

LOCAL LEGISLATION Issue By Institute of Government

Included in this Bulletin is a digest of local legislation introduced during the week ending January 29, 1949, affecting Duplin County.

HB 45 - Introduced by Taylor of Wayne and Outlaw, Jan. 13 (Faison taxing power) Jan. 26, reported favorably by Senate Committee; Jan. 27, passed 2nd reading in the Senate; Jan. 26, passed 3rd reading in Senate.

This bill has passed 3rd reading in the House on Jan. 21.

Motor Vehicle Laws
The 1947 Highway Safety Act is under fire from two flanks in the General Assembly. Developments this week point to the House as the battle-ground where motor vehicle inspection program must fight for survival. At the same time that SB 59, approved by the Senate after a sharp debate to provide for reduction in the number of annual inspections from two to one per year, was on its way to the House on Friday, an identical measure, HB 180, was being introduced in the lower chamber. Furthermore, if the sentiment revealed by several representatives on Raleigh radio programs in the past two weeks is an accurate straw in the wind, there is a strong movement afoot in the House for complete repeal, proposed three weeks ago in HB 5.

HB 171, introduced this week, attacks the 1947 driver's license re-examination law. It would require persons holding licenses prior to July 1, 1947, to secure renewal licenses without examination by January 1, 1950, and would continue simple renewal every four years.

Regulation of motor vehicles being towed is the object of HB 164 as introduced on Thursday to require that such vehicle be occupied by a driver and be equipped with brakes.

Roads
The Governor's recommendation that the gasoline tax be increased one cent to help pay for the proposed \$200,000,000 bond issue for secondary roads was submitted to both houses in bill form on Friday. The bills, SB 79 and HB 181, do not provide for a conditional increase, so that this revenue would be available for road purposes even if the bond issue is not approved.

Schools and Teachers
The flurry of bills designed to raise teacher's salaries and give State aid to counties for school building construction has abated. The three identical bills fixing teacher, principal and superintendent salaries for the 1948-49 school term at the minimums recommended by the State Education Commission are still resting in the Joint Appropriations Committee. So the school picture is still blurred, and will remain so until the committees finish their deliberations.

Public Welfare and the Family
From time to time mental defectives committed to state institutions are refused or delayed in obtaining admission. When the persons responsible for their upkeep are unable to pay for their support during this waiting period the county must

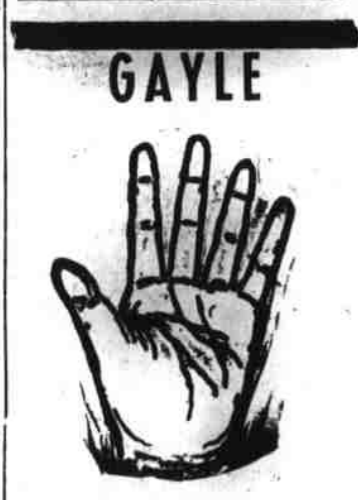
must bear the cost. HB 182, introduced Friday, proposes to have the State reimburse the counties at the rate of \$2 per day plus actual medical and hospital expenses incurred in supporting these persons between time of commitment and admission.

The companion bills designed to have the State take over from the counties assistance to the needy between 16 and 65 are both in the hands of Appropriations Committees, not because they actually appropriate money, but rather because the policy they set and the machinery they provide will eventually demand that State money be spent. SB 43, the bill that would give contributing governments a lien against real property of Old Age Assistance recipients seems to have struck a snag in the Senate Public Welfare Committee.

HB 43 was ratified Feb. 1.

Henry Stevens, III Enters Law School

Henry Stevens, III, son of Judge and Mrs. Henry L. Stevens of Warsaw, entered Law School at Wake Forest College on Tuesday. He hopes to follow in the footsteps of his illustrious father, Judge Stevens and Grandfather, L. A. Beasley, noted attorney of Kenansville.



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Symbol of Love Is Symbol of Gloves



"Gloves for Love" are a traditional gift, dating back to the time when knighthood was in flower and the soldier wore his lady's glove on his helmet in battle as a sign of his devotion. Since then, a gift of gloves has become a symbol of loyalty and affection.

The exchange of fine leather gloves on Valentine's Day is therefore something old as well as something new in gift ideas. In keeping with the sentimental significance of Valentine's Day, American-made leather gloves have a tradition of wearability and fine workmanship. New designs that follow the look in fashion make a gift of gloves a gift of beauty as well as one that will endure.

Valentine gloves for women come in a variety of colors and styles this spring. Lush glove colors include cherry pink, sun bronze, carib green, and exotic lemon. These colors provide dramatic accents for dark costumes, so the buyer of gift gloves for his lady need not worry about "matching" her outfits.

