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HOUSE KILLS SALES TAX TODAY

Adjournment General Assembly Expected by Many Legislators Within Ten Days or Two Weeks

N. C. LAWMAKERS FAVOR SALES TAX FOR STATE

Revenue Sources Major Problem Legislators Have to Consider

By M. R. DUNNAGAN
RALEIGH, April 11—Acceptance of the \$16,000,000 item for the eight months school term in the conference report by the House of Representatives indicates that the 1933 General Assembly is well on the way toward adjournment. Some even think it possible that the session will end this week, but the majority belief is that it will continue through all or nearly all of next week.

Possibility of a deadlock between the House and Senate practically vanished with that action, which, in final analysis, commits the General Assembly to a sales tax. For, it is pointed out, there is no other way in sight for raising the revenue needed for the eight months school and other needs except a sales tax. But, even yet there are members who voted for the eight months school who say they will still oppose the sales tax. This number, however, apparently will not have sufficient strength to hold up the measure for long.

A general sales tax of three per cent as agreed upon by the House Finance committee and comes up for consideration Tuesday in the Revenue bill, which was received on its first reading Saturday. The House will go into a committee of the whole and hopes to be able to finish in time to get it passed on its three House readings the latter part of this week. It will then have to be considered by the Senate, which may spend from three to five days on it. That is why it seems impossible for the session to end before the latter part of next week.

The appropriations bill may be considered out of the way. The House adopted the conference report, 51 to 40. It is considered a matter of formality for the Senate to adopt it. This measure, as stated, provides \$16,000,000 for the eight months school. It makes a cut of 38 per cent, compromise on the House 44 and Senate 32 per cent cut, in salaries of State employees, on the 1931 basis. On the whole, it is almost the figures submitted by the Senate, which was less drastic in its cuts of salaries and appropriations than was the House.

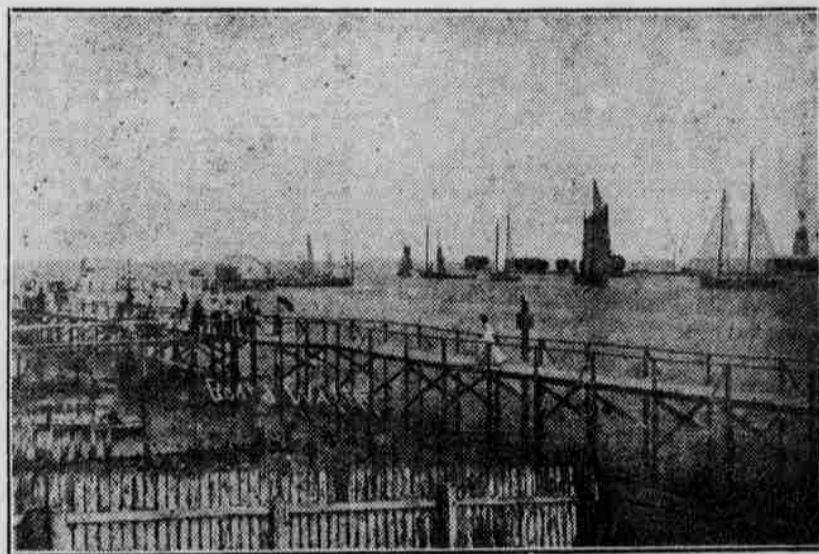
The solution almost reached on the problem is not satisfactory to many members but it is a fair compromise and is expected to work out fairly well if business conditions improve as is promised and expected under the "new deal" of President Roosevelt.

Enactment of the law legalizing the sale of beer, wine and other light beverages May 1 has brought out other regulatory and supplementary measures. One by Senator Francis sets up the machinery for manufacturing and handling such beverages, placing the licensing in the hands of county commissioners. It may be too stringent, as introduced, and may be modified. One other also allows manufacturing, especially interesting to grape and other fruit growers. And another, ratified, permits billboard, as well as newspaper and radio advertising. The town of Belhaven, which, before prohibition—had a \$1000 license tax on drink handlers, wants it removed in the light of new developments.

