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GENERAL ASSEMBLY ADJOURNS SUNDAY

REVENUE PRINCIPAL TOPIC OF THIS LEGISLATURE

Levy Fixed at Seven Mills—Total Appropriations \$5,839,106.04 Against \$6,534,925.82 in 1921 Bill

Columbia, March 12.—The general assembly of South Carolina adjourned sine die Sunday afternoon, under the legislative day of Saturday, March 11. On motion of Senator Young of Charleston the gavel of President Wilson G. Harvey fell at 3:34 o'clock, ending the nine weeks' session of that body and four minutes later Speaker Atkinson of the house declared the house of representatives as standing adjourned sine die.

The final adjournment came after the appropriations bill had been ratified. The free conference committee which took the bill at an early hour Saturday morning working continuously except for brief recess for dinner and supper and to answer to roll call votes until after daylight Sunday morning. Meanwhile the senate and house after debating pro and con whether they would adjourn over until Monday or whether they would recess until Sunday morning, decided to sit through the session. Many did not go to bed, while others seeing that it was impossible to get the appropriations bill to the house before noon Sunday retired to their rooms.

Report Submitted

The free conference report was submitted to the two houses at 1:30 this afternoon. The senate adopted the report without a murmur after the committee's explanation had been made. The house was prone to debate the matter and a heated discussion arose over the adoption of the report but after various motions to postpone debate, adjourn until Monday and other such tactics had failed the conference report was unanimously adopted.

The Appropriation Measure

The appropriation bill as passed carried a total of \$5,839,106.04, or an increase of \$198,034.95 over the measure as passed by the house. The major differences occurred in the addition of about \$130,000 for schools in the bill after it left the house and for sums of more than \$30,000 for carrying out the provisions of the revenue measures, which the committee held would be material in decreasing the levy on property tax and for other items not included in the original bill.

The levy named by the free conference committee was seven mills. The house bill provided for five and one-half mills and the senate bill six mills. The committee suggested that with the money anticipated to be raised from the new revenue measures, the mills should be materially reduced.

Source of Income

The taxes are to be raised from the following sources according to the estimate by the free conference committee, speaking in round numbers:

- Corporation taxes and fees, \$470,000.
- Department inspections, etc. \$330,000.
- Institutional operations, \$170,000.
- Gasoline tax, \$350,000.
- Additional corporation taxes \$125,000.
- Moving picture taxes, \$15,000.
- Income tax, \$1,000,000.
- Property tax (7 mills), \$3,164,000.
- Total, \$5,839,106.

With the final acceptance of the free conference reports by both houses of the general assembly the routine matters were rushed through. Committees for each house waited on Governor Cooper stating that the business had been completed. Governor Cooper immediately signed the appropriation bill and returned a message that he had no further business to offer and wished all of the members God speed and good luck.

There was barely a quorum of members left in the house and not a quorum in the senate, but the point of quorum was not raised.

Having guaranteed China's territorial integrity and independence, the powers will probably give China an engrossed copy of the guarantee and let it go at that.

RED CROSS NOTES

Atlanta, Ga., March 11.—Southern Red Cross chapters spent seven hundred thousand dollars during 1921 in assisting disabled veterans of the World war, according to figures made public here today by Harry L. Hopkins, manager of the Southern division of the American Red Cross. In addition to this sum \$315,000 was spent by the national headquarters through the southern division in the same work.

The Southern division of the Red Cross includes Virginia, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana. These states have many hospitals located in them and much of the money spent was for transient ex-service men who came to the South in hope of receiving hospital treatment and who were unable to be placed in hospitals immediately.

According to figures received from Judge Barton Payne of Washington, chairman of the American Red Cross, \$7,000,000 has been spent by chapters in the United States in assisting disabled veterans, and \$2,782,000 was spent by the national headquarters itself during the past year.

The South has spent one tenth of the fund expended all over the United States, which, in proportion to its population, is a much larger amount than that spent by chapters in any other section of the country. The amount spent by the national headquarters through the Southern division is even larger in proportion to the population of the South. This fact is explained by the large number of hospitals located throughout the South, which add materially to the problem here.

The greater part of Red Cross service to the disabled, all of which is supplementary to relief accorded by the government, is accomplished by the chapters, the local organization of neighbors coming most frequently into contact with these men and their families.

