

Wallace Endorses Plan To Help Tenant Farmer

Endorses Proposal To Lend Tenant Farmers \$1,000,000 To Buy Land With

Washington, March 5.—Visioning the possible solution of one of his most perplexing problems, Secretary Wallace today gave his unqualified endorsement to a proposal to lend \$1,000,000,000 to tenant farmers with which to buy land.

At the same time, The Farm Credit Administration reported that the number of farmers threatened with foreclosure in the last half of 1934 was only about one-third of those in distress in the first six months of the past year.

Testifying before a sub-committee of the Senate agriculture committee, Wallace declared the proposal by Senator Bankhead (D., Ala.), for tenant aid "should be a substantial aid to the broad national recovery program, reduce materially the relief burden in rural areas and bring great benefits to thousands of tenant farmers who are in pitiful economic condition to live on the land which they may call their own, and on which they can make a modest living year after year."

Senator Bankhead is the author of the Bankhead cotton control act.

The credit administration said requests for aid in refinancing farm mortgages dropped from 22,667 during the first half of 1934 to 8,314 during the latter half of the year.

Meanwhile, Chairman Jones, of the House agriculture committee, said he thought proposed amendments to the Agricultural Adjustment Act would be reported within the next few days.

He added that he hoped to have the bill out on the floor of the House in from 10 days to two weeks.

B. Kirk Ranking, of the Southern Agriculturalist, described the Bankhead bill as an "investment in citizenship."

C. H. Hamilton, of Raleigh, read a statement by I. O. Schaub, dean of the North Carolina State College Extension Division, endorsing the measure.

Hugh McRae, of Wilmington, N. C., described it as the "greatest bill introduced in Congress in 50 years." He protested that he termed the drafting of the PWA subsistence stand division away from rural communities in favor of industrial subsistence units.

Report of County Red Cross Roll Call

Wyatt Brown, Chairman of the Pitt County Chapter of the American Red Cross and Julian White, roll call chairman today announced the results of the recent membership campaign conducted throughout the county last November and December.

The standing in members enrolled by towns is as follows:

Greenville	367 members
Ayden	67 members
Farmville	66 members
Bethel	58 members
Grifton	42 members
Colored Teachers	32 members
Grimesland	18 members
Falldale	15 members
Winterville	11 members
Chico	8 members

County total 679 members

This is the largest roll call the chapter has had since the world war and the chapter's heartfelt thanks is extended to all who worked to enroll members and all of those who joined. Many of the white schools enrolled the teachers 100% and the Eastern Carolina Teachers College faculty made one of the best showings of any group in the county.

The Farmville Unit has begun Home Hygiene classes in the high school under the direction of a Red Cross nurse and first aid classes will start shortly. In both Greenville and Farmville life saving courses will be conducted during the coming summer. Greenville is planning to hold first Aid classes and Bethel has announced similar plans.

A program of pellagra prevention and cure is now in progress with the Red Cross supplying free powdered yeast to those suffering from pellagra. Persons unable to buy yeast may obtain it from the Pitt County Unit in Greenville by presenting a doctor's prescription.

County Board Has Long Meet

Monday Spent in Discussions Without Anything Tangible Accomplished

Greenville, March 5.—Spending the entire day in discussions of governmental problems the Board of County Commissioners adjourned Monday night about 7 o'clock and returned to their homes in various parts of the county.

Meeting Monday morning at 10 o'clock, the commissioners spent practically the whole day discussing anything of note.

The usual bills were ordered paid, of course, and reports of the various county departments were read and approved, but it was one of those days that lots of wind-jamming is necessary without actually showing tangible results.

However, the board members understand themselves better about the things discussed and when they meet again it is likely considerable progress will be made.

R. T. Cox, of Winterville, presided over the session, and virtually all members were present and took an active part in the discussion.

Williams Quits Blue Eagle Job

But Will Remain With NRA 2 More Weeks; Back to Tobacco Post

Washington, March 5.—The first break in the administrative board that succeeded Hugh S. Johnson as head of the NRA occurred today as S. Clay Williams of North Carolina, handed his resignation to President Roosevelt.

