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WAKE NATIVE INAUGURATED CAPITAL'S LARGEST CEREMONY

Melville Broughton Inducted As 31st Governor Elected By People; Record Throngs Attest Popularity Of State's New Chief Executive

Joseph Melville Broughton, native of Wake County, last Thursday became the 31st Governor of North Carolina elected by the people.

His inauguration brought the largest outpouring of people in the history of the State Capital. The inaugural parade far eclipsed any other. The Raleigh Auditorium, which will accommodate upward of 5,000, was packed to the last inch and thousands heard the proceedings over loudspeakers. The reception at the Mansion that night was attended by more people than ever turned out for a social event in the Capital City before, and the inaugural ball at the Auditorium afterward drew another throng.

The weather was perfect and everything came off as planned except the schedule itself. There were too many people for the clock-work precision that military men who plan inaugurations devote on, and by time the induction ceremonies were over the inaugural luncheon had been waiting an hour.

The schedule was lost again that night when lines extended all the way out to the Blount Street as thousands called at the Mansion to pay their respects to the new First Family.

Actually it took one couple 37 minutes to get into the Mansion and then the line wound upstairs and down before the receiving line was reached. Before he smiled the last greeting and had shaken the last hand there, the Governor was late again—this time for the inaugural ball.

But it was pleasant indeed. It was caused by the greatest mass demonstration of esteem and good-will that Raleigh has witnessed for any man. It launched a new administration with a demonstration so impressive as to be notable even as a Governor ended an administration that attained new heights for good-will.

Melville Broughton became Raleigh's and Wake County's first native son to become Governor at exactly 1:04 p. m., when he answered "I do" to the oath read by Chief Justice Walter P. Stacy, but it was not until 3:01 p. m., in the Executive office of the Capitol that he received the symbol of office, the keys and the Great Seal of North Carolina from the hands of Governor Hoyer. This ceremony, in contrast the induction at the Auditorium, was witnessed by only a small group, including families, newspapermen and a score of school children who just walked in.

The inauguration ceremonies began at 11:45 a. m. when the retiring and incoming Governors and families left the Mansion for their military escort for the auditorium. They retained their dual character until 3:05 p. m., when Governor Broughton, after a brief private conference with former Governor Hoyer, departed by the door from the private office of the Governor's suite and rushed off to the Mansion for the already long-delayed inaugural luncheon, and Governor Hoyer came out through the outer office, pausing to bid farewell to members of his staff before departure for the Sir Walter Hotel, where he joined his family for the trip home to Shelby, where he will resume the practice of law.

The Hoyer belongings had already been moved out of the Mansion, the Broughton belongings moved in, and the change was complete. The spotlight was all for the new First Family.

The new Governor took office at the age of 52, and in times strikingly indicated in the character of his inauguration. In the inaugural parade was massed more military might than had been seen in Raleigh since Sherman occupied it in 1865.—News-Observer.

PROGRAM AT THE LOUISBURG THEATRE

The following is the program at the Louisburg Theatre beginning Saturday, Jan. 18th:
 Saturday—Double Feature—William (Hopalong Cassidy) Boyd in "Doomed Caravan" also Sidney Toler as Charlie Can in "Murder Over New York" Also last chapter of "King of the Royal Mounted."
 Sunday-Monday—The Robert Taylor and Ruth Hussey in "Flight Command."
 Tuesday—The Marx Brothers in "Go West."
 Wednesday—Cosar Romero and Patricia Morrison in "Romance of the Rio Grande."
 Thursday-Friday—Nelson Eddy and Jeanette MacDonald in "Bitter Sweet."

Committees

Franklin County members of the 1941 General Assembly fared well in the committee appointments of the Senate and House. In the Senate Hon. W. L. Lumpkin, was made chairman of the important Appropriations bill. His assignments were as follows: Chairman Appropriations, Congressional Districts, Election Laws, Engrossed Bills, Federal Relations, Judiciary No. 2, Pensions and Soldiers Home, Rules, Salaries and Fees, Unemployment Compensation.

Representative Kearney has been given assignments on the following committees of the House: Appropriations, Banks and Banking, Corporations, Counties Cities and Towns, Engrossed Bills, Health, Blind, Oysters, Roads, Enrolled Bills, Public Buildings and Grounds.

O. W. ELAM DIES SUDDENLY

Statesville.—O. W. Elam, 63, popular furniture salesman, representing various manufacturers for the past twenty years over the Southern states, died suddenly Saturday night at Long's Hospital, following a heart attack.

