

**DOUGHTON TO END CAREER
AS CONGRESSMAN DEC. 31**

**Sense of Loss Sweeps Cap-
tison When Veteran Tells
Of Plan To Retire**

Washington, Jan. 16.—Representative Robert L. Doughton announced today he would retire from Congress at the close of his present term next December 31.

With dramatic suddenness, the chairman of the powerful Ways and Means Committee revealed his plans to end his long and exceptionally distinguished career as Representative of the Ninth North Carolina District.

Visibly moved, he told a small group of friends that he wished to be relieved of the arduous duties attendant upon his important position and give some attention to his long-neglected private affairs.

Loss to Roosevelt
A sense of profound and irreparable loss pervaded the North Carolina delegation as Mr. Doughton's decision became known.

This feeling prevailed also at the other end of Pennsylvania Avenue when President Roosevelt was told of the announcement.

The President declared that he would be most sorry to see Mr. Doughton carry out his decision to retire. He said that he would hate very much to lose him, and added that as member of the House, Mr. Doughton has been of great value to the nation.

Two years ago, the President wrote Mr. Doughton a letter urging him to remain in Congress and continue his service as chairman of the Ways and Means Committee.

Vital Note
As chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, Mr. Doughton has played the major role in the passage of history-making legislation.

Capitol Hill observers agreed today that perhaps no other member of the House has had a hand in so many vitally important acts of Congress.

His record over 30 crowded years in the House assures him of a permanent niche in the hall of Congressional great. Especially is this true of the past eight years, during which he has piloted through committee and through the House such vital pieces of legislation as the Social Security Act, the repeal of the 18th Amendment, the passage of the National Industrial Recovery Act, and the Reciprocal Trade Agreement Act, revenue measures, and other important acts.

Great Achievement
Outstanding in Mr. Doughton's record—a tribute equalled probably by no other member of the House in the 150 years of its existence—is the fact that in all this legislative trail-blazing, only one amendment has ever been added in the House to a bill sponsored by Mr. Doughton.

This would be exceptional in any case, but it becomes even more emphatic when viewed in light of the pioneering that some of these bills represented.

"Thirty years ago, the people of our Congressional district elected me to represent them in the Congress of the United States," Mr. Doughton said.

"At every biennial election since that time they have seen fit to reelect me to this same responsible office. For their continued loyal support I am profoundly grateful and for the many tokens of their trust and confidence I express my deep and sincere thanks."

"I now feel that the time has arrived when I should acquit them with my future political intentions. Some months ago, I decided that I would not seek reelection. This decision has been made known, confidentially, to a few of my friends who understand my motives and position."

"Taking this step is particularly painful to me because of the veritable deluge of requests I have received recently urging me to seek reelection. Never before in my public life have I received so many warm assurances of support and loyalty. Because of these generous personal messages, I have every reason to believe that were I to seek another term I would be reelected without doubt or difficulty."

"This announcement has been delayed beyond the time when normally it would have been made because I have felt that the voters should have at least one year of freedom from political discussion regarding my successor."

"Whether my official activities during these 30 years have earned

for me a needed rest, others must judge. I do feel, however, that I should now take life easier than the arduous duties of my present position will allow. Moreover, my long-neglected private business badly needs attention.

"For these and other less important reasons, it is my intention to close my Congressional career at the end of my present term of office, December 31, 1940.

"I shall continue to take deep and, I hope, active interest in public affairs."

Mrs. W. R. Sheffield

Mrs. Eva Perry Sheffield, 51, died Friday morning at her home on North Main Street after an illness of several weeks.

She is survived by her husband, W. R. Sheffield; a daughter by a previous marriage, Mrs. Hilma Glickman; a grandchild, Rebecca Glickman; of Louisville; three sisters, Mrs. J. H. Southall, of Raleigh, Mrs. L. E. Smith of Petersburg, Va.; and Mrs. W. G. Pruitt, of Henderson; four brothers, R. G. Poythress, of Louisville, J. W. Poythress, of R. F. D. 1, Louisville, G. W. Poythress, of R. F. D. Knightdale, and E. F. Poythress, of Henderson.

Funeral services were held at the home Saturday at 2:30 p. m., conducted by the Rev. J. G. Phillips and Dr. A. Paul Bagby. Burial was made in the Maple Springs cemetery, and was largely attended.

Palbearers were her nephews and were Kemp Southall, Edward Southall, O. J. Mitchell, Lee Smith, Edward Poythress, John Harper, Honorary—P. W. Elam, C. E. Pace, Dr. W. C. Perry, Roy Holmes, R. O. Mullen, W. N. Fuller, Sr., George Selby.

