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OVERRIDES VETO ON TAX MEASURE

SENATE GOES OVER GOVERNOR'S HEAD

Only Three Votes to Sustain Chief Executive on Resolution to Extend Tax Time

The State, 1.
By a vote of 32 to 3, the senate last night passed the tax extension resolution over the governor's veto and ordered the measure sent to the house, where it will likely be considered today. The vote came after heated discussions on the motion to override the governor's veto.

Governor Cooper vetoed the resolution, which extended the time for the payment of state and county taxes until June 1, 1922, Monday night and in a message to the senate declared that if the resolution became law it would seriously impair the credit of the state.

Debate on the motion to pass the resolution over the governor's veto was rather warm, beginning with Senator Moise, who declared he differed with the governor on the unconstitutionality of the resolution and who said he did not believe it would impair the credit of the state.

Senator Johnstone said he regretted that his sense of duty did not place him in a position to vote to sustain the governor and he said he did not think the credit of the state would be impaired by its passage.

Senator Beasley said the resolution would not impair the credit of the state and he declared the state could borrow money to meet the outstanding notes and that the people could not borrow money at all. He made an urgent plea for the relief of the people in the low country, who are hard pressed, the senator declared.

In Bad Company

Senator Duncan said the vetoing had been done in an ex parte manner upon the advice of certain state officials and banks in Columbia. Senator Duncan declared the governor might want to put himself in the position with Houston and W. P. G. Harding, but that if he did he would get in bad company. Mr. Duncan said he had never heard of such arrogance. He declared the people of the state were the credit of the state and he denied that the credit would be impaired.

Senator Wells, author of the resolution, pleaded for the passage, declaring that if it was not passed it would throw the property of hundreds of people into the hands of the sheriffs. He said the people would be driven to the wall if relief was not given and he was not in favor of driving them to the wall at this time. He said the credit of the state would not be hurt.

Senator Hart spoke in favor of sustaining the governor, declaring that the extension meant piling up two years of taxes to be paid in September and that it would mean that the school and county bonds would go into default. Mr. Hart said the extension would embarrass the state and that taxes would not be any easier to pay in September than they are now.

Senator Wideman said Mr. Hart was absolutely wrong and that the people of York had not been hit by the boll weevil like Clarendon and they would be praying for relief. He said the tobacco crop in 1921 was a failure in his county, no cotton was made and the people were hard pressed. The people can not pay their taxes "and this is something you all must do for us," Mr. Wideman declared.

Senator McCravy said his county, like some of the other Piedmont counties, was in a better position to pay taxes than the low countries as it had not been hit by the weevil, but he was in favor of extending a helping hand to the low country.

Senator Laney explained that South Carolina was not in the banking business and had to deal through the banks and he therefore was not in favor of criticizing the banks, but he thought the extension should be granted in such extraordinary conditions. He said extensions should never be granted except in the most extraordinary conditions, but to him these conditions were here now and he favored the passage of the resolution over the governor's veto.

Senator Goodwin said the governor was reared in his county and that he was a great man, but he thought he was wrong in vetoing the resolution. Mr. Goodwin said the resolution ought to pass.

On the roll call to pass the resolution over the governor's veto the following vote was recorded: Yeas—Baker, Baskin, Beasley, Bethea, Black Butler, Crosson, Duncan, Goodwin, Gross, Harrelson, Hubbard, Hutson, Johnstone, Johnson, Kennedy, Laney, Lightsey, Mason, McColl, McCravy, McGhee, Moise, Pearce, Rogers, Jeremiah Smith, Watkins, Wells, Wideman, Wightman, Williams and Young—32. Nays—Bailes, Hart and Miller—3.

Kills Fertilizer Bill

Senator Goodwin's bill to require all persons, firms and corporations engaged in the manufacture and sale of fertilizers to state whether the ammonia contained therein is potential or available and also the nature of the filler contained in the fertilizer sold was killed by a roll call vote of 20 to 11, following discussions by Senators Johnstone, Baskin and Young against the bill, and Senator Goodwin and Senator Wightman for the measure.

Senator Miller offered an amendment to the Atkinson public service commission bill so as to amend the bill to make it conform to the new railroad commission bill and to strike out the clause regarding contracts, the supreme court having determined this matter. The amendments will be considered when the bill comes up. Numerous committee reports were made, including a favorable one by the finance committee on the futures bill and a favorable one by the judiciary committee on the engineers' license bill.

