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Liaison Officer Pay Too Great Says Rountree

By Thompson Greenwood

LIAISON—Pete Murphy, old-time athlete of the University of North Carolina, and a perennial member of the inner ring of political North Carolina, has been made liaison officer of the General Assembly. As such, he is a bond or connecting link between the two houses. As a matter of fact, Mr. Murphy doesn't do much of anything in this position. He held the same job two years ago.

W. J. Rountree, Gates county representative and a hard-bitten conservative, objected to the State's paying Mr. Murphy \$10 per day for this work. He was right, and everybody knew it, but they went ahead with the appointment, anyway.

However, Pete Murphy is not getting paid for the work he is now doing in the Legislature, but for his long years of service in the Democratic party.

Representative Rountree should remember that Gates county is as closely associated with politics in this State as any other county in it. Much of the sense—or nonsense, Mr. Rountree—which now dominates the Democratic party in North Carolina had its birth in various sections of Gates.

WALKERS — Mr. and Mrs. Gregg Cherry are not doing much riding in the big car. One can see the State's first lady tripping along down Fayetteville street here almost any day window-shopping. Governor Cherry says he just doesn't feel right riding all alone in the back seat of a car which gets only around 10 miles to the gallon of gas. Since Mr. Cherry is pretty heavy, the little five- or six-block walk from the Mansion to the Capitol should do him some good.

LINE—The Legislature has an imaginary line it plans to hold in spending, and R. G. Deyton, assistant director of the budget, is playing a big hand on this front. Several times within the past three weeks several departments and divisions within these departments have made plans to ask for slight increases above the

figures set up for the next biennium for them by the Advisory Budget Commission, but several times Mr. Deyton has said: "Now don't do that. The increase will be small, and we can attend to it all right, I believe, without your complaining to the Appropriations committees."

By making slight shifts of funds from one division to another within a department, Deyton can usually make appropriations meet the expectations of the petitioners. This he has agreed to do in many instances, and has thus cut down on the work of Appropriations legislators, and as a consequence this session of the Legislature is likely to be relatively brief.

Although no facts are available, Mr. Deyton has probably had instructions from above to make these moves. Too many times in the past days have been wasted on minor upward revisions of appropriations.

NAME—Although the Appropriations Committee is being called the approbations group, Mr. Deyton (\$6,600 per annum) probably deserves most of the credit. He is really the Approbations Officer.

The Physician Now Examines the Personality

By Dr. J. B. Warren



In early days of medicine the physician examined the tongue; later he examined the blood, then the urine, the sputum, the heart, the lungs, blood pressure. Today the physician still examines all parts of the body because he knows how infections, irritations or other disturbances affect the mind and the emotions. But, he also examines the personality of the patient because the personality reacts on the body just as the body defects react on the personality.

GROOVE—The teachers are in the groove on their requests for more money. Ask for a much bigger increase than you have any idea you can get, and chances are you will obtain a compromise half way between what was recommended and what you requested.

But this Legislature is not going to go into anything that will let the financial bars down, whether the matter applies to broadened medical facilities, education, or social legislation.

There is a lot of money in State coffers, and this Legislature, without caution, could very easily go down as a spend-thrift session. The administration is working earnestly to avoid this reputation.

DRINKING — There is less drinking and poker - playing around the hotels here than in other odd years. This is due to the fact that the legislators are more concerned with legislative business. They are a serious bunch of fellows, as a whole, and they are doing good work and receiving quite a few compliments from old heads who have watched a score of Legislatures wax and wane.

PICTURES—William Howland, Southern representative for Time, Life, and Fortune, visited Commissioner of Agriculture Kerr Scott last Friday and Saturday. His photographer made a dozen or so shots. After leaving the commissioner, they went to the University for something on the sesqui-centennial of that institution. Sunday afternoon they made 300 picture of the Scott farm in Alamance county.

LOCAL—What would be your attitude toward your county's raising the State salary for teachers 10 percent? F. E. Wallace, Lenoir county representative, introduced a bill last week which would allow the commissioners of his bailiwick to do this very thing. If it passes, the surrounding counties had better look out. Wallace is close to the administration. Does his introduction of this bill indicate that he is of the opinion that teachers' salaries will still need local help after the Legislature has made its departure?

Man learned how to make paper from wood by watching the wasp.

RATIONED NOTES

PROCESSED FOODS: Blue X-5, Y-5, Z-5, A-2 through G-2 (Book 4) now valid at 10 points each.

MEATS AND FATS: Red Q-5 through X-5 (Book 4) now valid at 10 points each for use with tokens.

SUGAR: Sugar stamp number 34 good for five pounds of sugar. Another sugar stamp will become good on February.

CANNING SUGAR: None.

SHOES: Airplane stamps No. 1, No. 2 and No. 3 valid indefinitely.

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