

Harris-Wright Vows Spoken



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CLUB MEETS

Mrs. Irma White, Mrs. Carrie Gregory and Mrs. Ralph White were hostesses to the Whiteston Home Demonstration Club at the Community House Tuesday night. Fifteen members answered roll call. Mrs. Archie White, president, presided at the meeting. "Sweet and Low" was used as the opening song. "The Lord's Prayer" was prayed by the group.

The committee on community development reported making \$131.42 on the supper they served.

Irma White and Mrs. Billy Winslow from the Whiteston club, have entered the garden contest which will be judged June 15 along with other gardens in the county.

Miss Amy Nixon, member of the 4-H Club, gave a very nice demonstration on how to prepare a tasty looking peach and cottage cheese salad that contained six vitamins.

Mrs. Walter Dale gave a report on the control of termites and beetles.

The meeting closed with the club collect.

The hostesses served delicious pound cake and soft drinks.

HONORED AT SHOWER

Miss Mable Frances Keel was honored at a luncheon on Saturday in Bayside, Va. The bride-elect and her mother were given corsages by the hostess, Miss Anita McCormick, who was a classmate of Miss Keel. Those present at the luncheon were Mrs. Lester Keel, Mrs. Charles Johnson, Vickie Johnson, Gail Johnson, Sandra Keel, Mrs. Edward Sadler, Miss Flo Rogers, Dot Durant, Yvonne Cunningham, Mary McCormick and the Rev. and Mrs. McCormick, parents of the hostess.

No one is useless in this world who lightens the burden of it for any one else.

—Charles Dickens.

Gene Smith.

Mrs. Jack Kanoy of Hartford and Mrs. Willis Wright, Jr. are the bride and groom.

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Weekly Legislative Summary

This is one in a series of weekly summaries prepared by the legislative staff of the Institute of Government for the use of the North Carolina General Assembly of 1961. It is confined to discussion of features of general interest and major importance.

That lack of leadership which has been said to characterize this General Assembly was not particularly noticeable when the "money" bills moved to the center of the stage this week.

As the Assembly raced toward adjournment, it encountered a flood of new bills—183 in all, and the highest total since the heaviest weeks of the 1957 Session. 96 bills were ratified. The presiding officers announced that they would appoint Calendar Committees—the graveyards of miscellaneous legislation—next Tuesday.

Revenue

In a last-minute move, the Senate Finance Committee amended its version of the Revenue Bill to conform to the House version, and reported the bill Wednesday. Efforts to delete the food tax on the floor failed by a vote of 39-11, and a motion to substitute a tobacco tax for the food tax failed by 37-10. The Senate then passed the bill on second reading by a vote of 42-8 on Thursday, and by a vote of 42-7 on third reading Friday.

As approved by the Senate, the bill imposes the 3% sales tax on food, but exempts prescription medicines, orthopedic appliances, seeds, feeds, and fertilizer. It imposes a 3% gross receipts tax on laundries and cleaning establishments, and as of July 1, 1962, a 1½% tax on motor vehicles and airplanes, with a maximum tax of \$120.

Nonprofit churches, hospitals and charitable and educational institutions, and counties and incorporated cities and towns may, upon proper application, receive a refund of sales taxes paid. Contractors will not have to pay the tax on materials purchased to fulfill a lump sum or unit price contract made before July 1, 1961, or to fulfill a bid submitted prior to that date.

Appropriations

While the Finance Committees were coming to agreement, the Joint Appropriations Committees accepted identical appropriations bills, and the bill was reported to the House Wednesday. When it came up for action Thursday a number of minor amendments were made, and an amendment to delete the shift of the Prison Department from the Highway Fund to the General Fund budget was defeated.

The bill, carrying the largest state funds appropriation in history, then moved quickly and quietly through both readings before members had settled comfortably in their seats.

