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Federal Aid For Schools Plan Being Considered

A Six Point Program Is Being Prepared; The Object is to Help The States Keep Up Schools During The Depression; North Carolina Would Get A Large Sum

By M. R. DUNNAGAN
RALEIGH, Jan. 29.—An ambitious six point program for education in the United States is being worked out by a special Federal Advisory Committee on Emergency Aid in Education to be presented to Congress, which would involve expenditures for educational purposes of probably more than \$500,000,000 in the next 18 months, and of which North Carolina would receive from \$8,000,000 to \$10,000,000, according to estimates made by educators in Raleigh.

The proposed program includes adoption of what was for a long time used in North Carolina almost exclusively, the distribution of funds for public education on an equalizing basis. Because North Carolina was the only state which used the equalizing fund on a large scale, the services of Dr. A. T. Allen State superintendent of Public Instruction, have been sought and utilized in working out the plan proposed.

The six-point program that is now proposed is outlined briefly, as follows:

1. A federal appropriation of \$50,000,000 to be allocated during the year 1933-34 according to emergency needs in the several states, to be secured by special provision in the relief act or by separate appropriation, administered preferably by a board headed by the U. S. Commissioner of Education. North Carolina could secure funds under this head only for additional teachers, about 15,000 of which could be added.

2. A federal emergency appropriation of allocation of not less than \$100,000,000 for the school year 1934-35, available July 1, 1934, to be allocated to be distributed objectively, based upon reasonable evidence of needs and resources, and distributed by a board headed by the U. S. Commissioner of Education. North Carolina might reasonably expect around \$2,000,000 of this fund.

3. Recommendation that federal funds in a substantial sum (inside reports say \$400,000,000 is the figure considered) to be distributed among the states to help meet the present emergency and keep the schools up to standard during distressed period. This would be distributed by a board headed by the U. S. Commissioner of Education, first, of a flat sum objectively determined; second, a supplemental sum weighed to meet the needs of the poorer states; and, third, that 10 per cent be reserved to meet exceptional and unforeseen needs.

4. Local funds should be released for school maintenance by refinancing school district, municipal or county corporations, where the loan is to be used for educational purposes and provided the loan rests on the security of delinquent taxes, frozen assets in closed banks or other acceptable security.

5. Out of any new appropriations for public works not less than 10 per cent should be allocated for buildings for schools, colleges and other educational enterprises, such grants made available provided an approved survey has been made and shows the need for the buildings, and that surveys be made where they have not been, under direction of the Office of Education, the cost to be charged to the public works appropriation for school plants. Grants for such projects should be made on the 100 per cent basis, while major attention should be given to the needs of rural schools.

6. Federal appropriation or allocation of \$30,000,000 to assist students to attend institutions of higher education for the period ending July 1, 1935, either by a separate provision in existing acts or a separate appropriation.

North Carolina might expect close to \$10,000,000 of this amount in the next 18 months, if the legislation, as proposed, is enacted. The bulk of the sum would come from the \$300,000,000 as a tax reduction fund for 1934-35. By a normal division, this State would receive \$6,000,000 to \$7,000,000, but upon a basis of ratio of children to per capita wealth, the amount would increase.

North Carolina, for instance, it is shown in the National Industrial Conference Board Bulletin, had in 1930, tangible wealth of \$4,719,000.

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MANY CANDIDATES EXPECTED TO RUN

There Will Be Contests For Judgeships And Other Positions. Primary June 2nd

By M. R. DUNNAGAN
RALEIGH, Jan. 30.—Nine superior court judges, three supreme court justices, two State officials, 20 district solicitors and 11 congressmen are to be elected in the off-year election next fall and subject to the primary in the spring.

The three members of the supreme court bench are Chief Justice W. P. Stacy, and Associate Justices Heriot Clarkson and W. J. Adams, who, so far as is now known, have no announced opposition. The two State officials are Stanley Winborne, public utilities commissioner, now serving under appointment, and Charles M. Johnson, State Treasurer, to fill out a two-year period of unexpired term of John P. Stedman, who resigned before his inauguration. So far there has been no announced opposition to either of these. Both are expected to run.

