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SESSION BROUGHT MANY NEW LAWS

REVENUE PRINCIPAL TOPIC OF LEGISLATION

Two of Series of Bills Killed by Senate—Other Important Acts Passed

The State, 13.

The session of the general assembly brought to an end yesterday afternoon was at once one of the longest and busiest of any meetings of the state legislature in recent years.

The session was extended 20 days beyond the regular 40 day limit, both houses being occupied with business of importance up to the closing hours. The recasting of the tax program of the state was the chief problem facing the legislature, as the members of the two houses saw it, and it was to the accomplishment of this end that the greater portion of the time and thought of the members of the two houses was directed.

The session of 1921, the 74th general assembly's first session, was conspicuously barren as compared with the session of 1922, just ended, but it saw the launching in the house of the tax reform program. The session of 1922 opened with practically the entire tax burden of the state borne by visible, tangible property. The session closed yesterday with 40 per cent of the this burden shifted to other sources as a result of the action of the two houses in passing five of the seven new revenue measures given consideration during the 60 days of the session. These new measures are the domestic corporation license tax, the income tax, the inheritance tax and the gasoline tax.

Two Tax Bills Killed

Two other tax measures, the hydro-electric tax bill and the luxury tax bill, were killed by the senate after passage by the lower house, while the Sapp resolution, providing for the amendment of the state constitution to empower the general assembly to fix a just and equitable system of raising the state revenues, was lost on the senate calendar, being continued along with the other bills which the upper house was unable to reach and pass in the closing hours of the session. The companion resolution to this, also introduced by Representative Sapp, was lost on the house calendar, the absence of so many members during the last two weeks of the session making it practically impossible to secure the needed constitutional two-thirds majority in favor of the measure.

The estimated revenues expected to be derived by the various new revenue measures this year are: Income tax, \$1,000,000; gasoline tax, \$350,000, and the two corporation tax measures, \$125,000. The inheritance tax will produce but little return this year, but is expected to be felt to a considerably larger extent in the years to follow.

The luxuries tax, killed in the senate, was expected to give an annual return of between \$1,500,000 and \$2,000,000, while revenues to be derived from the hydro-electric tax, twice killed by the upper house, were variously estimated at \$150,000 and \$300,000 annually.

Many Other New Laws

Other measures of more than usual importance enacted during the session include the 55 hour textile law, the railroad and public service commission consolidation law, the bill enlarging the powers of the consolidated railroad commission with reference to public utilities, the telephone rate reducing bill, the bill preventing the use of cutouts on motor vehicles on the roads of the state, the bank slander law, the 1922 code bill, the bill to reappropriation of the representatives in the general assembly, the Wells tax extension resolution, the cotton standards act, the McInnes act to repeal the anti-tipping law.

A series of bills to provide for biennial sessions of the general assembly and for four year terms of office for state officers was killed overwhelmingly in the house, while the Sellers bill to abolish free scholarships in state institutions of higher learning and the Leopard bill to create a board of state chiropractic examiners also met their death at the hands of the lower body.

CHILDREN OF NEAR EAST CRYING FOR HELP

Columbia, March 15.—There is many a South Carolina boy back in his home now who would be sleeping under a wooden cross in France but for the heroism of the 300,000 Armenian troops who gave up their lives in defense of the vast Baku oil fields, Congressman Will D. Upshaw, the "Billy Sunday" of Congress, recently stated.

"Experts agree that Germany's failure to capture this huge oil field shortened the war by many months," Mr. Upshaw declared. "Who knows how many of our boys would have been left had that vast maelstrom of killing continued even a day longer, when 10,000 men were giving up their lives every 24 hours?"

"The children of these heroes who made it possible for South Carolina boys to return are asking crumbs from your tables—just enough food to take away the stinging pangs of hunger. Are we going to let them starve? We would not be true Americans if we did."

"Hardly much bigger than South Carolina, Armenia sent into the war 400,000 troops, and most of them never came back. Their women and children were left—at least such women as the Turks did not outrage and butcher."

Congressman Upshaw is making appeals in behalf of the Near East Relief in many of the large cities of the South.

All contributions should be sent to Mr. Wm. M. Gibbs, Jr., treasurer, Near East Relief, 211 Liberty Bank building, Columbia, S. C.

