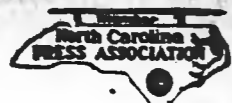


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Raleigh Roundup

By Eula Nixon Greenwood

FELLING LOW — If you are a friend of Kerr Scott, now is the time to show it, for your Governor is in pretty low spirits. He is keeping a bright face for company, but privately he is in a sad mood. For more than two months now he has wrestled with the Legislature, but as of last Saturday the Governor was not a happy man.

He has blessed out the members of his lawmaking body; he has asked them for advice; he has had all of them — and their wives — around to the Mansion; he has spent long and tiresome hours in quiet discussions with the leaders of the Legislature and with the ramrods of the opposition; he has virtually filled Memorial Auditorium here on three separate occasions with voters; he has employed the radio and the press to carry forth his ideas; but nothing has seemed to work.

SORRY FOR HIM — He is like a stranger in a strange land, like a farmer whose best rabbit hound has died, whose hogs are sick with cholera, and whose children have come down with the whooping cough. Kerr Scott is not the type of man to feel sorry for, but his friends — and some of his enemies — were feeling sorry for him as he finished the eighth round barely hanging on the ropes last Saturday.

BEWARE THE IDEAS — March 15 should find the Revenue Act well on its way through the Legislature. When this has been adopted by both houses, the work of the General Assembly is usually regarded as almost finished.

Last week, amid fervent and mocking cries of "Let's go forward!", the Joint Finance Committee members rushed through the last few scenes of the Act and the curtain was rung down on the work of this body. This week, the Revenue Act is tip-toeing through the House, and any suggested changes to it must come directly from the floor of the House. While it is there, or from the Senate floor when it reaches that stage. This makes it difficult for new taxes to be added.

Thus you are finding those who want new State services and new taxes attempting to add amendments while those who are opposed to new taxes are bending every effort to get the Act adopted. If the former group should hold sway, which is extremely unlikely, the Legislature will be here until Easter. If the latter rules, adjournment is definitely in sight.

APPROPRIATIONS NEXT — With the Revenue Act, the money-raising measure, getting through first, the Appropriations Committee members — if they have dealt out too much money — will have to go back and trim their cloth to fit the finance pattern.

A matter of a million dollars or so off base would not be deemed sufficient for appropriations whittling, there being so much guesstimating on how much money the State will take in during the next two years. Also that \$30,000,000 reserve fund will likely be used in lieu of trimming. So, keep your eye on the Revenue Act and the Appropriations Bill, for action on them will determine the length of the session. There may be some quibbling and fuss-budgeting, but — every cloud engenders not a storm.

HOUSE-CLEANING — The obstinacy of the Legislature on Scott's program is making it awfully tough on the Johnson followers who are still clinging to "appliative" jobs. Friends of the Govern-

nor are swearing vengeance, for they are receiving reports of soft-footed nocturnal wanderings of one Charles M. Johnson in the smoke-filled rooms of that Legislative stronghold, the Hotel Sir Walter. Many a former Johnson man who is in the amen corner doing his blameworthy and to be forgiven is having the props knocked from under him by the Johnson ghost which will not be laid.

Heat not a furnace for your foe so hot that it do singe yourself.

STILLSHORT? — About a year ago now, armed only with words of courage and \$2,500 (a refund from his income tax), Kerr Scott set out to become Governor of North Carolina. He employed Charlie Parker as publicist at \$75 per week and set up offices in the Carolina Hotel. The first few weeks were "pure misery," according to the Governor.

Scott spent thousands of dollars of his own and relatives' cold cash during the campaign. If he seems a little bellicose at times, it may be due to the tardiness of the Democrats in helping the man who carried the flag for them in last fall's political parade recoup the personal financial losses he sustained in last year's battles. Nobody knows how much the Scott family is in the hole for no big money rolled to Scott's headquarters. It came in dribbles, most of the money boys being on the other side of the fence.

A short while after J. M. Broughton was nominated for Governor — all debts, personal and otherwise, had been cleared (thanks to Oscar Pitts, now living in Asheville). Greg Cherry's campaign never lacked funds. It is thought, also, that Clyde R. Hoey's campaign debts were well provided.