Mr. Elam was an official in the Statesville Industrial Bank, a Mason, member of the Statesville Shrine Club, the Oak Temple of Charlotte and the First Presbyterian Church here.

Mr. Elam was born in this county, a son of Mrs. Mary Tomlinson Elam and the late Richard W. Elam, of the Cool Springs community. He had been a resident of Statesville for 35 years.

Surviving are his widow, a son, Paul W. Elam, of Louisburg; a daughter, Mrs. H. F. Yost, of Atlanta, Ga.; two stepchildren, Ervin White and Miss Sarah White, of Statesville; his mother, Mrs. Mary G. Elam; six brothers, W. C. and Karl W. Elam, of Cool Spring; E. W. Elam, of Rural Hill, Ralph Elam, of Birmingham, Ala., Glenn E. Elam, of Winston-Salem, and a sister, Mrs. Carl E. Watts, of Huntington, W. Va.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, conducted by Dr. C. E. Raynel, pastor of the Methodist Church. Interment was made in the family plot in Oakwood Cemetery.

Among those attending the funeral from here in addition to Mr. and Mrs. Elam, were W. B. Barrow, W. E. White, W. C. Webb, O. J. Hale, Hobart Robertson, T. M. Harris, Dick Yarborough, John Mills, Mrs. P. S. Allen, Mrs. J. M. Allen II.

His many friends in Franklin County extend deepest sympathy to Mr. Elam.

CHANGES IN OIL AGENCIES

Mr. Louis N. Wheelis has taken over the Texas Oil Co., agency for Franklin County, from Mr. Jimmy Allen, who handled this business for a number of years, and has established offices and sales room in the brick building on the corner of Main and Perry Streets. He will maintain a full delivery force as has been done for this product before and will be assisted by Mr. William Wilson who has been with the Home Oil Co. for a number of years.

Mr. Allen has taken over the Sinclair Oil Co., agency for the county and will continue his office and sales rooms at his former location.

MRS. MCKINNE ENTERTAINS

Mrs. Malcolm McKinne was hostess to the Current Literature Club on Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 14, at her home. The subject for the afternoon's program was "Illuminated Manuscripts" and three papers were given. The first was by Mrs. Walter Patten on "Materials and Methods of Illuminating Manuscripts"; the second, by Mrs. R. H. Welch on "Illuminated Manuscripts in Ireland in the Middle Ages"; and the third, by Mrs. M. S. Davis, on "Subjects of Miniatures in Illuminated Manuscripts."

After the program the hostess assisted by Mrs. T. K. Allen, served a delicious salad course and coffee to her guests in the dining room and at small tables in the living room.

Members present were: Mrs. Walter Patten, Mrs. M. S. Davis, Miss Mary Yarborough, Mrs. M. C. Pleasants, Mrs. I. D. Moon, Mrs. V. R. Kirby, Mrs. T. K. Allen, Mrs. L. F. Kenz, Mrs. T. C. Amick, Mrs. W. H. Pleasants, Mrs. C. M. Watkins, Mrs. R. H. Welch, Miss Louisa Jarman, Mrs. A. Paul Baggett, and the hostess.

BUY YOUR TOWN AUTO LICENSE TAG NOW!

Chief of Police C. E. Pace is warning all owners of automobiles and trucks that unless you buy and display your Town Auto License tags not later than Feb. 1, 1941, you will be prosecuted under the law governing the purchase and display of Automobile City License Tags.

Board of Health

Supt. W. R. Mills, Chairman T. W. Boone and Mayor W. C. Webb met on Monday, Jan. 6th, and elected Drs. S. P. Burt, of Louisburg, and W. G. Cheves, of Bunn, as two Medical Doctors, and Dr. D. T. Smithwick, as Dental Surgeon, to membership on the Board. Drs. Burt and Smithwick succeeded themselves and Dr. Cheves is a new member.

On Monday, January 13th, the completed Board of Health met in regular session and re-elected Dr. R. F. Yarborough, as County Health Officer.

After accepting the re-election Dr. Yarborough announced to the Board he would begin the examination of School children next week.

No other business of importance was brought before the Board so adjournment was taken.

Recorder's Court

Judge Hobgood was assisted in holding Tuesday's Franklin Recorder's Court by Deputy Recorder Kemp Yarborough. The docket was not so large, and the cases were disposed of as follows:

Strawberry Cobb plead guilty to assault with deadly weapon, and was given 30 days on roads, suspended upon saving the County harmless.

