

TRUMP CARD . . . Those members of the Legislature, wanting to hold the line on appropriations and taxes have in their deck a trump card: payless days which began for every session here Thursday, June 4.

That is why those senators and representatives who are bucking the administration had scant hope this past weekend that teachers will get much of a pay raise. Telephone lines were hot . . . Teachers are flying the coop every month for better paying positions. If the Legislature really wanted to help them, they should have started on the project two months ago — and not on the last pay-day.

As of this past weekend, chances were about 100 to one against \$10,000,000 item so much in the news would remain in the budget. There seemed to be too much Big Time opposition. It was a case of too little—too late. Too little maneuvering, too little planning . . . and too late in the session . . . the trump card.

BAILEY ITEM . . . Although the late U. S. Senator Josiah William Bailey was certainly not regarded as a particular friend of Governmental spending projects, an item given approval last week was right up his alley! The setting up of \$1,000,000 by the Congress for a dam project on the Yadkin River five miles upstream from the Wilkesboro. J. W. Bailey has been dead now for nearly 13 years, which gives you some idea of how long the project has been in the making. When I was Senator's Bailey's assistant, he used to talk about how much such a dam would mean to the entire Yadkin Valley area which winds down through Northwestern & Piedmont North Carolina.

The matter of whether the dam should be for flood control or for power — or for both — did not seem important to Senator Bailey in this particular instance. We are glad to see one of this

THE BIG ROAD . . . Speaking of projects of value to the State, one which can mean as much to Northwestern North Carolina is apparently being delayed by terrain. The big interstate highway traversing the Piedmont north and South is already on the drawing boards. As we get it, the difference of opinion on The Big Road at this time is over where it will enter North Carolina from Virginia.

The Blue Ridge enters North Carolina in the Sparta area. If the highway enters in this area or west of this area, most of the heavy construction work — grading, blasting, bridging, etc. — will be in North Carolina. However, if the road runs well east of this section, the most troublesome part of the project will be over in Virginia.

At Roaring Gap, in Sparta, in and around Elkin and Mount Airy, we hear there is a squabble over the road on where it will enter North Carolina, — and the Mountains are in the middle of the problem.

FEED BAGS . . . Law enforcement officers will tell you North Carolina has more trouble with bad checks than any other State in the nation. The State Bureau of Investigation, working under the Attorney General's office, has a law ready to tighten up on the rubber flashers. Whether it will see the light of day in the current session still remains in doubt. Its big point is to make the giving of a worthless check over \$100 a felony. It is now only a misdemeanor.

Mention bad checks in any group of people and you immediately run into an interesting story of a slick chick and his operations.

The Benson Review in Johnston County told the other day about a local merchant cashing a check for a man who bought a bag of feed at his store. Taking his change, which amounted to several dollars, the feed-buyer said, "I'm going to the movies. If I don't get back before you close, leave the bag of feed outside your door and I will pick it up." All right, said the merchant, and when the customer did not show up for his bag of feed at

closing time, he set it outside the door. This happened on a Saturday night. Going to church Sunday morning, the merchant happened his surprise the bag of feed still to glance at his store and saw to sitting where he had placed it the night before.

He began to wonder if he had been given a bad check. His suspicions were confirmed when he checked the other stores in town which sold feed. Outside the door of each was firmly resting one bag of feed. As we heard it, the story had a happy ending, all the merchants finally getting their money back.

FISHING ON SUNDAY . . . A lot of fishermen in this State were very much worried recently when they saw they would be violating a law carrying up to a five-hundred-dollar fine and thirty days in jail for fishing on Sunday.

THIS IS THE LAW

By Robert E. Lee
Conversation on the subject of who is related to whom often bogged down over terminology. The purpose of the column this week is to assist you in identifying by label those who are kin to you.

Who is your second cousin?
Everybody, of course, knows who to call a first cousin. He is your parent's brother (or sister's) child.
Your first cousin's child is not your second cousin, as is so often thought to be the case. Your first cousin's child is your first cousin once removed.

The child of the first cousin once removed is your first cousin twice removed, and this person's child is your first cousin three times removed.
Your second cousin is your grandparents' brothers (or sister) grandchild. That second cousin child in your second cousin once removed, his child your second cousin twice removed and son on.

