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Sentiment Strong For Local Option In Hill Measure

Author Approves Proposed Change

Amendment May Be Inserted To Replace Referendum If Bill Is Up Today.

RALEIGH, Feb. 27.—The Hill liquor control and referendum bill, which is causing more stir and comment in North Carolina than any other pending measure, was reported out of committee yesterday "without prejudice" and becomes the seventh bill on the senate calendar for action today. Senator John Sprunt Hill, author of the bill, said the sooner the debate the better he would like it.

Another story from Raleigh this morning, however, changes the entire complexion of possible liquor control in this state.

Amendment Looming

If the Hill bill is taken up the senate today, and the measure is on the calendar for action, there are strong indications that an amendment will be offered stripping it of its referendum provisions and providing, instead, local option.

The author has been approached by a number of senators and representatives urging him to eliminate the referendum clause. Their plan is to submit the question of state-operated liquor stores to local option. If 20 per cent of the registered voters of any municipality sign a petition an election could be called on the question of such a state-operated store. Senator Hill would not be adverse to such a plan, it was reported.

Late News

THE MARKETS
Cotton seed wagon, ton 47.00
Cotton seed, car, ton 50.00

Cloudy, Colder

Weather forecast for North Carolina: Cloudy, colder in central and east portions Wednesday; Thursday fair, rising temperature.

Fight To Finish

Organized labor leaders summoned hastily into a secret conference in Washington late yesterday agreed to fight to the end for the prevailing wage amendment to the \$4,800,000 jobs bill despite vigorous opposition from the White House. The action further widened the breach between the unionists and President Roosevelt which began with the extension of the automobile code over objections of labor. As President William Green of the American Federation of Labor met with members of his executive council and Sen. Pat McCarran.

Tug Of War

A tug of war was on late last night as politicians both wet and dry waited impatiently for the final vote in yesterday's Alabama prohibition election. It appeared from early returns that modification of the state's 20 year old dry statutes would be the order of the day. With 1,165 out of 2,156 precincts reported the vote stood 74,096 for modification and 66,611 for retention of the present statutes.

McCracken Jailed

After fighting the authority of the United States senate or a year William P. McCracken, assistant secretary of commerce under Herbert Hoover, walked into the District of Columbia jail yesterday to serve a 10-day sentence for contempt. His offense was that he failed to produce certain papers from his files after the senate had issued a subpoena in the air mail contract investigation.

Pharr Appointed

Edgar W. Pharr, Charlotte lawyer, and former speaker of the North Carolina house of representatives, is the latest appointee to a federal position in Washington. Mr. Pharr began his duties Monday as a member of the legal department of the National Recovery Administration. He is in the trial department and will aid in the trial of causes arising out of the violation of the NRA codes and other alleged acts contrary to the law.

Summoned In Munitions Probe



Eugene G. Grace

Charles M. Schwab

Senate munitions investigators have summoned Charles M. Schwab, right, of the Bethlehem Shipbuilding Co., and Eugene G. Grace, left, head of Bethlehem Steel, to appear before the committee to answer questions concerning their companies' activities in munition and warship manufacture.

Two-Bale Exemption Asked By Agriculture Group For Tenants, Share-Croppers

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—The house agriculture committee yesterday moved to include tenant farmers and share-croppers in the two-bale exemption proposed for small cotton farmers under the Bankhead control act, after hearing farm administration adjustment officials argue such a policy would destroy the program.

Cully A. Cobb, AAA cotton chief, told the committee the administration thought best to apply the exemption only to small farmers owning their own farms, adding that to include share-croppers and tenants working on the farms of landlords would complicate administration of the act. Members of the committee, however, contended share-croppers and tenants were as much individual farmers as small producers who own their own land and should be entitled to the exemption.

Opposes Discrimination

"If some plan cannot be worked out to include tenants and share-croppers in the exemption, we are going to run into infinite difficulties," said Chairman Jones. "Such discrimination against them would do more to wreck the program than anything else."

Immediately after the hearing, Jones instructed subcommittees headed by Representatives Fulmer, Democrat, of South Carolina, and Doxey, Democrat of Mississippi, to prepare exemption legislation to include share-croppers and tenants. Fulmer already has introduced such a measure.

Cobb told the committee the farm (Continued on page ten.)

Want an Old School Bus? Here's Chance to Buy One

By popular demand, says Superintendent of Schools J. Horace Grigg the county will on Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock offer at public auction a dozen or so battered, out-moded and dilapidated school buses some of which, he says, will actually run.

The sale will be held at the county garage, conducted by an auctioneer yet un-named. Mr. Grigg denied the report that he himself would be the auctioneer. The usefulness of an aged school bus does not end when that vehicle is no longer fit to transport boys and girls to and from Cleveland's big red brick school houses, Mr. Grigg insists. In fact, his sales arguments for an old bus are rather compelling.