However, it took J. C. B. Ehringhaus right at ten years from the time he announced to pull his personal finances out of the red. If Scott had been of the tricky type, he could have made himself independently wealthy following his nomination last June. The dollar boys wanted to go on his side, cost no object, but he didn't stay around to receive them. He is a thoroughly honest man.

RALEIGH VISITORS — The meekest people in North Carolina, other than farmers possibly, are the school folks. They will meet at the drop of a pencil. The dry forces mass-met in Raleigh to show their strength. Result: Within a few days after the flexing of referendum muscles the Legislature gave the back of its hand to all bills calling for a Statewide referendum on liquor.

Brushing the chalk dust from their clothes, school principals, teachers and their PTA friends and neighbors hurried into the capital last week. They, like everybody else, want better schools. However, it is the opinion of leading members of the General Assembly that Raleigh mass meetings do little, if any good for any cause. Usually, they result in a great waste of time and a great waste of State money, for a large percentage of those present were on the State payroll.

Fewer than 20 of the 5,000 people present had anything to say at the meeting, the remainder merely sitting back there like knots on a log.

LOVE THAT MAN — With retail trade dragging in most sections of the State and Nation, the Raleigh Merchants Bureau is in an enviable position, for it has Governor Scott sitting up there



Tarheel In Washington

By Lester Baker

Jonathan Daniels, Editor of the News and Observer, told a group of a hundred or more Tarheels last Thursday evening that this year, 1949, is a time when North Carolinians should be celebrating.

"It is the beginning of fifty full years of democratic government in the state of North Carolina," he said.

Mr. Daniels was speaking at the February meeting of the North Carolina Democratic Club in Washington.

He stated further that we need a strong "sense of youth" in order to move forward toward an even higher degree of democracy. This statement he based on the fact that fifty years ago most of North Carolina's democratic leaders—including his father, the late Josephus Daniels—were less than 40 years of age.

In the conclusion of his speech Mr. Daniels remarked, "We need to know that the whole half-century behind us is only the foundation stone of the party we believe in." He urged that we "look forward in courage, and back in the recognition of the Democratic Party in North Carolina."

The Treasury is making many persons happy by making an early refund of the taxes they overpaid last year.

In January the Treasury refunded \$70-million to 1,500,000 persons.

MORE ABOUT High School News

ing evening dresses. This is a good project, for the girls will need formal dresses for the Junior-Senior banquet this spring.

Pupils of Miss Mayme McKeithan's home room have started a project to beautify the school campus. They have arranged and planted a bulb bed at the east end of the high school building. They have also set out two gardenia bushes.

planning to attend.

Mrs. McGoogan attended a meeting of the USDA Council at the County Office Building on Monday afternoon.

The North Carolina Bar Association is sponsoring a high school world peace study again this year. Mrs. Tom Cameron, social science teacher in the high school, is director of the program in the high school. Speeches using the topic, "What Is the Responsibility of United States in World Affairs?" are being prepared by the United States History pupils.

Members of the senior class have received an invitation to attend "High School Day" at East Carolina Teachers college April 14. Exhibits will be arranged by the fifteen departments of instruction at the college which will give the seniors an idea of the types of instruction offered by the college. Scheduled for the afternoon is a basketball game between Elon College and ECTC. A tea dance will conclude the schedule of events for the day. Some of the high school seniors are

In a series of intramural basketball games held last week and the first two days of this week, the ninth grade girls and the twelfth boys won top honors.

Governor W. Kerr Scott is listed as receiving a refund of \$2099.

A disability insurance plan is included in the expanded Social Security program which President Truman has recommended to Congress.

Social Security Administration officials report that the average worker covered by the old age and survivors insurance program loses about six days from work each year because of illness.

But, if Mr. Truman's recommendations win approval, the worker can collect disability insurance for periods of illness up to 26 weeks a year.

It's frightening when you stop to realize the disaster that might befall us in case the town in which we live were attacked by an atom bomb. In the first place, most of us would have no idea of how to protect ourselves from the terrible effects of such an explosion.

