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Legislature Gets Rid Of Unimportant Bills

During Past Week Lawmakers Recovered From Shock of Banks Closing And do Considerable Work; Smaller Matters Are Getting Out of The Way; At Work Now on Big Bills; Anxious To Adjourn.

By M. R. DUNNAGAN
RALEIGH, Mar. 13—The General Assembly, somewhat stunned by the developments in the banking world over the last week end, as were the people of the State and nation, shook off the fear and hesitancy early in the week and settled down to clearing up business looking toward the receipt of the larger revenue and appropriations bills, clearing away numbers of less important bills.

Governor Ehringhaus asked, in a message early in the week, that these two bills be carried over and that they could devote their time to the other bills before them until the banking situation cleared up a bit. Evidently the Governor feared that if the law-makers went into the important measures a little time they would let the fear and uncertainty sway their better judgment and produce measures that would not be satisfactory in more stable times. He asked that he be permitted to address a joint session soon, and that invitation was extended him, leaving the time to him.

The Senate was struggling over the new Constitution when public matters were ended Friday until Monday night, and this measure will be taken up again. The House fought out the Machinery bill, which fixes methods of tax collections, dates, and sets up the machinery for operations of the counties. This was not finished, however. Truck bills have been considered, those growing out of the railroad-truck competition, and are not finished. Many controversial measures have been considered and progress made, but much more remains to be done. The medicinal liquor bill was killed. Uncertainty prevails as to the convention for the 18th amendment vote, authorities differing.

The national financial trouble has resulted in a temporary hold-up of legislation, but it is expected to finally serve to hasten the completion of the work of the General Assembly. The need for early completion of the task is apparent, in order to let business in the State resume its natural course. The uncertainty of what the legislature may do has a tendency to retard, and that is realized by the law-makers. They are earnest in their desire to wind up and get away, for personal reasons too. Early talk of recess or adjournment was objected to by Governor Ehringhaus and the members are now bent upon sticking to it and finishing the job before going home.

More New Bills

An unexpected spurt in introductions of new bills developed last week, the week's list numbering about 140, more than 100 in the House and nearly 40 in the Senate. This brought the total number of bills for the session up to some 1285, 365 in the Senate and 920 in the House.

Also, the number ratified increased, numbering 117 for the week, including 26 public bills and resolutions and 91 local bills. This brings the session's total to 375 ratified measures, bills and resolutions, 107 of which originated in the Senate and 268 in the House. Half of the public bills ratified last week had been passed and were ready for ratification the week before and were noted in this correspondence last week.

Two of the new laws were brought about by the banking condition. One was the measure to provide the banking holiday to conserve assets of banks, giving the Commissioner of Banks and Governor unusual powers to regulate banking during the emergency. The other gave the Insurance Commissioner additional power, so he could extend the days of grace in life insurance policies for the period of the banking holiday, so policies would not lapse while funds are tied up.

Finally the bill abolishing the Corporation Commission, effective January 1, was ratified. It provides for one Public Utilities Commissioner, but was much amended from the original bill, for one thing, to make the officer elective. The measure sponsored by Revenue Commissioner Maxwell to prevent evasion of the payment of the gasoline tax, shortening the time for payment, regulating the

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Daniels Appointed Ambassador To Mexico

Tuesday morning's newspapers carried the news that President Roosevelt had appointed Josephus Daniels, editor of the Raleigh News and Observer, to be ambassador to Mexico. Mr. Daniels had been spoken of for a cabinet position and also was mentioned in connection with other positions. The Mexican appointment is considered a high honor as Mexico is a next door neighbor and the relations between the two countries are very intimate, sometimes strained. Mr. Daniels was Secretary of the Navy when U. S. warships bombarded Vera Cruz. The Mexican ambassadorship carries a salary of \$17,500 a year.

The highest diplomatic post, ambassador to Great Britain, has been bestowed upon a former North Carolinian Judge Robert W. Bingham for many years a resident of Louisville, Ky. Judge Bingham is a son of the late Col. Robert Bingham noted educator. The Bingham family conducted a school in North Carolina for more than 100 years. Judge Bingham was educated at the Bingham School, University of N. C. and University of Va. He has an attractive personality and is a man of large wealth. Another diplomatic appointment made by President Roosevelt on Monday was that of Jesse Isador Straus, a New York millionaire who was an enthusiastic supporter of Mr. Roosevelt in the recent campaign.