They make excellent playhouses for children, he says. They are swell chicken coops—though you'd better take the wheels off, with hen thieves working on a wholesale basis these days. And they are grand dining cars—like those antiquated street cars now adorning North Lafayette street. In fact, you could just about set one up and live in it—if you were the kind of person who wanted to live in an old school bus.

There are all kinds of stray gadgets and thingumbobs for sale too, Mr. Grigg announces.

Marble Shooting Slot Machines Held Illegal By Attorney Gen.

Marble-shooting slot machines, whose destruction on bonfires ordered here by Recorder Bynum Weathers brought protests from owners—and from some players, who said they weren't gambling machines—were outlawed yesterday by a ruling from Attorney General A. F. Seawell.

Slot machines that offer an element of chance so as to lend themselves to a transaction based upon unpredictable return yielded by the device are illegal, the attorney general said. "The difference between the new law and the old law relating to slot machines or coin-operated devices," Seawell wrote, "is that the old law regarded more closely the device itself, and denounced a machine

All Automobile Owners Must Get State License

Ratification Of Bill Assured Today

No Charge Made Prior To November 1, When Law Goes Into Effect.

Defeat of Senator Arthur B. Corey's motion for the senate to reconsider its vote on concurrence in house amendments to the drivers' license bill yesterday insured ratification of the measure today, to take effect November 1. Author of one of the original drivers' license bills of the session, Senator Corey saw his motion killed by a 27-19 vote.

Provisions Of Law
The Uniform Drivers' License law will include the following major provisions:

All drivers of motor vehicles, except those expressly exempted, shall be licensed. An operator's license shall not be issued to anyone under the age of 16; no chauffeur's license to anyone under 18; operators of public passenger vehicles shall be 21. Parents or guardians must sign license applications of minors between the ages of 16 and 18.

No Charge Until Nov. 1.
There will be no charge for licenses obtained prior to November 1, 1935, when the law will take effect. Thereafter the charges will be \$1 for operators and \$2 for chauffeurs. A lost license will be replaced at a cost of 50 cents.

Applications for licenses shall be made upon approved forms furnished by the department. "The department" is the agency having control of the highway patrol—at present, the Motor Vehicle bureau.

Prior to November 1, one year's driving license will be prima facie qualification for a license. Thereafter, applicant without previous experience must pass an examination. Persons specifically exempted from license requirements include: drivers of Army, Navy or Marine vehicles; operators of industrial and farm machinery; holders of licenses from other states.

Licenses may be cancelled when issued to persons not entitled to have them or to persons who have made false statements in their applications.

Drive Begun On Infant Mortality And Tuberculosis

An energetic start on the two-fold health program outlined by the Cleveland Medical society has been made by Miss Harle Oliver during her first week's duties as Red Cross nurse here.

Infant hygiene, with special emphasis on pre-natal care, and the care and control of tuberculosis were the points emphasized by the doctors. The death rate from tuberculosis is high here, and the infant mortality great, according to state records.

There are today 200 reported cases of tuberculosis in the county. There were 19 deaths from this disease in 1932.

Miss Oliver, in her first week, has given instruction in eight pre-natal cases, advised parents of 11 new babies, visited 13 tuberculosis cases, and in all has called on 23 homes, in addition to 21 other professional calls. She has also visited a few of the schools.

She will continue next week the home hygiene school begun under Miss Covington at the colored school.

Prisoners Destroy Their Own Beds

Something will certainly have to be done about those beds in the jail Sheriff Raymond Cline and County Auditor Troy McKinney talked it over yesterday, and planned a trip to Charlotte. They want to find a bed a mischievous prisoner can't maltreat.

Prisoners aren't supposed to have knives, but they manage to get hold of razor blades—and they take out their ire against the persons who locked them up by slashing their canvas beds into ribbons. Many a pot in the jail looks more like a lattice but dirty Mardi Gras banner. The sheriff suggests steel beds.

U. S. Baby Bonds On Sale March 1

United States savings bonds, familiarly known as "baby bonds," will go on sale at the Shelby postoffice Friday, March 1, says Postmaster J. H. Quinn. A supply of bonds in all denominations has already been received at the local postoffice. Issued only in registered form, the "baby bond" will mature in ten years and the maturity value, together with the issue price, will be as follows: \$25 bonds will sell for \$18.75; \$50 for \$37.50; \$100 for \$75; 500 for \$375 and 1,000 for \$750.

New Dairy Plant Opens Here Today; Public Is Invited

Machinery Is Revelation In Modern Sanitary Efficiency; Buys From Cleveland County.