Death of Thomas B. Morris

Prosperity, S. C., March 16.—Thomas B. Morris, Confederate veteran, died Wednesday at the age of 83. Several years ago Mr. Morris was stricken with paralysis and since that time has been in feeble health.

After the war he returned home and settled at the old home place, where he engaged in farming.

The funeral was held Thursday morning at 11 o'clock at Zion Methodist church, of which church he was a member. The funeral services being conducted by the Rev. J. D. Griffin.

Surviving are his wife, four daughters, Mrs. J. O. Hendrix, Mrs. R. S. Hawkins, Mrs. R. B. Hunter, and Mrs. C. H. Minick; three sons, C. L. Morris, D. M. Morris and Frank Morris all of this community.

DESERVEDLY HIGH HONOR COMES TO DR. G. B. SETZLER

Dr. G. B. Setzler of the class of '13, Newberry college, who has been on the University of Virginia hospital staff since his graduation from that institute in 1918, was recently elected to the Alpha Omega Alpha honorary medical fraternity. From a medical standpoint this is the highest honor conferred upon one along this line. It was established at the university in 1919 and is one of the very few schools of the South which has this chapter.

Well, Why?

An eager looking youngster approached a man hurrying in the direction of the railway station. "Carry your bag, sir?" he asked.

"No," snapped the man.

"I'll carry it all the way for a nickel."

"I tell you I don't want it carried!" snarled the man.

Whereupon the lad broke into a quick trot to keep up with his victim's hasty strides, as he asked, in innocent curiosity: "Then why are you carrying it?"

Unlike the 1921 session there was little evidence of possible retrogression, the greater number of measures introduced being to enlarge and perfect existing departments of the state. A move to abolish the state highway commission reared its head in the house for a short time, but the bill to carry out this plan was pigeonholed in the committee room and was never debated on the floor of either house. A series of similar measures, aimed at the highway department, was thoroughly considered by the senate, however, and overwhelmingly defeated by that body. Senator Wightman's bills to abolish the tax commission and the board of public welfare were also killed.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO HOLD ANNUAL MEETING

Meeting Scheduled for April 4th. Six New Directors to Be Elected. Other Important Matters

According to an announcement made public by Secretary McDaniel of the Newberry chamber of commerce the annual membership meeting of the chamber will be held Tuesday, April 4th. The date for the meeting was decided upon at a regular meeting of the officers and directors held on last Tuesday afternoon. The constitution and by-laws provide that the meeting shall be held some time during the first seven days of April of each year.

The main features of the annual meeting will be a report by the present officers of the activities and accomplishments of the organization during the past twelve months, and a discussion of policies to be pursued by the organization during the coming year. In addition to this, the constitution and by-laws provide for the electing of six new directors to fill the vacancies caused by those who were elected for only one year. When the organization was organized twelve directors were elected, six for two years and six for one year. Those to be elected on April 4th will be elected for two years. By this method there are always six old directors and six new directors on the board all the time.

In order to save time at the meeting, the secretary has been authorized to mail nomination blanks to every member of the organization. The members are requested to nominate twelve members. When the nominations are received tellers will check the twelve highest and another ballot will be mailed to the members requesting them to vote for six of the twelve. The nominations, together with the result, will be presented at the meeting for final election of the six. The first nomination blank will be mailed out early next week and the members are requested to send in their nomination immediately as all nominations for the first count must be in the office of the chamber not later than the 24th of this month, and all nominations for the second count will have to be in the office not later than April 3rd.

Every member of the organization should take a hand in the election of the new directors as the organization is working wholeheartedly for the upbuilding of Newberry city and county, and if a member fails to vote it may tend to signify a lack of interest in the work the organization is trying to do.

The annual meeting will be open to every member and to every interested citizen and every one should plan now to attend the meeting. It will be held in the court house and will be called to order promptly at 8:00 p. m. Let us all be there and discuss means and ways to build up a greater Newberry city and county.

Dear Sir: I am in receipt of your letter of the 18th enclosing picture of your houses, etc. This looks very nice and I am sure is very commendable in you and the others. We herewith hand you our check for \$50, which we feel is the best that we can do at this time. Want to thank you for calling this matter to our attention, and maybe a little later we will be able to help you again.

