wants to Know Where Needed Revenues May Be Procured. Guy B. Phillips Named President of Group.

Raleigh, N. C., March 27 (Special).—Governor Ehringhaus literally pulled off his coat, rolled up his sleeves and waded into some of the merchants for their attitude, saying he would not recommend repeal of the general sales tax until some other way is found by which the schools of the state can be supported, in an address before the N. C. Education Association at its final session here Saturday, and many times the capacity audience was pulled from its collective seat by his statements.

"When a merchant prices an article to you and adds the sales tax for the Governor," it is your duty to tell him that 64 per cent of that tax goes to the public schools and that if he insists on misrepresenting the facts you will buy your goods elsewhere," Governor Ehringhaus told them, after pointing out the various uses to which the sales tax and other taxes are devoted and showing that except for the gasoline and motor vehicle taxes 64 per cent is for schools.

"When the day came when I had to choose between the sales tax and the schools, I chose the schools," he said, adding, "I am not going to stand for the repeal of any tax until I see in its place something that will keep our schools open." He said he was as heartily in favor of increasing salaries of teachers and State employees as soon as they are possible, and showed that by doing away altogether with all executive and administrative offices in Raleigh would increase teachers pay only ten per cent.

"Nobody in North Carolina disliked adoption of the cussed and discussed sales tax more than I did," he said, asserting that he had not gone back to his campaign stand of opposing the tax, unless it were necessary.

Real estate folks urged the teachers to adopt a resolution approving the sales tax and R. T. Fountain urged the resolutions committee not to approve it, members said. The resolution adopted was: "We request the General Assembly to continue the maintenance of the State-supported eight months term out of revenue derived from sources other than ad valorem taxes." In another section the resolutions heartily commended Governor Ehringhaus "for the forceful and earnest fight he made to provide an eight months school term for every child in North Carolina. We believe that if this plan is continued as the fixed educational policy of North Carolina it will be the outstanding achievement of his administration."

Other parts of the resolution adopted asked for increased appropriations for schools "so that every school employee will have at least a living wage"; asked for provisions for permitting local supplements to school funds, properly limited; and continuation of the county as the school unit.

Guy B. Phillips, head of the Greensboro schools, was elected president of the association for the next year, succeeding Harry P. Harding, Charlotte. Mrs. T. C. Guthrie, Kingston teacher, was elected vice-president, placing her in line for the presidency for the following year. Guy B. Warren, secretary-treasurer since 1921, was re-elected.

State Superintendent A. T. Allen and Mr. Warren were commended for their activities in behalf of Federal aid for public schools in the present emergency. Dr. George T. Zook, U. S. Commissioner of Education, speaking Friday night, urged continuation of adult education to keep even educated

New Educational Head



Guy H. Phillips, superintendent of the Greensboro school system, who last week was elected president of the North Carolina Educational Association.

VALLE CRUCIS NEWS

(Deferred from last week)

Mr. Fritz Burwell of Winston-Salem is the house guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Taylor.

The following attended the funeral of Dr. John H. Squires at Lenoir on Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Baird, Miss Wilma Baird, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Mast, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Shull, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Mast and Mr. I. D. Shull.

Mr. Henry Taylor spent the week-end with his parents.

The Woman's Missionary Society met with Mrs. J. M. Shull Saturday afternoon. Fifteen of the members present enjoyed a program on "Brazil" arranged by Mrs. I. D. Shull.

Rev. and Mrs. Harding Hughes and son of Concord spent Monday and Tuesday at their attractive cottage, taking their meals at the C. D. Taylors.

Mrs. Forster Bryant spent the past week-end with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Woody.

On Saturday evening Miss Nancy and Gilbert Taylor entertained at a delightful party honoring their house guest. Those present were: Misses Pember, Jane Darwin, Gladys Taylor, Wilma Baird, Pearl and Grace Mast, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Olson, Mrs. T. W. Taylor; Messrs. Burwell, Frank Baird and Frank Taylor. The delicious refreshments carried out the St. Patrick's motif.

The Kutups Klub met at the home of Mrs. T. W. Taylor on Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Howard Mast and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ouse.

On Tuesday afternoon the Valle Crucis School girls attended an enjoyable matinee in Boone. Miss Virginia Salley accompanied them.

FUTURE FARMERS MEET

The program for the Cove Creek Chapter of Future Farmers of America for Friday afternoon, March 23, 1934, consisted of speeches by the 8th grade contestants for the public speaking contest. The speeches and speakers were as follows: "The Machine Age and Its Effect on American Agriculture," by A. R. May; "The Machine Age and Large Scale Farming," by James Brown; "Rural Electrification," by Horace Bingham; "The Machine Age and Its Effect on American Agriculture," by Lee McGuire; "Rural Electricity and Its Effect on the Farmer," by Tommie Ward. Horace Bingham won first place, James Brown second, and Tommie Ward third. All speeches were well written and well spoken. Next Friday the eleventh grade will have their tryouts.—Reported.

men abreast of the changing times. The meeting was well attended, despite rain and sleet two of the three days.

TODAY and TOMORROW

FRANK PARKER STOCKBRIDGE

CAREERS . . . man made

"A man's life is what he chooses to make it," I heard an eminent scholar say not long ago. It sounded like a pretty broad statement, but as I tried to analyze it I came to the conclusion that he was right.

