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Legislature Now Ready To Cut Expenditures; Salaries To Be Slashed

11. Don Tompkins)

Palanta February 23-Well, the legislation is beginning to and the committees, and the V simbly is getting down to of the or of seeing how much mon cut off salaries and ex the saved to the saved to the State by means of climination and topsolitation. The special committee or salerie has reported that it recommend ar average reduction in salsees of State employees of 15 pe at a addition to the cuts that have been made during the past two wars in the budget bureau, which in hose iderable reductions to begin gift. This the committee estimates will pake a saving of \$77,000 in the State descriments, other than High way and Education. A cut of \$197, not be recommended in the Highway properties . Here(it is recommended that 25 regimeers be eliminated, and that the cost of engineering be re heed by \$225,000, making a tota assign to be saved in the High and Department, if the committe, program conductions are carried out the total -aving to the State, tha the tomesities estimates would re all it its findings are enacted into had would amount to \$1,178,000 in the Star concrument, exclusive of the public school system. The com natter chairs an stated that the repart does not contemplate reducing the waters of the employees of th State thre are now low in pay.

The sub-committee that has been working on the school system has reported to the appropriations com mittee and recommends an eigh months uniform school term for th State c'incinating county and distric ed cale rom texes for the s hoos, thus reducing the property as in the counties an average of trong 35 to the, and still giving man of the school districts a longer terr of school than they now enjoy. Th committee estimates that the eigh months schools, a 'ministered and sur ported by the State will cost the taxpayers of North Carolina nearly five million dollars less than the are now paying for the publischools. The committee recommend etra cercies a reduction in adminis tration in the offices of the county school boards of 33 1-3 per cent amounting to a saving to the te pares of \$386,690. The committee would edjust, what it terms injust ies in the amount of pay teacher recive under present salary sched ules and recommends an addition m' is most of the teachers' salaries of 15 per cent, that is in addition to

the le per cent reduction of two years ago. Principals' salaries are to he on average of thirty-three and method per cent. The cost of in structional supplies wou'd be reduced by some \$25 000. Rural supervision would be entirely cut out, and the expenses of principals would be re deed by \$9,000. All these item: sould save the taxpayers the sur of \$1 %2 600. The committee confad a reluction of only \$320,000 is some ages, fuel, water, light indians' supplies. A saving of \$150,000 is estimated in the trans Portation service. The committee figand the most of this could be saved by cimination of county and district has, and taking the children to the hearest school. The proposal is that the money with which to finance the whool sy tem that would thus be so up would be taken from the lands derived from the Finance Committee's revenue bill, in which Il is provided that either a general sales tay or a selected commodity tax he is posed. The committee figand money from fines, forfeitures.

"The fixed charges. Many members of the Assembly think that the reductions in salaries " Higher y and other State Departbent, he not been radical enough, and an altempt will be made, it is alasie one more.

ion of remarkies on tax foreclosures deteriorating from exposure n il. inture, and would give the weather. the property a longer time in which to redeem his land than

inder the present law, and he would only have to pay the tax, cost, and ix per cent interest on the money in order to make redemption on same. Ir. Bowit of Ashe and others at empted to send in a substitute which rould go back to the old law, repealed in 1927, regarding tax sales, seen confirmed by the courts for any property sold under its provisions.

ing seeking to relieve tax payers. At a hearing before Justice of the whose land and homes have been Peace John H. Morris, some few days old in previous years, said to give after the accident, Miss Ellen Cunin opportunity to redeem their prop- ningham, an occupant of the Elders rty, without having to pay extor- ear, testified that Elders was driv ionate prices.. It is reasonably sure ing on the wrong side of the road hat some such legislation will be and forced Ellett off the road when macted before the General Assembly, he hit him. 'oses its present session.

mixed term, in order that the jail are being tried on a murder count. pary to October. Another local been disposed of: pill affecting Jackson county is one Superior Court. The fees that he roads. nay charge are not raised, the tatute merely assembles them into one place in the law books, and arified them, so that the Clark himself, any lawyer or layman, can ook and see just what fees the clerk av charge without having to look brough all the law books in the ofice. Representative Tompkins introfuced another bill bill providing that the county assume \$15,000 Dillsboro ownship road bonds. This was done is a matter of justice. The money with which to pay off the bonds has en collected from Dillshore over a long period of time; but, in preious years, it has been confused with the general fund of the county and has been used to pay the counv's debts. I'd would be manifestly unfair for Dillsboro to have to pay he bonds all over again, and since he county spent the money of the ownship, the county should pay the ond holders.

