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CAPITAL REPORTER

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The biennial show is underway and — despite some wishful thinking to the contrary — it looks as though it'll be a humdinger.

On the surface the big fight of the 1951 session of the General Assembly will be on increasing taxes and appropriations. But behind the scenes the real fight will be the brawl between liberal and conservative forces for the 1952 governorship and control of the Democratic party for the coming four years.

You can expect the conservatives to use every trick in the book to try to discredit the Scott administration. And you can expect the liberal forces to try to consolidate their position and push through what they consider necessary legislation to provide adequate services for Tar Heels.

Conservatives already have sounded their battle cry — "no new taxes and no expanded appropriations." They point to the certainty of increased federal taxes, and solemnly vow that now is the time to stand pat and attempt nothing new.

The simple fact remains, however, that even to "stand pat" on services and not extend them will cost the state several millions of dollars more during the coming biennium than it has during this one. Personnel will be needed to man all those new buildings that were constructed under the \$150,000,000 permanent improvements program. More money will be asked to complete some of the buildings that were not started in time to be built on the money provided for them.

Swinging around Capitol Hill,

here are just a few of the expensive items that will be sought by various departments:

School teachers, of course, will want a pay raise. If kept at the \$2,200-3,100 range reached under the contingency raise provided last session this will cost seven to eight million dollars. If it is boosted more the cost naturally would be higher.

State-supported colleges and universities will seek more money, and it won't be a small sum, to meet rising costs caused by absence of GIs. They will need money to staff new departments, too. This will reach another several million dollars a year.

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Zebulon Lions Plan To Attend Meeting

The Zebulon Lions Club will meet Thursday night, and plans for the Mid-Winter Convention of the District in Wilson January 15 and 16 will be discussed, President Worth Hinton said. The President of Lions International will attend the banquet in Wilson Tuesday night, January 16.

Lion Donald Stallings is chairman of the Zebulon committee, and members of the local club should contact him for reservations for the convention.

Explanation of Income Tax Proves Helpful, Local Wage-Earners Find

"YOUR Federal Income Tax," prepared by the United States Treasury Department and printed by the Government Printing Office, explained the important changes in the Income Tax law so that the average tax payer can understand them. The book is on sale at Theo. Davis Sons for 25c per copy.

Included in the book are forty chapters on such subjects as Re-

turn Forms, Exemptions for Normal Tax and Surtax, Income Exempt from Tax, Annuities and Pensions, Contributions Deductions, Traveling Expense Deductions, and Tax Computation.

A large number of residents of this community have already taken advantage of the information in the book. A supply was secured by Theo. Davis Sons as a service to the community.

Rotary Club Hears Talk by Students On Collegiate Life

An insight on the problems and thoughts of today's collected students was afforded members of the Zebulon Rotary Club Friday night when student sons and daughters of Rotarians were honor guests of the organization. Carlton Mitchell, program chairman, introduced the parents, who in turn introduced their children.

Students who spoke before the club included Miss Nancy Whitley, student at W. C. U. N. C., Miss Carolyn Massey, of Meredith College, and Charles Horton, graduate student at Westminster Choir College.

Miss Whitley is the daughter of Vaiden Whitley and Miss Massey is the daughter of Luther Massey. Vance Brown was the only Rotarian with two students in school, both Bob Vance and Ruth being present. Frank Coiner, law student at Wake Forest, a former Rotarian, and son-in-law of Ralph Talton, was also present.

At the close of the talks, Carlton Mitchell described several of the long list of honors earned by the students present.

Golden Wedding is Celebrated Here On Christmas Day

Mr. and Mrs. Ebbie C. Stallings celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at their home here with an informal family dinner Christmas Day.

The table was centered with a gold arrangement flanked by gold candles and a gold Christmas tree.