Senator Jeremiah Smith arose to a point of personal privilege, declaring that he resented the interference in an article appearing in newspapers last Saturday in regard to the income tax bills in which it was intimated that there was only one income tax bill before the senate and that he was fighting it. Mr. Smith did not say what article he was referring to but from his talk it is presumed he had reference to the interview of Senator Niels Christensen of Beaufort. Senator Smith declared that the article was not fair when it stated that those who voted against the ways and means committee bill were fighting the income tax bill. He said he was in favor of an income tax bill, but reserved the right to vote as he pleased on any bill.

Among the bills coming over from the house were the hydro-electric tax measure, which was referred to the finance committee, and the Richland-Calhoun measure to bridge the Congaree at Bates ferry.

FAIRVIEW ORGANIZES SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

Fairview school organized a School Improvement association Friday afternoon, February 24th. The Rev. Mr. Williams gave a very interesting and inspiring talk on the needs and welfare of the community. The officers were elected as follows: President, Mrs. M. A. Hamm. Vice president, Mrs. M. W. Long. Secretary, Miss Hattie Belle Lester. Treasurer, Mrs. S. P. Mills. The association was organized with nineteen members. The next meeting will be held March 10th at 2:30 o'clock, and the following program has been arranged: Children's program; Exhibition of work; Dramatizing "Jack and the Beanstalk." Song by the school. Recitation, "St. Patrick's Day," by Vanessa Long. The Origin and Significance of the Day, by Mrs. W. M. Lester. Jokes, by Mrs. M. W. Long. Song, "The March Wind."

Necessary Safeguard

"There is no chance of my ever adjudging the wrong man insane," says a Topeka alienist. "Whenever I am called in on an insanity case I always have some one point the patient out to me before I make the examination."—The Topeka Capital.

Women painted in the middle ages," says a scientist. They still do,

THE TAX MEASURES BEFORE THE SENATE

HOUSE MARKING TIME WAITING ON UPPER BODY

Appropriation Measure With Finance Committee of Senate Who Are Arbiters of State's Taxation

Columbia, Feb. 28.—The main matters to be decided upon by the present legislature are the tax revenue bills. The legislature has now been in session since the second Tuesday in January, which happened to come early this year—to be exact, on the 11th of January—and has, therefore, already been in session for seven weeks, or a little more than the customary forty days.

The senate was somewhat taken off its feet when Senator Christensen resigned as chairman of the finance committee of the senate, giving as a reason therefor that the senate had not looked after the agricultural interests as it ought to. Senator Gross of Dorchester has been elected in the place of Senator Christensen, and matters will go forward. The finance committee of the senate is now considering the appropriation bill, which has already passed the house, and the tax revenue bills may have a considerable bearing upon the action of the finance committee on the appropriation bill.

There have been predictions that the legislature may get through next week, but those who have watched the sessions for many years, and who are well informed, say that it will be at least two weeks longer.

The senate meets tonight, and the house Tuesday night. The house is really marking time until the senate catches up.

During the past week the tax revenue measures held the centers of interest in the senate. The income tax bill, a different measure from that sent over by the house, was passed—the one known as the McGhee-substitute bill. The inheritance tax and gasoline tax bills have been ratified and signed by Governor Cooper. The inheritance tax has become law, the gasoline tax becomes law next Wednesday.

In connection with the tax measures, it is understood that Governor Cooper does not look with approval on the measure to postpone payment of taxes, which is now on his desk for signing. He is expected to veto the act. This measure has strong opposition from official circles. It is argued that the provision of the act which would allow a tardy taxpayer to vote on the elections this year is wholly unconstitutional, and it is also contended by opponents of the measure that it would hurt the state's credit, the debt of the state depending on the payment of taxes to provide for refunding.

The hydro-electric tax bill, which met death in the senate several days ago has been revived in the house and is now on third reading in that body. Lobby gossip says that the bill stands a better chance of passage in the senate now, having previously been killed by one vote.

The senate finance committee still has the appropriation bill and is holding hearings on the measure. In the meantime the bill has been advanced to third reading in the senate, thus saving at least one day. It will be debated and perhaps amended on that reading when reported out of the committee.