The floral tribute was especially pretty.

A. W. Wilder Dead

Mr. A. W. Wilder, one of Louisville's older citizens died at his home on East Nash street Monday night. He was 82 years of age.

Funeral services were held at Oakwood Cemetery on Wednesday morning, conducted by Revs. J. G. Phillips and E. H. Davis, and interment was made in the nearby grave.

The palbearers were Walter Wesson, Henry Wiggins, G. C. Harris, M. C. Wilder, A. B. Perry, H. C. Kemp.

Mrs. Annie B. H. Purdue

Mrs. Annie Bell Hight Purdue, 66, died at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Aubrey Bailey, in Louisville at 10 o'clock Thursday night after an illness of several years.

Surviving are eight children, Perry, Thurman, Walter and Norris Purdue and Mrs. Woodrow Hayes, all of Louisville, Route 2, Clinton Perdue of Route 2, and Mrs. Aubrey Bailey and Miss Edith Purdue of Louisville.

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon at Trinity Methodist Church, conducted by Rev. J. A. Martin and Rev. J. G. Phillips and interment was made in the Church Cemetery nearby.

Quite a large number of relatives, neighbors and friends attended the last rites and the floral tribute was especially pretty.

The palbearers were T. W. Purdue, Morris Merritt, C. H. Murphy, G. H. Murphy, Fred Hight and Russell Hight.

PROGRAM AT THE LOUISBURG THEATRE

The following is the program at the Louisville Theatre beginning Saturday, Jan. 20th:

Saturday—Double Feature—Roy Rogers and Gabby Hayes in "Saga of Death Valley" and Boris Karloff and Margaret Lindsay in "British Intelligence." Also Chap. 14 "Dick Tracy's G-Men."

**Bus Companies
Agree On Route**

Carolina Coach and Greyhound Join Hands On Route Fought by Railroad

Deputy Utilities Commissioner R. O. Self yesterday took under advisement the application of the Carolina Coach Company and the Greyhound Corporation for a bus franchise from Raleigh to the Virginia line, via Louisville, Warrenton, Littleton, Mufreesboro and Conway. The application is opposed by the Seaboard Air Line Railway.

Mr. Self conducted the hearing in the absence of Commissioner Stanley Winborne, who is ill. The two companies had made identical applications for the route, but yesterday composed their differences prior to the hearing. Under the arrangement entered into, if the application is granted, the Carolina Coach will be allowed to use the full route and the Greyhound will get a connection from Norfolk to Warrenton only. In return, the Carolina Coach will cede its present franchise to the Virginia line via Creedmoor and Oxford. The arrangement, if carried out, will give the Carolina Coach two routes from Raleigh to Norfolk and one from Raleigh to Richmond and will give the Greyhound two routes from Raleigh to Richmond and one to Norfolk.

Willis Smith, of Raleigh, regular attorney for Carolina Coach was yesterday aided by State Senator W. L. Lumpkin, of Louisville, State Senator Frank H. Gibbs, of Warrenton, Winfield Crew, Jr., of Roanoke Rapids and D. C. Barnes, of Mufreesboro. I. M. Bailey, Raleigh attorney and former Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus appeared for the Greyhound and the Seaboard was represented by Murray Allen, of Raleigh, and William H. Delaney, of Norfolk.—News-Observer.

Miss Bessie Hale Dead

Funeral services were conducted at the Baptist Church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock for Miss Bessie Hale, who died at the home of her mother on Kenmore Avenue Thursday. She was 59 years of age and is survived by her mother, Mrs. Ida Hale, of Louisville; a sister, Mrs. H. H. Hilton, of Raleigh; two brothers, Mr. E. M. Hale, of Raleigh, and Mr. J. W. Hale, of Savannah, Ga.

She was a daughter of the late Emmitt Hale, formerly Chief of Police of Louisville, and had held important positions in mercantile establishments in Louisville until stricken with ill health about four years ago. She had many friends throughout the county who will learn of her death with much sorrow.

The services were conducted by Rev. A. Paul Bagby and interment was made in Oakwood cemetery. A large number attended the last rites and the floral tribute was especially pretty.

The palbearers were as follows: Active—W. J. Cooper, W. N. Fuller, Sr., —, Manning, L. V. Woodlief, E. H. McFarland, James Collier, Honorary—Dr. H. G. Perry, G. M. Beam, S. H. Ayerlit, H. C. Taylor, Sr., K. L. Liles.

