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## Conference Committee Agrees On Luxury Tax

### Vote In Committee Was Eight To Five; Cigarettes, Cosmetics, Playing Cards And Many Other Articles Will Be Taxed Under Proposed Law; Estimated To Produce From \$5,000,000 to \$9,000,000.

Raleigh, April 29—The joint conference committee on the biennial revenue bill agreed today to recommend adoption of a selected commodities or "luxury" tax to the general assembly.

Members of the committee refused to discuss what the new selected commodities tax would include but said the senate conferees had accepted the house stand for the MacLean school law in its entirety.

A sub-committee consisting of Senators Hinsdale of Wake, Pritchett of Bertie and Representative MacLean of Beaufort, Allen of Granville and Cherry of Gaston, was named to rewrite the Hinsdale "luxury" tax bill to conform to the agreement.

The vote in the conference committee today was understood to have been 8 to 5 to report the "luxury" tax.

Senators Pritchett, Hinsdale, Rankin of Gaston and Clark of Edgecombe, voted for the report with Representatives MacLean, Spence of Moore, Connor of Wilson and Allen of Granville.

Senators Dunlap of Anson, and Folger of Surry, voted against the report with Representative Harris of Person, Hood of Wayne, and Cherry.

The original Hinsdale "luxury" tax measure, defeated by the house as a committee of the whole and voted down in the senate three times 26 to 24, taxed cigarettes, other tobaccos, cosmetics, new automobiles, playing cards, ammunition, theatre admissions and other selected articles. The rates ran as high as 20 per cent on cigarette and cosmetics.

Action of the senate conferees in accepting the house proposal placed them in the position of voting for a taxation policy three times refused by the 50 senators.

A number of senators however, in the last week announced on the floor that they would support the report of the conferees even if it contained the luxury tax, but took out that the matter should be submitted to a referendum in 1932. This the house refused to accept.

The conferees expect to draw their formal report this afternoon and present it tonight. The two divisions were to recess until 8 p. m. in order to get the report tonight.

Until the Hinsdale bill is completed in its new form no estimates of how much revenue it will raise can be made.

In its original form the estimates of what it would get varied from \$5,000,000 to \$9,000,000.

### OLD SUMMER RESORT DESTROYED BY FIRE

Fire of unknown origin destroyed the pavilion on the ocean beach formerly used as a resort for colored people. The place had not been used for several years and the building was in a dilapidated condition. There was no insurance on it. The property is owned by W. H. Jameson, of Johnstown, Pa. The loss probably did not exceed \$1000 and was possibly less.

### REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

H. C. Garner and wife to M. Manns Sons Inc., 25 acres Newport Township, for \$10  
J. F. Duncan, Comm. to Thos. Duff Wade, 63 acres Morehead Township, for \$925.  
R. B. Rice and wife to J. B. Rice, 1 lot Morehead City, for \$50.  
Thos. D. Dixon and wife to Narcissa Dixon, 1 lot M. City for \$1000.  
W. C. Gorham, Com., to M. L. Mansfield, 8 lots M. City, for \$345.  
Luther Pittman et al to Willie F. Dixon et al 5 part lots Beaufort, for \$40.  
J. L. Congleton and wife to Victoria Glover, 1 lot Beaufort, for \$10.  
Robert Lassiter and wife to Harbor Island Hutning Lodge, tract C. I. Township, for \$100.

### FIRST IRISH POTATOES

It is early yet for Irish potatoes but some have been brought to the News office Monday that were large enough to eat. They were raised by the Reverend D. W. Perkins pastor of the Congregational church here for the colored race. The potatoes were nearly as large as hen eggs.

## ROTARIANS WILL MEET IN DURHAM

### Convention There Next Tuesday; Beaufort Delegation Will Attend

Durham, April 29—Approximately 600 Rotarians from all sections of the 57th district, composed of all of North Carolina east of Salisbury are expected to attend the annual convention to be held in Durham May 5 and 6. Maynard Fletcher, of Washington N. C., district governor, will preside over the sessions. Business will be mixed with pleasure while the Rotarians are in the city.