The Chief Executive accepted, provisionally, but requested that Williams not make his "resignation effective or retire from the work of the board for at least another two weeks. This was agreed to by the Blue Eagle officer.

Both the President and Williams stressed in an exchange of letters made public at the White House that the latter, in accepting the NRA post, had done so on the understanding that he was not to remain permanently. Both pointed out, also, that his retirement had been discussed previously, in order that he might return to his private affairs.

Williams declared in his letter that the administrative board had accomplished most of its "essential tasks" and that "there will be only a minimum of lost motion connected with my retirement." He then made his resignation a matter of the President's earliest "convenience."

He did say, however, that he no longer could "disregard the increasingly urgent call to return to my regular work."

While the "dead cats" that General Johnson often referred to have not been thrown in any such column at Williams since he took over the NRA board, he has been buffeted by the American Federation of Labor as opposed to labor. Williams was an active head of the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co., of Winston-Salem, N. C., one of the largest of such concerns. The Federation charged his record in labor relations was bad, and had formally sought his resignation.

Attacks also were made on him in connection with the tobacco code, only recently promulgated, but Williams maintained, with the support of his colleagues on the NRA board, that he even "left the room" when the word tobacco was mentioned.

While Williams' departure will mark the first break in the recovery board, resignations of virtually every member have been rumored at one time or another.

Arthur D. Whiteside, who is understood to have made a similar agreement with the President, even went so far as to set a date for his resignation, but remained, according to an aide, under Presidential compulsion.

Whiteside said tonight that his resignation would be indefinite, and an official said resignations of other board members were not immediately expected, although Whiteside said all of them always have been under consideration.

President Asks Child Labor Act

Proponents of Ratification Point To Rise In Child Employment

Raleigh, March 6.—President Roosevelt has written his personal wish that North Carolina ratify the child labor amendment to the national Constitution.

His communication was addressed to Mrs. W. R. Absher, chairman of the State Child Labor Amendment Committee, who stated yesterday there is a definite upward trend in employment of children in this State.

In his letter the President stated: "One of the accomplishments under the National Recovery Act which has given me the greatest gratification is the outlawing of child labor."

It shows how simply a long-desired reform, which no individual or state could accomplish alone, may be brought about when people work together. It is my desire that the advances attained through NRA be permanent. In the child labor field the obvious method of maintaining the present gains is through ratification of the Child Labor Amendment. I hope this may be achieved."

The Chief Executive wished Mrs. Absher "all success" in the campaign for the amendment in North Carolina.

Better industrial conditions have resulted in increased employment of children, stated Mrs. Absher, who presented a graphic study of all children under 16 years of age certified for employment in North Carolina, over an 11-year period beginning in 1922.

"Child employment reached its lowest point in the year ending June 30, 1932, and it is still fresh in all our minds that North Carolina industry was at its lowest in that year. It is also fresh in our minds that North Carolina experienced a big pick-up in industry in the year ending June 30, 1933."

"The number of working certificates issued for the year was 2647, an increase of 122 per cent. over the previous year."

Most of the children were employed in the textile industry, whose spokesman, David Clark of Charlotte, is a bitter opponent of the Child Labor Amendment, which has been ratified by 24 states, 12 short of the number of states needed to put it into the basic law of the nation.

The amendment gives Congress the right to regulate, restrict or prohibit the work of persons under 18 years of age, but Mrs. Absher denies Mr. Clark's assertion that it would affect children working for their own kin without pay. Farm boys could milk cows and city boys could take out the ashes, just as they've always done, said Mrs. Absher.

Mr. Clark is circulating the State with letters urging the recipients to see their legislators and "give them the facts" against the Child Labor Amendment. Proponents of the measure have compared his tactics to those of the president of the Tennessee Manufacturers' Association, who wrote his members that he had blocked the amendment because he had seen "the right people."

NOTICE VOTERS!

The registration books for the Town of Farmville will be open on Saturday, March 2nd and remain open until March 23rd, at the Town Hall, for the purpose of registering all unregistered voters.