The bereaved family has the sympathy of the entire community.

Y. W. A. ANNOUNCEMENT

The Y. W. A. of the Louisville Baptist Church will meet Monday evening at 7:30 with Miss Elsie Hudson. As this is the first meeting of the New Year all members are urged to be present, and bring a new member with you. Visitors always welcome.

Mrs. S. T. Cottrell, Program Ch'mn.

INCOME TAX RETURNS

Collector C. H. Robertson, of the U. S. Internal Revenue, announces that his department is giving from February 15th to March 15th to assist taxpayers in filing their income tax returns.

That his representative will be in Louisville on February 21st, 1940 at the Register of Deeds office in the Court House to assist Franklin County tax payers. If you have any trouble with filing and filing your returns meet this representative on this day.

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**European
Summary**

Helsinki.—Death-dealing cold hits Red army invaders, grounds bombers; Finns reported driving toward new victory in Arctic.

Rome.—Fascist party secretary tells Italians they "may face necessity" of fighting at any moment; fails to name possible enemy.

London.—Britain says blockade has reduced Germans to near-starvation of 1916; Allied, neutral shipping losses continue.

Washington.—Garner reported joining opposition to further Finnish loan on grounds of possible conflict with neutrality.

**Britain Stops Importing
American
Bright Tobacco**

London, Jan. 17.—British tobacco manufacturers, responding to government decree, tonight were stated reliably to have stopped the importation of American bright leaf tobacco.

They were reported to have enough in stock for a normal two-and-a-half years' demand, and likely to use Turkish or Balkan tobaccos to blend with these stocks.

The embargo will be for an indefinite duration.

Most of the tobacco imported by Britain is of the flue-cured variety. She took 1614,061,255 (about \$70,300,000) worth of American-grown tobacco in 1937.

Arthur Donn, director of a number of tobacco companies, explained:

"The government has very wisely decreed that in order to conserve the country's supply of American dollars, we should cease to import American tobacco and has hinted that this embargo may remain for an indefinite period."

Another consideration was set forth today by the Labor member of Parliament, Hugh Dalton, who demanded that British "tobacco magnates" be required to buy European and Near Eastern tobaccos to help "our gallant friends the Turks," the Greeks and the Bulgarians. A similar view was expounded by Robert Boothby, Conservative.

The British have been arranging a number of trade agreements with European and Near Eastern neutrals which involve taking quantities of tobacco which formerly found a market in Germany.

The Board of Trade (government department) and prominent manufacturers have been negotiating over the possibility of blending Balkan and Turkish tobaccos with the bright American type.

Donn explained that the new blend probably would contain about 10 to 15 per cent Balkan and Turkish tobacco which would "be hardly perceptible" to the average smoker.

He said that during the World War, when Turkish tobaccos were not available in Britain, the public taste swung to American tobacco, but might swing back to Turkish in the present war.

C. R. Sandling

C. R. Sandling, 72, died suddenly at his home, near Franklinton, early Monday morning. He was the youngest child of the late C. H. Sandling and Mrs. Rebecca Jeffreys Sandling and was one of Franklin County's most prominent farmers. He leaves two sisters, Misses Laura and Dora Sandling; and a brother, J. W. Sandling who resides near Franklinton.

Mr. Sandling was one of Franklin County's most prominent and substantial citizens. He served several terms as member of the Board of Education and was always deeply interested in the welfare of the children of the county. He had been of great benefit to the people of his community and was greatly esteemed by his neighbors for his leadership and generosity.

The funeral services were held Tuesday at 2 o'clock from the home conducted by Rev. J. T. Bidle, and interment was made in the family cemetery nearby.

Large numbers of friends attended the funeral and the floral tribute was especially large and pretty.

Our idea of a depression is when you've got to do without something that your father and mother never had.

**Gravelly Enters
Governor Race**

**Former Senator from Rocky
Mount Is Fourth to An-
nounce Formally, And Is
Sales Tax Foe**

Raleigh.—Former State Senator L. Lee Gravelly, of Rocky Mount, yesterday became the fourth candidate to enter the 1940 gubernatorial race.

Gravelly issued a statement setting forth a 12-point program on which he will seek the nomination in the Democratic primary on May 25. A pledge for "probable" reduction of the present three per cent sales tax to two per cent features the program.

The former Senator rests his candidacy in general upon his record in the sessions of 1929, 1931, 1935 and 1937 and upon the pledge to provide "an efficient business administration in which one hundred cents worth of value shall be received for every dollar spent." He also opposes increase in taxes and any diversion of highway revenue.