How a modern dairy pasteurizes and bottles creamy white milk, passing it through stainless steel pipes straight to the bottling machine without contact with human hands will be demonstrated to the public this afternoon at the formal opening of the Carolina Dairy, Inc., on North LaFayette street.

Albert S. Browning and Dr. S. B. Till, proprietors, invite the public to call between 4 and 8 p. m. today. Glasses of cool milk and fresh orange juice will be served.

Everything Sterilized
A pre-view of the plant is a revelation in modern efficiency. Pumps, pipe lines, vats—all are arranged so they may be dismantled instantly for sterilization. This is accomplished in a huge tank, a larger replica of the device used in hospitals, into which live steam is turned.

A special feature of this sanitary plant, Mr. Browning said, is a laboratory supervision of Dr. Till, a licensed veterinarian, who has specialized in this type of work. All milk is purchased from Cleveland county producers. Mr. Browning expects to buy even more this summer when his Hendersonville plant is called on to supply the thousands of summer visitors.

Milk, orange juice and buttermilk are the products offered now. Some time next year, the plant will begin the manufacture of ice cream. S. J. Browning is plant manager.

Union Promises To Aid Receiver At Byrum Hosiery

C. Lester Adams, representative of the American Federation of Hosiery Workers, yesterday announced a special meeting to be held at Union Hall Saturday evening at 7:30 which hosiery workers, union or non-union, are urged to attend.

The meeting will be for all textile workers, but special emphasis will be placed on the hosiery industry. Mr. Adams will speak on "Hours, Wages and Codes." Paul R. Christopher, of Shelby, president of the State Textile Union, will also speak.

"At this time, we want particularly to co-operate with the receiver, Mr. Farrington, at the Byrum Hosiery mill," Mr. Adams said. About one-third of the workers of that mill are now employed, but Mr. Farrington is making every effort to start soon in full operation.

In the meantime, many of the workers have gone to nearby hosiery centers, like High Point, until the Shelby mill resumes on full time.

Chickens Stolen, Found, Lost Again

This is a sad story. It is about a man whose chickens were stolen. About a dozen of W. W. Putnam's fine chickens were taken from his farm on Kings Mountain route 1 a short time ago.

Deputies Bob Kendrick and John Ford found some chickens and turned them over to man who said he was the owner and satisfactorily identified the flock. The officers considered the matter settled.

Yesterday Mr. Putnam, the real owner, was still looking for his fowls. He went in the direction of Lawndale where he was working on some clues. He fears however, that the birds have already been sold and are not in the county now.

FHA To Institute New Home Drive, Arranging Loans

Possible To Borrow Up To \$16,000

Meanwhile, Shelby Canvassers Report Widespread Demand For Repairs.

Dr. J. S. Dorton, chairman of the county Better Homes Campaign under the Federal Housing Administration, this morning announced the impending opening here of the second division under the FHA plan, which will finance loans for new homes.

In the meantime, canvassers under the FERA reported 473 calls on homeowners in Shelby through the week ending Feb. 23. Their reports continue to indicate there are hundreds of homeowners in the city who are interested in making repairs—and the majority of them do no require loans.

Loans Up To \$16,000

Under the second division of the FHA program, loans will be arranged through the National Mortgage corporation up to 80 per cent of the value of the property and proposed building, but not exceeding a total of \$16,000.

Six canvassers have been working in Shelby, two in Kings Mountain. So far, none has been assigned to the county. The week's report shows that 183 tenants were contacted, where owners could not be reached, and 61 owners were seen.

The following recapitulation of work requests was made:

Carpenter 40, concrete five, electrical one, heating three, landscaping five, masonry five, painting 66, plumbing seven, roofing 74, paper-hanging eight, termite eradicating two, weather stripping five, alterations two, additions 12, miscellaneous seven.

No Word Received On 1935 Reduction

A routine question by every cotton farmer when he calls at County Agent Bob Shoffner's office is "When does the 1935 reduction campaign start?"

Alvin Propet, Bankhead Administrator for the county, said this morning that not a word has been received from Raleigh or Washington, not a hint as to when or how to start.

By this time last year, the county campaign was virtually complete.

Hotel Chimney Blaze Wasn't Really A Fire

Blazes spurting from the kitchen chimney of the Hotel Charles this morning brought the fire department and a crowd. It wasn't a fire at all, said Manager S. C. Hewitt—just some soot firing off.

Can't List Streets For Paving Project

Mayor S. A. McMurry, who is still confined to his home after an attack of influenza, said yesterday that no statement could be made now on the streets to be paved under the project recently approved by the FERA.

No specific list of streets to be paved has been made, he said, so the many queries of "When will our streets get some attention?" cannot now be answered. The project, however, is ready to start soon.