A few important measures were ratified last week, along with the usual "run of the mill" legislation. Measures ratified last week 57 local acts and 34 of a general nature several resolutions and bills to supplement other acts, making a total of 91 for the week and 704 for the session, including a dozen or more passed but not actually ratified yet. Nor was there a let-up in intro-

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—IN THE DAYS OF YESTERYEAR—



How familiar the above scene is to many of the older folks of this community and Carteret County, for it depicts Beaufort's waterfront as it was twenty and more years ago. Sailing boats were then plentiful in the county and many could be seen almost every day at anchor in Beaufort harbor. The boardwalk that extended from the business section of the community eastward made Beaufort have the appearance of a miniature Atlantic City. Where this boardwalk was then situated automobiles today skim swiftly along on the hard-surfaced street. The above photograph will bring pleasant memories to hundreds of the oldsters in this section.

SMYRNA HIGH WINS CARTERET TRACK MEET FRIDAY

Morehead City Second; Local High Third; Newport Fourth

Smyrna High School won the annual Carteret County High School Track and Field Meet held at the Smyrna Athletic Field Friday. The Smyrna boys and girls scored a total of thirty nine and two thirds points for first place while the Morehead City teams were rolling up a total of thirty three and one third points to take second place in the meet. Beaufort was third with eighteen and one third points; Newport fourth with nine and one third; and Atlantic fifth with seven and one third points.

The Smyrna girls led the girls' division easily with twenty two points while Beaufort girls were second with a dozen. Individual scoring honors in this division went to Miss Dorothy Willis, a daring little eighth grader, who won the girls' high jump that was well over three feet and eleven inches, and was a ready second in the fifty yard dash. She was also a member of the Girls' Relay Team that won first place. No other girl won more than five points individually.

The Morehead City boys led their section with twenty seven points to Smyrna's seventeen and two thirds. Frederick Hughes of Morehead City was high scorer for the boys winning both dashes easily. Ben Watson of Smyrna was second high man winning the broad jump and tying for third place in the high jump. Hughes was also a member of the winning relay team and Watson was a member of the team taking second.

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Beer Licenses

A. T. Gardner, deputy internal revenue collector, announced Monday that he had received instructions from the federal government that federal licenses for the manufacture and sale of beer are to be handled through the treasury department and all persons or firms desiring licenses for beer should ask for application blanks either through the office of the collector, Gilliam Crismon, at Raleigh or from any deputy collector.

LEGISLATORS WILL SEEK OTHER SOURCES

Decision Came After Heated Session of Lawmakers

Since the following news story was written and placed in type the Beaufort News has received a special dispatch stating that the House killed the general sales tax provision in the revenue bill at the session this morning and will seek other sources of revenue.

A motion to strike out the general sales tax provision from the revenue bill was made last night in the House of Representatives of the North Carolina General Assembly by Representative T. C. Bowie, of Ashe, was adopted by the House shortly thereafter by a vote of 59 to 46. Luther Hamilton, Representative from Carteret, voted against the Bowie amendment.

The Bowie motion received the support of both those opposed to all forms of sales tax and those opposed to a general sales tax but who favor a tax on the sale for some specific commodities. Representatives will have the opportunity of deciding today between a straight sales tax and a tax on the sale of selected commodities.

Three Injured at Sea Level Saturday Night

In what is said to have been a free-for-all affray at Sea Level Saturday evening, several people were painfully injured. Warrants were issued as a result of this, but were withdrawn just before the case came up for trial before Justice of Peace F. L. King here Monday morning.

Three of the men participating in this commotion were brought to the Potter Emergency Hospital for treatment. William Taylor sustained a deep laceration of the back and right arm. Charles Taylor suffered a lacerated chin, lip, jaw, and left shoulder. Ed Taylor was injured to the extent of a laceration on the left side of face and ear.

More Red Cross Flour Arrives Here Tuesday

Another carload of Red Cross flour arrived here early this week and was unloaded Tuesday and trucked to the Red Cross headquarters on Turner Street. This is the last shipment that the local chapter of the Red Cross will be able to obtain for the needy of the county.