The bill placing a license tax on motion picture theatres has passed the senate. The original bill placed a tax on films, the senate amended the bill by providing for a tax on the theatres. It is understood this is agreeable to the author of the measure.

The two branches appear anxious to get away as soon as possible but there is no hope for adjournment by March 4 and it now appears likely that March 11 will be the date of adjournment sine die.

Salvaging the Wreck

"So you loved and lost?" "Well, no, I didn't lose exactly. You see when she returned my presents, she accidentally put in some of the other fellow's."—St. Louis Christian Advocate.

THE NEW GYMNASIUM

GOVERNOR RETURNS MEASURE TO SENATE

Chief Executive Says Postponement of Taxes Will Impair Credit of South Carolina

The Auburn Tiger, despite some staggering of late, should take the measure of Newberry.—Atlanta Journal, Feb. 23rd.

"The first upset in the grand old dope came in the second game of the tourney when the Newberry quint completely outplayed the Auburn Tigers, defeating them by 32 to 21."—Atlanta Journal, Feb. 24th.

Some one asks what has this to do with the "new gym"? It should have lots to do with putting across the sale of athletic tickets that started Tuesday. And the successful sale of tickets will mean a new gym. This one team has put the town of Newberry on the map (for it is true, whether we like it or not, the town and the college are so closely linked together that what brings credit to one brings it to the other) with the baseball fans throughout the south, and there are thousands of them. Quoting from the Journal again, "As the Auburn Tigers and Newberry college took the floor in the afternoon, everybody was asking, Who's Newberry? And nobody knew, apparently. Today everybody knows Newberry as the bunch that plastered Auburn, and that's something, if Newberry doesn't go any further." And it was such clean, wholesome advertisement, for the report says "the game was clean and hard-fought." Newberry's basketball team has put the town of Newberry on the map. Ask yourself the question, what has this advertisement cost Newberry?

Again quoting from the Journal of Feb. 26th, "The fast little quintet, conquerors of the Auburn Tigers, went down before the onslaught of the University of North Carolina in a game where both teams displayed some of the best basketball yet seen." Glorious in defeat as they have been in victory, they sustained the good name Newberry has made. For the report tells us that the game "was fast and snappy, and clean throughout."

Doesn't the fine battle our boys put up in Atlanta make you just a little prouder (say to the extent of one athletic ticket) that you live in Newberry and that Newberry college is located in Newberry rather than at Greenwood, or Walhalla, or some other city? How are you going to demonstrate to the boys that you are proud of the fine showing they have made? We hope that this same bunch will represent us next year in Atlanta.

They need a new gym, with a basketball court the size they have to play on in Atlanta so that they can be accustomed to the big court. This new gym will give them such a court. You get the point. By buying athletic tickets you can show them as in no other way that you are with them.

Then, too, how are you going to prove to "Dutch" that you are back of him, and appreciate what he is doing for Newberry? Our athletic teams have not been winning their victories of themselves. There is a "power behind the throne," so to speak, and that power is Coach MacLean. If you will promise not to let it leak out to the other colleges in the state, we shall tell you an open secret. The athletic director at Newberry college is second to none in the state, not even excepting Sol Metzger and Doc Stewart. This new gym project has been called "Dutch's dream." It lies within our power to make this dream a reality. "Actions speak louder than words." Show Coach MacLean that you are with him by investing in athletic tickets.

The canvass began Tuesday. Be ready to give the canvassers an answer. Remember that they are all busy men, and are giving their time freely because they are interested in the proposition. You can make this work a pleasure for them.

Oh, the Merry Bells of Windsor

Johnny was late at school and explained that a wedding at his house was the cause of the delay. "That's nice," replied teacher, "who gave the bride away?" "Well," Johnny answered, "I could have, but I kept my mouth shut."

REFUSES TO SIGN TAX RESOLUTION

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Chief Executive Says Postponement of Taxes Will Impair Credit of South Carolina

The State, 28.

Governor Cooper last night returned to the senate, without his signature, the Wells joint resolution to extend the time for the payment of state and county taxes until June 1, 1922. In his message returning the resolution the governor said that he felt that the resolution would materially hurt the state's credit and not afford the relief that those who supported the resolution thought it would.