Gardner Occupational Disease Bill Is Approved In Committee

The joint legislative insurance committee yesterday made a favorably report on Ernest Gardner's bill to allow compensation for virtually all occupational ailments, affording relief to workmen who contract disease peculiar to their trade. It is a state industrial commission measure.

The workmen's compensation act of 1929 covers accidents only. Necessity for such a bill was brought out last year when the state supreme court held in the McNeely case that an occupational ailment was compensable as an accident.

Most prominent in the disease group mentioned are lung diseases,

Match Gifts By Webb And Miller To Build Addition To Hospital

Off For Pole



Lincoln Ellsworth

Here is Lincoln Ellsworth, well-known polar explorer, as he arrived by plane at Miami, Fla., en route to New York where he hopes to obtain financial backing for a flight over the Antarctic regions. Ellsworth has just completed an expedition to the Antarctic.

Surprising Talent Claimed By Males In Chorus Parts

Legionnaires Striving To Appear Ridiculous In Show Tomorrow, But Art Will Out.

With the American Legion show "put together" and ready to go from the opening song and dance act of the ballet to the final chorus of the entire company in celebration of the wedding of William E. Crowder to Daniel Allen Tedder, blending into a finale with the sound of off-stage bugle calls as the color guard marches front and center, the entire cast of 75 or more Shelby business and professional men are entirely satisfied that nothing funnier has ever been seen, heard or thought of in this section of the county. Final dress rehearsal is being held Wednesday night.

The show, which will be given for the benefit of the American Legion building fund at the high school auditorium Thursday and Friday nights of this week at 8:15, will last for two hours and a half.

New Talent Revealed
Diversified numbers of dances, jokes, solo song numbers and choral singing will be enjoyed. While the ridiculous is being striven for, friends and relatives of the cast are due for a tremendous surprise as latent talent discovered here by Mrs. William M. North, the director.

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\$5,000 Is Needed For Nurses Home And Equipment

Plans Are Now Being Drawn By Architects For Approval Of The Hospital Trustees.

The Duke Foundation trustees have voted a gift of \$12,500 to the Shelby Public hospital for building purposes, to match the gift of \$10,000 made last fall by A. Hatcher Webb, it was announced yesterday by O. M. Mull, a trustee on the hospital board.

Mr. Mull was notified yesterday afternoon by telephone that the Duke Foundation has set aside this amount and that it is available immediately for building purposes. The trustees had applied for a gift of \$15,000.

Making Drawings

The hospital trustees have not decided exactly on the plans for the enlargement, but it is understood that architects are making drawings in line with suggestions to be submitted for approval by the trustees.

The \$10,000 gift by Mr. Webb will provide a maternity unit on the second floor of the addition as a memorial to his mother, as set out in his donation of \$10,000 worth of Shelby bonds. The maternity unit will be used for mothers and their new-borns, while the first floor of the addition will provide more wards. At present the hospital has between 40 and 50 beds and this number is not sufficient to care for the patients that apply for entrance at times.

The Miller Gift
Some years ago A. C. Miller left a bequest of \$2,500 to the hospital to be used as the trustees see fit. This amount has not been used and is still available, having been placed to the account of the Shelby hospital fund in the county treasurer's office.

It is thought that the \$25,000 will provide between 12 and 18 more beds than the hospital has now. In addition to accommodations for patients, it will be necessary to add some equipment, enlarge the heating plant and install automatic sprinkler system as a matter of protection against fire.

Mr. Mull says a gift of \$5,000 to veneer the nurses' home would be very acceptable. The frame building needs brick veneering to add to its comfort and place it in keeping as far as appearances go with the hospital and the colored ward buildings.

Two B. And Loans Re-Elect Officers

Both Make Gratifying Showings During Past Year; Make \$180,000 In Loans.

Two building and loans associations have just held their annual meetings and made gratifying reports to shareholders.

The Cleveland B. and L. held its annual meeting at the Union Trust Co. last week and re-elected Wm. Lineberger president, Dr. E. B. Latimore vice president and J. L. Suttle, secretary-treasurer. During the year \$143,000 had been loaned and refinanced and the association had paid out in profits to shareholders \$17,000. The same directors were re-elected.

The first meeting of the Shelby and Cleveland County B. and L. was held in its new quarters in the Lineberger building yesterday at which time R. T. LeGrand was re-elected president, A. V. Hamrick vice president and John P. Mull secretary-treasurer. Gerald Morgan was added to the directorate, succeeding Lowry Austell, resigned. Shareholders were pleased with the new officers of the association as well as the excellent report on the year's business. Loans to the amount of \$75,000 had been made during the year.