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## State's Budget Must Be Balanced Immediately, New Governor Tells Assembly

Sees Scrip Payment, Defaults and Destruction of Our Institutions Otherwise

MUST "TAKE IT ON CHIN"

"Reverently and in the full consciousness of the moments responsibilities I take up the duties of this great office. To me it has always symbolized the ultimate in political achievement but I find that the realization of a life's ambition brings only an overwhelming sense of responsibility and inadequacy. For confronting us at this hour are problems of such magnitude as the State has not faced since Reconstruction days; problems which challenge, in each of us who are charged with their solution, the ultimate of our capacities of head and heart and hand, and give us timorous pause lest in spite of conscientious effort we go finally amiss.

"For whether we are willing to admit it or not the State which we love has reached the cross roads of its financial destiny, and upon our present choice of highways depends its economic salvation and exalted ideals in governmental activities, as well as a various and ever increasing demand for governmental services, beckoned us constantly to an increased and ever increasing spending, we launched upon a program and practice, which, however great its social and economic dividends, lays upon us, in these difficult days, a burden and yoke that galls and grinds and terrifies us. There is neither disposition nor desire to quarrel at the past, to fix responsibility or apportion blame for the burdens of the present. The urge was universal, the call well nigh unanimous, the condemnation, if such there be, must be shared by all, and the speculation as to culprits is foolish and futile. There is too, much of consolation in the recollection that the investments which consumed this spending may be reckoned yet as economic and social assets. North Carolina can stand before her sister States unashamed of the part she has played in the delicious drama of development marking the past decade.

"As late as June 1928 our financial condition was not serious or the cause of reasonable apprehension. Our revenues were steady and in excess of estimates; our farms and factories productive and profitable. We were meeting with ease and promptness our bond maturities both in State and local subdivisions and all seemed rosy as a summer's dream.

"But the waves of a great national adversity have now overtaken us and the time has come for reckoning, self appraisal, inventory of our condition and the setting of our house in financial order.

### Deficit of \$12,500,000

"Estimates prepared by State officials covering our situation as of July 1st, 1933, on the basis of present expenditures and levies indicate a predicted total operating deficit of \$12,500,000.00. The figures here presented are compiled on a cash as distinguished from an accrual basis.

"Recall the fact that we are committed to the elimination of the State-wide 15c levy for the six months school term (which involves a relinquishment of approximately four million dollars each year of revenue) and the problem of a balanced budget assumes real proportions—particularly in view of our platform pledge of every reasonable effort for the avoidance of additional taxes.

"Consider too that we have come to this position where we are burdened with a presently accumulated deficit of approximately \$9,430,000.00 in large part through efforts to keep up, as far as possible, the present level of spending for certain purposes, our reluctance to make further cuts, our desire to maintain these services on a cash basis, and that this borrowing (short time) has itself added to our annual burden an additional load in interest charges of many hundred thousands. Recall that, but for the exercise by Governor Gardner of his powers as Director of the Budget, and the cutting of appropriations thereunder, we would today (on the basis

### Recommendations

Governor's Proposals for Solution of North Carolina's Financial Problem

Briefly, Governor Ehringhaus' recommendations to the General Assembly include the following highlights:

1. Balanced budget.
2. Revaluation of property.
3. Relief of present property levy.
4. Drastic curtailment in spending.
5. Reduction in operating cost of government, through consolidations and abolishments of departments.
6. No new commitments.
7. No diversion of highway funds; curtailment of construction.
8. Educational curtailments.
9. Reductions in local government expenses, possibly through consolidations of counties, and reductions in costs of tax foreclosure.

of the last legislative appropriation) have an additional deficit of \$8,850,000.00 or a grand total of \$17,850,000.

"When we recall the courageous action of Governor Gardner and his uncanon divination of financial "breakers ahead" when the President himself was heralding a new and enlarged era of prosperity; when we recall that by this action legislative appropriations were reduced the first year \$450,000.00, then \$2,100,000.00, then \$2,600,000.00, and this year about that \$2,700,000.00; when we remember that but for this action the presently accumulated deficit would be greater by many millions and our State no doubt already on a scrip basis and in financial chaos; when we recall his achievement in reducing general governmental expenses from \$8,658,000.00 to \$6,164,000.00, a decrease of 29%; when we remember the setting up by the Legislature of agencies which have resulted in damming the tide of municipal debt increase and promoting a substantial reduction thereof (amounting in principal and interest last year to over twenty million dollars).