Or stated differently, your second is the grandchild of your great aunt or great-uncle. Or stated still differently, the person your parent calls a first cousin, once removed is your second cousin.

Who is your third cousin?
He is your great-grandparent's brother's (or sister's) great-grandchild. The third cousin's child is your third cousin once removed, his child your third cousin twice removed, and son on.

Who is your grandnephew or grandniece?
He or she is the grandchild of your brother or sister. This is, of course, the same as saying he or she is the child of your nephew or niece.

Who is your great grand aunt or great granduncle?
This is the sister (or brother) of your grandparent. Or stated differently, the person your parent calls an aunt (or uncle) is your great-uncle (or great-uncle).

Who is your great aunt or great granduncle?
This is the sister (or brother) of your great grand parents.

Who is your stepchild?
The child of your husband or wife by a former marriage.

Who is your stepfather or stepmother?
The child of your stepfather or stepmother.

Who is your half sister or half brother?
The child of your mother and stepfather, or of your father and stepmother, or of either parent by a former marriage.

Who are double first cousins?
If two brothers marry sisters, the children of these two marriages would be double first cousins. The same result would be reached if a brother and a sister should marry the opposite sexes of a brother and sister in another family. North Carolina forbids the marriage of double first cousins though other-wise the marriage of first cousins is permitted.



Theodore A. Brenkworth
Marine Acting Gunnery Sergeant Theodore A. Brenkworth receives a Letter of Commendation May 13 from his commanding officer, Col. H. G. Hutchinson, for his outstanding performance of duty while serving with Marine Aircraft Group 24, a unit of the 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing at the Marine Corps Air Station, Cherry Point, N. C. GSgt. Brenkworth is the son of Mrs. Rose Brenkworth of 7002 69th st., Glendale, N. Y., and husband of the former Miss Hazel B. Jenney of Route 1, Beulaville, N. C. Before enlisting in May 1942, he graduated from Harren High School and was employed by A. E. Breslaure and Sons in Brooklyn, N. Y.

PFC Charlie J. Pope
Army PFC Charlie J. Pope, 24 whose wife, Shelve, and parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Pope, live in Warsaw, N. C., is serving in Alaska to change from 120 millimeter anti-aircraft cannons to Nike-Hercules missiles. Pope is a member of the battalion's Battery A. He entered the Army in January 1958 and arrived in Alaska the following July.

Pfc. Mack R. Johnson
Army Pfc. Mack R. Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Johnson, Rt. 1, Wallace, N. C., is serving in Alaska with the 2nd. Missile Battalion, 562d Artillery, which recently was converted to a Nike-Hercules missile unit. The 562d is the last Artillery unit in Alaska to change from 120 millimeter anti-aircraft cannons to Nike Hercules missiles. Johnson is assigned to the battalion's Battery A. He entered the Army in April 1958 and arrived in Alaska the following October. The 23-year-old soldier is a 1954 graduate of Franklin High School in Harrells.

Paul E. Gore
Paul E. Gore, seaman, USN, son of the bill was introduced by Craven County's Sam Whitehurst. Sam's bill would make Sunday net fishing legal in that county and would reduce the penalty for Sunday net fishing in inland waters to a maximum of \$50 instead of five hundred. When the bill hit the press, the word "net" was left out. As the Wildlife Commission points out, there is no law against fishing on Sunday — if it doesn't interfere with your conscience.

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Veterans With GI Insurance Are Told They Must Keep Payments Up To Date

Veterans holding GI insurance policies were reminded by VA that the policies are for the protection of their families but that the policies themselves need protection. The protection meant is protection against the veterans failure to pay his premiums on time when they fall due. The grace period is a special protection device for policyholders to protect them and the policy in the event of some unforeseen emergency in any month when the policyholder can not manage to make his premium payment that month.

VA cautioned, however, against policyholder falling into the habit of making every premium payment after the due date, that is, during the grace period. If they follow this practice regularly and some unforeseen emergency arises or they forget to make payment — then their policy will lapse. Since GI insurance policies are such valuable protection for a veteran's family, VA said, veterans ought to give the policy itself need of protection.

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