In arranging the program, the committee has kept in mind especially two features: Rotary information and a spirit of sound optimism. In accordance with the latter idea, two outstanding speakers have been secured who will bring messages of optimism and humor of a high type. These are Douglas Malloch, noted poet, newspaper man, philosopher and humorist, who will speak at the dinner the first day, at the Washington Duke hotel, and Strickland Gillilan, one of the most widely known platform men in America, who will deliver an address at the general session the second morning. There will be a number of other widely known speakers. William DeCock Buning, of Holland, vice-president of Rotary International will speak for that organization. Speakers will include Wallace Wade, director of athletics at Duke university; Gene Newsome, past president of Rotary International; Charlie Smith of Salem, Virginia, past district governor; Luther Hodges chairman of the community service committee of Rotary International this year; Howard Rondthaler, past district governor, and others.

The conference will open on the morning of May 5. In addition to the general session the first day, there will be two luncheons, one for the ladies and one for Rotarians, and a general dinner meeting. The governor's ball will take place at about 9:30 the first night. The next morning there will be the presidents' and secretaries' breakfast and the closing general session, followed by the closing luncheon presided over by District Governor Maynard Fletcher, and addresses by Charlie Smith and Howard Rondthaler. On the afternoon of the first day there will be a reception at Duke university, and other entertainment features are being provided.

Among entertainment features will be a golf tournament at Hope Valley country club on the afternoon of May 5 at 2:30. Two handsome cups are to be awarded.

Several Rotarians from Beaufort will attend the Durham meeting.

### NEW BILLIARD PARLOR OPENS

A billiard and pool room has been opened in one of the Chadwick stores on Front street and seems to be enjoying a good patronage. The manager Mr. C. W. Britton says he expects to give good service and run a first class, orderly place. Mr. Britton came to Beaufort from Smithfield. As an advertisement elsewhere in this paper states, he is offering a prize of \$10 for the best suggestion for a name for the new amusement place.

### READ THE NEWS WANT ADS

## MAN SLEEPS ON PHYSICIAN'S PORCH AND GETS INTO RECORDER'S COURT

The trial of two cases occupied the time of Recorder's Court Tuesday for several hours. The first was that of Nat Eborn of the Crab Point section who was charged with forcible trespass and having liquor in possession for purpose of sale. He was defended by A. Baker Morris of Morehead City.

The testimony against the defendant, given by Dr. and Mrs. S. W. Thompson of Morehead City was that Eborn came to Dr. Thompson's house at about 10 o'clock on the night of the 19th, that after some conversation he was asked to leave by Mrs. Thompson, who was alone in the house at the time, that he went away and came back and went to sleep on the porch. Mrs. Thompson called a neighbor Mr. H. S. Gibbs who called the police. Officer Iredel Salter arrested the man and locked him up.

It also came out that a sack containing two half gallon jars of liquor and another half full was found in Dr. Thompson's yard which was left there by the defendant. This was confiscated and was in evidence at the trial. The defendant did not go on the stand and offered no defense except that he was too drunk to know what he was doing. His

## BITTER SUGGLE TO END

### House And Senate Deadlocked All Last Week; House Stands For Six Months School

By M. R. DUNNAGAN  
Raleigh, April 27—The North Carolina General Assembly is deadlocked, apparently hopelessly.

However, since it is darkest before dawn, the light may break thru and the deadlock may be broken, but it will be the unexpected. That is just what has been happening in the present session, and it may again in the one big problem before the law making body.

Rays of light have come through the maze several times during the week past, but before hopes got too high, they were cut off and the darkness was blacker than ever. Other rays may break through, and may end as abruptly, and some day, or night, the clouds may clear and order come out of the chaos that envelops the General Assembly at the end of its 10th week and 106th day.

The House appears fixed in its determination to make effective the State support of the six months school term, and by means in large part by the general sales tax of one per cent on gross sales. The Senate seems just as determined, even with a smaller majority, to have the Folger-Grier plan of a \$10,000,000 equalizing fund for school aid without a luxury or general sales tax, except the one for one-tenth of one per cent, which it included in the Revenue bill.