But in superior court races many candidates may be expected, both for the judicial seats to be filled, and for the solicitorial jobs. Eleven judges will not have to run, their terms extending until 1938 in 10 cases, and until 1936 in one instance. Nine others must enter the primary and election, and some of these are certain to have opposition.

In order of number of district, those whose terms expire January 1, 1935, include Judge Frank Daniels, Goldsboro, of the Fourth district, who has reached the retirement age. He has not decided whether to be a candidate again or to retire. If he runs, no opposition is expected. If he retires, Solicitor Clawson Williams, Sanford, is expected to be a candidate, and Norman Shepherd, Smithfield, is expected to run for solicitor, and there will doubtless be others for both.

Judge W. C. Harris, Raleigh of the Seventh, comes up for election, with no announced opposition so far. Solicitor J. C. Little may be opposed, Thomas Rufin Raleigh, and W. L. Lumpkin, Franklinville, being mentioned. Judge A. M. Stack, Monroe, 13th, may expect opposition from Solicitor F. Don Phillips, Rockingham, and Union L. Spence, Carthage, which may make a lively race. Judge J. M. Oglesby, Concord, of the 15th, is up again and has no announced opposition so far.

Judge T. B. Finley, Wilkesboro, of the 17th, has reached retirement age and announces he will not run again. The candidates are already announced, J. Hayden Burke, Taylorsville, and J. M. Ragland, Spruce Pine, and there are many others. Judge Michael Schenck, Hendersonville, of the 28th; Judge Pender A. McElroy, of the 19th, and Judge Felix Alley, Sr., Waynesville, of the 20th are all up for eight-year terms. Judge Alley now filling out the unexpired term of the late Judge Walter E. Moore, which ends January 1, 1935. Judge R. Hunt Parker, Halifax, who is filling out the late Judge C. F. Midyette's term in the Third, is also up for an eight year term.

All 20 solicitor offices are to be filled and probably most incumbents who seek reelection will have opposition. Solicitor C. L. Williams, 4th district, is not expected to have opposition, but will run for judge if Judge Daniels retires, opening up the contest. Solicitor Little, Raleigh, may be opposed. Lee Carr, Burlington, may be opposed by James Patton, Jr. Durham. If Solicitor Phillips, Rockingham, runs for judge, his post will

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STATE ROAD FUND ONE THIRD USED

Up To January 1 State Had Used \$3,645,000 Of Its Allotment

By M. R. DUNNAGAN
RALEIGH, Jan. 29.—Approximately two-thirds of the \$394,000,000 apportioned for State highway work, or \$251,788,000 had been allotted to states and contracts had been awarded using \$215,160,000 of this in the first six months of the operation under the recovery act, the January issue of American Highway shows.

The table shows that \$30,993,319 had been paid in cash to the 48 states up to January 1 in the public works program. The apportionments amounting to 63.9 per cent of the total authorized and 54.6 had been placed under contract. The projects approved reached 5,287 and 4,494 of these had been let to contract. In December the men actually employed reached 129,346.

North Carolina had been apportioned \$9,522,293 and up to January 1 \$3,645,000 of this, or 38.3 per cent, allotted for approved work, which embraced 112 projects. Contracts had actually been awarded to use \$2,779,000 of the apportionment, of 29.2 per cent, on 91 projects. Payments of federal funds to this State to January 1 reached \$394,816, and this State had spent on construction only during the period \$455,000. This does not include maintenance.

In December 2,446 men were actually employed on these projects.

Kansas alone of the states had 100 per cent of its allotment approved and under contract. New York had approval for 93.8 per cent and District of Columbia 97.3 per cent of their allotment.

TO DELIVER ADDRESS AT LINCOLN DINNER

Greensboro, Jan. 31.—Harold McGinnis, of Coffeyville, Kan., Representative from the Third Congressional District in that State, has accepted an invitation to deliver the principal address at the fifth annual State-wide Lincoln Day dinner in Greensboro Monday night, February 12.