The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stallings, Miss Donna Faye Stallings, Mr. and Mrs. T. Y. Baker and Miss Gladys Baker of Zebulon, Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Scarborough, Marie and Judy Scarborough of Dillon, S. C.; Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Baker of Fayetteville, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Baker of Louisville, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Jones and Miss Sandra Jones of Kannapolis, Mrs. John L. Kinney of Burlington and Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Kinney and Miss Barbara Kinney of Raleigh.

Executive Meeting For WMU Planned

The Executive Committee of the Baptist Woman's Missionary Society will meet on Thursday night at 7:30 in the home of Mrs. Theo. B. Davis. Members of this committee are officers of the W. M. U. as a whole, chairmen of general committees, and leaders of circles, all of whom are urged to attend. Plans for the year are to be discussed for recommendation at the next general meeting.

New Calendars

Home Builders Incorporation has for 1951, a most attractive calendar that will in many instances be kept after the year is over. Twelve colored prints show different types of houses, and on the back of each calendar page is the floor plan of the building shown on the front, with description. \$1 is a veritable book of house-plans.

PROMOTED



Bobby Phillips, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Phillips of Zebulon, has been promoted to the rank of Corporal in the Air Force by order of his commander, Capt. C. B. Murray. Cpl. Phillips is stationed at Elmendorf Air Force Base, Anchorage, Alaska.

Mrs. Frances B. Wall Dies Friday Morning

Funeral services for Mrs. Frances B. Wall, 93, were held Sunday at 2:30 p. m. at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. D. Evans. The Rev. A. D. Parrish and Theo. B. Davis officiating and burial was in the Zebulon Cemetery.

Mrs. Wall died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Naomi Evans Friday morning. She had been in declining health for a year and was critically ill for the past several weeks.

A native of Wake County, she was the daughter of the late Sherwood and Pennina Brantley. Her husband Gary Wall died in 1934.

Surviving are her daughter: two sons, Mark and Ayden Wall, both of Zebulon seven grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Ice Vogues of 1951 To Be in Raleigh

The 1951 edition of the Ice Vogues will be presented in the Raleigh Memorial Auditorium January 8 through January 13 at 8:15 each night. The spectator production features Jinx Clark and Marshall Beard, and a company of seventy-five.

Tickets are on sale by Ivey-Taylor in Raleigh.

Mechanical Device Is Invented to Assist in Control of Suckers

A simple mechanical device that may save an untold amount of hand labor for flue-cured tobacco growers has been developed by agricultural engineers at N. C. State College.

The device consists of a pair of pruning clippers connected by plastic hose to a hand-operated spray tank. It is used to clip the tops from tobacco plants and apply a sucker-controlling compound in one simple operation.

Robert Wilson, a young engineer who joined the State College staff a little over two years ago, did most of the work on the new tool, which he calls the "Clip-Oil!"

The clippers are altered so they will center and clip the tobacco stalk. Slight additional pressure on the handles releases a small amount of oil or other liquid from the tank, which is kept under pressure.

State College is inviting farm equipment manufacturers to submit proposals for making several of the "Clip-Oil" in time for experimental use on the 1951 crop. The device will not be available to farmers during the coming year since it still is in the experimental stage.

The equipment developed by Wilson is designed to apply sucker control material in a process worked out by Dr. A. B. Anderson, another State College scientist. In experimenting with growth-regulating compounds on tobacco, Dr. Anderson discovered by accident that ordinary mineral oil controls suckers. When applied to the top of the plant, the oil runs down the stalk and kills the buds before suckers begin to develop.

However, use of mineral oil for sucker control is as yet recommended only on an experimental basis. It has been found that in some cases the oil encourages the development of rot at the bottom of the tobacco stalks. For this reason growers are advised to use the method on only a small portion of their crop.

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATED



The Zebulon Lions Club celebrated their first anniversary in December with an interesting program and a dance. Pictured is Lion Paul Lyman, President of the Raleigh Lions Club, as he spoke to the gathering in the Wakelon gymnasium. Lion Worth Hinton, president of the Zebulon club, is standing at right, and Lioness Janie Hinton, the president's wife, is seated.