EVA H. SHIPLEY, Registrar.

W. R. Mull of Morganton, Burke County, is planting a test plot of a new raspberry resulting from a cross of the Latham and Ranere varieties.

TO DECIDE IF BILLS APPLY TO TOBACCO

Washington, March 6.—In order to remove uncertainty as to whether pending amendments to the A. A. A. legislation permitting the licensing of processors of farm commodities apply to tobacco, Representative Harold D. Cooper today arranged for J. R. Hutson, chief of the tobacco section of the A. A. A., to appear before the committee tomorrow.

B. W. Kilgore, Jr., formerly of Raleigh and now of Louisville, Ky., was a witness before the committee today. Appearing for Kentucky tobacco growers, Mr. Kilgore advocated passage of the bill but was unable to say whether or not it applied to tobacco.

His failure to agree on some crucial questions. Some members have been frank in conceding they generally have differences with tobacco growers. So far as is known, however, none of these differences were discussed into an open forum.

Through State Capital Keyholes

By Bess Hinton Silver

STEAMING UP—The campaign in behalf of Clyde R. Hoey, Shelby's silver-tongued, for the Democratic nomination for Governor next year, is being whipped into nice form if the political stars read true. Mr. Hoey is yet silent on his decision but the boys who snoot around learning things about people addicted to politics say you need not be surprised if there is an immediate up-cropping of Hoey-for-Governor Clubs among the youngsters at Chapel Hill and other institutions of higher learning. If the matter develops that far you can mortgage your house and lot and bet that Hoey will be a candidate and the odds will be with you.

CONGRESS—The State Capitol this week is of the opinion that Congressman R. L. Doughton in a mood to seek the governorship via the Democratic primaries and a candidate to succeed him in Congress from the Ninth District. He is no less a person than Dalton Warren, the Senator from Alleghany County. Friends of Mr. Warren say he is going to seek the Congressional seat no matter what "Farmer Bob" decides to do but express confidence that Doughton really means to retire from Congress even if he does not run for Governor.

ONE MORE THING—Friends of Lieutenant Governor A. H. Graham think he is doing nicely presiding over his second term of the State Senate and they are beginning to roll the old political ball in his behalf for Governor. "Sandy" said his luck with the Legislature would influence his decision on the gubernatorial matter and even his enemies are failing to point out major mistakes. "You can't tell what's going on in the Scotch head of the Lieutenant Governor but a lot of people are ready to help him make up his mind and step across the line as a candidate. It's going to be highly embarrassing to many people if Graham and Hoey cross swords."

CHANGED COURSE—Many close personal and political friends of Representative R. Gregg Cherry, of Gaston, say he is paddling his canoe toward the Sepakship of the 1937 House. They say he has abandoned any idea of running for Governor. At least he has told some folks that he wants to come back to the Legislature, one more time. If he seeks to wield the gavel over the 120 Representatives he is likely to find Representative R. F. (Jack) Morphey, of Graham, grabbing for the handle in the Democratic caucus two years hence. Ambitions make political history.

OPPOSITION—North Carolinians are writing their Senators and Congressmen to oppose the Rayburn bill which would repossess authority to fix rates in the federal power commission. State regulatory bodies would find their hands pretty well tied under the Rayburn bill and Tar Heels still are suffering from federal discrimination in the matter of freight rates. Considerable sentiment against the Rayburn bill has been manifested in Raleigh especially among persons owning stock in domestic power companies. They fear its passage would reduce the value of their holdings.

MARATHON—The boys who know their legislatures say that a real bombshell exploded when the motion was made in finance committee to reduce the sales tax rate from three to two per cent. Immediately all former predictions on sine die adjournment were withdrawn and even the optimistic Robert Grady Johnson, Speaker of the House, admitted that the end is not yet in sight. The anti-sales taxers led by Representatives W. L. Lumpkin, of Franklin, and Ralph McDonald, of Forsyth, are wise enough to adopt this course in their effort to slow down the trend toward consumption taxes. One man's guess is about as good as another's on what will happen before the General Assembly folds up for good—(or worse).