Three atom scientists have told us that United States cities are no better prepared to cope with an atom bomb attack than the Japs were at Nagasaki.

A handbook which will aid communities in planning civilian defense against atomic attack is expected to be issued soon by the Atomic Energy Commission. It will describe radiation and blast effects of an atomic explosion.

MORE ABOUT Sen. Broughton

to which he was elected last November.

As the United States Senate recessed Monday in honor of the North Carolinian, Vice President Barkley named 16 Senators to represent that body at the rites. The group was headed by North Carolina Senator Clyde R. Hoey, who informed the Senate of the death of his colleague Monday.

State and national leaders from President Truman on down joined in paying tribute to Broughton, who won his Senate seat by defeating Incumbent William B. Umstead in a heated political contest last May.

North Carolina Congressmen represented the House at the services, except Rep. Alfred Bulwinkle who was unable to make the trip. Representative Bulwinkle still is confined in a Washington hospital with a serious back ailment.

Controller General Lindsay Warren of Washington, N. C., was also in Raleigh for the rites. Broughton's body arrived in Raleigh by train Monday morning. It was accompanied by Richard Queen, the Senator's secretary, and Monroe Redden, Jr., son of the Congressman.

Mrs. Broughton, the former Alice Wilson, and their three sons, flew to Raleigh from Washington.

The Senator's daughter, Alice, of Winston-Salem was already there. J. Melville Broughton, Jr., 25, and Robert Broughton, 23, both are law students at the University of North Carolina. Woodson, 21, is an enlisted man with the Army at Fort Jackson, S. C. Also surviving are two sisters and two brothers. They are Mrs. G. L. Vinson and Mrs. Willard L. Dowell, both of Raleigh; Dr. Ernest H. Broughton of Raleigh and James T. Broughton of New York City.

Governor Scott headed the list

Governor Appoints Contest Committees

Farmers throughout the State are taking the Virginia-North Carolina corn contest seriously and are planning an all-out effort to increase their yields of this crop during the coming year, according to reports received by the State College Extension Service in Raleigh.

Governor Scott has given the program another boost by asking 27 agricultural, business, press and radio leaders to serve on committees which will promote the contest. The leaders include R. Flake Shaw of Greensboro, executive vice-president of the North Carolina Farm Bureau, as chairman of the steering committee; Harry B. Caldwell of Greensboro, master of the North Carolina Grange, as chairman of the action committee; and Frank Daniels of Raleigh, president of the North Carolina Press Association, as chairman of the publicity committee.

The contest originated with a challenge to Governor Scott by Governor William M. Tuck of Virginia. The Old Dominion Governor proposed that the completion be based on the percentage increase of 1949 average state yields over the 1937-46 averages.

Governor Scott immediately accepted the challenge, pointing out that Tar Heel farmers have increased their corn yields by nearly 50 per cent during the past three years. He added that further progress in corn production can be expected in North Carolina because of wider use of hybrid varieties and adoption of improved cultural methods by an increasing number of farmers.

Interest Is Strong In Tree Planting

Adult farmers and rural boys and girls in North Carolina have ordered a record-breaking number of tree seedlings for planting this year, reports R. W. Graeber in charge of forestry extension at State College.

A total of 404 Future Farmers of America and 4-H club members have received 803,950 seedlings offered to them free by pulp and paper companies. Of these, 600,200 were furnished by the North Carolina Pulp Company of Plymouth, 122,000 by the Champion Paper and Fibre Company of Canton, 40,000 by the International Paper Company of Georgetown, S. C., and 41,750 by the North Carolina State Nursery.

Some additional 4-H Club and FFA members have applied for free seedlings, but a shortage of trees has prevented the filling of many of these orders.

A new egg breaking and freezing plant at Lexington will provide an important new market outlet for farmers. When it reaches normal operations, the plant will use 1,000 to 1,200 cases of eggs daily.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Jonah McAuley of Biscoe has been in Raeford all this week with her sister, Miss Annie McKeithan, and her brother, John, who has been quite sick.

Mrs. Charles Kaylor of Tampa, Florida, is spending several days in Raeford on business and is with her brother, John McKay Blue.