The principal forms of service rendered by the Red Cross to disabled ex-service men included putting the veteran in effective relation with the government in order that he might obtain his full rights. This is often a difficult job and involves filling out numerous detailed forms and procuring necessary evidence and affidavits. Red Cross chapters also help the ex-service men and their families in time of trouble such as sickness, unemployment, legal difficulties, and destitution. Pending payment by the government of claims, chapters also stand ready to extend financial assistance when necessary.

Chapters with jurisdictions containing hospitals, district offices or training centers of the veterans' bureau, as so many chapters in the Southern states have, provide aid to many disabled men transiently in their territory. Such assistance frequently requires large expenditures, as it has throughout the South, with the result that many chapters under the Southern division require assistance from national headquarters to finance the work.

Many chapters provide recreation and various personal comforts for veterans at training centers and in government hospitals, either individually or in cooperation with the American Legion, Knights of Columbus, and other patriotic organizations. Chapters upon request also furnish information concerning conditions at home when such information is necessary to the comfort or physical welfare of those in hospitals. The national organization maintains medical social service in hospitals and district offices of the veterans' bureau and national homes for disabled volunteer soldiers.

The above letter from Legare Davis, director of public information of the Southern division, A. R. C., speaks for itself, and we commend it to the general public as showing the extent of our work in the South.

Mrs. A. A. Woodson, Chairman of Publicity, Newberry Chapter, A. R. C.

Some of the men who used to try to drown their sorrows are now letting them die of thirst.

ELECTIONS OCCUPY GENERAL ASSEMBLY

FOUR RAILROAD COMMISSIONERS NAMED

J. Gordon Hughes, R. O. McCutchen and James A. Sullivan to Serve on University Board

The State, 10.

The general assembly spent the entire afternoon yesterday in joint session electing four members of the new railroad commission and three trustees of the University of South Carolina. The railroad commissioners, three of whom are members of the house, are John C. Coney of Dorchester, R. J. Wade of Aiken, James N. Pearman of Anderson, and E. R. Ellerbe of Dillon, while the three new members of the university board of trustees are J. Gordon Hughes of Union, Dr. R. O. McCutchen of Bishopville and James A. Sullivan of Laurens. Mr. Hughes and Mr. McCutchen will serve for full terms, while Mr. Sullivan fills the unexpired term of P. A. Wilcox of Florence.

John C. Coney, member of the house from Dorchester county, was the only candidate for railroad commissioner from the First district and was elected by acclamation. Mr. Coney was first elected to the house in 1917 and is, therefore, now completing his third term as a member of that body. Mr. Coney was nominated by Senator H. H. Gross of Dorchester. Mr. Coney's term is only for one year.

Race in Second District

R. J. Wade of Aiken, also a member of the house of representatives, was opposed by J. Hermon Lightsey of Hampton in the race for railroad commissioner from the Second congressional district, the vote standing: Wade, 95, and Lightsey, 40. Mr. Wade's name was placed in nomination by Representative F. W. Toole of Aiken, while Mr. Lightsey was nominated by C. B. Searson of Hampton. Mr. Wade is now serving his second term as a member of the lower house, having first been elected to that body in 1917. Mr. Wade's term is for two years.

James N. Pearman, for a number of years clerk of court in Anderson county, was unopposed for election to the three year term from the third district. Mr. Pearman was nominated by Senator T. F. Watkins of Anderson.

E. R. Ellerbe of Dillon and W. A. Prince of Horry, both members of the house, were nominated for the one full six year term. Mr. Prince, however, withdrew his name and Mr. Ellerbe was elected by acclamation. Mr. Ellerbe is now serving his first term as a member of the house.

None of these three members of the house so named, members of the any formal announcement of their intention to resign their seats in the general assembly and it is presumed that with only two or three days remaining of the session they will not qualify for their new offices until after the close of the present meeting of the legislature. All, however, announced last night that they would not again be a candidate for the general assembly while holding their position as railroad commissioners.

Many Seek Trusteeship

The election for the three university trustees developed the only spirited contests of the session, three ballots being required to name the two trustees to succeed Julius S. McInnes and T. C. Callson, resigned, and two ballots being necessary to select the successor to the late P. A. Wilcox. The presence of two women, Mrs. James A. Cathcart and Mrs. C. Y. Reamer, both of Columbia, in the list of candidates gave added interest to the two races.