The committees from the two Houses have struggled in vain for a solution. The Senate committee came back to the Senate to ask for instructions. That body immediately received a resolution to instruct them to support a commodity—a luxury tax. The supporters of that resolution thought they had won over a vote, enough to tie the Senate and require President R. T. Fountain to break the tie for that tax. But in winning one, they lost another, and the Senate, for the third or fourth time, voted down the luxury tax, 26 to 24.

Senator Frank Dunlap, of Anson, one of the conferees, tried to offer an amendment, a compromise, on which he thought all could agree, but Senator Rivers Johnson, confident the commodity or luxury tax instruction would be carried, refused to let it be introduced and cut off debate by the parliamentary weapon of "calling for the previous question."

The next day the general sales tax proposal, for the third or fourth time, was placed before the Senate, in the form of a resolution to instruct the Senate Conference committee to support it. Again it was lost, by the decisive vote of 32 to 9, several not voting.

Senator Dunlap's amendment, which was not offered, was a compromise. By it, the Senate committee would have been instructed to vote for the luxury tax, as an emergency, for two years only, and whether or not it should be continued would be left to a vote of the people in the next election. It would require economies included in the Folger school bill to be included, thus reducing the cost of the schools. That was what the Senate MacLean measure advocates turned down, not even learning of its provisions until

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## DESTRUCTIVE FOREST FIRES SWEEP OVER WIDE EXPANSE OF COUNTY

### Many Thousands Of Dollars Damage Done By Fire Which Is Said To Have Been Caused By Carelessness

### Graduating Exercises Occur Tomorrow Night

As stated in the News last week the closing exercises of the Beaufort Graded School will take place tomorrow evening (Friday) in the school auditorium. The sermon to the graduating class was delivered last Sunday morning by the Reverend R. F. Munns of Beaufort who preached a very appropriate and thoughtful sermon on the subject "The Choosing of a Career."

The program for tomorrow evening's exercises were printed in last week's issue of the News. The following is a list of the graduates:

William Edward Adair, Edna Gertrude Beacham, Lillie Belle Beacham, Maud Evelyn Carraway, Rubie Alberta Dail, Della Bethell Dickinson, Raymond Doane Dickinson, Rixie Dee Dickinson, Graham Washington Duncan, Jr., Irene Axon Eubanks, Inez Gaynelle Felton, Marjorie Louise Fodrie Grace Nichols Glover, William Roy Hamilton, Mary Kitta Hardesty, William Leon Harris, Louise Coulson Hooper, Charles Forest Hudgins, Troy Johnson, Nora Areitta Kirk, Alice Holland Lewis, Ruth Violet Lewis Adelia Maxine Norris, Susie Gray Norris, Thelma Earle Norris, Barbara Maxwell Parkin, Janice Ester Peterson, James Hollister Porter III, Mildred Vance Sabiston, Mary Irene Smith, Elva Inez Taylor, Sidney Manney Thomas, Mattie Darden Weeks, Ethel Gray Whitehurst, Nelle Glancy Windley.

### School Trustees Meet And Elect Faculty

A meeting of the board of trustees of the Beaufort Graded School was held last evening at the office of Superintendent Fritz. Those present were chairman U. E. Swann, Mrs. H. C. Jones, Mrs. W. V. B. Potter, C. H. Bushall, J. A. Hornaday, Dr. F. E. Hyde.

The principal business transacted by the board was the re-election of Superintendent R. L. Fritz Jr. for another term and the members of the teaching faculty. The salary of the superintendent was reduced from \$3000 to \$2700. The salaries of the teachers will be in accordance with the State scale whatever that may be. No one was elected to fill the position of teacher of home economics. If it is possible to do it the music department will be continued.

The board adopted a resolution that inasmuch as tax collections for school purposes have been far behind, that the salaries of the teachers are now several months in arrears, that the school close at the end of the eighth month. Also that all money collected on taxes for the present year and not already used shall accrue for the benefit of the school district and use in reduction of future assessments." The term of the present school board expires June 30, 1931.

### HASSELL-KILLINGSWORTH

Saturday evening at eight o'clock in the presence of a few friends James Hassell of Elizabeth City and Miss Aleise Killingsworth were united in marriage in St. Paul's Episcopal church, Reverend J. A. Vache officiating.

Mr. Hassell is the attractive daughter of Mrs. Lottie Killingsworth and has many friends here.

