

TEXT OF THE NEW DOG LAW

Following is the text of the State-wide dog law enacted by the present Legislature:

An act to tax dogs in North Carolina and to encourage sheep industry. The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That any person owning or keeping about him any open female dog of the age of six months or older shall pay annually a license or privilege tax of \$2.00.

Section 2. That any person owning or keeping any male dog, or female dog other than the kind specified in section one of this act of the age of six months or older, shall pay annually on each dog so owned or kept, a license or privilege tax of \$1.00.

Will Provide Tags

Section 2 1-2. To every person paying the license privilege tax prescribed in section one and two of this act there shall be issued by the sheriff a metal tag bearing county name, a serial number and expiration date which shall be attached by the owner to the collar to always be worn by any dog when not on the premises of the owner or when engaged in hunting. The commissioner of agriculture shall at all times keep on hand a supply of tags to be furnished the sheriff of the several counties; provided that the county commissioners of each county shall, by order, made in regular session, make an order determining whether to collar and tag shall be every dog owner or keeper of dogs to list.

Section 3. That it shall be the duty of every dog owner or keeper of dog to list the same for taxes at the same time and place that other personal property is listed, and the various tax lists of the State shall have proper abstracts furnished therefor listing dogs for taxation, and any person failing or refusing to list such a dog or dogs shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined not exceeding \$50.00 or imprisoned not exceeding thirty days provided that the owner of the home or lessee of such owner, shall be responsible for listing of any dog belonging to a member of his family. The license or privilege tax herein imposed shall be due and payable on the first day of October of each and every year, and all persons after December first thereafter who own or keep a dog or dogs upon which the license tax or privilege tax is not paid, whether said dog or dogs have been listed or not shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined not more than \$50.00 or imprisoned not more than thirty days. Upon the payment to the sheriff or tax collector of the license or privilege tax aforesaid, such sheriff or tax collector shall give the owner of such dog or dogs a receipt for the same, which shall constitute a license under the provisions of this act.

Shall Make Diligent Inquiry

Section 4. The tax lists for each township, town or city in this State shall annually, at the time of listing property as required by law, make diligent inquiry as to the number of dogs, owned, harbored or kept by any person subject to taxation. The list takers shall on or before the first day of July in each year make a complete report to the sheriff or tax collector on a blank form furnished them by the proper authority, setting forth the name of every owner of any dog or dogs how many of each, and the sex, owned and kept by such person. Any person coming in possession of any dog or dogs after listing time shall immediately ascertain whether such dog or dogs have been listed for taxes or not, and if so listed, it is hereby made the duty of such owner or keeper of such dog or dogs to go to the sheriff or tax collector of his county and list such dog or dogs for taxes, and it is made the duty of the owner or keeper of such dog or dogs to pay the license or privilege tax as herein provided for in other cases.

No Roaming at Night

Section 5. No person shall allow his dog over six months old to run at large in the night time unaccompanied by the owner or some member of the owner's family, or some other person by the owner's permission. Any person intentionally, knowingly or negligently violating this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined not exceeding \$50.00 or imprisoned not exceeding thirty days, or both.

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NEW BOOKS AT THE LIBRARY

The list of new books recently received at the Public Library is as follows:

The Ghost Girl, Stackpool; Peace of Roaring River, Van Schaick; Syyrider, Sinclair; Firebrand Trevison, Setzer; White Man, Chamberlain; Simple Souls, Turner; Wild Youth, Parker; Penny of Top Hill Trail, Maniates; Apartment Next Door, Johnston; The Crimson Alibi, Cohen; Desert of Wheat, Grey; Joan and Peter, Wells; Four Horsemen of Apocalypse, Ibanez; The Tin Soldier, Bailey; Shavings, Lincoln; Elizabeth's Campaign, Ward; An American Family, Webster; The Sky Pilot in No Man's Land, Connor; Orthodoxy, Chesterton; Rocks of Valpre, Dall; Desert Gold, Grey; Wild Fire, Grey; The Last Trail, Grey; Just David, Porter; Romance of Xmas Card, Wiggin; The Grizzly King, Curwood; Master of the Vineyard, Reed; Apron Strings, Gates; Glory of the Trenches, Dawson; The Daughter Pays, Reynolds; World's Almanac and Encyclopedia for 1919; Little Men, Alcott; Five Little Peppers and How They Grew, Sidney; Little Colonel's House Party, Johnston; Never too late to Mend, Reed; Outdoor Girls at Ocean View, Hope; Outdoor Girls on Pine Island, Hope; Bobsey Twins on a House Boat, Hope; Bunny Brown on an Auto Tour, Hope; Outdoor Chums on the Lake, Allen; Outdoor Chums on the Gulf, Allen; Girls of Central High at Basketball, Morrison; Girls of Central High on the Stage, Morrison.

