

# 20 Per Cent Tax Cut Average In N. C.

## Last Year Levy Off 12 Million

## School And Road Funds Reduced

Economies Effected By Governor Gardner's Administration In Cutting Cost Of Operation

Reductions Made Possible By Laws Passed By The Legislature Of The Legislature

North Carolina's property tax levy was reduced from the years 1930-31 to 1931-32 by \$12,228,000, or from \$59,911,000 to \$47,684,000, or 20.4 per cent, largely as a result of the State operation of schools and maintenance of roads and the legislative and administrative economies made in local government, Governor Gardner announces, on figures compiled by the State Tax Commission. This decrease does not take into account that the debt service of counties increased about \$4,000,000 for the period.

The analysis of the Tax Commission shows that county levies were reduced \$10,055,000, district levies \$1,704,000 and municipal levies \$769,000.

From \$171.00 in Dare and \$324 in Clay, the reductions ranged to \$849,000 in Mecklenburg and \$750,000 in Buncomb, other big reductions being Gaston \$44,000, Forsyth \$402,000, Durham \$393,000, Wake \$326,000, Guilford \$323,000.

Currituck made the greatest percentage in reductions, 53.4 per cent. Tyrrell and Columbus reduced their levies 38 per cent each, Warren and Vance 36 per cent, Northampton and Gates 35 per cent, Hartford 33, Richmond 31 and Johnston 30 per cent. One county, Currituck, reduced tax levies on property more than 50 per cent; 10 counties from 30 to 40 per cent; 50 counties from 20 to 30 per cent, 33 from 20 and six less than 10 per cent.

Governor Gardner points out that in addition to this \$12,228,000 left in the hands of the taxpayers, the cost of operating the State's departments and institutions has been reduced from \$8,658,000 in 1929 to \$6,167,000 in 1932, a 29 per cent reduction; salaries and wages of State employees have been reduced about \$2,750,000 in one year, and more than \$9,000,000 will have been cut from the General Assembly appropriations in four years of his term.

**JESS WILLARD AT \$15 A WEEK**  
Los Angeles.—"I'm just a \$15 a week bouncer now," Jess Willard told Referee N. I. Mulville during an examination into the former world's heavyweight boxing champion's non-payment of a \$292 plumbing bill.

Willard said he acted as bouncer at the large scale grocery and meat market on Vine street, Hollywood, which he financed and built, but which came under a financial cloud.

# SAFETY FIRST

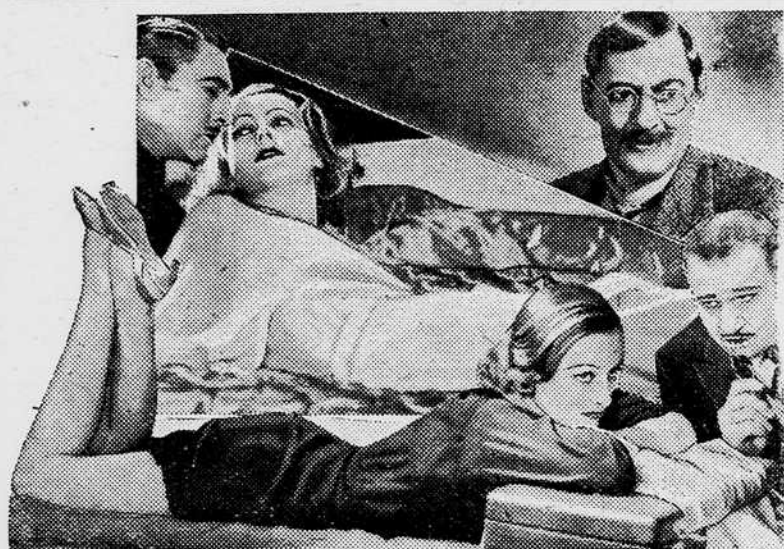
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## Ideal Man Would Help With Dishes

Evanston, Ill.—Will the "ideal man" make a model husband, who will not refuse to do the dishes or other little menial household duties and will he stoop to such indignities as making the beds—and with a smile?

Paul Cummins, 22, said he would, and Cummins ought to know.

**To Wed Prettiest**  
Last year Northwestern co-eds voted him the "ideal man" of the campus, and now he is soon to have ample opportunity to put his theories as to what husbands should and should not be into practice, for his engagement to the school's "most beautiful girl" has just been announced.