Mr. Hassell is a native of Beaufort and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hassell, who is clerk of the court of this county. Mr. Hassell is manager of the service station of the Gulf Refining Company at Elizabeth City and is a promising young business man.

After a short trip they will be at home in Elizabeth City.

### BOARD OF EDUCATION TERMS ARE FIXED

By M. R. DUNNAGAN  
Raleigh, April 27—Representative Luther Hamilton's bill to specify the terms of office of the members of the Carteret County Board of Education was passed on its third reading in the Senate Saturday and has now become a law.

It provides, as originally intended, that W. H. Taylor will hold office until 1933, Charles V. Webb until 1935 and Dennis Mason until 1937. The bill is in the form of an amendment to the omnibus bill naming the members of the boards of education of the 100 counties in the State.

Fanned by a high southwest wind forest fires yesterday and last night swept through woods and uncultivated open lands over an expanse of territory a mile or more wide and three miles long. The fire started just a little ways west of the County Home and cut a swathe clear to North river. The paved North river road did not stop the flames. They leaped across the roadway and roared on towards the river. Last night the glow from the fires lighted the sky and could be seen for several miles away.

Farmers, laborers and others hastily assembled and fought valiantly all day to stop the spread of the flames. Backfires were started and other means used to prevent the fire from reaching residences and other buildings some of which were in great danger. The home of Mr. Sol Willis was threatened and out houses on his place caught several times but were saved. The Methodist church on North river road had a narrow escape but was saved by the efforts of Mr. W. D. Arthur and others. The large and costly residence on North River known as the Perkins place stood in the path which the fire was traveling, also several other houses on that place. A back fire was started which saved these houses from destruction.

The News has not been able to get accurate information as to the damage caused by this fire which it is reported started from carelessness. Undoubtedly it amounts to thousand of dollars. A great deal of young timber was burned so that it will die and much fire wood was burned. Fortunately no houses were burned although it took a lot of hard work to save some of them. Some of those whose property was affected by the fire are: M. S. Snowden, G. W. Huntley, Gibbs, brothers, G. L. Cotton, Aleck Wade, P. B. Beacham, G. J. Brooks, L. H. Dudley, Sol Willis, W. D. Arthur.

### RUSSELL-CUTLER

A wedding that was a surprise to their many friends in Beaufort and elsewhere occurred here last evening at 9 o'clock when Mr. N. H. Russell and Miss Cora Lee Cutler were united in marriage. The ceremony which was performed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Robinson on Craven street in the presence of a few friends, was conducted by the Reverend Robert F. Munns.

Mrs. Russell is from Bath this State and has taught in the public school here for the past term. She has been a very popular teacher. Mr. Russell is a native of Onslow county and has lived in Beaufort for a number of years and is regarded as one of the substantial citizens of the town. He is a locomotive engineer on the Norfolk Southern Railroad. Mr. Russell represented Carteret county in the Legislature one term and has many friends throughout the county.

Mrs. Earl Littlejohn of Norfolk, formerly Miss Claudie Edwards, spent the week end visiting Miss Susie Guthrie.

### TIDE TABLE

Information as to the tides at Beaufort is given in this column. The figures are approximately correct and based on tables furnished by the U. S. Geodetic Survey. Some allowances must be made for variations in the wind and also with respect to the locality, that is whether near the inlet or at the heads of the estuaries.

High Tide	Low Tide
7:05 A. M.	12:57 A. M.
7:28 P. M.	12:55 P. M.
Saturday, May 2	
7:52 A. M.	1:46 A. M.
8:15 P. M.	1:41 P. M.
Sunday, May 3	
8:40 A. M.	2:35 A. M.
9:04 P. M.	2:29 P. M.
Monday, May 4	
9:29 A. M.	3:24 A. M.
9:52 P. M.	3:15 P. M.
Tuesday, May 5	
10:17 A. M.	4:12 A. M.
1:44 P. M.	4:05 P. M.
Wednesday, May 6	
10:59 A. M.	5:02 A. M.
11:10 P. M.	4:58 P. M.
Thursday, May 7	
11:39 A. M.	5:56 A. M.
12:10 P. M.	5:55 P. M.