DIVERSION—Don't sleep upon your couch if you want your gasoline taxes spent on your roads. Designs looking toward using it for other things have not been abandoned. On the other hand, diversionists are reported sitting up nights planning the best way to get a finger into the highway fund. When the real road starts some potent influences of legislative opinion will be found in the ranks. There is considerable opinion motorists pay their taxes with out complaint and will not kick up much of a row if they are spent for general fund and other purposes. What's your idea?

Meat Next in Asheville. Asheville was selected as the place for the 1935 conference, upon invitation of the first district delivered by Mrs. L. E. Fisher.

Officers for the coming year were elected as follows: Mrs. D. S. Currie, Parkton, registrar; Mrs. A. E. Davis, Statesville, recording secretary; Mrs. E. E. Gillespie, Greensboro, chaplain; Mrs. Wayne Spencer, Wilmington, librarian. This is not the year for the election of regent.

D. A. C. Hold Meeting. The North Carolina Society of the Daughters of the American Colonists held their eighth annual conference.

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Regent Reports Year of Activity

D. A. R. Executive Tells of Work Done in '34; Other Convention Events

Goldboro, March 6.—A year of great accomplishments was reported here today to the D. A. R. State Conference by Mrs. W. H. Bell, of Charlotte, State D. A. R. regent, in her first annual accounting for the leadership of the North Carolina Daughters since her election last spring to the executive office. She gave credit to the harmonious spirit of the executive board, the cooperation of the State chairmen, the untiring efforts of the chapter regents, and the loyalty of every member.

All indebtedness of the organization, due to previous bank failures, was met during the year, she reported about \$5,000 having been paid on past obligations, largely due to the work of Mrs. Eugene Davis, of Statesville, chairman of the ways and means committee; Mrs. Charles H. Stephenson, of Raleigh, State treasurer, and other committee members and officers. In her report, Mrs. Bell did not mention her own important part in raising this fund.

Around 150 delegates and visitors gathered in Goldboro Tuesday for the thirty-fifth annual State conference of the Daughters of the American Revolution, which opened formally at 2:30 p. m. in the auditorium of the Woman's Club building, with the chapters of the seventh district as host. The regents of which are: Mrs. Clyde R. Jordan, of Elizabethtown chapter; Elizabethetown; Mrs. N. W. Outlaw, David Williams chapter, Goldboro; Mrs. William A. Graham, Moseley-Bright, Kingston; Mrs. Charles S. Wallace, Carotet Patriots, Morehead City; Mrs. John Dunn, Richard Dobbs Spaight, New Bern; Mrs. W. B. Murphy, Col. Alexander McAllister, Snow Hill; and Mrs. R. F. Hamme, Stamp Defiance, Wilmington.

Mrs. N. W. Outlaw met with district and local hostesses at 11:30, and at the same hour Mrs. Faison Thompson, Goldboro, State chairman of pages, met with the pages. Pages present were Misses Helen Carlton, Statesville; Mary Louise Gardner, Bethel; Sara Parker, and Anne Read Purnell, Charlotte; Virginia Wilson, Gastonia; Evelyn Joyce, Winston-Salem; Eva Martin, Greensboro; Perry E. Smith, Rachel Carraway, and Lee Anne Taylor, Goldboro; Grace Clan Taylor, Morehead City; Mary Turner, New Bern; Rebecca Anderson, Snow Hill; Frances Lambeth, High Point; Mary Alice Starr, Albemarle; Mesdames W. W. Jeffries, Burlington; Harry Cooke, Farmville; Claude Bowers, Warrenton; and William A. Hooker, Wilmington.

Beard Entertains. Mrs. Kenneth Royall entertained the executive board at a lovely luncheon at her home on Ash street at noon, honoring Mr. Royall's aunt, Mrs. Isaac Manning, Chapel Hill, State vice-chairman.