BIRTHS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Milton Lipman at Morehead City Hospital, Thursday, March 9, a daughter.
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Nelson of Gloucester, Friday, March 10, a daughter.
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Eubanks of Merrimon at Morehead City Hospital, Saturday, March 11, a daughter.
Born to Mr. and Mrs. James Waite, of Harkers Island at Morehead City Hospital, Monday, March 13, a son.
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Otis Willis of Beaufort, RFD, at Morehead City Hospital, Thursday, March 16, a daughter.
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Roosevelt Gillikin of Otway, Sunday, March 12, a daughter.
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lewis, of Marshallberg, a son, Tuesday, March 14, at the Potter Emergency Hospital.

SEND IN BILLS AT ONCE SUPERINTENDENT ALLEN SAYS

All corporations, firms, and individuals to whom the Carteret County Board of Education may be indebted for services or materials of any kind whatsoever on March 21 are urged to pay immediately after March 21st, properly approved bills for all such services or materials. This request is made by Mr. Allen so that all items properly chargeable to the six months school term, which ends on March 21st, may be paid promptly from state funds.

Those having just claims against the Board of Education for items through March 21st and who do not render their bills promptly after that date and thereby give the county superintendent an opportunity of paying these obligations from state six months funds will, Mr. Allen says, have to wait for their pay until the next fiscal year.

Merchants and others who have accounts for the current year against the Board of Education are, therefore, urged to send in their bills for March 1-21 on March 22nd, and at the end of March to submit bills for March 22-31 only. Bills for April and May, which will be paid from extended term funds, should be submitted at the end of the month as heretofore.

EXTINGUISH BLAZING CHIMNEX

The local firemen quickly extinguished a blazing chimney at the home of Dr. and Mrs. H. M. Hendrix this morning at about nine o'clock. No damage was done and only five gallons of chemicals were used.

BALANCED BUDGET VERY NECESSARY EHRINGHAUS SAYS

Governor Favors Sales Tax In Order to Meet Present Crisis

RALEIGH, March 14—While North Carolina legislators pondered today the demand of Governor Ehringhaus for a balanced budget even though necessary to levy a sales tax, a lively fight over proposal to repeal the state's prohibition enforcement act was brewing in the lower branch.

Debate on the cover bill for outright abolition of the Turlington liquor law was set as the first order of business in the house, consideration of the minority favorable report having been postponed from last night.

Meanwhile, a bill, similar to two others which received unfavorable committee reports, was introduced proposing legalization of 3.2 per cent beer, subject to action of congress, and levying a state tax. A proposal for calling a convention to consider ratification of the resolution to repeal the national prohibition amendment is set for hearing by committee tomorrow.

Governor Ehringhaus, although ill, delivered his message in person to a joint session last night. He declared that failure of the assembly to adopt some form of sales tax of new taxation would mean the "crucifixion" of the state's credit and of state institutions, including schools and roads.

He avoided specific recommendations as the form of sales tax preferable declaring:

"I can only beg you to follow the prerogative which will rest least heavily upon the lives, habits and activities of our people."

He advocated a creation of a statewide eight-month school system and abolition of the 15-cents ad valorem, estimating that if local school levies are removed, a reduction of 35 cents per \$100 in taxation will be achieved. He declared the state could operate schools eight months for 10 or 11 per cent more than is appropriated for the six-month term.

Declaring he "loathed" a sales tax, Governor Ehringhaus said "I love the honor and credit of my state and the maintenance of its self respect more than I dislike such impositions," and added: "If it is a choice between a sales tax on one hand and a decent school on the other, I stand for the school; God helping me, I can do no other."

1—Balancing of the state budget "even at cost of a sales tax."

2—Preserve the school opportunity in economy by the provision of a lump sum and with a board to administer it.

3—Preserve the homes of "our citizens from the foreclosure which present ad valorem taxes threaten by abolishing special levies for support of the extended school term."

4—Preserve the highways from waste and losses which inadequate maintenance would entail."

5—Preserve state institutions and departments from "destruction which too heavy curtailment threatens."

STATE WILL PAY TEACHERS PROMPTLY FOR EXTENDED TERM MR. ALLEN SAYS

The teachers of Carteret County will be heartened by an act of the General Assembly on March 9th whereby the state's part of the extended term funds for the year 1932-1933 will be released promptly at the end of the 7th and 8th months of the extended term. A copy of this bill was furnished this paper by County Superintendent Allen and is given here for the information of the teachers and the vast number of interested citizens in Carteret County. Mr. Allen says that, although this act has not been ratified, there is, in his opinion, no question as to its final ratification. The bill reads:

Section 1. That the State Tax Reduction Fund as set up and provided by Section 4, subsection 5, of Chapter 429, Public Laws of 1931, and Chapter 440, Public Laws of 1931, being for the aid of the various counties and school districts in operating terms of school of a greater length than six months, shall not be reduced by the Director of the Budget or any department or agency of the State by a greater percentage than the average percentage reduction of all other appropriations, which fund shall be applied in full to the operation of extended terms of schools for the school year 1932-33 only, and no part of which shall be applied to, or charged against, the operation of schools for any term

FEDERAL RELIEF BENEFITS MANY

More Than 300 Employed In Carteret County, 95,686 In State

By M. R. DUNNAGAN
RALEIGH, Mar. 13—Carteret county men numbering 318, were given employment during the month of January and were paid \$3,168.00 from Federal relief funds distributed through the Governor's office of relief, a report shows.

