

## WEEKLY LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

Committee versions of the Revenue and Appropriations Bills are before the houses. Since last Saturday another flood of local bills has been introduced, committees have discharged large numbers of public as well as local measures, and both houses are facing swollen calendars. While there is a growing effort to close this session by next week-end, cautious observers still see little chance for sine die adjournment before April 14.

### Revenue and Appropriations

The General Assembly settled its money problems this week. The Revenue Bill passed the House and can receive final Senate action as early as next Tuesday. One unsuccessful attempt was made to amend the bill in the House and there is little reason to anticipate that it will be changed in the Senate. Current estimates of the revenue it will produce plus the expected surplus for this biennium just about balance the appropriations recommended in the bill which emerged from the subcommittee this week and received the full committee's prompt approval.

The new Appropriations Bill spends \$42,928,018 more than the Advisory Budget Commission measure offered in January. Permanent improvements allocations represent \$3,850,000 of the total, \$2 million for the Medical Care Commission's hospital program and the remainder for new construction at educational institutions and state hospitals. An additional \$750,000 is provided from unspent 1947 and 1949 permanent improvements appropriations to build a psychiatric wing to the hospital at Chapel Hill. While most of the recommended increases add to amounts originally appropriated for salaries and supplies, the largest sums supplement a few basic items. The requests of the State Board of Education for funds to establish a \$2,200-\$3,100 teacher salary scale and cover inflated costs for maintenance of other school services at the 1949-1951 level are met with an increased grant of \$26 million. State employees receive almost \$2 million for merit pay increments and over \$4 million for up to \$15 monthly cost-of-living pay increases. There was promise of a prime political issue in a provision for Advisory Budget Commission (instead of Council of State) approval, with the governor, of all allotments from the Contingency and Emergency Fund and of all appropriations from the Highway Fund surplus.

The potential issue never developed. House appropriations chairman, Rep.

Larry Moore, opened floor action on Friday with an amendment eliminating the administrative change attacked as curbing executive power. He sponsored 2 more minor amendments then skillfully marshalled a House majority in beating down amendments designed to raise further teachers' and state employees' salaries. The bill passed on second reading and final passage without change seems assured on Monday.

### Truck Weights

If SB 183 passes in its present form, present truck load limits will not be changed by this General Assembly, but overloading penalties will be substantially increased and enforcement provisions strengthened.

### The Superior Court System

A series of bills has been introduced to implement the recent constitutional amendments concerning the courts. These bills call for the election in 1952 of a second resident judge in each of the ten judicial districts. While the governor would be authorized to appoint special judges as usual this year, terms of appointees would all close December 31, 1952, after which time there would be no special judges. The state would be divided into 3 instead of 2 judicial divisions, a rotation schedule would be established for the new divisions, and, effective January 1, 1953, the numbers of the judicial districts would be rearranged.

### Agricultural Matters

Meat, milk, and fertilizer were the subjects of detailed bills introduced this week. In an effort to boost meat production and marketability, SB 497 would establish a voluntary program for grading meats according to U. S. standards, labeling them with state Agriculture Department stamps. SB 495 provides emergency funds to combat cattle plague and fowl pest if those diseases appear here. The increased sale of manipulated manures inspired a bill to define manipulated and unmanipulated manures and to require registration of manure fertilizer brands before sale. The House agriculture committee approved a bill allowing farmers to vote on whether a levy of 6c should be added to the price of each ton of fertilizer to finance expanded agricultural research. Other bills would create a state milk commission (primarily to set minimum prices paid by dealers to producers), revise the law on monthly milk reports to the Agricultural Department, and tighten the laws relating to inspection, testing, and grad-

ing of milk and milk-products.

### Liquor Law Enforcement

Accompanied by the governor's request for serious consideration, 6 bills incorporating a special study commission's recommendations for better liquor law enforcement were introduced this week. They would make transportation of more than 5 gallons of liquor into or through the state a felony carrying 6 to 10 years imprisonment and set the minimum fine for liquor law misdemeanors at \$100. The State ABE Board's staff would get 25 additional officers and its whole staff would have state-wide jurisdiction. Obtaining federal licenses to manufacture, purchase, or handle intoxicants would be a felony, and the legislature would petition Congress to prohibit issuance of federal licenses to residents of states in which these activities are barred.

### Propositions and Grievances

Immediately after hearing proponents of dog tracks in Carteret and Currituck counties assert that both communities have benefited from track revenues and that neither has been disgraced by operation of the tracks, the House propositions and grievances committee voted 23 to 4 on Tuesday to give unfavorable reports to 2 bills designed to outlaw parimutuel betting in the state. This committee also voted to legalize bingo in one county and the manufacture of wine in another.

### Miscellaneous Matters of Interest

Courts would be aided by SB 491 providing for blood tests to determine the degree of intoxication of persons charged with drunken driving. A 3-judge court to deal with tax disputes without the necessity of prior payment or recourse to administrative remedies is the object of SB 489; questions of law could be appealed to superior court. A Senate committee has reported the stream pollution bill favorably after adopting amendments to place the proposed commission under the State Board of Health, to add a second member representing municipalities, and to deprive ex officio members of voting powers. Passage now seems assured.

### CLIMATE CHANGING? EXPERTS ARE DOUBTFUL!

It may be getting warmer . . . but some weather men are doubtful. Read the experts' viewpoint on evidence of birds gradually migrating northward, glaciers shrinking and temperature increases being recorded. Don't miss "Is Our Climate Getting Warmer?" in April 8th issue of

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## WHO KNOWS?

1. Who is representing Russia in the conference of Big Four Deputies in Paris?
2. Who is the U. S. representative at this meeting?
3. How many times has Seoul changed hands in the present war?
4. How long did troops remain in Germany after World War I?
5. Where is No. 10 Downing Street?
6. What is the per capita income in the U. S.?
7. What is a "constitutional majority" of the House of Representatives?

### THE ANSWERS

1. Andrei A. Gromyko.
2. Ambassador-at-Large Phillip C. Jessup.
3. Four times.
4. Until June 30, 1930, when French troops evacuated the Rhineland.

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Saturday, April 7—  
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Sunday and Monday, April 8-9—  
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