Charles Allgood, larceny, was remanded to Justice of Peace.

Ramond Woodlief, larceny and receiving, remanded to Justice of Peace.

James Lee Miller was found guilty of abandonment and non-support, judgment continued upon making certain payments.

Forrest Bowden was found guilty of larceny and receiving and given 12 months on roads.

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Lawrence Egerton plead guilty to larceny and receiving and was given 12 months on roads.

The following cases were continued:

Robert Harris, distilling.

Ennis Lancaster, operating automobile intoxicated.

Pearson McCrary, possession of materials.

F. B. Leonard, motor vehicle violation.

Booker T. Watkins, assault with deadly weapon.

LOUISBURG METHODIST CHURCH

"A Christ-Like Christianity" will be the subject of the 11:00 o'clock sermon Sunday morning at the Louisburg Methodist Church. This is an effort to reclaim for the Church of our day the original spirit and vision of the true Church of Christ. "Nathan - Prophet of Courage" will be the subject for the 7:30 sermon to be brought by the pastor, Mr. Hedden.

The Church School under the leadership of Prof. L. D. Moon, convenes at 9:45 A. M. It is the hope of the ministers of Louisburg, if it is possible, that Sunday you will worship with us in your churches. Our purpose is to help make life abundant and meaningful for you.

U. D. C. ENTERTAINED

Mrs. John Uzzell and Mrs. Oliver Perry were hostesses to the Joseph J. Davis Chapter U. D. C., Jan. 7, 1941. The meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Alice Uzzell.

Gen. Robert E. Lee was the subject and the meeting opened by singing "How Firm a Foundation," one of his favorite hymns. Beautiful tributes and articles by different authors were read. Gen. Lee is more often thought of as that great and beloved General, but it is said also that in his social life, as an educator and in the five closing years of his life his greatness was lived. Puritan and Cavalier were beautifully combined in Gen. Lee. Turning to the present condition, the appreciation for America and what she would like to see for the world were expressed by an English refugee in an article read by Mrs. Beam.

At the conclusion of the program, delicious refreshments were served.

Sue T. Alston, Sec'y.

TO CCC CAMP

The County Welfare Department sent 20 white and 3 colored boys to the Civilian Conservation Corps on January 13th.

These boys enrolled at the camp in Nash County and from there will be sent to camps in the state, some out of the state as far west as Oregon.

C. E. D. Egerton Passes Suddenly

Funeral Rites Last Friday For Rockingham District Manager of C. P. and L.

Rockingham, Jan. 9.—C. E. D. Egerton, 59, of Rockingham, district manager for the Carolina Power and Light Company for a number of years, died in the Hamlet Hospital this afternoon at 2:45. He suffered a hip fracture in a fall on the night of December 20. He apparently was recovering, and the cast was removed a few days ago. A turn for the worse developed suddenly this afternoon, and death occurred shortly.

Mr. Egerton was born in Louisburg on April 10, 1881, a son of Frank N. and Pattie Bette Davis Egerton. Since 1928 he had been in Rockingham.

He was a graduate of Trinity College, now Duke University, and did post-graduate work in electrical engineering at Shenectady, N. Y. He formerly was head of the light and water department of Wilson, and then went to Raleigh, where for a short time he was connected with the city light and water department. He came to Rockingham from Raleigh.

He was Richmond County historian, a member of the Civitan Club here, and president of the Building and Loan Association. At college he became a member of Pi Kappa Alpha social fraternity.

Survivors are his wife, the former Miss Mary Mattie McCoy; a son, Edward, Jr., a student at State College, Raleigh; three sisters, Mrs. Wingate Underhill, of Louisburg; Mrs. George S. Baker, of Goldsboro, and Mrs. E. S. Chesson, Jr., of Elizabeth City; and four brothers, F. N. E. L. W. D. Egerton, all of Louisburg, and Graham B. Egerton, of Raleigh.

Funeral services were held at the home at 3:30 p. m. Friday, with burial in Eastside Cemetery.

Style Shop

The Style Shop, with a line of ladies' wear and novelties and possibly including men's wear will soon open in the store on Nash Street formerly occupied by Pender's. This new business place will be under management of Mr. B. M. Lancaster, who is well experienced in this line.

O'HENRY BOOK CLUB

The O'Henry Book Club met on Wednesday, January 8th, with Mrs. Edward Griffin at 8 o'clock in the evening. The subjects discussed were as follows: "Woman's Guard Against Cosmetics" by Mrs. J. E. Fulghum, "Woman's Beautification Through the Ages" by Miss Alberta Davis, "How to spend money and How not to spend money" open discussion. A salad course with coffee was served to the many members and visitors present.