Eight nominees were in the race for the two full terms: J. Gordon Hughes of Union, Dr. R. O. McCutchen of Bishopville, Mrs. James A. Cathcart of Columbia, James A. Sullivan of Laurens, Mrs. C. Y. Reamer of Columbia, L. P. Hoilis of Greenville, R. L. Sborne of Orangeburg and E. B. Smith of Union. Of these Mr. Smith was withdrawn at the end of the first ballot, while Osborne and Hoilis withdrew after the second roll call. The standing on the final ballot was: Hughes, 74; McCutchen, 69; Mrs. Cathcart, 44; Sullivan, 41, and Mrs. Reamer, 11. A total of 190 votes

AMONG THE SCHOOLS

We paid a good many of the teachers on Saturday, in fact about all who had claims on file, and a good many who did not have any claims on file but who came in during the day. We hope to be able to pay the teachers regularly now until the schools close. I mention this to say that I have again with the assistance of the county treasurer gone over each district very carefully and have taken the total of the assessments upon which the taxes have been paid, and in making the total for the county I find that at least 75 per cent of the total tax charged in this county has been paid. Of course, as they were people paying all the time I was making the total, the figures are not absolutely correct but very nearly so. Now while this is true still there are a great many of the rural districts in which not more than fifty per cent of the tax has been paid, and some of them not more than twenty-five per cent. And while we have money to the credit of the school fund to meet all demands there is a lack of it to the credit of many of the districts, and if taxes should not be paid before my books close in June many districts will show a deficit unless a loan is made against the uncollected tax. In some respects it is a little difficult problem, but we will work it out some way that we may pay the teachers. I suppose that the state superintendent of education will in a few days let us know just how matters stand in regard to the state aid that we may expect to get.

I hope to see a large delegation of the teachers from Newberry county attend the state meeting in Columbia on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week. The secretary sent me twenty identification cards. They have all been called for and I phoned him Saturday night to send me fifty more, and he said he expected some in that night and if they came he would mail them to me on Sunday. If you want to go by rail I will be glad to have you get an identification card. It will save you some expense. And anything else that I can do for any teacher who desires to attend the state meeting I will be glad to do it if you will just call on me.

As soon as the state meeting is over I hope to resume my visits to the schools. The condition of the roads in some of the school communities has made it impossible for me to get to them, but the rains are about over I hope, and the roads will soon get in condition for travel. We have to make out so many reports in connection with the applications for state aid that it takes a good bit of time, but I do that mostly at night. The building of roads is necessary to the building of schools.

We will not have any county teachers meeting in March, but the next one will be in April, and I hope that we will be able to accept the invitation of Mr. Wilson and Whitmire to hold that meeting at Whitmire, and that the bridge over Indian creek will be completed by that time so that the going to Whitmire may be easy and pleasant.

The Mothers' Club

The Mothers' club will meet Thursday afternoon, March 16th at 4 o'clock in the high school. Mothers are asked to bring their children as there will be a story hour.

Mrs. J. N. McCaughrin, President.

Mrs. Elmer Summer, Cor Sec'y.

were cast on this final roll call, 61 being necessary for an election.

Five candidates entered the lists in the race to fill the unexpired term of P. A. Wilcox: James A. Sullivan of Laurens, Mrs. James A. Cathcart of Columbia, Mrs. C. Y. Reamer of Columbia, F. L. Wilcox of Florence and E. B. Smith of Union. Mrs. Cathcart and Mr. Sullivan led the field on the first roll call and all other candidates withdrew, leaving these two as opponents in the final balloting. Mr. Sullivan triumphed over his feminine opponent by a vote of 59 to 46.

HOLDS OFFICE IN GENERAL U. D. C.



By Courtesy of The State
Mrs. R. D. Wright of Newberry, recording secretary general of United Daughters of the Confederacy

Eloise Welch Wright, daughter of Spencer Glasgow Welch and Cordelia Strother Welch was born and reared in Newberry.

Her father enlisted in the Confederate service with the first volunteers, as a private in Company D, South Carolina regiment, but was promoted until made surgeon of that regiment, serving with it continually from Fort Manassas until the surrender at Appomattox. He was a man of decided literary tastes; he wrote interesting letters home during the four years of war, these being published by his daughter under the title, "Confederate Surgeon's Letters to his Wife" (Neale Publishing company, New York).

This loyal Daughter of the Confederacy had five uncles who fought for the Confederate cause. More than one strain of fighting blood flows through her veins. She is a member of the D. A. R. through revolutionary ancestors, Amos Richardson and George Strother; and eligible to the Colonial Dames through the famous Indian fighter, Capt. John Pearson of South Carolina and William Strother of Virginia.

