

Legislature Will Be Asked To Increase Patrol Personnel

Daily Dispatch Bureau. In the Sir Walter Hotel. BY HENRY AVERILL.

Legislation to increase the number of patrolmen in the State Police is expected to be introduced in the next session of the General Assembly. The present force of 1,888 patrolmen is considered insufficient for the State's needs, particularly in the mountain and western sections.

Each patrolman is under orders to patrol at least fifteen motorists every day in a checkup on licenses, he said. He is to be halted during daylight hours and five after dark.

"That amounts to about 2,500 motorists a day, if every one of the patrolmen does it; but with more than 600,000 motor vehicles registered in North Carolina it's easy to see that a big job this one item is," he said.

On the subject of a compulsory inspection statute he said he favors one which would permit the patrolmen and general supervision of safety on the highways.

Andrews Labor Trouble Not Caused By Union, Hoey Says

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Raleigh, Nov. 27.—Labor troubles in which several "turnovers" were given unwelcome baptizing-like dips in cold Macon county streams were not caused by "union or non-union" issues, Governor Clyde R. Hoey said today in studying a report from Commissioner of Labor Forest H. Shuford and after talking to the department head at some length.

The governor is still seeking to find out to the bottom of the matter and get to the bottom of the matter and get to the bottom of the matter and get to the bottom of the matter.

Between 20 and 30 per cent of all workers were "outsiders", Shuford reported; but all of them were employed because of peculiar technical skill and none of them held jobs which could have been filled by local workers.

That point settled, it has been definitely decided to resume work on the project, but the exact day for reopening has not been set. It may be tomorrow. If not, it will likely be delayed until next Monday as Thursday is the legal Thanksgiving holiday.

The governor hasn't yet made up his mind whether there will be need of protection for those going back to work, but he makes it perfectly plain that if any such protection is needed it will be given at once and in sufficient force.

Meanwhile, efforts to find out what the trouble was all about are continued. S. B. I. Agent Adkins is in the section and is assumed to be investigating the disturbance; though no official announcement has been made to that effect.

Governor Hoey absolved the "union" of any blame, though one of the main objects of the mountaineers' wrath was one of the union organizers who bears the name of a jobe Southerner, R. E. Lee.

Lee is said to have extracted dues from many on the statement, upon which he couldn't make good, that all who joined the union will get jobs. When he couldn't deliver jobs as promised, there was an immediate and rate reaction.

The project is completely "union," but the other organizers went no further, according to the governor, than to tell all applicants for jobs that they would have to join the union in order to get employment.

Governor Hoey said that a great deal of the resentment appears to have been caused by the fact that the company was sending telegrams and special messages to "outsiders", asking them to come and take jobs. Those receiving these communications, he said, would often be passed through gates at which there stood local people who had just been told they couldn't go in because there was no work for them. This, he pointed out, naturally stirred resentment among groups who did not realize that the outsiders getting the jobs were getting only those for which they were especially trained and which none of the locals could competently fill.

Upshot of the whole affair seems now to be that the project will resume operations as soon as it can recall those workers who were scared or "run" off by the disorders.

Meanwhile the S. B. I. will continue a thorough investigation to determine if there were, perhaps, subversive influences interested in financing the trouble.

Prices At Top For Soy Beans

Raleigh, Nov. 27.—Tar Heel farmers who are withholding soybeans from market while waiting for better prices were today cautioned by Buxton White, marketing specialist of the State Department of Agriculture, that there are slim prospects of any increase in prices.

North Carolina's farmers will likely sell approximately 2,200,000 bushels this season. Prices are now about 20 cents higher than those prevailing five or six weeks ago at the opening of the market.

Any further advance, however, is likely to be checked by strong competition from peanuts and cotton seed as sources of oil and meal.

White said. Besides that, the loss of European markets is a handicap which cannot be overlooked.

Then, too, any reduction in soybean production will be more than offset by increased yields of peanuts and cotton seed.

"Despite the decrease in soybean production in the country, which has been reported at more than 10 per cent," said White, "farmers are expecting 33 per cent boosts in peanut production and 10 per cent increase in cotton seed, all of which more than offset the soybean reduction."

Commenting on the tendency to withhold the beans while waiting for better prices, White declared:

"This practice cannot be continued with any certainty of future price increases and farmers will be wise to follow closely price trends and to study market news reports and Chicago Exchange quotations looking toward disposition of the 1940 crop at a favorable exchange."

"North Carolina soybeans are now being sold for processing in competition with the beans produced in mid-western states where average yields are about double those in this state and where oil content is about 25 per cent higher. Our beans last year showed a moisture content of about 14.5 per cent compared with 10 to 12 per cent for Illinois and Indiana."

Legislation On Wine May Dispose Of Wet-Dry Issue

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Raleigh, Nov. 27.—Best indications at this writing are that the labors of a wet-dry "mountain" in the General Assembly are quite likely to bring nothing more than a fortified wine "mouse."

In other words, up-out of all the efforts of prohibitionists is not likely to be more than an act putting sale of fortified wines—perhaps wines of all kinds—under jurisdiction of the various county ABC boards.

That would be something of a hollow victory for the dry as a whole element; but would be more than satisfactory to the ABC counties. ABC advocates in many counties now legally dry, and to the beer interests which are making a desperate effort to disassociate themselves from all forms of hard liquor.

The most ardent prohibitionists might not like it, but they certainly couldn't logically object to it.

From time to time there have been reports that the drys will be in position to force a real battle over a statewide referendum; but the fact is that the W. C. T. U. has never seen fit to release any figures on its legislative poll, except a statement listing as "dry" an overwhelming proportion of those who replied to a questionnaire. But in the actual number of replies, that statement was worthless on its face.

