

Sales Tax Fight Rages This Week With Legislature

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overwhelming majorities — these lines have become all broken up over the methods of financing the six months term. It would seem that the legislators would incline toward the luxury tax, on tobacco products, cosmetics, soft drinks, playing cards, automobiles and other articles listed as non-essentials. Instead, they have turned to a tax on general sales which would be collected by merchants on all articles sold to all classes of people.

Death in Senate.
If the general sales tax finally gets by the house, it is freely predicted that it will meet death in the senate. In fact, belief is that the senate will not adopt any form of sales tax, general or luxury. A poll of the members in that body is said to show 26 members opposed to all forms of sales tax. If so then the sales tax is doomed. If the general sales tax had been passed in the house by a good majority, the force of that vote may have carried it over in the senate, but with a majority of only four, the senate is expected to take the position that the small majority can be overcome and vote it down.

Several factors have entered into the apparent change in line-up and breaking away of the earlier supporters of the MacLean act. Governor Gardner appeared before a joint session of the two houses last week and voiced strong opposition to the sales tax idea as being economically unsound, a tax on poverty and should only be imposed as a tax of last resort. His speech, said by many to be the best he ever made, had strong logic and carried conviction to many of those formerly supporting it.

MacLeans Squall.
Representative A. D. MacLean, sponsor of the six months bill and the general sales tax, characterized one part of it by saying that the governor must be "a damned ass or thinks you are one." It caused much comment, and not a little criticism. Opponents of the general sales tax argued that it is a shifting of the tax burden from the big property owners to his employees. They pointed to the lining up of Mr. MacLean, supposedly representing the small landowner and home owner, with the representatives from Forsyth county, referring to it as not a legalized marriage, but as a companionate marriage. The tax proposed is one per cent, which, it is pointed out, is five times as much as any general sales tax in any other state. The ease of running across a state line to make purchases to avoid the tax, with the accompanying loss to merchants at home and thus to the community was stressed.

Cost \$3 Year.
Those favoring this tax said it was fair and just, that all receive benefit from the government and all rich and poor alike, should help support it. The average of about \$3 a year would impose no hardship on the poor, they argue.
Great pressure is being brought to bear on the legislators from home to support the MacLean measure, but great pressure is also brought against the sales or the luxury tax. It is not considered improbable by close observers that the effort to raise about \$13,000,000 additional revenue will fail and that the result will be an increased equalizing fund. That, say at \$10,000,000, will in reality bring more relief than complete operation of the six months term, if the sales tax accompanies it, they state.

The revenue bill will probably come to final vote in the house early this week and may reach the senate by the latter part of the week. Following it will come the appropriations bill, which will also consume several days. Some of the other important measures, those proposed by Governor Gardner among them, are still to be considered in one or both houses. Reorganization of the agricultural and labor departments, the establishment of the personnel and purchasing departments, are among them. Two weeks more will doubtless be required before the general assembly can adjourn.

The new bills are dwindling, about 50 having been introduced the past week, bringing total introductions to about 1665. Ratiications so far this session have reached 700, about 40 resolutions and 660 laws, public private and public-local. In 1928 1104 bills, including 34 resolutions, were ratified. The number is decreased this year in one important respect. There have been few local bond and indebtedness valuations. These are taken care of in general laws largely.

Consolidate Colleges.
The most important bill enacted last week was for consolidation of the University of North Carolina, State college of Agriculture and Engineering and N. C. College for Women into one institution, to be the University of North Carolina. Only slight changes were made from the original bill, one providing larger representation from the institutions and another postponing actual consolidation until 1932.

Little Margaret Jolley, who is confined to her home with a broken collar bone and German measles, is improving nicely.

Happy Reunion



A romance that began at the Paris Olympics in 1924, where John C. Bratten, a broker of Philadelphia, Pa., competing as a member of the University of Pennsylvania Olympic crew, met Miss Charlotte Alice Gunther, grew via correspondence. Miss Gunther gave up the stage and crossed the ocean to wed her fiancé. They are pictured above at their reunion in New York.

Many Get Rich In Horse Race

Factory Worker in Buffalo, N. Y., Gets Second Prize Of \$861.541.

London.—Work-a-day folk in scattered sections of the earth—London, Buffalo, N. Y., and Capetown, South Africa—were rich beyond their fondest dreams because they held winning tickets in the Irish hospital sweepstake on the Grand National steeplechase run at the Aintree course outside Liverpool Friday.

The winners of the three major prizes are:
1. Emilio Scala, Italian coffee shop owner, and 39 poor relations, prize, \$1,723,083.
2. Clayton C. Woods, factory worker, 248 Carl street, Buffalo, N. Y., prize, \$861.541.

3. George P. Diamond, hotel proprietor, Cape, prize, \$374,339.
The Cinderella touch attracted curious thousands to the coffee shop in London where Scala has served workers for a decade. Women and children were injured. Traffic was blocked for squares around. Extra police sought vainly to clear the streets. The cafe was packed with neighbors of Scala seeking to congratulate him.