Beginning next week, the distribution of the flour will be started. The headquarters will be open Tuesdays and Wednesday each week from nine until five o'clock. White people will be served on Tuesday and the colored people on Wednesday of each week.

May Allow Shipping Beer Into Carolina

RALEIGH, April 12—A petition to Senator Waynick from Guilford wholesale interests today to allow beer to be shipped into North Carolina prior to May 1 in order that it may be ready for sale on that day brought an announcement from the Guilford member early tonight that he would support such an amendment to the beer bill.

Senator Waynick said he would confer with Senator Francis, introducer of the beer bill and the regulatory measure, controlling the sale of beer, immediately.

To be effective such an amendment would have to be passed quickly. Senator Waynick told newspapermen today that he would try to have the amendment moving through the legislative mill tomorrow.

FIND HARKERS ISLAND MAN IN DARE COUNTY

Sheriff Elbert M. Chadwick left yesterday for Manteo, where he was to receive Dan Rose, of Harkers Island, from the custody of Sheriff Victor Meekins, of Dare County. Mrs. Rose swore out a warrant several weeks ago charging her husband with abandonment. Rose was located by Sheriff Meekins, who informed Sheriff Chadwick of the apprehension of Rose.

WIFE SENTENCED FOR THRASHING HUSBAND'S PARAMOUR LAST WEEK

Alice Neal Pritchard of the upper North River community certainly believes in protecting "her man" from "the other woman," judging by the recent beating she gave Nellie Foster. The case in which these two colored women were involved was tried in the court room of the county courthouse Saturday morning at ten o'clock by Justice of Peace Henry W. Noe.

The defendant, prosecuting witness and other witnesses were so talkative in open court that Justice Noe had to station the sheriff and deputy sheriff in their midst with the orders to jail the first one that persisted in talking. Quite a large crowd of colored folks from North River was present for the reviews of the rather interesting case, from the standpoint of feminine psychology.

It was stated that Nellie Foster was passing the home of Alice Neal Pritchard, and the latter called Nellie in and administered one of those old-fashioned wood-house thrashings with

a stick. The defendant accused the prosecuting witness of the alienation of the affections of the former's husband. From the testimony given before Justice Noe, the dramatization of the old wood-house scene must have been a rather heated affray.

Justice Noe found the defendant guilty and the sentence was given as follows: the defendant must keep the peace for a period of six months, and in the event that she does not she will be confined in the county jail for thirty days. She was given a month in which to pay the costs of the action.

Other witnesses were Lillian Merrill, Obelia Merrill and Dorka Smith. This case gives no encouragement to the wife who desires to chastise her husband's paramour, but it is self-evident that it would take a stronger deterrent than this to keep an infuriated spouse from pulling the hair of the third ingredient to the eternal triangle.

Hope to Obtain Approval State Bank Commissioner To Re-open Newport Bank

Miss Fales Dies

Miss Annie Fales passed away at her home in New York City early Wednesday morning after several weeks' illness. Heart trouble is said to have been the cause of death. The remains will arrive here Friday morning and the funeral will probably be conducted from St. Pauls Episcopal church Friday afternoon. Final arrangements have not been made yet concerning this. She was said to have been seventy-eight years old.

Miss Fales is well known here, for she has been living here—especially during the summer months—for many years. An account of the funeral and a resume of her life will be printed in the next issue of the News.

NO RESTRICTIONS FOR HUNTING AND FISHING DESIRED

Bill Would Keep State From Restricting Beach Property

By M. R. DUNNAGAN
RALEIGH, April 12—The Hanes-Lassiter property, located in Carteret county, between Harbor Island and Portsmouth, an area 10 miles long and three-fourths of a mile wide, known as "Beach Lands," would not be placed under restrictions proposed by the Department of Conservation and Development to make it a game refuge or sanctuary for wild fowl, under a prohibitory bill introduced in the House by Representative Luther Hamilton, of Carteret county.

The property in question has been donated, conditionally, to the State for development by the Conservation department, by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lassiter, of Charlotte, the latter formerly Miss Hanes, of Winston-Salem. The development is experimental and if successful, the property is to be deemed to the State definitely and permanently.