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Section 6. It is hereby made the duty of each list taker in the State to see that all dogs are listed for taxation under the provisions of this act, and the county commissioners may pay him for his services such amount as may be just. Such pay shall be out of the money arising under this act.

Money Goes to Schools

Section 7. That the money arising under the provisions of this act shall be applied to the school funds of the county in which said fund is collected: Provided, it shall be the duty of the county commissioners upon complaint made to them of injury to persons or injury to or destruction of property by any dog upon satisfactory proof of such injury or destruction to appoint three freeholders to ascertain the amount of damages done, including necessary treatment, if any, and all reasonable expenses incurred, and upon the coming in of the report of such jury of the damage as aforesaid, the said county commissioners shall order the same to be paid out of the moneys arising from the tax on dogs as provided for in this act. And in cases where the owner of such a dog or dogs is known or can be ascertained he shall reimburse the county to the amount paid out for such injury or destruction. To enforce county commissioners are hereby authorized and empowered to sue for the same.

Section 8. Any person may kill any mad dog, and also any dog if he is killing sheep, cattle, hogs, goats, or poultry.

Section 9. That all dogs when listed for taxes become personal property and shall be governed by the laws governing other personal property; provided, the larceny of any dog upon which aforesaid tax has been paid shall be a misdemeanor.

Penalty for Violation

Section 10. Any person failing to discharge any duty imposed upon him in this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall pay a fine not exceeding \$50.00 or be imprisoned not more than thirty days.

Section 11. All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed; provided, this act shall not have the effect to prevent any county from increasing the amount of the license or privilege tax on dogs under the provisions of chapter two hundred and six, public laws of North Carolina, session one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, but shall be construed to repeal that part of same allowing counties to vote of said tax.

Section 12. This act shall be in force from and after its publication.

WE HAVE A NEW CHICKEN LAW

The following law makes it a misdemeanor for the owners of chickens and other fowls to permit them to run at large:

It shall be unlawful for any person in the counties of Buncombe, Vance, Henderson, etc., to permit any turkeys' geese, chickens, ducks or other domestic fowls to run at large after being notified as in section two of this act, on the lands of any other person while such lands are under cultivation in any kind of grain or feedstuff, or while being used for gardens or ornamental purposes.

Section 2. Any person so permitting his fowls to run at large after having been notified to keep them up, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction, shall be fined not exceeding \$5.00 or imprisoned not exceeding five days, or if it shall appear to any justice of the peace that after two days' notice, any person persists in allowing his fowls to run at large and fails or refuses to keep them on his own premises, then the said justice of the peace may, in his discretion, order any sheriff, constable or other officer to kill said fowls when so depredate.

A case under the above statute was disposed of Thursday morning in Esquire Hood's court. Zeb Rhodes was complainant and Lee Smith was defendant. Mr. Rhodes complained that Mr. Smith had allowed his chickens to depredate on lands of complainant. Mr. Smith said the chickens so depredate belonging to his wife, but that he would not undertake to defend the case on that ground, but would content himself with pleading ignorance of the law, which plea he was aware would not excuse him for permitting his chickens to run at large in violation of the law. He proposed a plea of nolo contendere, which was satisfactory to the prosecution, and settled the cost. Mr. Smith requested that steps be taken at once to have this chicken law published in the papers so that the people might know they could be dealt with if they allowed their fowls to run at large on lands of another. Mr. Rhodes agreed that that was a good suggestion, and the matter was terminated in a friendly and satisfactory manner.

R. H. Stator appeared for Mr. Rhodes and W. A. Smith represented the accused.

JACKSON MAY BE CANDIDATE

Representative Jackson introduced and procured the passage at the recent session of the Legislature the following bills applicable to Henderson county:

Drainage law providing for the drainage of wet lands where owners desire such lands drained.

Act to authorize the removal of the remains of Walter Sigman from where now interred and bury elsewhere.

Act amendatory of Henderson county road law.

Act to amend law relative to salaries of certain county officials.

Bill to protect game and fur-bearing animals.

Bill to regulate fishing and protect fish in streams of Henderson county.

Act to fix time for holding the terms of Superior court in Henderson county.

Act to validate probate of ancient wills. (May have failed of passage but was favorably reported by Senate committee, and was on calendar a day or two before adjournment.)

Mr. Jackson also introduced and urged the passage of the Australian ballot law for North Carolina, and advocated the passage of other bills which had for their object the purification of the ballot and to provide honest elections in North Carolina.

NEWS NOTES OF INTEREST

Mareel Cachin and Paul Laffont, socialist members of the chamber of deputies, have a vigorous attack on the French government's policy toward Russia and urged the withdrawal of French troops from that country.