Most people won't agree, because most people are not satisfied with what they have made of their lives, and imagine that if they had "got the breaks" their careers would somehow have been different. But, looking back of the failures as well as the successes among men I have known for years, I think the professor was right.

The failures failed because they did not or would not make the necessary effort to attain the goal of their ambitions; the successes succeeded because they put all they had in them into the job. To the failures their successes seemed to have been easily achieved, but only the man who has succeeded knows how much harder he has worked than did the man who failed.

WORDS . . . how many

How many words does it take to express one's self clearly in the English language? Shakespeare used more than 35,000 different words in his writings. Some years ago a student of such things reported that the average uneducated man used not more than 700 different words. Some savage tribes have vocabularies of only 300 words.

In the effort to compile a dictionary of English for use in the education of persons speaking other languages, the faculty of New York University has come to the conclusion that not more than 900 words are really needed to carry on all ordinary conversations. That does not include technical terms, of course.

Too many persons have a tendency to use unusual words where ordinary ones will answer as well or better. Sometimes I think the world would understand itself better if nobody were allowed to use more than 900 words and those were so clearly defined that nobody could misunderstand their meanings.

WEATHER . . . down East

The month of February, 1934, was the most severe winter month in the Eastern United States since the winter of 1777-78, when Washington's army camped at Valley Forge and nearly froze to death. There have been heavier snows, but not in connection with such low temperatures. At my farm there was at one time three feet level depth of snow, with drifts as high as twenty feet, and the thermometer 35 degrees below zero.

Folks who were certain that the Gulf Stream had changed its course and made the Atlantic Coast permanently warmer are trying other guesses now to account for the cold weather. Nothing gives most people more pleasure than to try their hands at weather forecasting. And nothing is more futile than long-range weather predictions.

INSULATION . . . new method

As everybody knows, the trouble with most houses is that they let too much heat out through the roofs and walls in winter and let too much heat in through the same routes in summer. There are many ways of insulating an ordinary house, some more expensive than others, but all expensive.

Now the discovery has been made that sheet-aluminum, less than 1-100 of an inch thick, will insulate against the penetration of heat as well as 20 inches of concrete or twelve inches of brick. The discovery was made when a young man tried wrapping cigarettes intended for export to Africa in aluminum foil, and found that was the only protection against the tropical heat. It has been tried on many houses and it works perfectly and costs almost nothing, those who are experimenting with it say.

That is only one of many new inventions which will make the new homes of the future more comfortable and economical to run.

OBSCOLESCENCE . . . interpreted

Owen D. Young has brought into public notice a word that is not given enough consideration when people discuss the replacement of men by machines. He said the other day: "Science is the mother of obsolescence."

What Mr. Young meant was that it is the function of science to send old machines and old methods to the scrap-heap, to make them obsolete. There is no danger of the world becoming overcrowded with goods of man's production, so long as scientific research continues to find new machines or methods which will perform the same functions better, or do new things that no machine has ever done before.

Some people thought there were enough automobiles in the world when Ford finished making his fifteenth-million "Model T." But where are the model T's now? They have been replaced by better cars, which in turn

IMMORTALITY OF THE SOUL

Are there not times in every man's life when there flashes on him a feeling—nay more, an absolute conviction—that this soul is but a spark belonging to some upper fire; and that so much as we draw near by effort, by resolve, by intensity of endeavor, to that upper fire by so much we draw nearer to our home, and mate ourselves with the angels? Is there not a ringing desire in many minds to seize hold of what floats above us in the universe of thought, and drag down what shreds we can, to scatter to the world. We can see around us on every side cramped, hindered, still born lives—merchants who should have been painters, clerks who should have been poets, laborers who should

will be replaced by still better cars.

Let someone invent anything which will do any job twice as well as existing machines and cost half as much and every machine of the old type becomes obsolete.

have been philosophers. Their latent is known to a few friends; they die, and their talent is buried in their coffin. Jesus says no? It has at last been sown for the harvest, it will come into the open and blossom in another land. And when the fitter designs to touch the cold pulseless heart of the acorn, to make it thrust forth from its prison walls, will he leave neglected on the earth the soul of man made in the image of his creator. If he stoops to give the rose bud whose blossoms float upon the autumn breeze, the sweet assurance of another spring-time, will he refuse the words of hope to the sons of men when the frost of winter comes? No. We are sure that notwithstanding his apparent prodigality, that he has created nothing without a purpose, but that provision is made for man's universal longing for immortality will be realized. We are sure that we shall live again, just as sure as we are living today. We know that our redeemer liveth, and that after death,

we shall pass from death unto life. Though after our skin worms destroy this body, we shall see God with our own eyes, viewing the inconceivable loveliness of Christ as the incarnation of perfect holiness.

Boone, N. C.

FARM QUESTION

When should cockerels be separated from pullets in the flock of baby chicks?

Answer: This depends upon the facilities available but as a general rule the birds should be separated as soon as the sex is determined. The new quarters, however, should be well heated and the cockerels fully feathered before they are moved. Cockerels make a much more rapid growth than pullets and as a result, if the birds are not separated, the hopper and floor space will be crowded and make the chicks more susceptible to disease and cannibalism.



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