A survey of legislative personnel, based on previous voting records, known inclinations and general knowledge of the lawmakers, indicates very strongly that it would take nothing less than the most terrific pressure to get favorable action from them on any proposal to submit the question to the people.

That pressure isn't going to be supplied by Governor J. M. Broughton, according to all available information, though the next chief executive hasn't said anything about it publicly.

Where any such pressure would come from, therefore, is hard to discover. There seems little doubt that the state as a whole would vote dry if the matter were ever submitted, but that's an entirely different thing from getting a referendum bill through both houses of the legislature.

The 26 ABC counties, of course, will bitterly fight any such proposal; and they will be joined by western law makers who do not want to stir up a hornet's nest and give the Re-

publicans a going issue.

Almost everybody, however, is likely to gang up on the present law permitting the sale of fortified wines, up to 24 per cent alcohol, in all sorts of stores all over the state.

The ABC supporters know the sale of wine of this strength is cutting into the revenue of the liquor stores. Those legislators who favor liquor stores, feel that there'd be a much better chance for a wet victory if hard liquor—and that's just what 24 per cent wine is—were not quite so easy to get. The prohibitionists profess to be against every form of alcohol and therefore couldn't fight against a ban on wine. The beer interests would not only be relieved of some competition but would feel a little bit less apprehensive of public condemnation if there were no high powered wine on sale.

Incidentally, Dr. Gallup—whose four per cent margin of error played some part in electing Roosevelt—has conducted a recent prohibition poll and reports that dry sentiment is on the decline in every section of the country. He gives no specific figures on North Carolina, but he reports that the South, which was exactly 50-50 on the prohibition question in January is now 56-44 opposed to constitutional aridity.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY BUYS NEW ENGINES

Washington, Nov. 27.—Announcement is made today by Southern Railway System of the purchase of four Diesel-electric streamlined passenger locomotives of 4,000 horsepower each, for use on "The Crescent," Southern Railway train Nos. 27 and 38, between Washington and Atlanta, and on the Ponce de Leon," trains Nos. 1 and 2, between Miami and Chattanooga. The two locomotives for "The Crescent" have been ordered from Electro-Motive Corporation, and the two for the "Ponce de Leon" from the American Locomotive Company. Delivery of the engines is expected around the first of January.

LANGUAGE GROUP TO MEET AT UNC

Chapel Hill, Nov. 27.—Several hundred members of the South Atlantic Modern Language Association, from the Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee, Alabama, and Florida, are expected to convene in Chapel Hill on Friday and Saturday, November 29-30.

Before the association as a whole and at the various section meetings over 40 papers and addresses will be delivered.

E. C. T. C. HOLIDAY DATES ANNOUNCED

Greenville, Nov. 27.—Thanksgiving holidays of East Carolina Teachers College will begin at noon on Wednesday, November 27, and close at the week-end, with classes beginning at 8 o'clock Monday. The Christmas holidays will run from

IT'S EXCITING TO SHOP IN DURHAM
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Capital Gossip

BY HENRY AVERILL.

Raleigh, Nov. 27.—North Carolina motorists seem to have caught the spirit of starting early for Christmas.

At least, they have already begun the holiday holocaust on the highways. Every paper is full of accounts of deaths and injuries and crashes. Over the past week-end almost a dozen fatalities were recorded.

Governor Hoey has appealed to Tar Heels to go a bit slower; the Highway Safety Division is working its level best to impress the necessity for a bit more care in driving; and the National Safety Council is adding its voice in an effort to check accidents off the Christmas list.

Each year, the Council points out in a release from its Chicago headquarters, the Christmas spirit of "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men" undergoes an ironic transformation. It is converted by the very geniality and excitement of the holiday season into suffering and sorrow through wholesale slaughter on the streets and highways.

Thirty-two national organizations are joining the Council in the drive, which has a two-fold purpose: Not only is it aimed at the blight on the Christmas happiness, but it is a last-ditch fight to keep traffic fatalities this year from soaring far above 1939.

North Carolina's safety chiefs say the same conditions confront this state. During the first part of the year there was a very noticeable falling off in highway deaths; but the gains have been completely wiped out by recent bloody crashes. October was particularly gruesome, and early November improvement went a-glimmering with the fearful toll of the last week-end.

"We hope everyone will enlist in this campaign," says Ronald Hocutt, safety director. "Certainly there is no better way of expressing Christmas spirit than by sparing others the grief of a traffic accident."

Dr. J. S. Dorton, who has directed the State Fair here for the past four years and who has kept it "in the black" every time, will speak on the program of the annual convention of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions at Chicago Monday.

His subject will be "Modernization of the Fairs." He plans to put particular stress on lighting.

The Albemarle office has reported to headquarters of the North Carolina State Employment Service that it recently took the registration of a woman whose only work experience consisted of breaking eggs for a bakery products company.

The application explained that hers wasn't the only unusual occupation, either. The next worker's duty in the products company's activity consisted of "smelling eggs."

Chief Justice W. P. Stacy intimated to attorneys in the High Point power case Tuesday that the Supreme court jurists are very well acquainted—not to say "fed up"—with the long drawn out battle over the proposed Yadkin county power project.

When W. S. Robinson, chief counsel for the Duke Power company, backed by Judge Deal, of the High Point legal staff, asked about extending time for arguing the case when it is called this week, the chief rather tartly remarked "we are familiar with that matter, maybe we can get through in the regular time."

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For the challenge to build and to conquer,
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