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SUGGESTED IN BILL IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Legislature Now Waiting On Budget Figures—Much Attention Directed To Taxation — "Gov." Doughton and Senator R. Grady Rankin Head Two Finance Committees.

The two finance committees of the General Assembly, headed by Senator R. Grady Rankin and Representative Rufus A. Doughton, will assemble this morning at 10 o'clock for organization purposes and for the first time since the passage of the Executive Budget Act in 1928 the committees will be ready for action before reference to them of the Budget Revenue Bill, which, together with the Budget Appropriation Bill, are component parts of the Biennial Budget.

The Governor's budget message, with its accompanying documents, was presented to the General Assembly of 1927 by Gov. A. W. McLean on Friday following the convening of the General Assembly on Wednesday. This time the budget got off to a slow start, with public hearings not held until late in November, and the budget documents were not presented to Gov. J. C. B. Ehringhaus before his inauguration, and, in fact, have not yet been presented to him. However Governor Ehringhaus will receive the documents tomorrow, and is now expected to prepare his accompanying message in time for presentation to the General Assembly on Monday night. Under the Budget Act the Governor has authority to modify the budget in any particular, and, when so modified, the amended form becomes the budget proper with the original having the status of a minority report.

The meeting today will be largely a "get together affair" with the big question of raising sufficient revenue to balance the budget deferred until opportunity has been had to examine the administration bill, which will include sufficient increases in present taxes to offset the \$3,840,000 now secured from the 15 cent ad valorem tax for schools, which it has generally been agreed shall be abandoned.

Individual proposals have already begun to pour in, with the bill of Senator Haydan Clement providing for a tax of one-half of one percent on all manufacturing, plus the same tax upon banks and various forms of distributors, including gasoline, theatres, etc., regarded as the most important.

The two bills which produced the deadlock of last session, a general sales tax upon retail merchants and a selected commodity tax upon cigarettes, soft drinks, theatre admissions and other so-called luxuries, have not appeared yet but are expected shortly.

The two committees, which are expected to meet jointly throughout the session without a recurrence of the split which occurred last session between the House and Senate will be headed by two men, whose experience in such matters offers a sharp contrast.

Senator Rankin has served in only one session, the last one, but that lasted more than twice the usual length. The two committees not only split among themselves, but their work was altered greatly on the floor of each of the two houses and in conference committees.

On the other hand, "Governor" Doughton held the same job he has now continuously with one exception from 1907 to 1923 and in all that period it was most unusual for the committee to have any serious internal differences or for the committee's bill to be altered after it reached the floor.

It is too early to say whether or not Senator Clement's bill will provide a line of cleavage this session, but if Governor Doughton sters the 1933 revenue bill through with the smoothness characteristic of former revenue measures he has guided, it will be considered a most remarkable performance.

The bill, coming as it did from a representative of the Piedmont section, which supplies the bulk of the manufactured products of the State, occasioned much more interest than would have been the case had it borne other authorship.

Senator Clement said yesterday that he was determined to reach a taxing principle other than that of consumption, which he bitterly fought in the two sales taxes offered last session and that he had first thought of the measure in connection with the difficulties encountered in 1931 in taxing the Aluminum Company of America, a large generator of waterpower, which is not a public utility. He also became interested in the Mississippi law, passed later, which taxes both production and retail sales.

The Clement bill, as introduced, carried a uniform rate of tax, but Senator Clement said that he was

Crop Production Loans For 1933

In reference to the 1933 Crop Loans Mr. Harry P. Stevens, a Government Field Inspector, has made the following statement to the people of Franklin County:

The Congress has not authorized the making of Loans for the year 1933.

However the Crop Production Loan Office has issued orders to "Clear the Deck", to get a report on every loan made heretofore in Franklin County, that has not been paid in full, in cash.

Every man who owes a balance on Crop Production Loans and has not given a Field Inspector a report on his crops for 1932, may rest assured that should he make an application for a Loan in 1933, that he will stand a very slim chance of getting said Loan approved.

The Office in the First National Bank building at Louisburg, N. C., urges every man who has not paid in full or made the crop report referred to above to come in at once and make that report. Let us help you save your credit.

It is Your Good Name and Credit that we want to help you save.

Will you do this or will you cut your-self off so that you cannot get a loan in 1933.

We are advised that applications will be disappointed unless these reports go into Washington.

What are you going to do about this?