The state now has \$1,500,000 in out-standing notes to meet and only \$300,000 to pay the notes, the governor said in his message. "If this joint resolution becomes law it is my opinion that the credit of the state will be impaired," he said.

The governor says the section providing that all persons who pay their taxes within the time given in the resolution shall be construed as having paid their taxes within the time prescribed by law and shall be eligible to vote in any general election is unconstitutional.

May Extend Anyway

Under the law at present the comptroller general has the power to extend the time for paying taxes without penalty, with the approval of the governor, and the governor says he has conferred with the comptroller general and that the comptroller general informed him that he would extend the time until April 1, 1922.

It was understood last week that the chief executive would veto the measure, and last night he returned the resolution to the senate, where it originated, without his approval.

Due to the absence of so many senators vetoing message was held over until today, no action being taken.

It is not known what disposition the senate will make of the message as when the resolution was passed there was not a dissenting vote against it. However, the house is pretty well equally divided and should the senate go over the governor's head the lower body may refuse to do so.

The message of the governor on the resolution follows:

"Mr. President and gentlemen of the senate:

"I am returning, without my signature, senate joint resolution No. 221, entitled, 'A joint resolution to extend the time for the payment of state and county taxes for the year 1921, until June 1, 1922, with certain penalties.'

"The state now has outstanding \$1,500,000 of 1921 notes which were issued under specific authority contained in Section 66 of the appropriation act of 1921. We have in the treasury only \$300,000 available for the payment of these notes, and if this joint resolution becomes law it is my opinion that the credit of the state will be impaired. The fact that South Carolina has never failed to pay her notes promptly shows that the credit of the state has been jealously protected, thereby enabling its fiscal officers to borrow money in the markets at most reasonable rates. Under the terms of the resolution in question a person may pay his taxes on August 31, with a penalty of eight per cent, and this penalty is no greater than that which has been in existence from January 1 to this date. The law at present fixes the penalty at 1 per cent a month, and if this penalty has failed to cause the payment of taxes during January and February, it is fair to conclude that a similar penalty will not cause the payment of taxes prior to September 1. Immediately upon the adjournment of the general assembly it will be necessary for the state to borrow money for the fiscal year 1922, and it is very evident that inability to pay 1921 notes will affect our credit in 1922.

Is Unconstitutional

Section 2 of the joint resolution provides that the payment of taxes any time covered by the resolution shall authorize any person to vote in the general election of 1922. Section

4 of Article 2 of the constitution requires the payment of poll taxes six months prior to election, and this provision of the joint resolution is therefore unconstitutional. In the recent case of Abernathy against Wolfe, attorney general, the opinion of Circuit Judge Moore so construing this provision of the constitution was affirmed in toto by our supreme court.

"The code of 1912 gives to the comptroller general the right, with the approval of the governor, to extend the time for payment of any taxes without penalty. I have conferred with the comptroller general and he has stated that if this resolution does not become law he will extend the time for payment of taxes until April, 1922, at which time the penalty of 7 per cent will become effective and executions will be issued. This will give ample time and notice to persons who have not paid their taxes and at the same time enable the state to meet its obligations and protect its credit.

"I am not unmindful or indifferent to the conditions which obtain throughout the state. I am in sympathy with an effort to help those of our people who are unable to meet the payment of their taxes, but I can not see how this resolution will materially help them, and I am sure it will materially injure the state's credit."

Richland Measure

Outside of the message from the governor, practically nothing was done, the senate being in session less than half an hour.

The Richland delegation bill authorizing the school commissioners of the school district of Columbia to order and hold an election for the purpose of issuing not to exceed \$75,000 in bonds was given a final reading and ordered enrolled for ratification.

The Sapp joint resolution to authorize the state treasurer to reissue to Edwin Wales Robertson, trustee, of Columbia, a stock certificate, known as a redemption of deficiency or blue stock, in the sum of \$25,000 in lieu of certain stock certificate of like character and amount, lost or destroyed, was advanced to third reading.

The cotton futures bill was received from the house along with other papers. Several local bills were advanced.

