

CAPITAL REPORTER

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Raleigh.—There were some red faces in Raleigh last week when the Assistant Budget Director Dave Coltrane laid his end-of-the-year operations' report on Governor Scott's desk.

It showed that a predicted \$5,000,000 deficit had turned into a balanced budget, with \$13,000,000 left in the kitty to start the new year.

Technically, however, Coltrane says there only was a surplus of approximately \$850,000 for the year, since the state had started the 12-month period some \$13,000,000 in the black.

With a \$142,000,000 budget for the current 12 months, and an estimated income of \$129,000,000 by the general assembly, Coltrane figured the state should end the 1951 fiscal year with a balanced budget.

But there's a joker in the deck. The 1949 legislature put a rider in the appropriations bill to the effect that "should there be a surplus" teacher raises should be boosted up to a \$2,200 to \$3,100 minimum.

The law says the increase is to be paid as of June 30 of each fiscal year "after the surplus has been determined"—and that's the catch.

Coltrane says the \$13,000,000 is not surplus, but balance on hand. Teachers claim it is surplus and they should get a raise.

The \$64 question is: "who determines when a surplus exists and how does he decide it?"

The general assembly makes appropriations on a two-year basis, and any answer will have to be based on "intent" of the assembly—whether it meant the teachers to have a raise if the two-year budget was balanced or if it meant the teachers should have a raise at the end of the first year if there was a balance on hand.

The loosely-worded legislative act evades the issue, giving the State Board of Education and the attorney general leeway to straddle the fence—as they are doing.

In all likelihood, the matter will not be decided without a court test or by further legislative action.

Ironically, the boys who cried "wolf, wolf" about a year-end deficit are yelling the loudest about "let's give it to the teachers". Many of them are the same ones who fought the hardest in the 1949 assembly against giving any raise to the teachers. Now, however, they want to cut a \$6,000,000 slice for the teachers whether the state goes in the red or not.

An example is Senator Frank Gibbs of Warren, who was a leader in fighting teacher pay raises until he saw he was licked. He then proposed a similar amendment to the one now causing all the fuss—but it was defeated. After the raise was okayed, John Umstead of Orange, sent up the contingent 1950-51 fiscal year raise amendment which was adopted.

Meanwhile, North Carolina's dayman farmer governor—an old hand at seasonal surpluses—

wasn't getting excited, knowing that surpluses and shortages balance out.

He's pledged to giving teachers a raise now "if a surplus exists."

Much to the surprise of many people, the governor's suggestion that the State take over operation and maintenance of city streets has won the acclaim of many rural folks. Lots of the "branch-head" boys have written the governor saying they favor the proposal. And the idea has gained support of lots of city leaders, too. Oil lobbyists in North Carolina already are scowling over the prospect of an added gasoline tax and are packing their carpet bags with greenbacks preparatory to a trip to Raleigh.

MENZIES GUARANTEES TROOPS



THE U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES is told by Prime Minister Robert Gordon Menzies that Australia and New Zealand will send a "first-class combat force" of undisclosed size to South Korea "within a few weeks as possible." At this special House session, the Premier adds his hope that eventually all British Commonwealth forces will fight together as a group against the Korcan Communists. (International Soundphoto)

Searches Family Record In Vain

Frequently, strangers from distant states come to this county, searching old records in an effort to identify a great-grandparent or attach a few missing limbs to the family tree. Old records are few, some having been lost in the old courthouse fire.

A few days ago, Miss Naomi Green Cone, San Antonio attorney, searched old records in the county courthouse in an unsuccessful effort to identify the parents and other members of the immediate family of her father's grandfather, Archelais Cone, who was reared in Martin County and migrated to Washington County, Ga., about 1801.

Interesting Bits Of Business in U. S.

Typewriters, gasoline, rugs, and shoes are among the growing list of products on which prices are advancing. . . . Prices received by farmers have also risen—up 6.5 percent for the month ended July 15. . . . Rent controls may make a comeback in some West Coast areas, where troop movements are causing a tightening up of the housing situation. . . . Department store sales have been booming since the outbreak of Korean hostilities. . . . Tight supplies of heating oil are a prospect for the coming winter, say oil men, unless we get mild weather. Two reasons: (1) stocks of light fuel oil are now some 11 million barrels below last year's levels; (2) the increase in the number of oil-burning homes. A third potential military demands.

days after their return, Highway Commission Chairman Henry Jordan was approached by a man who offered delivery of a boatload of cement to a North Carolina port to be used as a stockpile in the event the cement supply becomes more critical.