Mrs. Harry Greene spent several days last week in Raleigh with Rep. Greene. Rep. and Mrs. Greene were among those from Raeford who went to the auditorium to hear Spike Jones and his City Slickers.

Miss Eliza McKeithan, who has been ill for some time, is now improving slowly and is able to get around the house in a rolling chair.

Miss Helen McKenzie of Lancaster, S. C. spent the week end here with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Campbell of Butner spent the week end here with home folks.

of State officials attending the services. Members of both houses also attended.

State offices closed from 1 to 4 p. m. in order that State employees could attend the funeral. County offices in Wake also closed at 1 p. m. and remained closed for the remainder of the day.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Otto and Mrs. Jack Otto of Indianapolis spent Monday and Monday night with Mr. and Mrs. John McGoogan. They were en route home after a visit to Florida. Lt. and Mrs. Jack Otto made their home with the McGoogans while he was stationed at Fort Bragg in 1943.

Miss Elizabeth Parker of WCUNC, Greensboro, and her classmate Miss Doris Hovis of Charlotte, spent the week end with Miss Parker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Parker.

Miss Lulu Benson of Greensboro spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. Marie Benson.

Mrs. O. W. Holtzclaw left yesterday for Cedartown, Ga. after spending several days here.

Miss Elva McGoogan and Mrs. Edgar McGoogan visited friends at Fort Bragg Sunday.

Mrs. Latta Cook and daughter of Raleigh spent several days last week with relatives.

A. S. Knowles of Supply, N. C. was a visitor in Raeford Saturday.

H. H. Jobe of the Farmer's Home Administration has moved into the apartment in the home of Mrs. C. H. Giles, which was recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Ledbetter Nicholson. Mr. Jobe has had a room in the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Stephens for some time.

Mrs. James Harkins and daughter, Vickie, of Pekin, Ill. are visiting in the home of Mrs. Hawkins' parents, Rev. and Mrs. B. P. Robinson. They arrived in Greensboro Sunday by plane and were met there by Mr. and Mrs. Ben Robinson and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Robinson, who spent the week end in Greensboro.

Miss Mildred Oliver of Pine Level spent the week end here in the home of her sister, Mrs. Walter Baker. Miss Faye Baker of Winston-Salem and Miss Phyllis Baker of Coker college also spent the week end with their parents.

Mrs. W. C. Van Hous returned to her home at Lorain, Ohio Monday night after coming here to attend the funeral of her mother, Mrs. J. A. Webb.

Mrs. A. T. Fitzsimmons, who has been in Raeford most of the time since her father's illness, returned to her home in Macon, Ga. Sunday night. Her mother, Mrs. Ryan McBryde, has been in Durham all this week with Mr. McBryde.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Gullede, Mrs. Joe Gullede, Misses Ethel Sue and Sarah Ann Gullede and Mrs. Martin Webb spent Sunday in Greenville where they visited Misses Martha Ben and Nita Gullede at ECTC.

Miss Alma Ferguson of Sanford spent the week end here with her mother.

Mrs. Max Heins of Sanford is spending this week with her mother, Mrs. J. A. Blue.

Friends of G. C. Lytle were delighted to see him down town last Friday after being ill and at Highsmith hospital for the past several weeks.

Miss Elsie McNeill, who has been employed in Washington, D. C. for some time, returned to her home here Saturday and has accepted a position at Ft. Bragg.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Morrison, Mrs. G. W. Brown, Hubert Wooten, George and Walter Brown spent Sunday in Ellerbe visiting relatives. Mrs. Brown remained for a week's visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Hamp Nicholson and Mr. and Mrs. Hamp Nicholson, Jr., of Wagram were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ledbetter Nicholson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Smith of Liberty have moved into the McFadyen house on the Fayetteville Road, which was recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Esmond Blackman. Mr. Smith has the Raleigh route for Hoke County.

H. E. Vernon, Hoke County Farm Agent, spent the week end at Nashville. He was accompanied back by Mrs. Vernon, who has resigned her position of teaching.

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We wish to thank our friends for the many expressions of sympathy and the kindness shown us during our recent bereavement.

J. A. Webb and family.

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