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ALL EXPENDITURES ARE NOT FOR WAR

Budget Bureau Demolishes Fiction that America is Spending Ninety Cents of Every Dollar for War

WASHINGTON—The estimate of appropriations needed for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1923, and ending June 30, 1924, as submitted by the Budget Bureau, completely demolishes that standard piece of fiction which has been in service many years, to the effect that 90 cents out of every dollar expended by this government is expended for war purposes. The Budget Bureau analyzes the estimated expenditures, and shows the average dollar appropriated, divided. The division is as follows:

For support of the legislative branch of the government, 4 cents; for the Veterans Bureau, 14.5 cents; for other commissions, boards and bureaus, outside the regular departments, 1 cent; Department of Agriculture 4.9 cents; Department of Commerce, 6 cents; Department of the Interior, 10 cents; Department of Justice, including United States Supreme Court and other federal judiciary, 6 cents; Department of Labor, 2 cents; Navy Department 10.1 cents; State Department, 5 cent; Treasury department, including appropriations for payment of interest on public debt and reduction of principal, 46.5 cents; War department, including administration of Panama Canal, river and harbor improvements and other non-military activities, 9.9 cents; District of Columbia, 8 cents. The postoffice department is largely supported from postal revenue.

This clearly shows that the United States is far from being a militaristic nation. In fact, in another chart furnished by the Budget Bureau it is demonstrated that out of every dollar expended, only 13.5 cents goes to purely military and naval purposes in the interest of national defense. The total expenditures charged as "military functions" are 32.7 cents out of every dollar. This includes the 13.5 cents above mentioned for strictly defense purposes and 19.2 cents for pensions, retirement pay, Veterans Bureau, etc.

According to this chart 34.4 cents out of every dollar expended by the government goes for what is classified as "non-functional" purposes, that is, payment of interest on public debt, retirement of principal of public debt, etc. For the purposes of "general functions" such as cost of the legislative branch of the government, and general overhead of the various administrative agencies, 2.8 cents of every dollar is expended. For what are known as "civil functions," which constitute practically all of the administrative agencies of the government, 27.3 cents are expended.

A table accompanying this chart compares the expenditures of the present fiscal year and the estimated expenditures for the next fiscal year beginning July 1, 1923, with expenditures as far back as the fiscal year of 1915. This comparison shows a general reduction in all classes of expenditures, but the greatest reduction to be in the expenditures for military and naval purposes. In 1915, 41.6 cents out of every dollar was spent for military functions.

The Budget Bureau also submits a comparative statement of the appropriations proposed for the fiscal year beginning next July with those which were made for the current fiscal year. This shows a decrease of \$169,656,934. The principal decreases are in the Department of the Interior, approximately \$11,000,000; Treasury Department, approximately \$12,000,000; War Department, approximately \$20,000,000; Shipping Board, approximately \$9,000,000.

New departments show an increase in estimated appropriations for the year over this, but with the exception of the Department of Agriculture and the Veterans Bureau, these increases are small. The Department of Agriculture shows an increase of approximately \$20,000,000. The increased appropriations for highway improvements. The Budget Bureau shows an increase of \$20,000,000 over this year.

MRS. HANNAH SABISTON.

Mrs. Hannah Sabiston, one of the oldest and most prominent women of Beaufort, quietly passed to her Eternal Home while with her daughter, Mrs. N. M. Jurney, of Mount Olive, on Saturday morning, December 23d.

Mrs. Sabiston was born in Beaufort on October 31, 1832 and was ninety years of age. Before her marriage to Captain John Sabiston she was a Miss Murray being the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Murray and it appears that she was the last of this prominent family to survive. Mrs. J. H. Potter having passed away about a year ago.

Two of the seven children of Mrs. Sabiston survive here, these being Mrs. Belle Jurney of Mount Olive and Mrs. Mattie Gibbs of Beaufort. Her surviving grand children are B. C. Jurney, N. M. Jurney and Mrs. Eva Wilkins of Mount Olive. Mrs. Pelle Jurney and Miss Gladys Gibbs of Beaufort. Three great-grand children survive, being William, and Kenneth Wilkins and Virginia Jurney. Mrs. Sabiston was the aunt of Mr. T. M. Thomas, Samuel Thomas, and Mrs. Isabella Midyette and the sister-in-law of Mrs. W. H. Hendrick.

The life of Mrs. Sabiston was an inspiration to all associated with her and none knew her but to love her and to be made better by association with her. Here was a life of high aspirations, noble thoughts and unselfish devotion. For many years she has been a faithful member of Ann street Methodist church and was a devout and consecrated Christian.

After an illness of a few days Mrs. Sabiston passed away quietly and serenely as often go those who have lived noble and unselfish lives and for whom there is happiness beyond. Her body was brought to Beaufort on the Sunday morning train and the funeral services held at Ann Street Methodist Church at 3:30 o'clock on Sunday afternoon.