Amid an enjoyable evening the Club adjourned to its next meeting.

RETURNS

Mr. John Rabil has returned to Louisburg and purchased Cony Island, a lunch room and drink stand on West Nash Street, and has remodeled and renovated the place and will operate a modern lunch counter and drink stand there.

LOUISBURG BAPTIST CHURCH

Last Sunday at the 11 o'clock service, Dr. A. Paul Bagby spoke to his people from the topic: "Thomas, the Absentee." His text was chosen from the 20th chapter of John.

In his sermon, Dr. Bagby used the case of Thomas for a parallel between Thomas' absences and the absences of modern Christians of today from church services. Church allegiance and Church attendance go hand in hand.

At the evening service Dr. Bagby continued the discussion of Thomas, showing the losses sustained because of his absences—Three important things lost were: knowledge, peace and power.

Next Sunday the pastor will preach on: "The Test of One's Nature." The topic for the evening service will be: "The Joy of the Christian Life."

The B. T. U. at 6:45 P. M., Sunday School at 9:45 A. M. Very fine progress is being made on the repair work of the church. There is still much to be done. The interest and cooperation of each and every member of the church is sought; Let's all work together in a really big way in this very necessary project.

There have been ten additions to the church membership since the beginning of the New Year.

RENEW YOUR SUBSCRIPTION!

SHERWOOD EDDY DEFENDS MORALITY OF INTERVENTION IN FOREIGN WAR

Addressing the faculty, student body and visitors of Louisburg College in the college auditorium Tuesday morning and afternoon, Dr. Sherwood Eddy presented a vital and comprehensible picture of the world scene, concentrating for his morning address on the general topic of "America and the World Crisis" and personalizing his afternoon talk and forum on the subject "What Can Religion Do To Make A New World?"

Pointing out the vital factors leading to the chaotic conditions abroad, Dr. Eddy symbolized the dictator group as the greatest threat civilization has known in all its years and prophesied "world revolution" as an imminent possibility and a process necessary to the creating of a better world wherein men might have "justice, freedom, security and brotherhood." This revolution is actually upon us and Dr. Eddy implied the Christian truths as those which must guide it towards the building of a world worthy of God and man.

Illustrating his new stand on war, Dr. Eddy described it as a destructive means which man must rid himself of, but favored all possible aid to the democracies fighting Hitler, saying man never has the choice of "absolute good or absolute evil, but rather must choose the better instead of the good, the lesser evil over the greater evil."

He clarified the difference between the religious absolutist and relativist on the grounds that Christianity is not a "narrow moralism" withdrawing from the actuality of life but a religion with the primary and fundamental aim of directing men to the Kingdom of Heaven, not to selfish starvation, saying that such a state could never come to pass when the laws of God, man and nature were denied—and daily broken in open opposition to all that man deemed good.

Concentrating entirely on the personal and religious significance of the era for the individual, Dr. Eddy delivered a profound and impressive appeal to the audience-group to dedicate themselves the responsibility of shaping a new world in the light of our needs, rights, and the demands of the immediate moment to overcome the rise of brute force with its threat to world peace and world justice.

Do you realize if all automobiles stayed on their own side of the stripe in the center of the highway, how impossible it would be to have a head-on collision, side-swipe or the like? Then if each driver carefully watched intersections how it would reduce that class of crashes? Resolve to do these two things.

BASKET BALL

UPSETS PUT ALL TEAMS IN TIE

In the curtain raiser to last Thursday night's game, Bill Huggins' "Streaks" upset Tucker's "Phantoms" 31-16, as Mgr. Huggins dropped in 13 points to pace his winners.

Dark was the only Phantom able to penetrate the Streak's defense, he got 10 points.

Box Score:	Pos.	G	F	Total
Streaks	F	2	0	4
Tyler	F	3	0	6
K. Richardson	F	3	0	2
Parrish	C	1	0	2
Huggins	G	6	1	13
Mattox	G	1	0	2
Jones	G	2	0	4

Phantoms	Pos.	G	F	Total
Dark	F	5	0	10
Simmons	F	1	0	2
Wilson	C	0	2	2
K. Pearce	G	0	0	0
Tucker	G	1	0	2

WILDCATS TRIP TONKEL'S COMETS

With a rejuvenated lineup, the "Wildcats" turned back Joe Tonkel's "Comets" 15-12.