Tobacco Market Re-opens

The Louisburg tobacco market opened Monday for the completion of the 1932-33 season. Sales, have been light, but prices reported by warehousemen have been pretty good as compared with those paid before the holidays.

All tobacco growers are invited to sell at Louisburg where everything possible will be done for their interests.

Remodeling Store

The Quality Store is remodeling its store and re-arranging its departments as a part of its program for enlarging its business for the New Year. When completed the store will present a much more pleasing appearance on the inside and be a great deal more convenient to the customers and clerks. Mr. C. G. Oakley, Manager, states they are now preparing for a much larger and more complete spring line of men's and ladies' furnishings.

Fire Destroys Residence

The residence in Blacktown, a negro settlement just east of the Seaboard railroad, occupied by Matilda Murray, and owned by Mr. F. H. Allen, was completely destroyed by fire on Wednesday morning. The origin of the fire, which occurred about 11:15, is unknown as the occupants were not at home when it occurred. The loss was complete including a lot of household effects, only a few articles being saved. The loss is estimated at around \$500 with no insurance.

Chamber Of Commerce To Meet

A meeting of the Louisburg Chamber of Commerce will be held in the Court house in Louisburg on Friday night, January 19th, 1933 at 8 o'clock. All members especially chairmen of committees are urged to attend. All other citizens in Louisburg or Franklin County interested in the work of the Chamber are invited, and will be welcomed to join in the meeting.

MRS. J. W. MANN, Sec'y.

AUXILIARY TO MEET

The American Legion Auxiliary will meet on Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, January 17th, at the home of Mrs. A. B. Perry, Mrs. A. B. Perry, Mrs. E. C. Perry and Mrs. B. N. Williamson, hostesses.

MRS. C. R. SYKES, Sec'y.

net wedded to that idea, but would make a strong fight for the principle of his bill as preferable to taxing sales.

Revenue Commissioner A. J. Maxwell yesterday declined to estimate the yield from the Clement bill, but he always has estimated such yield at far below the figures fixed by the authors and the Clement bill is not expected to be an exception. The author yesterday placed the yield at a figure in excess of \$10,000,000.

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Asks Privilege To Reduce Salaries

The following petition asking that a law be passed giving the Board of County Commissioners the privilege to reduce the salaries of any of all officers in Franklin County, signed by each of the Commissioners, has been addressed to Hons. E. F. Griffin, Senator from this district, and W. L. Lumpkin, Representative from Franklin:

"We, the undersigned members of the Board of County Commissioners of Franklin County, N. C., do hereby request and petition Hons. E. F. Griffin and W. L. Lumpkin, Senator and Representative, respectively, that they draft, prepare and use their influence in having laws passed as follows:

"Providing that the Board of County Commissioners of Franklin County in the exercise of their discretion may reduce the salary of any or all of the officers of said County, fixed by the terms of the Statute to the extent not exceeding 30 per cent of such salary or salaries."

Justice Becomes Chief Of Police

Former Sheriff F. W. Justice who was elected Chief of Police of Louisburg on Tuesday night, January 3rd, takes over the duties of the office and becomes Chief tomorrow. This election was made to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Chief B. H. Meadows. The position has been filled the past few months by Mr. C. E. Pace, formerly night policeman, and Superintendent of the Fire Department. Mr. Pace will retain his former position. During his services as Chief of Police he has made an exceptionally satisfactory officer.

Big Hogs

The killing of the following big hogs in White Level Community recently have been reported to the Times:

S. B. Murphy, two weighing, 250, 245.
T. W. Wood, two weighing, 325, 286.
G. V. Parrish, two weighing 245, 210.
J. H. Griffin, two weighing, 134, 144.
J. G. Murphy, seven weighing, 213, 232, 238, 230, 126, 265, 258.
J. C. Collins, two weighing, 318, 300.
E. C. Collins, two weighing, 220, 213.
R. H. Pernell, two weighing, 350, 375.
L. G. Wood, one weighing, 295.
E. D. Wood, two weighing, 275, 306.

This makes a total of 6,062 pounds for this report, showing the people in this section can eat a while longer.

Avery County Irish potato growers have closed a contract to sell 3,250 bushels of No. 1 potatoes to a federal institution across the Tennessee line.

A group of Wilson County farmers bought ten pure bred Guernsey from herd owners in Randolph County in middle December.

Low prices for hogs in Tyrrell County is causing many growers to kill and cure pork at home with the idea of selling cured hams and bacon next summer and winter.