W. N. C. LEGISLATORS MAKING IGHT FOR TEACHERS COLLEGE

Raleigh, Feb. 22.-Senator Frani fight to have the budget estimate Hill: or running expenses for the school n the report of the sub-committee that has been investigating the rners through the years, and now, ing roof. that the sub-committee has found hese to be the facts, the gentlemen are not asking that more money be pent here than heretofore; but that he budget commission's figures be adjusted to rectify the palpable inquality in proposed appropriations. The matter will probably be heard

Tuesday aftertaon.

Another recommendation of the sub-committee that will prove of interest in Jackson county, is that the three teachers colleges be placed under one board of trustees and one directing head.

The report, which is signed by Senator Long, Senator Kirkpatrick, Mr. McEachern and Mr. James fol-

"We find the physical equipment of the institutions to be in good conthat each county would get dition with the exception of the stuccoed wooden building used as a lead it dog taxes and poll taxes men's dormitory at Western Caromaintain the school plants and lina Teachers College. This building is a fire hazard and should be replaced. The library and seience laboratories are insufficient and below standard. This institution is also sadly in need of a cold storage plant titute children in the county he of Prof. W. C. Reed, Svlva; W. C. and additional sereage for form understood, to go the committee a purposes. The amount of two hundred here have and eat the proposed and fifty dollars is needed to be im- T. B. Cowan, foreman of the grand lowhee; John H. Kirk, Cherokee; A mediately available to complete a jury. A lift passed the House today barn which has been partly erected. who served on the grand jury this Bryson, R. R. Deitz, W. F. Ashe, Eaton, Franklin; Dan Moore, Sylva;

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BE CALLED FRIDAY SPONSOR

(By John Parris, Jr.)

Quite a bit of interest is being manifested in the case of Joss El ders, Herschei Parris and Dennis Bradley, which will come up Friday: Elders is alleged to have been the driver of the car which forced H E. Ellett, of Bryson City, off a 125; foot embanka ent, one mile west of Dillsboro, on the night of Docember inder which no valid title has ever 23, last. Ellett was instantly killed.

The jury to try the case will probably be picked Friday morning and There are a number of bills pend- the evidence started in the afternoon.

Herschel Parris and Dennis Brad A bill has gone through changing ley, both of Jackson County, are behe May term of Superior Court of ing tried along with Elders in the Jackson County from a civil term to death case. All three of the men

ases may be tried at thie term, Several minor cases have peen and the county saved the expense tried this week by Judge Frank Hill of feeding the prisoners from Feb of Murphy. The following ones have

Ralph Jones, larcency, of automosetting the fees of the Clerk of the bile, sentenied to 4 months on the

Glenn Jones. violation of the pro hibition law, sentenced to 61 days on the roads

Abe Cockran, violation of the prohibition law, sentenced to 61 days on the roads

Palmer Hanse, violation of the prohibition law, sentenced to two years on the roads

Ray Jones, operating an automobile while intoxicated, sentenced

to 3 months on the roads. Fred Pruitt, house breaking and larceny; 18 months in State prison.

Victor Conner, house breaking and largeny; 18 moonths in State prison. Elsie Ensley, assault with deadly capon; 6 months on the roads.

Henry Johnson, violation of the prohibition law, 12 months on the

Jung Gibson, reckless driving,

months on the roads. Poindexter Burgess (negro), larcenv. 4 months on the roads.

GRAND JURY MAKES REPORT

The report of the grand jury for February's term of superior court came in Thursday afternoon, and is, Mr. Morphew, Mr. Topkins, they were excused for the remaining and other friends of Western Car- days of court. Following is the re olina Teachers College, are making port the grand jury made to Judge

"We, the grand jury, recommend aised. They are basing their claims that the jail be screened with new wire and repairs be made on some of the windows on the lower floor. cachers' colleges, which says that We also recommend that a cell or osts per capita at Cullowhee and room be prepared as a ward for the Boone are too low, and that those at imsane that may be temporarily lodg-East Carolina are too high. This has ed in jail that is separate and apart een the contention of the West- from other prisoners. Also repair leak

> "We recommend that the Clerk of Court go over his records in regard to guardians and have a true report of those that have not reported up to date and present same to the grand jury at the next term of court.

> We find the county home is well kert. The immates are well supplied with food and clothing. We would recommend that the leaks in the roof be repaired and the dairy enif possible and a kitchen cabinet for

> "After looking through the offices and as far as we are able to ascer tain we find the records are well

> A supple centary report follows: Mrs. Shelton be eared for in the county home immediately.

following children: Homer Bumgar- have recently been formed. ner and James E. Wilson. Also descared for immediately."

Following is a list of the members

to term of court:

John A. Hooper, W. F. Moody; H. H. Merit Hooper and Henry L. Taylor. confer with the various Scout leaders that their jobs may venice.