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## E. W. Reinecke Weds in Pinehurst Chapel

Miss Jane Sutherland of Illinois is Bride of Resident of Southern Pines

Miss Jane Sutherland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Sutherland of Glencoe, Ill., and Ernest William Reinecke of Southern Pines, son of the late Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Reinecke were married on Wednesday afternoon. The Rev. T. A. Cheatham performed the ceremony in the Village Chapel before more than fifty friends and members of the immediate families.

Miss Elizabeth Sutherland, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, while Samuel Rankin of Fayetteville, N. C., was best man.

A reception was held immediately after the ceremony at the Sutherlands' Pinehurst home, after which the couple departed for a honeymoon in Florida. Upon their return they will make their home here.

Mrs. Reinecke was graduated from the North Shore Country Day school and from Pine Manor, the latter in 1930. She later studied music at Columbia University, in New York. Mr. Reinecke, who is an architect, studied at the University of Pennsylvania.

### ANNUAL MEETING OF LIBRARY ASSOCIATION NEXT MONDAY

The annual meeting of the Southern Pines Library Association for the election of officers and trustees will be held at the library next Monday, January 9th at 5 p. m. Every one holding a membership in the library. Annual, Sustaining or Patron, is a member of the Library Association and is urged to attend this meeting, announces Geo. P. Hardison, secretary.

## CELEBRATION OF HOLIDAYS LANDS MANY IN COURT

Judge Humber Has Heaviest Docket in Years as Aftermath of Christmas

MOSTLY LIQUOR CASES

Due in large measure to our pagan ideas of celebrating Christmas and to the fact that no Recorder's Court was held last week, this week's docket was one of the heaviest in years, with booze cases leading by a big majority.

Fred Mashburn, a sixty-four-year-old man of Deep River township, a man who for several years had been a church member leading an upright life, was terribly embarrassed to awake and find himself in jail on Christmas morning. He had been taken at the home of Carl Marley on the night before with some liquor in his possession when the officers went there to search the house following the arrest of Marley and a negro companion on the Horseshoe bridge. Mr. Mashburn, it seems, had met up with a stranger who sold him a quart of liquor for fifty cents, and not being accustomed to drinking, the small amount he imbibed knocked him out so far as knowing what he was doing was concerned.

In court he entered a plea of confession and avoidance, and prayer for judgment was continued upon payment of the costs. Prominent men testified as to his good character.

Carl Marley and Kenneth Currie, who were bottled-up on the bridge and who threw their suit case of spirits into the stream, were sentenced to serve six months and three months, respectively, and each was given a second sentence of twelve months, execution on this sentence to issue at the will of the court at any time within three years.

John Leviner, alias Fred Wilson, white of the Laurinburg section, was given six months on a charge of violating the prohibition law and six months for malicious injury to personal property, the sentences, however, to run concurrently. Wilson had been arrested and placed in the Southern Pines lock-up and his liquor, which was to be used as evidence, had been placed in a locker. The keeper of the jail, feeling charitable at Christmas time, allowed the prisoner access to the runway for a while and the prisoner, it is alleged, broke into the locker and destroyed the "evidence."

### Della Takes To Heels

When officers made a professional call upon Elliott Bethea and Della Bethea, alias Pump Bethea, colored, to discuss violation of the prohibition law, Della took to her heels and ran half a mile to another woman's home and jumped in the bed without waiting to shed clothing or shoes. When the officers caught up, she denied that she was Della Bethea, but the officers were not so easily deceived. In court, Elliott was found not guilty and Della guilty. She was fined \$20 and the costs and was given four months, execution to issue at the will of the court at any time in three years.