The House-passed measure contains some \$526 million for education, including \$417 million for the Nine Month School Fund; this amount will permit a teacher pay increase of over 21%. Total General Fund appropriations exceeded the Budget Bill figure by some \$67 million.

HB 12 and HB 13, the capital improvements bonds acts, were reported to the House floor on Thursday and approved, and were then sent back to Finance Committee to straighten out a procedural matter. Numerous changes were made in the various items in the two bills, many of the changes amounting to little more than a transfer of bonds from the list requiring a vote of the people to the "legislative" bond list and vice versa. The Senate counterparts of these two bills, SB 6 and SB 5, passed second reading in the Senate on Friday by unanimous vote.

Small Loans

HB 15, the substitute Braswell small loans bill, was substantially modified in Senate committee and reported to the floor Thursday. The amendments reduce permissible charges on the first \$100 of a loan from the original \$24 to \$19, and make lesser reductions for additional amounts of a loan. A minimum penalty of \$1000 fine, 2 years' imprisonment, or both, is specified for violation of the law, and in addition an offending lender would lose his right to collect or retain any part of the principal or charges. Some dozen other changes, nearly all favorable to the borrower, were made. On Friday Sen. Hamilton and Rep. Lloyd introduced SB 462 and HB 1158 which would restrict new small loan licenses to residents of North Carolina or to corporation organized under the laws of North Carolina and

SHADY LADY—Wendy Wagner carries her own supply of instant shade on the sunny beach of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

75% of whose stock is owned by residents of the state; the bill also limits to 35 the number of small loan licenses in which any person may hold a direct or indirect interest.

Legislative Representation

SB 353, the bill which places Congressmen Jonas and Kitchin in the same district, was reported favorably by a House committee, and will be voted on in the House Tuesday. The same committee rejected Rep. Pat Taylor's resolution creating a commission to study the redistricting question.

Rep. Wooten of Pitt introduced HB 1127 which would increase the membership of the State Senate to 60, and the House to 150. No county could have more than two sena-

tors. Redistricting and reapportionment would be automatic after each federal census. Mock and Gaillard would each get seven House seats and two Senate seats in the original allocation under the bill.

There are reports to the effect that a new Senate redistricting proposal will appear in the Senate next week.

Casualty Report

Legislators were made acutely aware during the week that ratification is not the only means of finally disposing of bills. SB 118, abolishing capital punishment, was tabled in the House, SB 314, seeking abolition of the federal income tax and the withdrawal of the federal government from competition with private enterprise, was defeated in the Senate after some interesting debate. HB 317, authorizing renewal of driver licenses without examination failed third reading in the House Friday.

Among the bills killed this week by unfavorable committee action were SB 228, dealing with liquidation and involuntary dissolution of corporations; SB 321, requiring county elections boards to appoint precinct judges and registrars recommended by party chairmen; SB 329, redefining hernia for workmen's compensation purposes; SB 258, authorizing the killing of certain dogs without liability; SB 341, relating to transfer of guardianship; SB 345, affecting extension of service by electric membership corporations; SB 398 and SB 399, broadening the scope of the tax exemption available to certain educational institutions; HB 414, regulating advertising of shell homes; HB 580, requiring a literacy test in connection with driver's license ap-

plications; HB 767, prohibiting certain unfair trade practices; HB 773, regulating TV and radio servicemen; HB 882, relating to exemption of personal property from judgment execution; HB 816, establishing an involuntary insurance carrier claims fund; HB 839, and HB 1070, exempting certain farm machinery from the permit requirements for overseas vehicles; HB 888, exempting doctors from tort liability in emergency situations; HB 987, relating to the minimum sale authority of the Utilities Commission; HB 1009, regulating advertising along the Interstate Highway System; HB 1047, piecing painting and decorating contractors within the definition of "general contractor"; and HB 1133, relating to worthless checks. An unusual number of local bills were reported unfavorably; these included bills which would have authorized Watauga and Johnston counties to postpone the scheduled revaluation of property for tax purposes.

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