County Federation To Meet

The Franklin County Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs will hold its winter meeting at Mills High School in Louisburg on Saturday, January 21st, at 11:00 a. m.

At this meeting the women will be addressed by Mrs. Singleton, a landscape architect of Henderson, on the topic, "Yard Improvement". Mrs. L. H. Allison, of Franklinton will be present and talk to the women about plans for gardens. The County Recreation Chairman, Mrs. B. M. C. Mullen will have charge of the recreation program in the afternoon, at which time the Edward Best 4-H Club will present a short play, "The Sport Shoppe". Also, on this occasion the Federation will discuss the plans for a Yard Improvement Contest.

The Clubs of Mapleville, Justice, Seven ams and Epsom will be hostess for this meeting.

An Explanation Of Cut Off Order

Town Clerk T. K. Stockard requests the Times to state that, in view that a misunderstanding has arisen as to the meaning of one paragraph in the report of the minutes of the Town Commissioners, that the order to cut off all service to those not having paid by the 30th of the month, applied to a few old accounts the Board was endeavoring to clear up, and was intended to have no bearing on the former practice of cutting off all service from light and water users who have not paid by or before the 16th of the month.

Recorder's Court

Franklin Recorder's Court held a short session on Monday and disposed of the following cases:

F. E. Stallings, bad check, continued under former order.

Lonie Bell Fowler was found guilty of abandonment, and given 60 days in jail. Commissioners to hire out.

Tollie Dickerson, cruelty to animals, continued.

Willie Lyon, was found guilty of larceny and receiving and given 90 days on roads.

Mary Jeans and Mozelle Jeans, were arraigned under a charge of assault with deadly weapon. Mary was found guilty of simple assault and judgment was suspended upon payment of costs. Mozelle was found guilty of assault with deadly weapon, and was ordered to be committed to the institution of Samaritan Manor under the rules and regulations of said institution. Execution of this sentence to issue at any time within two years upon order of this Court.

Tony Yarbrough was found guilty of assault with deadly weapon and given 4 months on roads.

Roger Cannon, jumping board bill, on appeal, transferred to Superior Court.

Boise—Did you see that pedestrian who was struck by the auto dare the driver to try it again? No yes—No; did the autoist take up the challenge?

Boise—No. He said it nearly broke his heart to pass up the chance, but that he had to meet a train.

Detectives have a clue to robbers by hat pins left by them, and most of us thought hat pins went out of style years ago.

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CALVIN COOLIDGE

Dr. R. P. Floyd Dies

Dr. R. P. Floyd died at his home near Newhope, about twelve miles south of Louisburg Monday. He had been in bad health for many years, his death following a serious illness of only a short while. He was 73 years of age and leaves four children, Miss Ollie Floyd, Mrs. J. C. Floyd and C. V. Floyd, who lived with or near him and Mrs. "Pink" Williams, of Zebulon.

Dr. Floyd came to Franklin County from Granville County and for many years was one of the County's most active and popular practicing physicians, and citizens. He always found time from his private vacations to give of his time and ability to matters of public interest. He represented Franklin County in the House of Representatives in 1909 and 1911. He also served the County as Coroner for a number of years. In all of his public and private career he exhibited the rugged honesty of character and sincerity of purpose that made of him a friend to his fellowman and whose friendship was greatly appreciated. He was mindful of the confidence of his fellows and always guarded it as a sacred possession.

The funeral was held from the home on Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, conducted by Rev. A. L. Thompson assisted by Rev. A. J. Parker and was largely attended. The interment was made beside the grave of his wife who had preceded him many years, in the family burying plot in the Chamblee cemetery. The pallbearers were J. E. Harris, E. W. Justice, J. J. Young, J. R. Pearce, W. R. Timberlake, W. N. Fuller.

The large number in attendance and the many pretty flowers spoke the tender feeling and high esteem in which the deceased was held. The bereaved family has the sympathy of the entire community and County.

Murray-Aycocke

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Aycocke announce the marriage of their daughter, Louise, to Mr. Spencer Murray, both of Louisburg, on December 27, 1932. Mr. and Mrs. Murray will make their home near Louisburg.

The modern girl with cherry lips and strawberry cheeks must be a regular sundae for her sheik.