The Hamilton bill points out that the State has acquired it and has or is about to promulgate rules "not only restricting and prohibiting the public from the use of such lands, but restrictions and prohibiting the public from the uses of the waters adjacent to said lands, and especially denying to the public the rights and privileges of hunting in the water adjacent to said lands" and that such arbitrary use of power deprives the citizens of the State of "hunting and fishing rights and privileges heretofore enjoyed by them and their forefathers from time immemorial, and rights which ought to be respected, perpetuated and made inviolate."

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MARRIAGE LICENSES

Henry Smith, Atlantic and Elva Hill, Williston.

George J. Brooks and Sarah Parkin, of Beaufort.

Christopher D. Jones and Marjorie Lewis, of Beaufort.

Catching Fish

Approximately sixty thousand pounds of fish have been brought into market here the first three days of this week. The majority of these fish were sea mullets, while the remainder was a general mixture. The fishermen have shifted from the grounds near Ocracoke to the vicinity of Cape Lookout. Most of the fish marketed here this week were caught at the latter location, but some fish were caught on the inside around here.

PLAN TO INCREASE STOCK TO TEN THOUSAND

Would Also Have Five Thousand Dollars in Surplus

At a meeting of the major depositors of the Bank of Newport in the auditorium of the Newport Consolidated School Monday evening at eight o'clock, it was unanimously agreed that they send a committee composed of Charles V. Webb, W. A. Mace, G. W. Huntley and W. H. Bell to Raleigh to see if Gurney P. Hood, State Bank Commissioner, would agree to let them reopen the Bank of Newport if they would raise the capital stock from five thousand to ten thousand dollars, with an additional five thousand dollars for a surplus. This committee is planning to go to the state capital Friday in the interest of this banking institution.

The meeting was called by L. C. Carroll, president of the closed bank, and the directors. W. H. Bell was chairman of the meeting and Charles V. Webb was secretary. Virtually all of the depositors of the bank having twenty-five dollars or more to their credit when the National Bank Holiday was proclaimed were present at the meeting.

Those present voted unanimously in favor of the proposal that one-fourth of the deposits be converted into preferred stock in an effort to bring about a reopening of the bank. A committee composed of Charles V. Webb, W. A. Mace, G. W. Huntley, G. W. Huntley, D. F. Garner, M. I. Simmons and C. M. Shark was appointed to meet with the president and directors of the bank to go over the assets of the institution. This committee met Tuesday morning at nine o'clock in the office of the bank and minutely examined the assets. Everything was said to have been in satisfactory condition.

It is the hope of the reorganizers of the bank to increase the stock from five thousand to ten thousand dollars with a five thousand dollar surplus. In order to do this it is proposed to assess the present stockholders fifty per cent, thus giving a surplus of two thousand five hundred dollars. In addition to this, it is proposed to sell five thousand dollars worth of preferred stock to present depositors with an additional fifty per cent added on. This sale would yield a capital of five thousand dollars and a surplus of two thousand five hundred dollars. This would then bring the total up to the desired amounts.

If this proposal meets the approval of Commissioner Hood and the reorganization is effected, the Bank of Newport will then be in as liquid condition as any bank in North Carolina, it is stated by C. M. Hill, cashier of the closed institution.

Hundreds of people in Carteret County, particularly the business people, are sincerely hoping that the efforts of the reorganizers will meet with success. People throughout the county have become accustomed to dealing with and through banking institutions during the past thirty years, and they find it difficult to carry on their everyday businesses without the aid of a bank now. By the time the next issue of this paper reaches you the process of reorganization of the Bank of Newport will probably be underway.

CONSTITUTIONALITY OF ANY SALES TAX WILL BE TESTED

Fayetteville, April 12—T. M. Hunter, a director of the North Carolina Merchants association, today said the constitutionality of any sales tax passed by the legislature would be tested in the courts. The directors meeting in Raleigh last night, he said, decided to pay the sales tax under protest and to carry a fight for a restraining order against it to the United States Supreme court.