WELL BLANKETED

A large number of blankets have been distributed to destitute people in Carteret county and the demand for them is still large. Last fall following the hurricane, the Red Cross distributed through the Beaufort chapter 1600 blankets and the Morehead City chapter distributed a good many also. In recent weeks through the Federal Emergency Relief 600 more blankets have been given away.

CONTRASTS IN WEATHER GREAT

Some very great contrasts in weather have taken place in this vicinity recently. On Friday the 26th, it was warm and spring like, so much so in fact that two young ladies of Beaufort donned their bathing clothes and took a plunge in the water at the Inlet Inn dock. They reported the water rather cool but the air was fine. They were Misses Helen Jones and Evelyn Norcom.

Monday night a terrific northwest wind swooped down from Alaska, or maybe the North Pole and the temperature dropped to 12 above zero, the lowest it has been here in a number of years. After two days of cold weather the mercury took an upward shoot and today a southeast wind brought warm weather and a much needed rain.

Advertise it or you may have to keep it.

COTTON SIGN-UP SEEMS TO BE FORGING AHEAD

By F. H. JETER
RALEIGH, Jan. 29.—The cotton sign-up campaign in North Carolina is going over the top, according to reports received in the office of Charles A. Sheffield of State College, State director of the campaign.

He said that several of the counties have already signed 75 per cent of the growers and that many others are rapidly approaching this figure. The county agents in the 67 cotton growing counties were asked to rush the campaign through as rapidly as possible in order that a sufficient number of contracts would be signed by Wednesday for the secretary of agriculture to adopt the plan for this year.

The agents have been signing contracts much faster than they have had time to give them final approval before sending them into Mr. Justice's office. However, about 2,000 approved contracts have already been reported to Washington, he said.

The approved contracts cover between 35,000 and 40,000 acres with an average annual production of about 20,000 bales. Under the contract, about 15,000 of these acres are to be retired from production and the poundage cut by 12,000 bales.

The object of the sign-up has been to place most of the State's 1,500,000 cotton acres under contract and limit the 1934 acreage to 899,000 acres.

For this reduction, the rental and parity payments should amount to \$5,000,000 or more. In addition, the growers are expected to get some \$17,000,000 through increased prices attributed to the activities of the adjustment program.

Fort Macon Project Has Been Approved

Large Sum Allocated For Renovating the Fort And For Improvements To Area Around It. Civilian Conservation Camp May Be Established There. Road Work Is Being Pushed

County's Population Makes Good Increase

Information furnished by the Bureau of Vital Statistics of the State Board of Health show that births in Carteret county for the month of December and for the 1933 far out number the deaths. From the report it appears that there was a gain of 200 in the county's population. The figures are given herewith:

Towns	Deaths	Births	Still Births
Beaufort	4	13	
M. City	9	11	
Townships—			
Beaufort	1	2	1
Cedar Is.	1		
Harkers Is.	2	1	
Harlowe	1	1	
Hunting Quarter—			
Davis	0	0	0
Hunting Quarter—			
Stacy	1		
Hunting Quarter—			
Sea Level		2	
Hunting Quarter—			
Marshallberg			
Merrimon		2	
Morehead	2	10	
Newport	1	4	
Portsmouth			
Straits		4	1
	24	52	2

The Year 1933

Towns	Deaths	Births	Still Births
Beaufort	25	75	5
M. City	53	50	2
Townships—			
Beaufort	13	25	1
Cedar Is.	4	4	1
Harkers Is.	10	26	1
Harlowe	2	14	
Hunting 1-4—			
Davis	4	3	
Hunting 1-4—			
Stacy	4	7	
Hunting 1-4—			
Sea Level	8	6	
Hunting 1-4—			
Atlantic	8	6	
Marshallberg	6	8	
Merrimon	6	11	
Morehead	19	61	
Newport	11	26	1
Portsmouth			
Straits	6	27	1
	189	389	12

Provisional.

