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At the CAPITAL

By M. R. Dunnagan, The Pilot's Raleigh Correspondent

The State Senate, which had had the important Revenue bill for exactly four weeks Tuesday, on that day at an afternoon session placed it on its third reading, although it was some \$2,500,000 short of the amount needed to balance with the Appropriation bill, already passed by the House and to be considered this week by the Senate.

The Revenue Bill which passed its first reading Friday and second reading Saturday with only a few audible votes in opposition, has replaced in it several items which the Senate earlier had eliminated and which raised the revenue estimates some \$2,000,000. Only five items are exempt from the three per cent sales tax, meal, flour, lard, fatback and sugar, as it is now written. Also, Bibles, hymnals and Sunday School literature were exempted.

The Senate restored the sales tax on hotel room rentals, exempting regular roomers in hotels. The maximum sales tax on any one article was increased from \$10 to \$15 and the income tax exemption of 15 per cent on amounts given to charity and the like was reduced to 10 per cent. Chain filling station taxes were restored. Thus the Senate had gone up the hill and down again, also.

The House indicated Friday that it would not be likely to accept the bill as it comes back from the Senate, probably Wednesday, in which case a conference committee would have to be named to iron out the differences. It is considered likely that all of the basic food items now exempt will be put back in the bill as the House had passed it. Or, it may be that the Hill liquor control bill may be used as a stop-gap to fill in between the expected revenue and appropriation differences. A "round robin" of 50 House members is reported to have signed up to vote for the liquor control bill if the Senate passes it, and that is about half of the 120 members present at any session along now.

If the House should adopt the Senate measure, or if the conference committee should iron out the differences in a couple of days, then it seems likely that the legislature can adjourn within a week. This is not expected. Amendments to the Hill bill may be offered to let those counties which voted for repeal in 1933 establish liquor stores at once, along with some of the resort sections, notably Asheville, Waynesville, Pinehurst and Southern Pines.

Both Houses and Senate have worked hard the past week, the House seeking to clear up its heavy calendar, and succeeding fairly well, even though it has the habit of bringing back bills already killed and passing them, or killing those already passed. The Senate, on the Revenue bill, has allowed its public calendar to accum-

ulate more than 40 bills needing attention. When the big bills are out of the way, however, they make short work of the others. Sixteen public bills and resolutions and 87 measures were ratified last week, bringing the total ratified for the session to 745 bills and 42 resolutions, of the 1733 bills introduced.

The counties voting for repeal are Alleghany, Beaufort, Craven, Currituck, Durham, Edgecombe, Halifax, Martin New Hanover Onslow Pasquotank, Pitt and Wilson, 13. Others, to establish stores, would have to vote local option.

The House passed the bill providing \$500,000 for upkeep of streets in towns and cities designated as parts of the State highway system, and sent it to the Senate. It changed its mind and voted to bring it back, but too late. The Senate had already passed it, and it has been ratified.

The automobile license tax rate was still further reduced by the House to 40 cents per 100 pounds. The Senate had passed it at 45 cents, a reduction from the present 55 cents. The Senate may concur in the 40-cent rate.

The joint session of Senate and House adopted without change or comment the report of the committee naming 35 trustees of the University of N. C., ten to fill unexpired terms. However, Senator Rivers Johnson offered a resolution recommending that one trustee be named from each county, with an additional trustee for each 40,000 population, or major fraction. It was adopted as a recommendation, but the body refused to undo what it had just done and make it apply this year. As adopted, it has no actual force, merely recommending.

The House changed its mind on two measures. It rescinded its action of a few days before memorializing Congress to remove the processing tax on cotton, by adopting a repealer bill, and sent it to the Senate. It also revived a bill killed, to allow debtors of defunct banks to offset debts with deposits, passed it and sent it to the Senate.

Passed and ratified were bills providing for a tablet honoring the late Frank Page, for a decade State highway chairman, in the Capitol or in a new highway building, if erected, and providing distinctive automobile license plates for officers of the N. C. National Guard. The House also passed and sent to the Senate a bill permitting the manufacture of slot machines in the State, primarily for the benefit of one vending machine manufacturer in the State. Twenty-three counties were exempted in the House. Moore was not exempted.

The House refused to have anything to do with the Day bill to reapportion House of Representatives members in accordance with the 1930 census, as required by the Constitution, as the 1933 and 1931 bodies had done. It killed the minority report by a vote of 55 to 32, largely east-west in the division. It also killed the Stone bill, on motion of its introducer, to abolish the office of Commissioner of Banks, turning over the work to the Utilities Commissioner. The House passed the bill to increase terms of office of registers of deeds to four years, with about one-third of the counties exempted. It went to the Senate.