His legislative record included opposition to the sales tax and he devotes the longest point in his platform to that question, declaring:

"I believe that the more rigid collection of taxes, a limitation of the power of one man to compromise taxes and the natural economies resulting from a business-like administration will result in increased net revenue, which probably will enable us to reduce the sales tax at the present time to two per cent, which would be the first step in the direction of its ultimate repeal."

Other points in the program deal with schools—highways, health, the insane, State advertising, labor, agriculture and social security.

Sales Tax Issue
The sales tax plank is regarded as raising a direct issue between Gravelly and one of his opponents, Revenue Commissioner A. J. Maxwell, who has been responsible for the collection of the sales tax since its enactment in 1933. The other two candidates already in the race are Lieutenant Governor Wilkins P. Horton and J. M. Broughton, Raleigh attorney. All three have now posted their \$105 filing fee with the State Board of Elections, Mr. Broughton having paid his yesterday.

**TO RECEIVE SPECIAL
GOVERNMENT
TRAINING**

Dr. J. E. Fulghum left Wednesday for the U. S. Naval Air Station at Pensacola, Fla., for training duty as a flight surgeon. Dr. Fulghum will be gone exactly sixty days for this special training; and upon his return to Louisville on or about March 15, will resume his regular practice. His office will be kept open during his absence.

**MRS. PEARCE'S HOME
CATCHES FIRE**

About 2:15 A. M. Thursday fire broke out in the girls' bedroom at Mrs. D. G. Pearce's home, about 1½ miles from town. The window frame and curtain were in a light blaze when one of the girls awoke. Naturally, the whole household was aroused with screams.

However, due to the quick wit of Mrs. Pearce's son-in-law, Mr. Fred Hale, and other older members of the household, the blazing window frame was torn from the house and water thrown on the burning area.

Evidently, the fire originated from a spark falling from the upstairs fireplace, down into the wall just beneath the room, for the weather-boarding was scorched and in some places charred.

The family wishes to thank Mr. E. R. Richardson and family, and the Louisville Fire Department for its assistance in coming quickly to the scene with its chemical equipment and a goodly number of the Department, who rendered much help in completely extinguishing the last spark. Damage to the property had not been estimated when this report was made; nor had the condition of the sick been learned, for there were five children in bed with influenza at the time.

A summary of 37 progress reports of unit demonstration farms in Graham County shows that much progress has been made on these farms in the past four years.

Recorder's Court

Franklin Recorder's Court furnished interest for quite a large number of spectators as well as clients on Tuesday. The docket was taken up and disposed of as follows:

W. O. Roberts, trespass, no pros with leave.

Napoleon Hicks, carrying concealed weapons and receiving stolen goods, found guilty and given 6 months on roads.

James Fogg was found not guilty of failure to stop at wreck, and reckless driving.

Buck Perry was found guilty of unlawful possession of whiskey, and given 60 days on roads, execution not to issue upon payment of \$25 fine and costs and not to violate any laws for 12 months.

Appeal. Malcolm Pearce was found not guilty of assault with deadly weapon.

Jessey J. Jackson was found not guilty of trespass, cutting timber trees.

Sollie Glasco was found not guilty of assault with deadly weapon and f and a.

Percy Glasco was found guilty of abandonment and non support, and was given 6 months on roads, execution not to issue upon payment of costs and \$5 each two weeks to support of wife and child.

Hallie Griffin, removing crops, jury trial requested and continued.

W. Z. Whitaker was found not guilty of assault with deadly weapon.

The following cases were continued: John Satterwhite, larceny and receiving.

Bennie Franklin, larceny and receiving.

Nuel Wright, larceny and receiving.

E. B. Franklin, larceny and receiving.

**LANG ANNOUNCES NEW
APPOINTMENT IN NYA**

Administrator John A. Lan announced the appointment of Warren T. Davis, Jr., of Nashville, N. C., State Supervisor of Resident Training Centers, to be Assistant State Administrator on the State Office staff of the National Youth Administration. Mr. Davis succeeds Mr. Carl G. Thompson, Jr., who resigned December 31 to accept other employment. Mr. Davis will have general supervision of personnel, procedures and public relations and will represent the Administrator in NYA field activities. He took over his new duties on Tuesday, January 16, 1940.