Purchase will be made in a move to protect the roadbuilding program against a complete shut-off of cement supplies from other sources. It also will assure completion of State buildings already under construction.

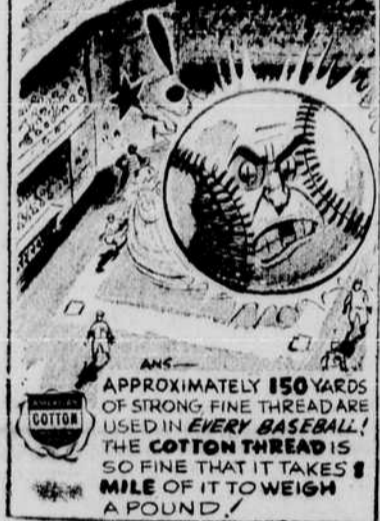
If Washington rumors—that Senator Graham may soon resign to take a special presidential assignment—are true, Governor Scott again will be squarely on the spot.

Supporters of Willis Smith already are clamoring for the Raleigh man to be named to serve out Senator Graham's term so that he may gain the personal seniority which would assure him of better committee appointments. These appointments, as you know, are based on length of service. The additional few months would put Smith ahead of Senators elected this year for full and regular terms.

On the other hand, the governor faces pressure from other large groups—still bitter over the type of campaign which brought about the Democratic party's nomination of Smith—who want the governor to appoint anyone but Smith if Graham should resign.

COTTON QUIZ

HOW DO THE HOME RUN KINGS DEPEND ON KING COTTON?



U. S. Army And The People Must Learn War Lesson

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who were doing the criticizing were put on front lines, perhaps much of it would slacken. But our attitude on wars, and our ability as soldiers must mature, nevertheless. Officers who have returned from Korea admit our green soldiers have run like rabbits in many cases, leaving large amounts of precious supplies and ammunition to the enemy. They admit the troops are not seasoned. No one blames the troops however. Army officials know the troops are doing splendidly, considering the training they have had. And they are in a tough war, not an easy one.

Likewise, the American public has reflected immaturity. We had no right to expect our untrained men to drive back Communist veterans who outnumbered them sometimes as much as ten to one. The remarks, even from some of our military commanders that we would do such to the Reds were ill-timed. The public, which is convinced that the American soldier is the best in the world is wrong—in August, 1950. The U. S. soldier today is not trained and he is not the match of some of the best and most experienced troops elsewhere.

That the Russians have not sent their troops into Korea is evidence that they do not want a total war at this time. That desire is, in turn, evidence that they think they can get what they want without a total war. Had Red China, or Russia, sent troops into Korea, the Americans would have been run out. The North Korean soldiers are not the best in the aggressor pool in the far east, either, but they are considered surprisingly good.

Some will say that frank talk is out of place in wartime. But the American public will be able to take it. Only when given the facts can the public attitude mature and Larden to the ordeals necessary for the waging of proper mobilization and war. A tough seasoned army comes only from tough mental and physical training. Unless we understand

our weak points, we cannot correct them. The U. S. public, told just what the job was, has never failed to do it—in time of war. Told that there is much to perfect today, the public will perfect it.

Another frank admission should be made to the public. We are in grave danger of getting into a war with China. We pledged our Navy to hold Formosa. If the Reds attack, we will kill them. They could justifiably go to war. They could also intervene in Korea. That, of course, would be a fatal mistake for China in the end, but the end might be a long, bloody way off. And Russia would like nothing better than a China-U. S. War, to drain away our resources.

Report Big Rush Is Now Underway For Canned Goods

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Canners are holding back some supplies for the expected jump in military purchases. Although they predict prices of canned goods are going to keep on climbing, they admit the size of Uncle Sam's order—and what it will do to supply and demand—is a big question mark.

Says one: "It is like the Army would say—'The situation is fluid.' That means nobody knows what is going to happen."

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TRIO

Robersonville, N. C.

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WEDNESDAY, August 9 BLACK BART With Dan Duryea and Yvonne DeCarlo Comedy and Serial

THURSDAY - FRIDAY PRINCE OF PEACE With Ginger Prince

SATURDAY, August 12 Double Feature Program FATHER MAKES GOOD With Raymond Walburn and Walter Catlett

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