The report shows that 95,686 men in North Carolina were employed in January, to whom more than \$750,000 was paid in wages, which wages amount to about 65 per cent of the \$1,250,000 spent for relief purposes in the State during January. About two-thirds of the heads of destitute families were at work for the aid they received, the others receiving direct relief because one in the family was able to work or no work was available.

The work was all of a type benefiting the public, as highway repairing and beautification, school house building and repairing, street repairs and construction, and like projects. While all was of benefit, much of it would not have been done but for the present emergency and the available funds, it was stated.

Public school projects numbering 869 and costing \$517,862 have been completed in 66 counties of the State, the Governor's Office of Relief reports.

This school work, all approved in advance by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, involved construction of buildings, additions to buildings, construction of gymnasiums and physical education rooms, painting, repairing, planting, leveling and beautifying grounds, digging wells, improving bus routes, constructing bus waiting rooms for children, and other projects. Local communities have provided the materials and equipment for the work, the cost of labor alone coming from relief funds.

Carteret county has completed no projects, the reports show.

MANY BANKS REOPEN MORE COMING BACK

Raleigh, Mar. 15—Banks in every part of North Carolina today had been licensed to reopen for business without restrictions except those imposed by the federal government on hoarding and business involving gold and gold certificates.

Gurney P. Hood, state bank commissioner, and his office force worked all night and well up to this morning preparing the list of institutions which might reopen today.

It was emphasized that the list was incomplete and because a bank was not listed thereon it should not be taken as a reflection on its soundness or solvency.

This morning the banking department was busy preparing to add new names to its list.

There were sixty-four banks licensed last night and early today and all resumed business today.

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preceding or succeeding said term. Section 2. That when it shall be made satisfactorily to appear to the State Superintendent of Public Instruction that any county or school district for which an allotment from said fund has been approved by the Board of Equalization for the school year 1932-33, has operated for one full school month of the extended term, one-half of the allotment heretofore made to such county or district shall be immediately payable, and upon like certification that the second month of said extended term be so operated the remaining one-half shall be immediately payable. Such payments shall be made irrespective of the amount of ad valorem taxes actually collected in said counties and districts.

Section 3. All laws and clauses of laws in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 4. This act shall be in full force and effect from and after its ratification.

The state's part of the approaching extended term is \$10,497.05. With this sum, plus \$30.00 per teacher guaranteed by County Superintendent Allen from county funds, each employee will receive approximately one full month's salary in cash by the end of the extended term.

St. Paul Downs Smyrna For County Championship Honor

Two Quints Seek Eagerly For Carteret County Basketball Championship in Final Game of Tournament Played Here Tuesday Evening; Episcopalians Win Hard-Fought Victory Over Opponents by a Score of 14-13; Large Crowd of Spectators on Hand for Game.

JUDGE SENDS SIX TO STATE PRISON

Number of Others Given Jail and Road Sentences by Judge J. Paul Frizzelle

The retrial of the so-called Diamond Mystery case which was docketed for this term of Superior Court failed to come up on account of the illness of one of the principal witnesses, B. S. Sheppard, of Farmville. Frank Bullock was tried at the October term of court for the larceny of several thousand dollars worth of jewelry belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Sheppard that was entrusted to him while they were stopping at the Cherry Hotel in Morehead last summer. A mistrial resulted.

Six defendants were sent to the State Prison for terms ranging from two to eight years, and several others were given road sentences by Judge J. Paul Frizzelle. Several rather unusual things occurred at this sitting of the court. Only one petty jury was used, the first time in the memory of the older local citizens. Also, no speeches were made to the jury by attorneys. One defendant, Dave Bell, colored, addressed the jurors at some length. This speech was said to have been one of the best ever made by a defendant, and he won his case.

By reason of an exchange arranged between Judge Henry A. Grady and Judge J. Paul Frizzelle the latter held court here this week. It was Judge Grady's regular time to preside over the court here but he was detained in a case at Smithfield and could not come. Judge Frizzelle has been here before and made a very good impression upon the public on his former appearance. Solicitor David M. Clark arrived Monday morning and was busily engaged in looking after the State's interest in the criminal docket. Miss Hilda Jacobs of New Bern, Court Stenographer, also arrived Monday morning.