But Scala had fled. He was said to have gone away with members of his family in a motor car. The police finally cleared the streets and a big sign put up: "Closed for the day."
Scala told the correspondent before the crowd grew thickest that he intended to quit London and return to Italy.

Scala shared the prize with Arthur Bendir, head of the turf commission firm of Messrs. Ladbroke, who paid a sum variously reported between \$50,000 and \$60,000 for half the ticket.
Mrs. Scala will receive one-fourth the prize because she held one-quarter cash interest in the 10-shilling (\$2.40) ticket. Other relatives put in various sums, some as little as six cents. Scala said he would see they got their shares. The holder of the magic ticket on Cranke came to London 17 years ago and began life here selling ice cream from a pushcart.

Woods, Buffalo, New York, factory worker, who won second prize of \$861.541, held the ticket on Gregalch.
Diamond, South African hotel man, who won the third prize of \$374,339, offered to sell half his share of the ticket on Annandale, as outsider, for \$12,500 on the eve of the race. It is believed there were no takers.

Car Hits Girls, Man Under Arrest

C. R. Phillips Held After Wreck in Which Girls Are Hurt At Kings Mountain.

C. R. Phillips was placed in jail here Saturday night on the charge of driving drunk as the result of a crash early Saturday night on highway 20 in eastern Kings Mountain in which two Todd girls were injured.
The girls were walking along the highway, according to Police Chief George Allen, when the Phillips car ran into another car and knocked it against the two girls. One suffered an ankle injury and was taken to the Gastonia hospital for treatment. The other received cuts on the head and knee, but neither was seriously injured.

Hoover Favored By Local G. O. P.

Local Republican Leaders Confident He Will Get Nomination. Work For Him.

Recent news stories stating that southern delegates to the next Republican convention will seek some other presidential candidate than President Hoover are scoffed at by Republican leaders in this section. Similar statements were made over the week-end by G. O. P. leaders in other sections of the south.

Only a week ago H. Clay Cox, Republican chairman for Cleveland county and district manager of District Attorney Chas. A. Jonas' race for congress, declared that "it is as good as settled now" that Mr. Hoover will be the candidate again and "will be the next president."

This view it is known is held by other well known Republicans of this section. In 1928 at the district convention here the meeting was almost sold for Hoover despite the efforts of Mike Whitner, Hickory fire-eater, to advance the popularity of Governor Lowden. Mr. Jonas, a Hoover man from the beginning, hasn't likely changed his opinion of the president in that Mr. Hoover gave him the district attorneyship appointment soon after he was defeated in the election last fall.

Republican delegates from other sections of the south may fight Hoover at the next convention—and even that is doubtful—but unless something unusual develops the major strength of delegations in this section at the convention will be Hoover men.

McDowell Seeking New Prison Camp

Offer County Home Tract For Prison Camp Under New District System.

Raleigh, March 30.—The county home tract in McDowell county, embracing five contiguous tracts of 398.6 acres in Higgins township, would be turned over to the state highway commission as a prison camp or other work connected with highway construction or maintenance, in a bill introduced in the general assembly yesterday by Representative W. W. Neal, of McDowell.

The McDowell board of county commissioners is authorized to grant this tract to the state highway commission, without cost to the commission and on such terms as may be agreed upon by the two bodies, for such time as the highway commission may desire to use it for a prison camp or other highway construction or maintenance purposes.
The purpose of the bill is evidently to induce the highway commission to establish one of the several district prison camps, contemplated under the new road law, enacted last week, in McDowell county by offering the site free of cost and for as long as desired.

The new road law provides for prison camps at convenient places for maintenance of the county and state highways and while no commissioners have been appointed and naturally no places definitely decided upon, it is considered likely that district camps will be established at or near Asheville, probably the present excellent Buncombe county barracks, at or near Charlotte and at or near Winston-Salem, as centers from which convicts would be used on the highways of the surrounding territory.

Lion's Club To Stage College Flapper Here

Comedy of College Life To Be Presented With Local Talent April 9th and 10th.

On Thursday and Friday nights, April 9th and 10th, the Lion's club will stage the modern college comedy, "The College Flapper." This production promises to be one of the outstanding events of the community this season. It is a comedy of college life with a thrilling football story and that combined with a cast of 150 local people seems to make it tremendously interesting to everyone. Everyone who has seen the production says it is one of the best ever staged.

Friday the officers of the Lion's club met to discuss plans for the production of the show. The committees were chosen and they are now at work on the various phases of the production. At the meeting Miss Violet Benton McClure, representing the Universal Producing company, who is here to stage the production outlined the details and her plans for handling the work. The Lion's club is very enthusiastic about the whole production and promises the public a real treat. The officers are as follows: C. C. Horn, Dr. Robert L. Wilson, Loy Thompson, Frank Kendall, Claude Gross, William Osborne and A. W. Benoy. First rehearsal for this big production is called for tonight. The Lion's club has been able to secure the very best local actors and the leading business men in the community to play the various parts in this production.