CHURCH Announcements

LOUISBURG BAPTIST CHURCH

"The Art of Saying Good-bye" is the topic of the sermon to be delivered by Rev. D. P. Harris at the Louisburg Baptist Church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. His evening sermon topic for the 7:30 p. m. service will be "The Mind of the Mob". Sunday school will be at 9:45 a. m. and B. Y. P. U. at 8:30 p. m. Wednesday evening prayer service will be held at 7:30 o'clock. There will be had a study of "Missions in the Old Testament" using Dr. J. B. Lawrence's book.

LOUISBURG METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. O. P. Fitzgerald, pastor of the Louisburg Methodist Church, announces that regular services at that church for Sunday. He will deliver his sermons on the following topics: "Jesus' Spirit For Our Times" at the 11 a. m. service, and "Are We Also Willing?" at the evening service at 7:30 p. m. Sunday school will be at 9:45 a. m., Epworth League at 7 p. m., and Prayer Service Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Morning Prayer and Holy Communion will be observed by the congregation at St. Paul's Episcopal Church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Other services at this church Sunday will be Sunday School at 10 a. m. and Y. P. S. L. at 7 p. m.

Calvin Coolidge Dies Suddenly

At His Home At Northampton, Mass., Thursday Morning—Mrs. Coolidge Found Body in Bedroom.

Northampton, Mass., Jan. 5.—Calvin Coolidge, thirtieth President of the United States, died suddenly today. He was sixty years old last July 4th. Retiring from a shopping tour, Mrs. Coolidge found the body of her husband on the bed in a room at The Beeches, the estate to which he retired at the conclusion of his career at the National Capitol.

His death was wholly unexpected, although for the past three weeks Mr. Coolidge had complained of indigestion. Doctors said death was due to heart failure. He had believed himself in good health.

The former President, who, up to the time of his death, was the only surviving ex-President of the United States, had gone to his law office as usual this morning.

After a short time in the office, Mr. Coolidge became distressed and decided to return home. Harry Ross, his secretary, returned to the Beeches with him. Mrs. Coolidge meanwhile, had gone to the center of the city shopping.

Finds Body of Husband

Mr. Coolidge assured Ross that he would be all right after a short rest, and after aiding the former President to the bedroom Ross returned to the first floor of the house to await the return of Mrs. Coolidge.

When Mrs. Coolidge, 20 minutes later, returned and Ross told her of Mr. Coolidge's illness she went immediately to his bedroom. There she found her husband's body. A doctor was quickly summoned, but the former President was beyond aid.

The doctor said Mr. Coolidge had been dead about 15 minutes, so that he must have passed away within a few moments after Ross left the room.

The former President had been leading a quiet life since his return to Northampton after his successor in the Presidency, Herbert Hoover, was inaugurated on March 4, 1929. His day-to-day program varied little, and it had not changed greatly despite the slight indisposition of the last three weeks.

Ordinarily he spent a part of the day at his law office, with occasional writing up on the magazine articles which he had contributed from time to time to various publications.

His remains were laid to rest in the family plot in the cemetery at Plymouth, Vt., on Saturday. Large numbers attended the last rites.

Y. W. A. Meets

The Y. W. A. met Tuesday evening, Jan. 10, 1933, at seven o'clock with Misses Foye and Verbena Vaughn.

The meeting was opened with the song, "Faith of Our Fathers", sung by the members. Following the Lords Prayer was repeated. The business included the Roll Call by Maria Perry, report of personal service and the election of new officers which are: president, Mamie Lancaster; vice-president, Josephine House; secretary and treasurer, Verbena Vaughn; program committee, Edna Earl Perry; personal service chairman, Helen Person; reporter, Christine Liles.

After the program, the meeting was closed with a hymn and prayer. Delicious refreshments were served to those present who were: Misses Elsie Hudson, Helen Person, Jim Person, Christine Liles, Edna Earl Perry, Mamie Lancaster, Maria Perry, Foye and Verbena Vaughn.

P. T. A. Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Parent Teacher Association of Mills High School will be held on Thursday afternoon, January 19th, at 3:30 o'clock in the school auditorium. The chairman states that she is making arrangements for an interesting speaker to address the Association on some vital educational topic.

At The Louisburg Theatre Next Week

The following is the program at the Louisburg Theatre, beginning Monday, January 16th:
Monday and Tuesday—Will Rogers in "Too Busy To Work."
Wednesday—Joan Bennett and Spencer Tracy in "We And My Gal."
Thursday and Friday—Clara Bow in "Call Her Savage."
Saturday—George O'Brien in "The Golden West."