DR. McKAY HONORED BY FRIENDS IN BUIES CREEK

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Cameron of Vass attended a banquet given on Friday evening at the Campbell College dining room in Buie's Creek in honor of Mrs. Cameron's father, Dr. J. F. McKay, in recognition of his completion of 50 years' faithful service to his community as a physician. Around 150 friends of Dr. McKay were in attendance. Dr. McKay's father and grandfather were doctors and now he has a son who is practicing medicine, so the favors, small black medicine cases containing candy "pills," bore the names of the "four generations of doctors." Tucked within each medicine case was a prescription blank upon which the menu was written.

Leslie Campbell, president of Campbell College, sponsored the celebration. Gifts presented to Dr. McKay were a silver headed cane given by friends in town, a Bible presented by members of the Presbyterian church, and a many-tiered birthday cake given by the ladies of Buie's Creek.

Time To Apply For Crop and Feed Loans

Applications Should Be Made To Moore County Loan Committee at Courthouse

Field Supervisor Carl C. Culbreth of the Emergency Crop and Feed Loan Office at Sanford states that applications for emergency crop loans and feed loans are now being received by the Moore County Loan Committee, with offices located in the Courthouse at Carthage.

In accordance with the Act of Congress authorizing the loans, and regulations issued by Governor W. I. Myers of the Farm Credit Administration, loans will be made only to farmers who are unable to obtain elsewhere seed, fertilizers, supplies, feed or the necessary credit to purchase such items. Loans will not be made to applicants who can obtain credit in the amount needed from any other source, including the production credit association.

Any farmer who has the necessary security should apply to the production credit association first. If the association is unable to make him a loan in the amount needed the farmer will receive a statement to that effect and will be considered eligible to apply for a loan from the emergency fund.

The regulations provide that the largest loan to one farmer this year is \$500 and the minimum \$10, but no loan may be made in an amount greater than is actually needed to cover the cash cost of purchasing seed, fertilizers, supplies, feed, etc. Loans will be made for the purpose of growing and harvesting crops, for summer following, for purchasing feed for livestock; but not for the purpose of purchasing livestock or machinery, or for the payment of debts or taxes.

Loans will be made only to applicants who are cooperating with the Production Control Program of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration. As in the past, the security for an emergency crop or feed loan will consist of a first lien on the crop by getting the landowner to waive his claim in favor of the crop lien; but the landowner is in no way obligated for repayment of his tenant's loan.

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DEMONSTRATION CLUB ENJOYS OUTING, FISH FRY

The Springfield Home Demonstration Club sponsored a community recreational meeting recently that was greatly enjoyed by all who were so fortunate as to be present. Club members, almost 100 percent strong, and their families journeyed to Lakeview where the men engaged in fishing while the women cooked a hundred pounds of fish which they were wise enough to bring along with them, then all gathered around and partook of the feast.

M. J. McLean, representing the men, expressed thanks to the club women for the delightful occasion, and Mrs. Ben Gullidge, club president, made a talk which was enjoyed by all. Some 75 persons enjoyed the outing.

Loans will be issued by the Regional Emergency Crop and Feed Loan Office at Memphis, Tenn.; and not by the field supervisor or the loan committee.

COMMENCEMENT AT VASS LAKEVIEW SCHOOL MAY 3D

The Vass-Lakeview School commencement will begin on Friday evening, May 3, at which time the annual recitation-declamation contest will be held. On Sunday evening, the Rev. J. Fred Stimson of Southern Pines Baptist Church will deliver the baccalaureate sermon; Class day exercises will be held on Monday evening. The Rev. Carey Adams, president of Presbyterian Junior College in Macon, will give the address at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning, following which diplomas and awards of honor will be presented. On Tuesday evening the high school play will be given. "When a Feller Needs a Friend" is the title and the characters are working hard under the direction of Miss Eunice Setzer, determined to give a performance in keeping with the high standard set by former high school classes. All evening programs are scheduled to begin at eight o'clock.

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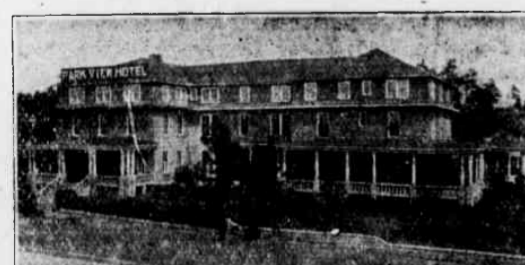
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