WINTHROP CHAPTER HOLDS DELIGHTFUL MEETING

The Winthrop chapter was delightfully entertained on Wednesday afternoon, March 1st, by the associate hostesses, Misses Corrie Havird and Blanche Davidson, at the home of the latter. The rooms were artistically decorated in jonquils and japonicas—the color scheme of Winthrop being carried out.

After the business session, each one enjoyed a very interesting and instructive program of which Mrs. H. M. Bryson was leader. This consisted of subject matter taken from the pamphlet, "The New Voter," as to how our president is elected. Then the hostess, assisted by Mrs. J. L. Aull, served a tempting salad course. Those present were Mesdames H. M. Bryson, J. L. Feagle, M. O. Sumner, Misses Sarah Caldwell, Elizabeth Dominick, Lurline Evans, Gertrude Reeder and Mary Wallace.

Morris-Enlow

One of the most surprising weddings of the season was solemnized on Saturday afternoon, February 25th, at 2:30 o'clock, when Miss Bessie Belle Morris became the happy bride of Mr. Arthur W. Enlow. Mrs. Enlow is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Morris of Prosperity. She has many friends in Prosperity who wish for her much happiness.

Mr. Enlow is a popular young son of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Enlow, and is a most progressive farmer of near Little Mountain. We congratulate the groom in winning a most charming and lovable young woman's heart into the bonds of holy wedlock. We wish them both a happy and prosperous life together. Dr. C. A. Freed, pastor of the Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, performed the ceremony.

A government expert says that, as a rule, men who work hard have large families, but he probably meant to say that men who have large families have to work hard.

TAX RESOLUTION PASSED BY HOUSE

LOWER BODY ALSO OVERRIDES GOVERNOR'S VETO

Roll Call Ballot Showed Only Nine Members in Favor of Killing Measure

The State, 2.

The house of representatives, following the lead of the senate, last night passed the tax extension resolution over the veto of Governor Cooper by the overwhelming vote of 79 to 9. Debate on the resolution was unusually brief and was confined entirely to the arguments of proponents of the extension that the house should override the chief executive's objections to the measure.

The resolution thereby became a part of the law of the state and the time for the payment of state and county taxes, under the provisions of the act, has so been extended until June 1, with no executions to be served until September 1. Penalties are imposed on delinquent tax payers as follows: For taxes paid during March, 3 per cent; for taxes paid during April, 5 per cent; for taxes paid during the month of May, 6 per cent, and for taxes paid during and after June, 8 per cent. Executions for unpaid taxes will be drawn up June 1, but under the provisions of the resolution will not be placed in the hands of the sheriffs until September 1.

SWEET POTATO ASSOCIATION TO MEET NEXT MONDAY

The Sweet Potato association of the county will meet next Monday morning at 9 o'clock at the court house and all persons who are interested in the growing of potatoes are requested to meet with them. The association is arranging to be in position to furnish all slips needed to the farmers of Newberry county and they will plant a certified variety and by using the slips from the association you will have the same variety of all others who are growing for marketing.

An expert will be present at this meeting to explain how the potato may be grown and to tell you of the advantage of growing a certified variety.

It is important to understand the growing and selecting potatoes for marketing because when you come to sell you have to go in competition with growers in other sections and it is necessary for the association to be in position to meet this competition and one of the purposes of this meeting on Monday is to let the grower understand what will be required in order to be able to meet the competition of growers from other sections.

WEEK OF PRAYER TO BE OBSERVED

The Woman's Missionary society of the Church of the Redeemer will observe week of prayer and self denial beginning on Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

The topics for the week are: Monday—An hour of penitence confession of our prayerlessness, and of prayer that we may be taught to pray.

Tuesday—An hour of prayer for the work and workers in the home land.

Wednesday—An hour of prayer for the work and the workers beyond the seas.

Thursday—An hour of prayer for the consecration of money.

Friday—An hour of prayer for the dedication of life.

Sunday at 7:30 p. m.—If We Prayed.—Sermon by Dr. C. A. Freed. The public is invited to all services.

Dickert-Schumpert Chapter

The Dickert-Schumpert chapter, Children of the Confederacy will meet Saturday afternoon, March 4th, at 3:30 o'clock, with Boyd Wheeler, Troxelle Wright, President. Benetta Buzhardt, Secretary.

Debs has been paroled, not pardoned. His citizenship has not been restored. What right has he to advise citizens as to how they should vote?