The seventh district was host to the pages at a luncheon at the Woman's Club building. Following the afternoon session, the delegates and visitors went in cars to Snow Hill, in Greene county where they attended a reception given them by the Alexander McAllister chapter at the home of their regent, Mrs. W. B. Murphy. State officers and chapter regents stood in the receiving line. At 6:30 the assembly attended a dinner at the Hotel Goldboro. Misses Mary Brockwell, Mavis Evans, gave musical selections, accompanied by Miss Lillian Stroud, all of Goldboro.

Awards Announced. During the afternoon session Wednesday, several awards were announced. Halfday convention chapter received the \$25 offered to the chapter contributing the largest amount of money per capita. Miss Sue Jenkins, Brevard high school senior, was named winner of the Ruth Bryan Owens good citizenship award by the committee, of which Mrs. T. C. Turnage, of Farmville, is head. Miss Jenkins will have a free trip for the patriotic pilgrimage to Washington in April along with other outstanding girl seniors from every other state in the nation.

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Corporate Taxes Raised; Sales Tax Put on Cafes

Governor Offers Reward for Slayer

Adds \$200 to Franklin County Reward; Ex- tends Rewards for Fu- gitives

Raleigh, March 6.—Governor Ehringhaus yesterday offered a reward of \$200 for the apprehension, delivery and conviction of the person or persons who backed to death 13-year-old Pattie Mae Faulkner, Franklin County girl whose axe-marked body was found Friday near the home of her father near Gold Sand.

The reward supplements a \$200 reward posted by officials of Franklin County, where officers have announced that they "expect developments within the next few days."

The Governor also offered rewards of \$100 each for the arrest of Reece Bailey and Ed Aldridge, convicts who escaped from State's Prison recently. Bailey was serving a sentence for holding up an Asheville policeman and Aldridge was convicted of secret assault in Mitchell County.

A reward of \$200 offered some time ago for the apprehension of Ed Deaver, convicted murderer who escaped from the criminal insane ward at the State Hospital last summer, will be extended, effective Friday, it was announced at the Governor's office.

UNCLE WATT WOULD GIVE TOWN OFFICIALS FULL TIME JOB

Soon time for election of new administration in our little city. Wonder if they will name and mark our streets and number our residences; prohibit chickens and dogs running at large; reduce taxes; straighten and tile our drains and ditches; mark the streets and number the lots in our cemeteries and keep a record of who is buried on each lot, giving the cause of death; prohibit drunkenness; put special taxes on old maids and bachelors; console the lonely and bereaved widows; increase the attendance of church services to equal by 50% that of the Sunday Schools and moving pictures; base ball and football games, or the social and patriotic societies and clubs—and last but not least show to the public every month the incomes and outgoes, the wherefores and whyfores of all revenues disbursed or due to be—in other words how is our budget? Balanced or unbalanced?

An old citizen but very small tax payer, WATT PARKER.

P. S.—If concerned, meet me at the primary and lets talk it over.

CONTRACT CLUB

Mrs. A. H. Lindsay was hostess to her card club on Tuesday afternoon, having as an additional guest, Mrs. Maynard Darley, of Lynchburg, Va., house guest of Mrs. W. S. Royster. Daffodils predominated in the floral arrangement.

Following several progressions, Mrs. C. T. Dixon was presented the high score prize, lovely guest towels. Suggestions of St. Patrick's Day were noted in the salad course and shamrock modeled sandwiches.

vention at the Hotel Goldboro at eight o'clock Monday evening. The meeting was well attended by members from various sections of the State.

Mrs. J. S. Welborn, of High Point, state regent, presided. Other state officers are: Mrs. J. C. Taylor, Morehead City, first vice-regent; Mrs. William N. Reynolds, Winston-Salem, second vice-regent; Mrs. W. L. Wilson, Acme, third vice-regent; Mrs. R. H. Whitehurst, Burlington, chaplain; Mrs. J. W. Parker, Farmville, recording secretary; Mrs. O. G. Doggett, Charlotte, corresponding secretary; Miss Pearl Idol, High Point, registrar; and Mrs. Z. V. Conyers, Greensboro, treasurer; and Miss Ettie Brown, Red Springs, historian.