Cullowhee, Feb. 23 .- Western Carolina Teachers' College's eighth an mual basketball tournament for Western North Carolina high schools will be held in the college gymnasium here March 2, 3, and 4, President H. T. Hunter has announced.

Thirty or more teams are expected to enter the event, which has become a popular tournament since its beginning here in 1925. Invitations will be mailed to outstanding boys' and girls' teams within the next

Schools recieving invitations will se requested to send in their notice of acceptance at once along with a list of eligible players. With each invitation the schools will receive a list of rules and regulations governing play in the tournament.

East institution entering a boys team will be allowed to use cight players. The girls' teams will consist of nine players. No school may enter more than one boys' team and one girls' team. All girls' sextets must be accompanied throughout the tournament by a chaperone.

Loving cups will be awarded to the winning teams of both divisions These cups will be awarded perman ently to the teams winning the tournament three times, or for two successive years. The team winning a cup for the first time is given possession of the trophy for one venr. The college will furnish lodging and entertainment for the teams until they are eliminated from the tournament.

EARNHAM TO BE HERE MONDAY AND TUESDAY

(By E. V. Vestal, County Agont) Mr. F. R. Farnham, specialist from State College, Raleigh, will be with me at the following places February 27th and 28th:

County Agent's Office, Monday

L. C. Duckett's, Lovedale, 2 P. M., Monday. D. C. Higdon's, Webster, 4 P. M.,

Monday. T. W. McLaughlin's, Qualia, 9:30

A. M., Tuesday. R. C. Hunter's, East Laporte, 3:30 Tuesday.

Mr. Farnham will discuss lespedeza, the crop that costs little and gives excellent results. Last year work with it has shown us its real value both for soil improvement and pasture. As the seed are not expensive to buy, no soil preparation is necessary, and as it will double the corn yield on poor land after the first year, it is the one legume that every farmer in Jackson County should be proud to sow.

Be at one of the above meetings the first of the week and learn more about this crop. At these same meetings Mr. Farnham will discuss the Trench Silo and the County Agent will discuss the Brick, or Rock, brooder.

SCOUT MEETING TO BE HELD HERE MONDAY EVENING

The district committee of the Smoky Mountains District of the Boy Scouts will meet next Monday night at Sylva to transact business in connection with Scouting in this section. A committee consisting of John H. Kirk of Cherokee and V .A Browning and W. C. Penn of Bryson City will make recommendations larged. We recommend a new barn for district commissioner and two district commissioners. assistant Prof. W. C. Reed, chairman, will preside and A. W. Allen, Scout executive will be present. The committee will meet at 8:00 o'clock at the Sylva High school building.

There are now five Scout troops wife are able to take care of them. been started at Franklin, Sylva, and course was conducted recently. It 'We recommend the relief of the cluded the leaders of the troops which

The district committee is composed Penn, Bryson City; V. A. Browning. Both these reports were signed by Bryson City; Prof. W. E. Bird, Cul-M. Adams, Cherokee;

Democrats Absolute Control Of Government March 4th

TODAY and **TOMORROW**

(By Frank Parker Stockbridge)

Presidents . . . and double-o

Franklin Roosevelt is the third successive President to have a double o" in his name. He is also the third President whose surname is the same as that of one of his predecessors. Wt have had two Presidents Adams, two Presidents Harrison, and now two Presidents Roosevelt.

Mr. Roosevelt is the third President of Dutch descent, Martin Van Buren and Theodore Roosevelt being the other two. He is likewise the third President elected in his fiftyfirst year.

Masons . . . & Presidents

President Franklin Roosevelt is the thirteenth member of the Masonic | the adjustment of the international Order to be President of the United situation, with respect of debts grow-States. I have often heard some of ing out of the war, and the effort to my Masonic brethren say that every restore international trade upon President has been a Mason, but which the prosperity of the United that is not true.

Lodge. Monroe, Jackson, Polk, Bu- ident Roosevelt and his party's chanan, Johnson, Garfield; MsKin- Congress will have to tackle also grew ley, Theodore Roosevelt, Taft and out of the war. This is the problem Harding were Masons. There is no of pensions, hospitalization and Masonie record to prove that Jeff- bonus payments for those who served erson was a member of the Order, under the American flag in that war. but there is collateral evidence which indicating that he was.

inauguration.

initiated into one of the Masonic societies, the Tall Cedars of Lebanon.

Religions . . . of Presidents

President Roosevelt will be the minth member of the Protestant Episcopal Church to be President of the United States. It is a curious thing that this small denomination should have had more representatives in the White House than any of the other branches of the Christian Church. There are less than two million Episcopalians in America compared with nearly eight million Baptists, but only one President, Harding was a Baptist.

