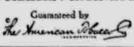


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DR. BROOKS CAN'T FORCE COUNTIES TO LEVY TAX

His Job, However, Is To See That Constitutional Mandate is Prop-

tion to boards of county commis- it is estimated that with what aid sioners who wanted to close schools the state itself renders the weaker school to close before six months that the schools of North Carolina corn, peas, potatoes, and hogs for term had been provided, has brought shall be open s x months of every home consumption. This kind of conmany letters of protest to Raleigh, year. Dr. Brooks, the letter-writers Some of these letters are coming are being told, has no right to change of a doctor. from influential, but uninformed men in counties, to members of the administration whom they happen to know personally.

Some of the letters want to know

if the county commissioners have to be will have to see that the schools levy as much money as Dr. Brooks are run at least six months a year. says they must levy, if Dr. Brooks

ter writers are being told, no right to force a county to adopt a budget he suggests, and no right to order the levy of any particular tax rate in any county in the state. In fact, he has nothing to do with the levy of the tax, and absolutely nothing to with the expenditure of money raised in the county for school pur-

All Dr. Brooks has to do with the from this general state fund are the school system of North Carolina is ones that are doing the most kicking. to see that the constitutional pro- And they are kicking about the tax visions are carried out under the rules rate over and above the 54 cent limit. and regulations laid down by the That is a proposition over which Dr. leg slature and interpreted by the Brocks nor any other state official courts. Those who have received these letters are getting answers along this in any county pays over and above line. Their attention is called to the local court of the the taxes they are form any county pays over and above the base of cents is tax which the local court of the taxes they are form any county pays over and above the base of cents is tax which the local court of the taxes they are form any county pays over any line.

voted on themselves. Special attention is being called to these points:

1. The counties may levy for gen-

erly Carried Out

hundred dollar value.

2. Counties may levy up to 39
Raleigh, April 22.—The action of cents on the hundred dollar values
br. E. C. Brooks, superantendent of for school purposes. The rate is fixed
purcuised have the punctures vulcanat 39 cents on the hundred because Public Instruction, in calling atten- at 39 cents on the hundred because is estimated that with what aid that the schools of North Carolina this constitutional provision, no right to modify it in any way. In fact, his eath of office makes him swear that he will upheld the constitution. if he carries out his oath of office

s oners and then force the adoption to levy is 15 cents plus the 39 cent school tax. And all of this need not ters, of course, is in the negative to all of the questions relating to the comply with the constitutional of the state superintendant of mand. The answers to all of these letters, of course, is in the negative to all of the questions relating to the comply with the constitutional depower of the state superintendent of mands for the six months' school public instruction. He has, the letterm. Some counties do not have to public instruction. He has, the letterm. Some counties do not have to levy the full amount. In those counwhere the levy of 39 cents does always catch everything! not produce enough revenue to run the schools six months, the state steps in and help from funds that do not come from the general prop-erty tax, but from incomes, inherit-

ance, franchise and license taxes, Counties Kicking Most

The counties which get the most ones that are doing the most kicking, fact that the taxes they are com-plaining of most is taxes they have and local improvements in their own

communities. Counties or communi-es which vote bond issues have to evy enough tax to pay the interest on these bonds. The law requires his, and the county authorities which failed to make this provision are sub-ject to indictment. In many instances, herefore, the kicks are coming from people who themselves have voted for ond issues or voted special taxes for one purpose or another, or whose county or other local officials have neurred the debt for them.

Raising Cotton Despite the Boll Weevil

(The Carroll County Times [Ga.].)

1. Prepare your land in October by blowing it up with dynamite.

2. Lay it off in rows 12 feet apart, and plant your cotton seed in Decem-

ber.

3. When your cotton comes up thin

bit of feet anart. it to one stalk in a hill 23 feet apart.
4. Spray each stalk twice a day with Hoyt's German cologne.

5. Cover your cotton with mosquite netting when it is two weeks old-this netting to be stretched over poultry

6. Spread "tanglefoot" between all cotton rows and replace it every day.
7. Burn off all the nearby woods and cut down dead trees and burn

8. Dust the following mixture on your cotton twice a day: Epsom salts, calomel, cream of wheat, and the

white of an egg.

9. Have two hired hands for every acre in cultivation. Furnish them eral purposes and necessary expenses in connection with the county government up to fifteen cents on the hundred dollar value.

2. Counties which show up.

10. Mortgage.

10. Mortgage your farm and buy nitrate of soda and spread plentifully

ized at once. Any good automobile tire man can do this for you. before the six-months' term was up countes from funds coming entirely because of a lack of money, to the from other than property tax that fact that there was no constitutional this rate will enable all counties to or other provision which allowed a carry out the constitutional command enable you to go to work and grow corn, peas, potatoes, and hogs for home consumption. This kind of con-

Little Daughter, five years old, had been sent to her aunties on an 3. The outside limit of tax, there-fore, that the laws of North Carolina door, complied with her request and

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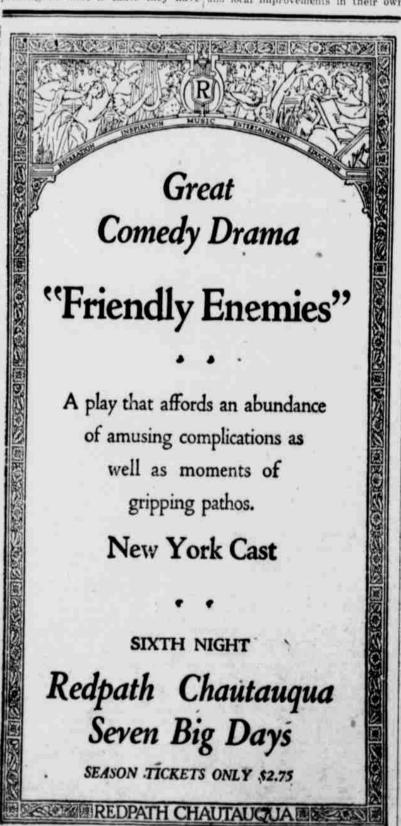
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