Interment was made beside her little grand-son in the Episcopal Cemetery. The large attendance upon these last rites and the many floral offerings from various parts of the State were, a tribute to the memory of this good woman.

Her chair is vacant here, save in our hearts, but Heaven is brighter because we know she is there.

A FRIEND.

MRS W. E. WHEATLY PASSES.

After a long illness caused by paralysis Mrs. W. E. Wheatly passed away Monday morning. She was 66 years of age. Mrs. Wheatly was a member of Ann street Methodist church and was a woman of fine character and highly esteemed by all who knew her. She is survived by her husband, a daughter Mrs. C. H. Bates, two sisters Miss Nannie Johnson, Mrs. David Williams and two brothers Messrs J. T. Johnson and William Johnson. The funeral services were held at the home Tuesday morning and were conducted by the Reverend E. B. Craven. The interment was in the Episcopal cemetery.

ENGINEERS ARRIVE TO START WORK ON HIGHWAY

Active work on the Central Highway from Beaufort to the Craven county line will probably begin in a very few days. Messrs C. L. Tindall and D. W. Roberts of the State Highway Commission's force of engineers arrived in Beaufort Tuesday and began at once making preparations for opening headquarters. Mr. Tindall is Resident Engineer and will have charge of the local office. It is considered likely that the contracting company which bid the highway will have a portion of its force in the county next week. The work of clearing and grading the route for the highway is going to be a big job and men who are competent to express an opinion say it will probably be a year before this part of the construction is finished. The supposition is that the hard surfacing will be done as soon as the grading is completed.

EXPERIENCE

"Yas sah, Judge, I wants to getta divorce."
"You do eh? Well, Rufus, I suppose that you want to be free to marry again."
"Nosah, I just wantta be free."



Beaufort May Have A Municipal Hotel

Warrenton Plan May Be Tried Here—Petitions Being Circulated Calling For Election On \$120,000 Bond Issue

It appears that the citizens of Beaufort are to be given a chance before a great while of voting on a bond issue for the purpose of building a hotel. An issue of \$120,000 is the amount proposed. The plan in view is to erect a modern, brick hotel on some desirable site on Front street.

Those who are promoting the municipal hotel scheme have as a precedent the one built some months ago by the town of Warrenton. The citizens of that town thought the most practical plan to get a hotel was to issue bonds and build it which was done. Recently an addition to the building was started. It is understood here that the project has proven a success.

The plan of the local hotel promoters is to get a special act through the Legislature calling for an election on the bond issue. Petitions are being circulated, and a good many persons have already signed them, favoring the bond issue. Very few of those approached have refused to sign the petitions.

Advocates of the new hotel scheme say that it will not cost the citizens of the town a nickel. They say the hotel will be rented to a first class hotel man or some company and that the rent will pay interest on the bonds and create a sinking fund that will pay off the bonds. It is proposed to create a hotel commission of five men who will have charge of building, leasing and general oversight of the property. The General Assembly meets next Tuesday and the plan is to have a bill prepared calling for the election and Representative M. Leslie Davis will be asked to secure its passage at as an early date as possible. If the election turns out favorably it is understood that work on the building will commence in the Spring.

"Let the farmer forever be honored in his calling; for they who labor in the earth are the chosen people of God."—Thomas Jefferson.

CONSIDERABLE DRINKING IN MOREHEAD CITY

Morehead City, Dec. 27—There has been a number of drunks in the city around Christmas. Mayor Chalk had five cases docketed.

Chas. Powers, drunk and disorderly plead guilty, sentenced to six days on the streets.

Chas. Smith, drunk and disorderly plead guilty sentenced to twenty days on the red truck.

W. D. Boyd, drunk, plead guilty, sentenced to five days on the streets.

Chas. Slogon, drunk and resisting and officer plead guilty sentenced to three days on the streets.

Some of the defendants have been before former mayors. Mayor Chalk said he did not expect to see them again before him, none took an appeal.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

D. E. Piner and Gladys Brady, Morehead City, N. C.

Leroy Erown and Elva Harris, Marshallberg, N. C.

Lorenzo B. Chadwick, Straits, N. C. and Thelma C. Willis, Williston, N. C.

Nimon Gillikin and Nellie M. Lawrence, Otway, N. C.

David G. Lewis and Lavina Gillikin, Otway, N. C.

Clarence Pellitier and Lizzie Wade Morehead City, N. C.

Henry Murphy and Rosa M. Willis, Davis, N. C.

PHILOSOPHY APPLIED

Mother—Bobby, if you ask me again for any candy I'll spank you.
Bobby—"What was that you told me yesterday about if at first you don't succeed try, try again?"