There are nearly twenty million Roman Catholies and none has ever been President. One President, Coolidge, was a Congregationalist, one, Garfield, a member of the Disciples of Christ; one Hoover, a Quaker; two, Van Buren and Theodore Roosevelt, belonged to the Dutch Reform Church. Both the Adamses, Fillmore Grant and McKinley were Methodists. Jackson, Polk, Buchanan, Benjamin Harrison and Woodrow Wilson preme Dictator of the United States. were Presbyterians. The Episcopalians include Washington, Madison, Monroe, William Henry Harrison,

Taylor, Pierce and Arthur I don't imagine it makes any particular difference to what Church the President belongs. Two of them. Lincoln and Coolidge had never been and the hundreds of other Presidenmembers of any Church before they tial appointees who must be immedbecame President. But every Presi- lately put in office and confirmed. dent of the United States has been In all, there are something like 150,a deeply religious man, as every man | 000 Government positions over which must be if he is to command the con the President personally, or his Cab-

fidence of the people. Grandfathers . . . a few

Although one of the youngest Presidents, Mr. Roosevelt is one of the few who were grandfathers when they were elected. Mr. Hoover was also a grandfather, but from then back for nearly a hundred years I We recommend that something be in the district. The ones at Bryson cannot find a record that any Presdone with two orphan children at City and Cherokee have been going ident was a grandfather at the time John Shelton's, as neither he or his for some time and new ones have of his election. Washington had no children at all. Johnson, Adams and We also recommend that Mr. and Cullowhee. A scout leaders training Jefferson were grandfathers, and so I believe was Monroc. William was attended by 44 men. These in | Henry Harrison, who lived but a month after his inauguration, had a grandson who later became Presi dent, but I believe there was no other President than those I have named who had grandchildren at the time of his election.

William E. Ensor, Cherokee; Don Young, Frank lin; J. S. Conley, Franklin; Edward Robert Holden; W. F. Bryson; R. and Prof. C. F. Carroll, Bryson T. B. Cowan, foreman; W .A. Jack E. McNeely, S. T. Cresp J. O. Howell City. The Scout Executive will visi "Our investigation of these three son, Oscar Lanning, W. H. Jackson. Milton Broson; A. C. Edwards: several points in the district and ployees, is trembling in apprehension

Washington, D. C., Feb. 22 .--Twelve years of uninterrupted Republican control of the Federal Government are practically at an end. The Democratic Party is in complete control than it has been since the first Administration Woodrow Wilson, which began just twenty years ago. At that time only a few persons on either side of the Atlantic enticipated the great European war, and fewer still had any remote idea that the United States would be dragged into it. Yet it is the events which occurred during the war which are at the roots of the economic troubles from which the United States and all the rest of the world are suffering.

By all odds the biggest job ahead of the Roosevelt Administration is States still greatly depends. And Washington was Master of his the most important task which Pres-

It seems from here at this time is taken and accepted Masonically as safe to assert, first, that the new Administration will not consent to Mr. Taft was not a Mason before the demand of the American Legion he was elected, but the Grand Lodge for the immediate payment of the of Ohio made him a "Mason at deferred bonus certificates held by sight," between his election and his veterans of the war. It also seems safe to predict that there will be a President Roosevelt was recently complete reorganization of the systen of caring for invalid and disabled veterans whose allowances and injuries are not directly due to their war service. At present the cost of medical and hospital service for such eases is estimated at around \$400,-000,000 a year, and it is anticipated that this will be one of the first points of attack by President Roosevelt in his effort to reduce the cost of carrying on the Government by at least 25 per cent.

Mr. Roosevelt, it is known has asked his supporters in Congress to give him all the power they can legally grant under the Constitution. And, in the beginning at least, there is little doubt that he will get it. Of course, any power delegated to the President by Congress can always be taken from him by Congress, but it begins to look as if President Roosevelt would find himself in a position of more complete authority than any President has ocand Taft were Unitarians. Johnson, cupied since Mr. Wilson, who for two years, from early 1917 until early 1919, was practically the Su-

> In any event, the new President will have to call a special session of the Senate to confirm the appointment of his Cabinet members, the new ambassadors and ministers with whom it, is certain he will replace America's representatives abroad inet, have unrestricted power of removal and appointment.

> If the plans which are being discussed by the friends and supporters of the new Administration are carried out there will also be a big shake-up in the classified service. which is under the protection of the civil service laws. Appointments, promotions and dismissals in the classified service, which includes now about half a million Government workers outside of the Army and Navy, can be made only on the basis of examinations for fitness and merit, and these places have always been regarded as permanent and secure. But all of these positions are subject to Congressional action. Congress can, for example, abolish an entire bureau or division, or it can restrict the number of employees in any given department, thus abolishing

any number of civil service posts. Probably half the population of Washington, which is composed almost entirely of Government em-