POLICEMAN HELD ON CHARGE OF KILLING SOLDIER

W. M. Lee and S. P. Dixon, police officers charged with killing Jack Bridwell, a former soldier, and seriously wounding his father, George Bridwell, were given a preliminary hearing at Blountville, Tenn., Tuesday, and held for court in bonds of \$10,000. The killing occurred at Kingsport, March 6. The officers were attempting to arrest the boy and his father upon a charge of transporting illicit whiskey.

GERMAN SHIPS ON WAY TO PORTS OF ALLIES

An Associated Press dispatch from Berlin states that twenty-six German steamships, have left German ports for use by the allies in exchange for food. German steamships, the dispatch states, are also leaving Geestemünde and Emden, two vessels having left each of these ports Monday.

GERMANS SURRENDER MORE VESSELS TO U. S.

In a dispatch from London Tuesday it is stated that the German steamships Cleveland and Patricia, which have been allotted to the United States, have arrived at Cowes. They will be manned by American sailors and will be used for transporting American troops to the United States, the dispatch states.

MAN CONVICTED OF SEDITION BUTTE NOMINEE FOR MAYOR

W. F. Dunn, editorial writer on the Butte, Montana, Bulletin, won the Democratic nomination for mayor over Capt. William Cutts, one time army officer, in Tuesday's primary election. Dunn recently was convicted of sedition at Helena and fined \$5,000. He is at liberty on bail pending an appeal to the supreme court. Capt. Cutts made his campaign on the issue of "Americanization." Capt. Cutts may contest Dunn's nomination.

WILL NOT FIGHT BOLSHEVISTS

Associated Press dispatches state that rather than serve at the front against the Bolsheviki 3,000 Roumanian prisoners of war who had been released by All-Russian government at Omak, surrendered their arms and returned to prison. The Roumanians also refused to guard the railways in Siberia.

BROKE MASON AND DIXON LINE ALSO

Governor Robert A. Cooper of South Carolina, who went all the way to New York to see New York welcome home the "buddies" of Southern boys, said: "The Hindenburg line was not the only line broken by the 27th and 30th divisions, fighting together in France. There's one other line they did break, and that was the Mason and Dixon line, for good and all."

RETURN OF EPIDEMIC IN ENGLAND

News from London is to the effect that the return epidemic of influenza finds England so short of doctors and nurses that according to reports from various parts of the country, there are not enough even to give casual attention to patients. According to a recent statement in the House of Commons, by Winston Spencer Churchill, secretary of war, only 1,500 of the 11,000 doctors in the army last November, have been demobilized and of 23,000 nurses only 3,000 have been released.

COURT MARTIAL SENDS BUNCOMBE BOY TO PRISON

A term of five years in the federal prison at Atlanta was the sentence imposed on Bryan Roberts of Jupiter, Buncombe county, who was found guilty of desertion from the army by court martial at Camp Jackson recently. Roberts, it is alleged, deserted from Camp Sevier and was arrested at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hilliard Roberts, by Special Agent S. Glenn Young, a few weeks ago.

LETTER OF APPRECIATION

To the Hendersonville Times, Gentlemen-

I have read with interest the write up in your last issue about "Laurel Park" and have discovered with more pleasure and appreciation than I can express certain interesting items. One is a grasp of the real importance which Laurel Park sustains to Hendersonville. Another is the ability to depict its real character to an extent beyond anything that I have observed from the pens of others. Many have tried it. Another thing that behind it all is a kind personal feeling to me, which I appreciate most of all.

Following this I want to say that I have been observing for sometime that the management of The Hendersonville Times has been able to find time to make it a most readable and interesting periodical. My congratulations.

Yours truly,
W. A. SMITH,

VICTORY LOAN

It is an excellent thing to buy government securities, for two reasons. One reason is patriotism. The other reason is enlightened self-interest.

The government needs the money. By lending your money to the government you are rendering a patriotic service.

You need the interest. By investing your savings in government securities, you are making a safe and sound investment, at a good rate of interest (especially considering the non-taxable feature.)

But, remember that what the government specially wants is not so much the money as what the money represents, namely, labor and material. If you do extra work and thereby earn extra money, and put that money into government securities, you are letting the government have the labor, which is one of the two things that it chiefly needs.

If you economize material, and put the money thereby saved into government securities, you are letting the government have material, which is the other of the two things that it chiefly needs.

SAYS JAPS MEANT TO GO OVER TO GERMANY

Washington, March 25.—In an address published in the final edition of the record of the last Congress, Representative Alvant Fuller, of Massachusetts, describes an interview with M. Delaney, French ambassador to Japan, and attributes to the ambassador the statement that Japan is not sincerely pro-ally, but intended to support Germany until a Japanese mission learned how wholeheartedly America was going into the war.