In his charge to the grand jury Judge Frizzelle impressed upon the jurors the significance and sacredness of the oath they had taken. He showed that the grand jury has a great deal of power and by the proper exercise of it much can be done for law and order. By fulfilling their obligations he said grand jurors could perhaps prevent some of the criticism of the courts for failure to function. He enjoined upon the people the necessity of getting back to safe foundations such as the home and the church. He said the people must rededicate and reconsecrate themselves to these ideals. He told the jurors that if they knew of any gambling places or other forms of vice to take action against them. F. F. Longest of Beaufort was appointed foreman of the jury and Herbert

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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
Friday, March 17	6:22 a. m.
11:45 a. m.	6:24 p. m.
12:05 p. m.	
Saturday, March 18	7:28 a. m.
12:42 a. m.	7:34 p. m.
1:02 p. m.	
Sunday, March 19	8:37 a. m.
1:49 a. m.	8:46 p. m.
2:11 p. m.	
Monday, March 20	9:41 a. m.
3:10 a. m.	9:56 p. m.
3:38 p. m.	
Tuesday, March 21	10:43 a. m.
4:31 a. m.	11:01 p. m.
4:56 p. m.	
Wednesday, March 22	11:22 a. m.
5:33 a. m.	11:40 p. m.
5:54 p. m.	
Thursday, March 23	12:01 a. m.
6:25 a. m.	12:28 p. m.
6:42 p. m.	

Each seeking eagerly for the Carteret County basketball championship, Smyrna and St. Paul's cagers fought desperately in one of the most colorful, dynamic and nip-and-tuck games ever played on the local court, when the Episcopalians downed the Smyrna High tossers Tuesday evening here before an exceptionally large crowd of cheering spectators by the score of 14-13.

The atmosphere surrounding the court was surcharged with the eagerness of both the players and observers from each school, and this was intensified by the fact that it was necessary to wait about an hour after the scheduled time in order to get a referee agreeable to coaches from both schools.

Shortly after the referee, David Windley, made the initial toss-up, Smyrna hurled the sphere through the basket for the first two points. This was followed closely by a field goal tossed by one of the Episcopalians youths. Both teams were rather evenly matched and due to the enthusiasm and the keen desire of each quint to excel the other, the game was played in a rapid-fire manner, with quick passing and air-tight guarding featuring the game.

The first quarter ended with the score at 6-6, and at the conclusion of the first half both teams had 8 points to the credit of each. St. Paul's took the lead in the third quarter and at the beginning of the last period the Episcopalians held down the better half of the 11-8 score.

During the final quarter St. Paul's cagers and the Smyrna high tossers settled down to a do-or-die, hard-fighting contest of brawn and skill. Several times it looked as if the pendulum of the scoring would swing in the opposite direction, but the Episcopalians managed to finish the game by a one-point lead. Smyrna was in the midst of making a daring attempt at hurling a field goal from mid-court when the time-keeper's whistle "rang the knell of parting day."

Perhaps for the first time in the history of local basketball, no substitution of players were made during the St. Paul's-Smyrna conflict. Also, the fewness of the fouls was one of the outstanding features of the game; only four fouls were called on each quint.

Surrounding the court was a seething, cheering mass of spectators that waxed hysterical at various breath-taking points during the eagerly and evenly contested game. In addition to the large crowd of local fans, the Smyrna cagers had a sizeable representation cheering for them from the sidelines.

It had been previously decided by the various coaches and high school principals that the winner of the final game in the Carteret County basketball tournament should be designated as the Class "A" Champion, and the losing team in the same contest should be known as the Class "B" Champion.

LINE-UP	Smyrna (13)
St. Paul's (14)	R. F. Willis (6)
Longest (7)	L. F. Brown (3)
Thomas	C. Pigott (2)
Ross (6)	R. G. Simpson (2)
Harrell (1)	L. G. Murphy.
Marshall	

MAN CHOPS OWN FOREHEAD INFLECTS PAINFUL WOUND

When a man chops another on the head, that ISN'T news; but when a man chops himself on the head with an ax, that IS news.

While cutting wood near the County Home Tuesday, William Henry Fulcher accidentally chopped himself on the forehead with the same ax he was splitting the logs with.

This seems paradoxical, preposterous, but it is nevertheless true. William Henry was driving a glut— or wedge—in the log he was endeavoring to split, when the ax bounced and struck him on the forehead and cut a painful gash above his left eye. After coming to town and having the wound dressed by a physician, the colored man returned to his wood cutting job and was able to work until later in the afternoon.

Eighty Scotland County farmers have planned to grow 375 acres of tomatoes as a cash crop in 1933.