Left above are shown American-made doekskin four button classics. Dressed up with fagoting, they are a suitable symbol of affection. Pigskins, glaces (capeskins) and doeskins come in all lengths for casual, day and evening wear, with the shortie making the big news for spring, and very long favored for evening. Appropriate "Gloves for Love"

are those gloves shown right above. They are American-made doekskin gauntlets with tiny golden hearts decorating the cuff. Even the classic pigskin has a new romantic look with slender styling and new colors.

For the King, as well as the Queen of Hearts, there are "Gloves for Love" in fine mocha, capeskins and pigskins—a gift of sentiment for Valentine's Day. The men's gloves shown above are lightweight American-made capeskin with contrasting hand stitching and trim. They come in new spring colors—wine, grey, green and cream. Buttons at the wrist make them a comfortable fit.

County Agent's Office L. F. WEEKS

The farmer who condemns cities because of narrow streets and blind alleys may have a similar traffic hazard right in his own front yard says Lacy Weeks, County Agent for State College Extension Service. Mr. Weeks refers to the farm driveway, which he says, is a blind alley of weeds on many farms. "More than one-third of our farm accident victims are motor vehicle mishaps," he said.

Mr. Weeks recommends the following procedure in building a safe driveway:

1. Park the car in the driveway with the front bumper ten feet from the nearest edge of the pavement or traveled portion of the highway;
2. Measure a distance of 700 feet along the highway to the left and place a marker at the edge of the pavement or traveled portion on the side nearest the driveway entrance;
3. In the same manner set another marker 700 feet in the opposite direction but this second marker should be on the side of the highway opposite the driveway entrance;
4. Sit in the driver's seat of the car. If the markers can be seen, the sight distances are proper if the traffic going by the farm does not exceed 60 miles per hour. If the markers cannot be seen, then weeds, bushes, and other obstructions must be cleared away to make the driveway safe.

If a heavy, slow-starting truck will be using the driveway, the markers should be set 830 feet away in each direction instead of 700 feet.

Mr. Weeks called attention to the fact that a highway right-of-way is usually 66 feet in width. If it is necessary to trim bushes or remove obstructions on this right-of-way, the matter should be taken up with the highway official under whose jurisdiction it falls, he said.

Bookmobile Schedule in Duplin

The Bookmobile service in Duplin County has been growing so steadily that almost every trip has brought on changes and adjustments in schedule. The uncertain weather of the next few months might prevent the Bookmobile making some of its regular trips, but the County Librarian, Miss Dorothy Wightman, believes that most of the schedule can be kept regularly each month through the spring and summer. There will be more stops added from time to time but the main outline of routes will be very much the same. Seven routes are organized and we hope there will be an eighth by summer time.

Schedule of any calendar month:

- 1st Thursday - Mrs. Lott Kornegay, Friendly Club, about 1:30 p.m.
- Mrs. E. B. Hales, Mineral Springs, 2:15 p.m.
- Mrs. Holmes, Bowden, 3 p.m.
- Warsaw Library, Town Hall, 3 p.m.
- 1st Friday - Calypso, Mrs. Paul Nunn, 1:30 p.m.
- Calypso, Mrs. Kathleen Grice, 2:15 p.m.
- Faison, Emily Hill Public Library.
- 2nd Thursday - Kenansville Camp 305, 12:30 p.m.
- Mrs. Annie Casteen, Pasture Branch Club, 1:30 p.m.
- Chinquapi, Mrs. Ida Bostic, 2 p.m.
- Lamier's Store, 3:30 p.m.
- Mrs. D. R. Sykes, Wallace Road.

- 4:30 p.m. Mrs. Emma Hardison, Southerland's Store, 5 p.m.
- 2nd Friday - Outlaw's Bridge School 1:30 p.m.
- Outlaw's Bridge, Mrs. L. C. Prater, 2:30 p.m.
- B. F. Grady, Mrs. Pearl Kornegay, 3:30 p.m.
- Pearls Church, Mrs. F. T. Heath, 4 p.m.
- 3rd Thursday - Magnolia, Pope's Furniture Store, 1:30 p.m.
- Teachey, Mrs. J. C. Stuart, 2:15 p.m.
- Rose Hill Library, Community Bldg.
- 3rd Friday - Millertown, Mrs. Ralph Miller, 2 p.m.
- Beulaville, near post office, 3 p.m.
- 4th Thursday - Mrs. Harry Turner, Rockfish Club, 2 p.m.
- Wallace Library, Community Bldg.
- 4th Friday, Kenansville Library.

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