HIS ROYALTY

Teacher—Who married Princess Mary.
Bright Boy—Doug.

WOMEN ARRESTED ON SHOP LIFTING CHARGE

Two women who live on the east side of North River were arrested in Beaufort Saturday on the charge of shop lifting. It is alleged that the women visited several stores and took articles of merchandise without paying for them. Merchants identified goods which they said were taken from their stores and were found at the foot of the stairway of the building occupied by F. L. King. The women were arrested and put under bonds of \$150 each. They are to be tried before Mayor Bushall on January 5th.

Mangum Mason a white man who lives in the country a few miles from Beaufort but who says he is working in the railroad company in Raleigh, was tried before Mayor Bushall Tuesday on the charge of carrying a concealed weapon and transporting liquor. He was released on the liquor charge and bound over to court on the first named charge.

COAL SCARCE NOW.

A shortage of coal at the city power plant has resulted in a discontinuance of the electric current in the day time. There appears to be a scarcity of coal every where now owing to the strike that took place some months ago. Mayor Bushall has been making every effort to get coal and has one car on the road which is expected to arrive very soon. Arrangements have also been made to get about 100 tons from Mr. W. S. Chadwick this being some that he has at his factory on Taylor's Creek.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

M. H. Willis and wife to R. T. Wade et al, part lot, Morehead City, consideration \$100.

Cape Lookout Development Co., to J. J. Stone, one lot at Cape Lookout, Harkers Island Township, consideration \$75.

Stanford Jackson to Thomas Jackson one acre, Hunting Quarter Township, consideration, Love and Affection.

T. F. Mann and wife to Asa Mann, 14 acres, Newport Township, consideration \$10.

E. W. Ewing and wife to East Coast Land Co., 29,722 acres Carteret Township, consideration \$190.

Gilliam Grinson, Collector to United States tract at Cape Lookout, Harkers Island Township, consideration \$115.70.

DIRECTOR BLAIR SUGGESTS PLANS

Thinks High School Building Should be on Separate Location—Old Site is Suitable

Notwithstanding the failure of the recent school election the Board believes that a majority of the citizenship of Beaufort feels a great interest in the question of better school facilities for the white children of this town. For that reason articles relating to the question will be published from time to time. If any one opposed to the proposed new school building desires to make a statement through the News he or she will be allowed that privilege.

The letter below to Chairman of the Board of Trustees U. E. Swann is from John J. Blair of the State Department of Education. Mr. Bwair's life work has been that of an educator and he has achieved prominence in his profession. His ideas in regard to the Beaufort school matter are entitled to consideration and should be of interest to all. The letter reads:

Raleigh, N. C.
December 12th, 1922.

Mr. U. E. Swann,
Beaufort, North Carolina
Dear Mr. Swann:—

Ever since my visit to your town and the conference with the school committee I have been greatly concerned about your building program there at Beaufort. My observation on the subject are based upon the experience of school boards in other places where like conditions prevail.

1. The present building on the courthouse square is a complete unit and does not permit of addition and changes without an unreasonable cost and radical changes in the original plan.

2. In the first place, the Fire Commissioner will require that the present stairways all be taken out and that towers be built at the ends of the building which will cost as much as \$3,000. Other changes necessary will involve an expenditure of at least \$3,000 or more.

3. This amount of money will go far toward either buying a new site or furnishing and equipping a new building.

4. An enlarged school located upon the courthouse square will never be satisfactory either to pupils and patrons of teachers and citizens.

5. You will find it to be much more sensible and satisfactory in the end to buy a site entirely away from the courthouse square and upon this site erect a building so planned that it will meet the requirements of the State Inspector of High Schools in providing special rooms for high school work.

6. In this building a junior and senior high school which may include all grades from the seventh to the eleventh should be housed.

7. All pupils from the entire peninsula up the New Bern road above the seventh grade should be enrolled in this building.

8. Here a real high school program can be carried out, located as it is at the county seat, will serve as a model to the entire county.

It is never satisfactory to run a primary and high school together, as their recitation periods are different, the school hours are different, and the length of the school day is not the same. Under the new conditions the school can be conducted in an orderly, quiet manner without confusion and disorder. I therefore, recommend as representative of the State Department of Education, that the people of Beaufort make every effort to secure an area of land equivalent to two city blocks and upon this place a new building designed and planned as indicated above for an accredited standard high school.

I like very much the lot behind and beyond the railroad station which has, I think, one or two buildings already upon it, but I understand can be secured. This will be a great benefit to the town because the block can be beautified and planted with shrubbery and flowers, thus creating another civic center as beautiful as the courthouse square itself. This building should be of fire-proof construction, so that there will be no repairs in the future and at the same time a reduced insurance rate. A

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