Robert Thomas, Willie Holmstead, Willie Vamper and Leslie Ray, colored, were charged with taking two pairs of men's shoes from the Southern Pines Sales Company. Thomas and Ray were found not guilty and the two Willies were given four months each. D. P. McDonald, Ike Hunt and Robert Hunt, white, charged with larceny of a safe from Farrell's Ice and Coal Plant in Aberdeen, were bound to Superior Court under bond of \$500 each.

Johnnie Adcock of Pinehurst was fined \$50 and the costs for driving a car while intoxicated, and he is not to drive a car for one year. In addition, he was given four months on the roads, execution to issue at any time within two years at the will of the court.

Belle Carter, colored of Pinehurst, pleaded nolo contendere to a charge of violating the prohibition law. She was fined \$50 and the costs and given a six months' jail sentence, execution to issue at any time in two years.

Moses Palmer, colored, pleaded nolo contendere to carrying a concealed

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## Daughter of Mayor Stutz To Wed



MISS ALICE MARTIN STUTZ

Daughter of Mayor and Mrs. Dorsey G. Stutz of Southern Pines, whose engagement to Frederick Jackson, of Boston, Massachusetts, was announced last week.

Photo by Eddy.

## County Gets Report on School Requirements

Orders Tentative Operating Budget Sent to State Department of Education

The tentative operating budget for the Moore County schools for 1932-33 was ordered by the Moore County Board of Education at a meeting on Friday, December 30th, to be submitted to the State Department of Education immediately. It contained a list of one county superintendent, one clerk, five board members, 213 teachers, 18 janitors and 52 bus drivers, including both white and colored. The salaries of these employees will not be definitely known until fixed and certified, according to law, by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction about Jan. 15th.

The report showed 131 teachers in the rural schools and 82 in all charters. Aberdeen has 24, Carthage 28, Southern Pines 28 and Vass-Lakeview 12. There are 22 high school teachers in rural schools and 16 in the charters.

The 52 busses travel 1678 miles and carry 2558 children daily. Of this number, 41 busses operate for the rural schools, transporting 1880 children 1243 miles daily. The estimated per capita cost of transportation for the six months term this year is \$8.72 compared to a per capita expenditure of \$18.44 in 1929-30, indicating a re-

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## Lost Planes Land on Private Golf Course

Amateur Pilots, Florida-bound, Given Hearty Welcome by Mrs. T. H. McGraw

Three amateur pilots became confused Wednesday when near Aberdeen and after proceeding southward for a few miles, returned and set down at Cherokee Farm. Aside from the Knollwood airport they could hardly have chosen a more inviting spot for a landing. The field on which they landed had just been cleared off and rolled down preparatory to the installation of a three-hole golf course. Mrs. T. H. McGraw gave the unannounced visitors a hearty welcome, brought them into town for lunch at a local cafe, and saw them safely off for Miami.

The three planes were a part of the fleet headed from Northern points to the air races at Miami, and had left Buffalo, New York, early Wednesday morning.

## Five Honorary Members Selected by Kiwanis

Leonard Tufts, J. R. McQueen, S. B. Chapin, Bion Butler and Robert N. Page Chosen

Herbert D. Vail of Pinehurst wielded the gavel for the first time at Wednesday's meeting of the Kiwanis Club of Aberdeen, held at Lovejoy's in Southern Pines. The new president outlined his plans for the year, announced his committee appointments and called for a continuance of Kiwanis spirit and cooperation in all things looking toward community benefit.

Five honorary members of the seven or eight usually elected to the club each year were announced as selected by the Board of Directors, as follows: Leonard Tufts, John R. McQueen, S. B. Chapin, Bion H. Butler and Robert N. Page.

The report of the treasurer, Howard Burns, for the year 1932 showed the club had operated within its budget. The 1933 budget was adopted. Arthur Newcomb, newly appointed secretary, acted in that capacity to start the 1933 minute book.

Edgar Ewing talked to the club on The Sentinels, as reported elsewhere.