The visitors were welcomed to Goldboro by Mrs. N. W. Outlaw, regent of the local chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and by Mrs. Paul Borden, first vice-president of the local chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy. Greetings were extended by Mrs. W. H. Bell, of Charlotte, on behalf of the North Carolina Daughters of the American Revolution, of which she is state regent, and by Miss Mary Boykin, of Wilmington, on behalf of the North Carolina Daughters of 1812, of which she is state president. Mrs. C. W. Parks, of Morehead City, responded.

Finance Committee Continues Move To Meet Increases in Ap- propriations

Raleigh, March 6.—The Finance Committee yesterday voted to increase by more than \$300,000 the franchise taxes levied on foreign and domestic corporations and to extend the sales tax so as to make it apply in part to hotels, cafes, and boarding houses.

The action, backed by spokesmen for the State administration, was another indication of the Finance Committee's willingness to accept at least some of the Appropriation Committee's increase in State School, institutional and departmental expenditures over the amount recommended by the Governor and the Advisory Budget Commission.

Leaders of the committee hope to meet the additional spending by an additional \$500,000 from the newly proposed chain store and chain filling station tax, \$300,000 from yesterday's corporation increase, \$180,000 from the cafe sales tax, and a revised estimate of the amount to be expected from the general sales tax, putting the figure \$1,250,000 above the Governor's estimate. If this \$2,730,000 or more will not meet the Appropriation Committee's proposals, the Finance Committee leaders hope the appropriators will come down to meet them.

With yesterday's developments, the Finance Committee placed itself in position to report the tax bill to the House next week. The Appropriations Committee also has about finished its work. The next step will be the floor fight to reduce the rate of sales tax and to spread its base, while adding further to corporation taxes.

The committee raised the corporation franchise tax by increasing the rate from \$1.50 to \$1.75 on each \$1,000 of capital, surplus and undivided profits. It also made two changes in the method of figuring the total corporate value, one of which would work to the advantage of heavily indebted, independent corporations and the other add to the taxes of subsidiary and affiliated corporations.

LEAVE FOR NEW YORK; PURCHASING LATE MODES FOR VANITIE BOXE

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Johnson, of Greenville, will leave Saturday for New York, where they expect to purchase a line of up-to-date merchandise for the new Vanitie Boxe here, of which Mr. Johnson is owner. Remodeling of the Sheppard building on Main street, which will be occupied by this firm, got underway Monday, and when finished, promises to be one of the most modern and attractive stores in Eastern North Carolina. Misses Edna Hamilton and Nettie Fryer, skilled and popular operators, will continue to serve patrons in the enlarged and newly equipped beauty department.

In addition to a complete beauty service and a world famous line of cosmetics, the firm will carry a full and up to the minute stock of ladies ready-to-wear and accessories, as well as a complete Baby and Gift department. Miss Luann Williams, experienced saleslady, will be in charge of this part of the business.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON CLUB

The St. Patrick's idea was effectively carried in the refreshments, favors and table appointments at the meeting of the Wednesday afternoon Club, to which Mrs. W. N. Spruill was hostess. The high score award, exquisite handkerchiefs, went to Mrs. Robert Lee Smith. Special guests of the hostess were Mrs. D. R. Morgan, Mrs. J. B. Cuthins and Miss Mary Barrow.

SALES DOUBLE

Raleigh, March 6.—New car sales for the first two months of 1935 more than doubled the number for the similar period of last year, records at the Motor Vehicle Bureau of the Department of Revenue revealed yesterday.

Through February of this year, 6,165 new automobiles had been sold, as compared with only 3,626 for the 1934 period, an increase of 4,539. Trucks sold this year totaled 2,273, as compared with 1,551 for 1934, and February of last year. There were 778 trucks sold during February, a decrease from the 1,435 sold in January, but an increase over the 586 sold during February, 1934.

Car sales for February were 4,123, a small increase over the 4,042 sold during January, but a substantial increase over the 1,400 sold during February of last year. Low-priced vehicles led in sales in both divisions.