For Sale—\$6,000



This 26-year-old girl, Margaret Thomey, of Detroit, Mich., says she will sell the remaining years of her life for \$6,000 rather than see her crippled sister denied medical attention and her mother turned out of their mortgaged home.

Throngs Attending Baptist Services

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It was to exalt his throne above the stars of God.
All previous records were broken at 6:45 o'clock in the seventeen B. Y. P. U's, when four hundred and fifteen came to these training services.

Before the regular time for the beginning of the evening service, Mr. Eason began the song service, the crowds were coming into the service so early. As the offertory number, which was, "Tell Mother I'll Be There," rendered by Mrs. Ben Suttle and the male chorus, closed, Dr. Wall stepped forward and asked the question, "Sinner, is that your answer? Can you tell your mother you will meet her with the angels?" He spoke of how mothers and fathers are praying for wayward and lost children, giving several illustrations how people have come home to God on account of mother's prayers. Hearts were touched as this pastor gave incidents from his own rich experience.

The musical programs for all services yesterday proved to be a very inspiring feature. The large chorus choir sang at both services and several special selections were rendered and enjoyed. The ladies quartet, male chorus and several of the soloists were heard. Last night the song service, under the direction of Mr. Eason, was led by the two large choruses which are heard each evening.
The services will continue on through this week. Ten o'clock each morning and 7:45 o'clock each evening Dr. Wall will bring a message. The group meetings are held at 7:15 o'clock. The church auditorium is left open each day for a continuous prayer service.
This evening an effort is being made to have present all of the "shut-ins" of the congregation. Cars will go out and bring a great number to the service. A male quartet, composed of several of the elderly members will render one of the old songs. All of the music and message will be in keeping with the evening. The public is invited to all services.

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Find Underlying Cause In Chronic Arthritis

Old and Deep-Seated Infections Usually Found to Be Root of This Trouble, Says Dr. Copeland, Listing Symptoms and Treatment

By ROYAL S. COPELAND, M. D., United States Senator from New York, Former Commissioner of Health, New York City.

STUBBORN inflammation of the joints of the body is a common disease. This trouble is usually spoken of as "chronic arthritis."
In this condition certain changes take place. They may be in the lining of the joint, in the bones of the joint, or in the structure around the joint. These disturbances may be traced to an old infection somewhere in the body.

For many years, arthritis was looked upon as an ailment associated with gout and rheumatism. Indeed, it was considered by some as one of the forms of chronic rheumatism. The theory of "focal infection" has helped greatly to make clear our knowledge of this condition. These words are used to describe a localized infection which may be located anywhere in the body. It may be in the teeth, tonsils, gall bladder, or some other point quite distant, perhaps, from the seat of pain or joint disturbance.

Answers to Health Queries
MRS. L. V. Q.—I have been troubled with a roaring in the ears, impairing my hearing. There is also pain and swelling. I have been using steam and then application of heat to give relief. What would you suggest?
—I am also troubled with intestinal disturbances; there seems to be a sort of lump in the stomach and this is very tender and sensitive. I have to massage the stomach in order to be comfortable. I cannot take coffee, meat or apples. What would you advise?
A.—This is probably due to some underlying catarrhal condition. See

an ear specialist about the pain and swelling.
—You are troubled with indigestion and acidity. Correct your diet and be sure that the intestinal tract is kept regularly clear. For full particulars send a self-addressed, stamped envelope and repeat your question.
J. P. Q.—In a case of osteomyelitis of the leg, can one be subject to it for the third time after having had two operations eight years previous?
A.—Yes. Place yourself under the care of the doctor who is familiar with your case and be guided by his direction.
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Says Diesels Will Harass Utilities

Development of the Diesel engine progresses rapidly. Engines will produce power, electric or otherwise, on a scale big or little that will compete with power companies as automobiles and motor trucks now compete with railways. The Diesel engine threatens power companies and will give to the distant farmer and little householder cheap electricity for light and power with no payment for running power lines long distances.—Arthur Brisbane.

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It is now believed that many cases of inflamed and deformed joints may be explained by this theory. It has thrown new light on arthritis.
If you are suffering with a swollen and painful knee, and the X-ray gives clear evidence of inflammation, it is pretty certain you have arthritis. For a permanent cure it is not enough merely to treat the knee itself. It is important to go to the root of the trouble by treating the focus of infection.
The possible sources are many. But infections located in the mouth and throat, probably take first place. The tonsils, as I have said, are among the common seats of focal infection.

Consider the Diet
Besides the sources I have mentioned are infections of the nose, nasal sinuses and middle ear. Disturbances like arthritis may follow bronchitis and other centers of infection.
It is most important to remove the offending focus, but other measures will aid the cure. For instance, it is well to consider the diet.
In acute arthritis most of the authorities recommend a reduction in red meats and sweets. In the chronic form the diet must not be too greatly restricted. Water should be taken freely.
Baths and massage are useful. Your doctor will tell you about this and advise about the medicine.

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