## Red Cross Roll Call Nets \$1,158 in County

Pinehurst, Southern Pines and Eagle Springs Lead in Gifts to Association

The sum of \$1,158.09 was realized in Moore county from the Annual Red Cross Roll Call, conducted during Thanksgiving Week. Mrs. W. T. Allen, county chairman, reported this week. Pinehurst led in gifts, with Southern Pines second and Eagle Springs third, these three towns accounting for about three-quarters of the total.

The roll call report was as follows: Aberdeen, \$52.49; Addor, \$3.00; Cameron, \$20.00; Carthage, \$59.00; Eagle Springs, \$200.00; Eureka, \$12.00; Hemp, \$3.00; Jackson Springs, \$2.00; Lakeview, \$17.00; Manly, \$4.00; Niagara, \$6.35; Pinebluff, \$73.00; Pinehurst, \$394.50; Southern Pines, \$259.25; Vass, \$4.00; West End, \$25.00 and Samarcand, \$21.50. Total, \$1,158.09.

### BULLETIN

Calvin Coolidge, thirtieth President of the United States and the only living ex-President, died suddenly shortly after noon yesterday of a heart attack.

## APPROPRIATIONS FIRST PROBLEM FOR SENTINELS

Edgar Ewing, Secretary for 8th Congressional District, Outlines Program

DISCUSSES ECONOMIES

The Sentinels announced this week the appointment of Edgar Ewing as acting secretary of the organization for the eighth Congressional district of North Carolina. He will occupy the position until the district executive committee selects a successor.

Asked what the Sentinels plan to do in the immediate future Mr. Ewing said: "The first effort will be to build up strong support for Mr. Lambeth, our Congressman, and for Mr. Cameron, our representative in the State legislature. Congress has been in session for a month and during that time has had under consideration a number of bills of vital importance to the country. It is probable that The Sentinels will select the appropriation bills as the subject of the first discussions. The reason for this choice is that appropriations are of primary interest to a people staggering under an unbearable burden of taxation. It is in the matter of appropriations, moreover, that The Sentinels can be of greatest help to their representatives. For a reduction in any appropriations means that a number of people are going to lose their jobs. And the lawmaker who votes for a measure that abolishes jobs makes a host of implacable enemies who harass him and conspire to prevent his reelection. Lacking a strong, watchful element in his constituency—such as The Sentinels propose to supply—the legislator studiously avoids creating enemies by cutting down government expense.

"In fact, so greatly do many legislators fear the opposition of those who lose their jobs that they have worked up an argument to try to prove that reduction of government expense would serve to increase the depression. The argument is very simple. They say that to throw men out of jobs would add to unemployment. The other side of the argument comes from many farmers, manufacturers and merchants who say that if they had the money they pay out in taxes they themselves could employ more men and that if taxes are not reduced they will fail in business and have to throw out of work all the employees they now have. One merchant advanced the idea that if employing large armies of people by the government helps the depression, it might entirely solve the problem to put us all on the State or federal payroll. The politician's argument seems to be destroyed completely by carrying it to the ridiculous extreme. The Sentinels believe that when their representatives can rid their minds of fear for their political safety they can and will work out our economic problems in an effective way. The Sentinels intend to provide political safety for those who deserve it."

Mr. Ewing addressed the Kiwanis Club of Aberdeen on Wednesday on the subject of the aims and plans of the men's branch of The Sentinels, and the members were sufficiently interested to see a date for a further discussion of the organization in the thought that the Kiwanis Club may be able to lend a hand in furthering the movement.

### JURY LIST FOR FEBRUARY TERM OF COURT DRAWN

The jury list for the February term of Superior court for the trial of civil cases was drawn on Monday as the board of county commissioners sat in regular session, and is as follows: L. M. Manes, D. A. Freeman, C. C. Wallace, Eli Ginsburg, C. H. Hartsell, Charles R. Whitaker, Claude Auman, M. N. Blue, J. B. Evans, Lonnie G. Phillips, C. H. Ritter. Alex Dawson, Walter Caviness, T. M. Sharpe, Fletcher W. Bost, Hugh Fry, J. H. Henson, J. N. Currie, H. T. Morgan, J. E. Phillips, Jr. Gordon Keith, O. U. Alexander, Jesse S. Phillips and W. M. Fields.