She graduated with first honor at Columbia college; she has always taken a great interest in church work, in all movements for civic and human betterment, and in patriotic organizations. She served as treasurer of the South Carolina Federation of Women's clubs; secretary of Newberry county Red Cross chapter during the months of most strenuous war work;

TO MAKE AND KEEP THE CITY CLEAN

It is my earnest desire and determined purpose to have Newberry a clean city, as far as in my power and with the cooperation of the citizens, without whose cooperation and active help no officer can be entirely successful. To this end I ask the aid of each individual in making this "the city beautiful," in keeping with the patriotic and painstaking efforts of the civic league and other worthy societies and associations of the place.

Cleanliness being next to godliness is alike applicable to communities as to individuals. Cleanliness attracts while uncleanness repulses. Who likes to see ugly spots marring the surrounding beauty? Who does not like to see beauty abounding and the atmosphere fragrant with pleasant odors? Therefore I urge every property owner within the limits of this city to clean his or her premises each week and have all trash piled and ready for the truck.

Trash includes tin cans also. Some people can not understand that rain water in tin cans and old buckets

HARVEY QUILTS POST AT MIDNIGHT HOUR

REFUSES TO PRESIDE ON SUNDAY

Newberry Senator Declines to Remain in Senate Chamber. All Bills Continued.

The State, 12.

When midnight was reached last night in the senate Lieutenant Governor Harvey declined to preside further over the senate if general state-wide bills were to be taken up and acted upon, this action following on the heels of the withdrawal of Senator Johnstone of Newberry, who declined to participate further in the proceedings.

Somewhat of a general row took place when Senator Johnstone moved at midnight that the senate adjourn until Monday afternoon, this being the cause of his withdrawal from the senate chamber a few moments later and also the withdrawal of Lieutenant Governor Harvey.

Would Not Adjourn

After the senate had passed the hour of midnight a general confusion began to develop and this brought on the motion to adjourn over until Monday. An effort to do this was lost. When this was lost the lieutenant governor asked the senate to choose a presiding officer as he did not care to preside except for the general appropriation bill.

Lieutenant Governor Harvey requested Senator Laney to take the chair, stating that he did not care to be regarded as a stickler and was prepared to remain in the chair as long as necessary to adopt the appropriation bill then in free conference irrespective as to the time when it was brought in. He, however, preferred not to preside after midnight Saturday night if the senate insisted on continuing to pass state-wide laws, continuing to pass state-wide laws, and began to take up the bad check law the lieutenant governor vacated the chair, turning over the gavel to the senator from Chesterfield and retired.

Bad Check Bill

After Senator Laney had taken the chair the so-called "bad check" bill was taken up and badly defeated, a motion to continue this measure prevailing by a large majority.

The senate then continued everything on the calendar, this motion taking in a number of state-wide bills of importance. Bills in free conference were not included.

During the discussions after midnight a good deal of levity was allowed and the general situation was characterized as "bad legislation" on the part of the senate.

HONOR ROLL FOR LONG LANE SCHOOL

- 1st grade—Mary Cromer.
- 2nd grade—Azile Cromer, Charles Baker, Henry Baker, Marion Felker.
- 3rd grade—Mary Folk, Helen Renwick, John William Felker, Richard Caldwell.
- 4th grade—Mary Renwick, Novis Rikard.
- 5th grade—William Cromer, J. B. Counts, Wylie Caldwell, Elizabeth Counts, Frances Baker, Sara Folk.
- 8th grade—Mary Felker, Annie Metts, Colie Cromer, Allan Caldwell.
- 9th grade—Haskell Brown.

Z. W. Taylor

Silverstreet, March 10.—Z. W. Taylor died at his home near Silverstreet early Wednesday night. His death was sudden as he had been only slightly ill for a while. Having lain down in apparent health at about 9 o'clock he was attacked with a smothering spell to which he succumbed.

The remains were interred at the Silverstreet cemetery Thursday afternoon, the services being conducted by his pastor, the Rev. Thomas F. Suber, who was assisted by the Rev. W. H. Dutton. The large assembly of friends and relatives, together with the beautiful floral tributes, indicated the esteem in which Mr. Taylor was held. He was one of the few remaining Confederate soldiers. He leaves a wife, one brother and one sister, two children, 11 grandchildren and ten great grandchildren, and many other relatives and friends to mourn his death.