The new Assistant Administrator was born in Hot Springs, N. C. in 1912. He was educated in the public schools and was graduated from the University of North Carolina with an A. B. degree. He taught in the Nashville public schools during 1933 and 1934. From then until 1936, he was with the N. C. Emergency Relief Administration, Transient Division, as disbursing officer. He was then with the National Bank of Lumberton, Lumberton, N. C., from 1936 to 1937. Until 1938 he was with the Detroit Wax Paper Co., at River Rouge, Michigan, when he came with the NYA as supervisor of the Raleigh NYA Resident Training Center. He has been supervisor of Resident Training Centers with the NYA since August, 1938. Mr. Davis is married and is the father of two children.

Mrs. Lucy T. Allen White, is local Supervisor for Louisville and Franklin County.

**ANNOUNCES APPROACHING
MARRIAGES**

Dr. and Mrs. Harry H. Johnson announce the engagements of their daughters, Hazel Hayward to John Allen Tucker, of Louisville, and Grace Alden to David McKinne Pearce, of Louisville. The marriages will take place in the early Spring at a double ceremony.

THANKS
We wish to publicly express our greatest appreciations to our many friends and neighbors for their many kindnesses and expressions of sympathy during the recent illness and death of our wife and mother. They will be long and tenderly remembered.

W. R. Sheffield,
Mr. and Mrs. H. Glickman.

Soldiers of the Netherlands are said to be patrolling the flooded defense areas in hip boots. Wait until the U-boats start nibbling their toes.

**EUROPEAN
WAR NEWS**

Helsinki, Jan. 17. — Pitiless, death-dealing cold laid a glacial hand on Russia's war machine tonight, but the Finns reported that their troops were driving toward a new victory near Salla above the Arctic Circle.

Phenomenal 54-degree below zero temperatures (Fahrenheit) restrained the Russian air force, which has been raining death and destruction on Finnish towns, and apparently immobilized Russian ground forces which have been attacking on the Karelian Isthmus.

Temperatures were so low that touching a piece of metal with a bare hand raised immediate blisters. Movement of tanks and armored cars was hazardous even if no shots were fired.

Front line trips by correspondents were called off by the Finns because of the danger of freezing to death.

Clad in their warmest Arctic clothing and calling upon their unusual resistance to low temperatures, the Finns were reported driving Soviet troops back in the Sella region.

The army communique said only that "our troops are fighting successfully in the direction of Salla" near the eastern border of Finland, but other Finnish sources said developments in the Sella region raised hopes of further successes.

Cut Supply Lines
Two days ago reports from Salla said the Finns had cut Russian supply lines, leaving the Soviet troops without sufficient food to carry through their winter campaign.

The Red Army was reported to have dug itself in behind heavy fortifications, while bombing planes attempted to drop provisions from the air.

The Finnish communique said the Finns routed an enemy company northeast of Lake Ladoga yesterday killing 70 Russians and capturing two tanks.

Finland dispatches reported certain foreign governments had asked for price quotations on captured Russian tanks. Foreign general staffs were said to be dissecting the Soviet products to see what new developments they might contain.

Military observers estimated that the Finns have captured or destroyed 500 Russian tanks since the war started.

Finland airplanes carried out bombing raids enemy columns and concentration sites yesterday and shot down one Russian plane, the communique reported.

In Helsinki, a Swedish police chief reported maps showing detailed routes from a Russian airfield southwest of Leningrad to points in Sweden and Norway had been found on captured Soviet airplanes.

Police Chief Ernst Fontell of Goteberg, Sweden, who has been studying Finnish air raid precautions, said the maps had been found on airmen forced down at Turku.

"This looks like evidence they expect to do some bombing in Norway and Sweden," Fontell said.

**MRS. HALL HOSTESS TO
LOUISBURG CLUB**

Mrs. Clifford Hall entertained the Edwin Fuller Club at the first social meeting of the new year Tuesday.

Non-member guests present were Mrs. J. H. Gonell and Mrs. E. B. Earnshaw, of Wake Forest and Mrs. A. M. Hall and daughter of Louisville.

Mrs. H. H. Johnson read a paper on "Indoor Gardens." Mrs. Earnshaw gave a group of poems about the months of the year and Mrs. W. B. Barrow gave a paper on "Walking as a Hobby."

The music for the program was furnished by a half century old rosewood music box using large metal disc records.

A recent order by G. L. Pate of Rowland for 12,000 black locust seedlings is indicative of the mounting interest among Robeson County growers in reforestation.

Assistant Farm Agent O. P. Owens.

Although he applied calcium metaphosphate on his clover in the late spring, C. D. Baldwin of the Lansing Community in Ashe County reports he could tell a marked difference when the clover was cut for hay.

"Research by a Massachusetts medical college indicates that worry causes rheumatism." We don't know about that, but we do know rheumatism causes worry.