Richards continued to lead the Wildcats scoring with 7 points. Cameron got 8 of the Comets 12 points.

Box Score:	Pos.	G	F	Total
Wildcats	F	1	0	2
Beddingfield	F	1	0	2
Murphy	F	0	0	0
Tant	C	3	1	7
Richards	G	2	0	4
Hart	G	0	0	0
Moody	G	0	0	0
R. Richardson	G	0	0	0
Williams	G	0	0	0

Comets	Pos.	G	F	Total
Cameron	F	4	0	8
Earp	F	2	0	4
Holden	C	0	0	0
Tonkel	G	0	0	0
Robinson	G	0	0	0
Clatworthy	G	0	0	0

Battery "B" News

(Regular Correspondent)

Fort Jackson, S. C., Jan. 6.—Last Thursday morning the boys of Battery B resumed training here at the Fort and were welcomed that morning with four hours of drill, but that afternoon they were off as it was paytime. The following day was rainy and classes were held in tents, and as the next day was Saturday, which is the time for regular inspection, there wasn't any more drilling until this morning when we had four more straight hours.

Since Battery B left Louisburg last October eight new boys have signed up with the Battery. Vernon E. Ayscue, who is from Louisburg, N. C., joined in October; David B. Wood, who is from Spring Hope, N. C., transferred to this Battery from the 120th Inf. the latter part of November; Spencer R. Hayes, who is from Louisburg, N. C., joined just before Christmas; Walter W. Cogswell, who is from Bunn, N. C., joined last week; Lawrence G. Pearce, also from Bunn, N. C., joined last week; John G. Smith, Louisburg, N. C., Rt. 2, joined last week; Roy J. Smith, Louisburg, N. C., Rt. 2, joined last week; and Charlie H. Tharrington, Louisburg, N. C., Rt. 2, also joined last week.

Battery B will regret very much the absence of one of its best liked members, and the length of this absence is pending. This member has served Battery B faithfully for quite a number of years, and he is the oldest member of this Regiment. The reason for his leaving is due to eye trouble, and I along with the rest of the boys of the Battery hope this trouble is soon corrected. This person is none other than Sergeant Robert W. Abston, of Louisburg, N. C. Best of luck to him.

Willard S. Perry is now working in the supply tent where Sgt. Abston was, and Dave Wood is now Battery Clerk.

New Corporals and Sergeants in the Battery now are: Mess Sgt., Avery G. Peoples, Sgt. Woodrow W. Barden, Corporal William M. Ellington, and Corporal Edgar N. Murray.

Fort Jackson, S. C., Jan. 13.—Last Thursday 29 boys were transferred from Battery B to other Batteries in the Regiment. The names of the boys and the Batteries they were transferred to are as follows: Boys transferred to Battery G, which was the Youngsville Battery, are: Sgt. Melvin C. Holmes, Corp. William D. Stallings, Pvt. Ben K. Burnett, Robert N. Ellington, Davis Bell, Bernice H. Cayton, Russell P. Harris, James W. King, Eugene C. King, James E. Winstead, Oliver M. Manning; Boys transferred to Service Battery, 2nd Bn. are: Pvt. Ervin T. Best, Joseph West, Marion B. Moore, Lonnie Pendergrass, Tom W. Shearin; Boys transferred to Hqdt. Battery, 2nd Bn. are: Pvt. Claude E. Hunt, John E. Phelps, James E. Arnold, Jasper L. Barnette, Tazene E. Bell, William T. Patton, Joseph F. Floyd, Thurman Stallings, Henry L. Gilliam, John W. Murphy, Quince L. Parrish, William D. Whitley; Boys transferred to Service Battery, 1st Bn. is Jesse J. Langley.

Sunday morning about three P. M. Battery B received 20 selectees, sent here from Fort Bragg, N. C., and their names and where they are from is as follows: Pvt. John W. Adkins, Weldon; Paul J. Allen, Jr., Farmville; William W. Bottoms, Rocky Mount; Charles E. Bullock, Williamston; Andrew G. Bosenan, Enfield; William B. Beddingfield, Bunn; Wade R. Brooks, Jr., Wilson; Oscar Bowles, Saratoga; Thomas G. Baker, Wilson; Martin L. Bridgers, Macesfield; Leo J. Colclough, Morrisville; William B. Dew, Rocky Mount; Carl W. Davis, Spring Hope; Battle S. Cappell, Willow Springs; Louis C. Daniels, Wilson; Glover Daniel, Bailey; Vernon D. Dew, Bailey; William M. Eason, Elm City; Rosenthal W. Finch, Spring Hope; and Arthur L. Caskins, Bath. These boys will stay in the Battery, but will receive their basic training individually from the rest of the Battery.