Mr. Fuller's remarks, printed under the privilege accorded members to insert in the record speeches not actually delivered on the floor, concerned primarily abuses of the franking privilege. Turning from that subject, he told at length of a visit to Europe shortly after the armistice was signed.

"My trip across the water was uneventful," he wrote. "I found among my fellow passengers a most delightful person, who was no other than M. Delaney, the French ambassador to Japan. I took occasion to ask the ambassador if, as a result of his observation, the Japanese were sincerely pro-ally. To this inquiry the ambassador replied very definitely, 'No, sir,' and inquired 'who in the world thought they were sincerely pro-ally?'"

"Ambassador Delaney stated to me that the Japanese intended to support Germany, but after their commission visited here and saw how wholeheartedly we were going into the war they were afraid to do so. Ambassador Delaney stated that he sailed from Japan to Vancouver and when the party arrived and learned the news that Austria had surrendered, the Japanese members of the party were visibly disappointed."

"He likened the emperor and the military caste of Japan to that of Germany. He said their methods and ideas and ideals were identical with those of Germany."

With the steady influx of new business this year, business men will have need for steady advertising. You cannot sell goods without first letting the public know that you stock them, and the only effective method of informing the public is by advertising. Here is a little thing worth reading now and then.

Keep It Up!

One step won't take you very far,
You've got to keep on walking;
One word won't tell folks what you are,
You've got to keep on talking;
One inch won't make you very tall,
You've got to keep on growing;
One little "ad." won't do it all,
You've got to keep 'em going.
—Fourth Estate

SLOW PROGRESS TOWARDS PEACE

The work of the peace conference has been dragging painfully. It is very hard to get at the actual facts. As far as can be learned, President Wilson is insisting that the project for a league of nations shall be incorporated in the peace treaty; and, that being the case, the treaty is delayed, because there are considerable differences of opinion at Paris on the subject of the league, and there will be considerable differences of opinion at Washington when the treaty comes before the Senate for consideration.

Meanwhile, the fat is in the fire, variously. Bolshevism is spreading and is causing very grave anxiety. Hungary has caught the infection; Czechoslovakia is all torn up. The elaborate strip of buffer states which the conference was carefully drawing on the map between Germany and Russia is crumbling. Germany is growing sullen and obstinate and arrogant and talks freely about refusing to sign any treaty unless the treaty should happen to suit Germany.

France is worried about the German menace on the lower Rhine. Italy threatens to quit the game unless she can get Fiume, which Jugoslavia wants. Precious time is being lost. It may not be the fault of anybody in particular; but the time is being lost just the same, and Bolshevism is growing stronger and Germany more arrogant.

One correspondent cables that the "optimistic view" is that mankind's well known capacity for "muddling through" may save the situation. What the pessimists think is not revealed.

GIVING THEM ROPE

While the Germans were marching through a Belgian province, one of them said sneeringly to a farmer sowing seed:

"You may sow, but we shall reap."
"Well, perhaps you may," was the reply: I am sowing hemp.—Montreal Journal of Commerce.

TIME TO CLEAN UP

For almost two years we were engaged in war and had the best excuse in the world for neglecting things around the premises. We let the house go without the coat of paint we intended giving it because the war put the price of paint practically out of reach. We neglected to repair the barn and other out-buildings because the same thing happened to lumber and nails. But the war is over, and while prices of things have not descended a great deal, the demands for war contributions are less, and no Hendersonville citizen should longer delay making needed improvements about his place. It is bad judgment because the longer delayed now the more it will cost in the long run, and once buildings are allowed to become out of repair and dilapidated it doesn't take long for such property to shrink very greatly in value. Let's do this spring what we should have done and would have done last had we not become engaged in the war. Let's remove all rubbish from our premises, and use the paint bucket and white-wash brush freely. Let's fix up the fence, prune the trees, and brighten up the old place a little—adding to its appearance and general value at the same time. It wouldn't be a bad idea for our town officials to set aside a week in which every one could get busy on his place. Call it "Clean-up Week" or anything else you like. But, for the sake of appearances, for the sake of the general health of the community and as a good financial investment, let's get busy, and fix the things we have allowed to go unfixed during the time we have been at war.

HARTFORD MOVES TO CHECK ANARCHISTS

An ordinance which would make unlawful Bolsheviki and Industrial Workers of the World meetings, prohibit display of the red flag and the distribution of ultra radical literature has been passed by the Board of Aldermen of Hartford, Conn.

AMERICAN IN BRITISH ARMY JAILED

A London dispatch says that James Ross Campbell, an American born private of the Scotch regiment, was sentenced to six months hard labor in the Bow street court for his participation in the riot in the Strand on March 9. He struck a policeman.

Nurses' Clinical Record Books for sale at The Times office.