She is Miss Ruth Wenter, one of those devastating brunettes with a smile that would make any judge vote twice for her. Not only was she declared the "prettiest" on the campus but she also acquired a "queen" title for herself by being adjudged the winner of a radio television contest last year in Chicago. Her home is in suburban Wilmette, while Cummins came here from Cedar Rapids, Ia.

**Mind Of His Own, Though**  
While the "ideal man" displayed considerable embarrassment when questioned as to what his attitude would be after the beauty queen becomes his wife, Miss Wenter, who sat beside him in his car, enjoyed his discomfort. Although she appeared to be busily engaged in some correspondence, not a syllable of his almost whispered answers escaped her.

At least one thing is certain so far as Cummins is concerned. The model husband would have a mind of his own and would not be trampled by his wife. For instance, Cummins would be only too glad to help out in a pinch by taking over all household duties but he would not allow it to become a habit and if it did he would have something definite to say on the subject.

Just what that would be he wasn't quite certain but it would be definite.

By this time his answers were becoming so inaudible that he probably could scarcely hear his own voice. All the while, the bride-to-be was enjoying herself more and more—especially when her future husband glanced furtively in her direction to see if he had offended her.

With Miss Wenter the answers came easily and in a firm voice. She would expect no extraordinary servitude from the ideal husband. She'd put it on a 50-50 basis. He'd help her in times of need and she'd just as willingly come to his rescue.

**Won't Run To Mother**  
And she wouldn't run home to mother or board a train for Reno after the first little fight.

"The trouble with modern marriage," she said, "is that neither one has any backbone—especially the wife. Our marriage isn't going to be that way."

However, she doesn't think it beneath any man's dignity to wash the dinner dishes if occasion demands. At the same time she indicated she wouldn't balk at helping out in her husband's store (Cummins operates a student

book store) if he really needed her. But on the whole, both agreed that if the future Mrs. Cummins presides over the home, she would be contributing her share.

## CUTS HIS OWN PAY TO INCREASE WAGES

Camden, N. J.—H. W. Field-

ing, president of the New Jersey Steel Company, will donate \$10,000 of his money to a fund to make possible a wage increase of 20 per cent for his 25 employees, he said.

## AND THAT'S GOOD

A man was complaining of the lack of warmth in the boarding house in which he was staying.

"In the daytime it is bad enough," he said, "but at night I frequently wake up to hear my teeth chattering on the dressing table."



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Those eyes are good things to beware of, and this is not advice to the boy friend, either. It is a homely tip to the possessor of the eyes. And the trouble they will visit upon you is not connected with fluttering hearts, either.

**Means Trouble**  
It really makes little difference whether your eyes are brown, blue or hazel-colored—it still applies. It is the laziness in them that is labeled trouble. Never mind the boy friend's plea—they care for you. You'll live to regret their laziness.

## One Eye Loafing

They state that research in optometry has shown that your dominant eye and dominant hand should be on the same side of the body, and usually are. If you are right-handed you are no doubt right-eyed. If you are left-handed you are probably left-eyed, and if you are ambidextrous you probably have both eyes equally efficient.

"Those lazy brown eyes are just lovely to look into, but they are dangerous," commented President John E. Corbett of Boston. "I realize their loveliness. I've seen a few myself."

"They mean trouble, nevertheless. Thousands of people have lazy eyes and don't know it. Then

## Wins Just Award



Helen Keller, who learned to speak, read (Braille) and write, despite being blind and deaf since two years old, and who in ten years raised \$1,000,000 for the blind, has been awarded a \$5,000 Achievement Award for 1932.

when eye trouble develops they wonder what it is all about. They seldom realize one eye is doing all the work. They have one good eye, and one lazy eye. Consequently the lazy eye continues to grow more lazy. Eventually the eyesight that was perhaps 50 per cent normal drops to 15 per cent efficiency."

## BAGS 7-FOOT EAGLE THAT STOLE HIS PIG

Buffalo Hat, Ill.—John Mulcahey's little pig didn't go to market, but it did go for an aerial ride with an eagle.

Mulcahey saw his little porker in the clutches of an American eagle, perched on the top of a tall tree.

One shot from Mulcahey's shotgun brought down the bird, a female, which measured 7 feet 4 inches between wing tips.

The pig was killed in the fall.

## ICE CREAM ABROAD

The London office of the United States Department of Commerce reported recently that ice cream, apparently, is becoming as popular in England as in this country. In the words of the report: "During a recent hot spell, one concern estimated its sales of 'ice cream bricks alone in one day sufficient to build a row of 17 six-roomed houses." That is a lot of ice cream. But it is no wonder that this healthful delicacy is finding more and more popularity.

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