1st Sgt. Sidney F. Holmes seems to have acquired another duty since the selectees have been coming in, and that is of "porter" for them. He has constantly been reporting at the reception center each night supposedly helping out over there, as he was... Monday night he and Pvt. A. J. Booth was seen carrying a selectees luggage to this selectees assigned Battery, (F).

NOTE—Kindly change the part in last week's article where I said David B. Wood was Battery Clerk and put B. C. Johnson, Jr., is now Battery Clerk. Sorry it was late.

Changes in the 1941 AAA farm program are expected to cause more Bladen County farmers to enroll in the program than ever before, says E. M. Williams, assistant farm agent of the Extension Service.

Since the women started to keep diaries it isn't safe to say pretty things to them even by telephone.

The Legislature

(Institute of Government)

National defense, State Officers' salaries and auto license tags were key subjects on the first week's legislative agenda.

Raising four salaries and appropriating \$2,000 for the Governor's inauguration, the General Assembly at the very beginning struck what may prove to be the key-note of the 1941 session. The salary increase, designed to equalize the pay of Constitutional officials with others, increased in 1937, will give a 10% raise to the Secretary of State, State Auditor, State Treasurer and Superintendent of Public Instruction. This measure was passed the first day.

Two of the ten bills introduced concerned national defense. One, passed without a dissenting voice, was a resolution approving President Roosevelt's defense and anti-Britain policies. A copy of the resolution was forwarded to the President. The other measure, presented by Representative LeGrand of New Hanover, is designed to curb "subversive activities" by making unlawful the advising or teaching of overthrow of government by force, with specific prohibition of the use of State buildings for such purpose. This bill was sent to committee.

Of especial interest to car owners is a bill to establish a flat \$5.00 license fee for private vehicles. This measure, which would do away with the present weight schedule for license plates, was introduced by Senator Palmer, of Cabarrus, and was sent to committee.

Other public legislation related to putting legislative machinery in motion. A measure informing the Governor that the General Assembly was ready to do business was passed, while a bill to prohibit the introduction of bills in either house after 40 days from convening, except with consent of three-fourths of the members, was sent to committee. A joint resolution was approved, providing for a meeting of the General Assembly in Chapel Hill on January 30, timed to coincide with the arrival of a large delegation of Latin and South American students at the University.

Spurred on by the Governor's inaugural message and by his plea for a "reasonably" short session, and with release of the Governor's budget message imminent, the legislators are expected to swing into high gear during the coming week.

Officers for the session are: For the Senate: John Larkins, Jr., Jones County, President Pro-Tem; S. Ray Beyer, Lee County, Principal Clerk; L. H. Fountain, Edgecombe County, Reading Clerk; and Herman Scott, Chatham County, Sergeant-at-Arms. For the House: Odus M. Mall, Cleveland County, Speaker; Sharon Harris, Stanly County, Principal Clerk; H. L. Joyner, Northampton County, Sergeant-at-Arms; and Ralph Monger, Jr., Lee County, Reading Clerk.

Summary of Views and Suggestions on Public Questions Expresed in Governor Broughton's Inaugural Address and Message to the General Assembly

Briefly reviewing the progress made in the past, the Governor pledges allegiance to North Carolina's tradition of progressive conservatism, points to the resources of the State, and promises co-operation with the General Assembly in a program designed to benefit the State. He urges a "reasonably short session."

The State must adhere to its policy of a balanced budget. Minor amendments to the permanent Revenue Act may be necessary, but there should be no substantial changes in the levies fixed in 1939.

Due to revenue needs for social and humanitarian purposes, the sales tax should be continued, but should be removed from all essential foods for home consumption, by adding to the list of exemptions already made.

Public Schools

Remarkable progress has been made in the school system, but there is much remaining to be done:

1. An adequate and fair teacher retirement bill should be enacted, preferably one embodying the recommendations of the State Retirement Commission, which would include all State employees.
2. The appropriation for vocational training and guidance should be increased and an adequate number of trained teachers in this field should be provided. It is also recommended that the Legislature provide for a thorough study of the subject.
3. Teachers should be protected so as to give reasonable continuity of employment by amending the School Machinery Act.
4. Though the local units should still be allowed to supplement and expand school service, it should not be forgotten that

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