Floating Museum Will Remain Until Monday

On account of the bad weather that prevailed for two or three days, and on special request, the floating museum, the two masted ship *Engie*, will be here until Monday morning. The ship will sail Monday for Wilmington where she will be for some time and then possibly go farther south.

Quite a large number of people have visited the vessel since she has been in Beaufort and the News has heard many say they were well pleased with the exhibition thereon. A large collection of marine fauna and flora and a great many interesting relics and curios of various kinds comprise the collection. Captain T. G. Alvord and Dr. W. A. Kruse, formerly of the teaching staff of Rochester University, owners of the vessel and exhibits are in charge and explain to visitors any thing they wish to know. The vessel is at the Inlet Inn dock.

COTTON CONTRACTS READY

The cotton acreage reduction contracts are now in the office of Mr. Hugh Overstreet, County Agent, and he will be glad to sign up any one who wishes to sign this reduction. Due to the small acreage of cotton grown in Carteret, it is optional with the grower whether or not he signs the contract, but any grower who planted cotton in 1933 and is cooperating in the tobacco reduction of acreage will not be expected to increase his acreage planted to cotton above that grown by him in 1933.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Doyce Rice, Morehead City and Letha Fodrie, Beaufort, RFD.

The announcement from Raleigh that Mrs. Thos. O'Berry, State Director of the CWA, had approved an application for \$30,000 to be used for renovating and improving Fort Macon and the grounds around it, means that this work will now go forward. Walter Toy, an architect, has been assigned to look after this project. The road which is being constructed to Fort Macon is a different project and good progress is being made on it under the direction of H. L. Oxley the engineer in charge. State Forester J. S. Holmes of the Department of Conservation and Development has general supervision of all of this work.

It is hoped, and plans are afoot, to establish a Civilian Conservation Camp at Fort Macon. This camp would mean that 200 young men would be stationed there for probably a good many months. According to information furnished the News the improvements planned for Fort Macon will make it a very attractive place. The road of course will make it accessible and it is thought thousands of people will visit there this summer and that its popularity will increase from year to year.

Last week the CWA pay roll in this county took a considerable drop. The week before it was virtually \$16,000 and last week it was a little over \$10,000. On account of unfavorable weather it may be less than \$10,000 this week. Reducing the hours of work caused about 40 men to give up their jobs voluntarily. Registrations up to Wednesday in the county were 2906 and 880 of these have been provided with jobs by the Reemployment Service here. Mr. Byrd Wade director of this service informs the News that it is likely that farmers in this section will soon need a lot of workers for cutting brocoli and persons who wish work of this sort should see him. Last year laborers from out of the county were brought here for cutting brocoli and it is hoped that this will not be necessary again.

DIRECT RELIEF IN COUNTY LARGE

In the month of December 758 families in Carteret county received Federal aid in the form of food, clothing, drugs and the like. This relief amounted to 8,395.18. In the month of January the News understands that practically \$10,000 was expended for direct relief for which no work was done at all. Mrs. Malcolm Lewis, County CWA director informs the News that she has reason to believe that some people are getting their relief who are not entitled to it and that investigations are being made. If it is found that fraud

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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	Friday, Feb. 2	Low Tides
9:53 a. m.		3:45 a. m.
10:15 p. m.		4:08 p. m.
	Saturday, Feb. 3	
10:28 a. m.		4:23 a. m.
10:52 p. m.		4:40 p. m.
	Sunday, Feb. 4	
10:59 a. m.		5:03 a. m.
11:05 p. m.		5:12 p. m.
	Monday, Feb. 5	
11:33 a. m.		5:50 a. m.
11:45 p. m.		5:52 p. m.
	Tuesday, Feb. 6	
12:18 a. m.		6:46 a. m.
12:30 p. m.		6:43 p. m.
	Wednesday, Feb. 7	
1:11 a. m.		7:50 a. m.
1:24 p. m.		7:47 p. m.
	Thursday, Feb. 8	
2:13 a. m.		8:56 a. m.
2:28 p. m.		8:56 p. m.