Yours very truly,
P. D. Camp.

Dear Sir: I was not at home when Mr. Stringfield was here last week, and as I have been wanting to give something to your motherless home will enclose \$5. Only wish I had five hundred to give you. I did not have any money, only some I felt obliged to use. I went into the closet and asked God to open a way so I could give some, and in about two hours five came into my hands that I did not expect, and I was so glad.

Sincerely,
Mrs. J. M. Deaton.

Such letters as these help us to walk by faith. And then when we steep in the school rooms or cottages, look in the faces of the children, and hear their simple prayers, so much like a child asking their earthly father, expecting to receive what they ask, we feel the rebuke of our Lord as He said to His disciples, "Oh ye of little faith."

Now, friends, what would you do or say if you were in the superintendent's place with 521 applications, some of whom are very sad cases, and some of our best friends and not able to help us as they have been doing? Will you step in their places and help us to help some of these needy cases? We are trying to do our best for every child in our care, and we would like to help others whom we know to be in need. One pastor writes that one of his members has two little girls he has to leave with a negro while he works to feed them as they have no mother. Is it any wonder that so many of our motherless girls go astray, when they are left for vulgar negroes to train?

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Yours truly,
J. H. Spaulding, Supt.,
Economy Home, Kings Creek, S. C.

When you get mad, count one hundred, and by the time you get through you may be mad enough to do something about it.

THE ORPHANS NEED YOUR ASSISTANCE

While we have not been writing very much for the papers this winter, we have been busy about the Economy home these snowy, rainy and sleety days. The children are in school, and they have to eat three times every day, and have some clothes to keep them from suffering with cold.

As many of our friends know, the people in the boll weevil section are not able to contribute very much now. More than 8,000 people have contributed to the Economy home within the first three years. Today thousands of these are not in a position to help us. This works a hardship on the home.

In order to take care of this deficiency, the trustees have selected a number of good people whom they believe will help the home, and the superintendent has been busy this bad weather getting out letters.

One day we received eight applications which proves to us that this home is a necessity. While times are hard we must have necessities, so we set to work with renewed energy. The next day we received a check for \$50 from an old friend of the superintendent who lives in Virginia. The next day we received a \$100 check from Texas.

A pastor writes: "The little girl has no one but a crippled grandfaded to care for her, and he is willing for you to place her in a good home if it becomes necessary." We were forced to place a little girl the other day, and will have to place others in private homes, unless we get more help soon.

Franklin, Va., Feb. 24, 1922
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REPORTERS GRIEVE TO LOSE LANDIS

Group Covering Federal Building in Chicago Send Note Wishing "Good Luck"

Chicago, March 12.—Newspaper men are supposed to stand by and smile at happenings and people in a cynical manner, according to the popular belief. The men assigned by the Chicago newspapers to cover the federal building "beat," however, were a little bit different in the case of the retirement of Kenesaw M. Landis from the federal bench.

On the famous jurist's last day in court the federal building reporters presented him with the following testimonial hand lettered around his photograph on a large plaque:

"Judge Landis:
"For newspaper men the federal building will not be the same after you have gone. You will take the life of the joint away with you."

"The good opinion of newspaper reporters is seldom sought, perhaps, but few men can say, as you can, that their departure made the press room blue."

"We've known you for a long time, Not, just because there is 'copy' in your forthright way of doing things, but because we think you are an honest-to-God man and a judge with the right kind of backbone."

"Good luck."
It was signed by each of the reporters.

CONTEST ON IN EVERY COUNTY FOR QUEEN OF PALMAFFESTA

Popular and Attractive Young Women in Every Section Interested in Big Festival

Throughout South Carolina interest is running high in the statewide contest to secure a queen for 1922 Palmafesta to be held in Columbia the week of April 17th to 22nd. Newspapers in the state are running voting coupons in each issue and many papers have published long lists of attractive contestants. Each county is selecting a candidate who will go to Columbia for the big week as the guest of Palmafesta. All expenses of the pleasant trip will be paid by the Columbia chamber of commerce.

When the forty-five county candidates assemble in Columbia for Palmafesta a general election will be held and the fortunate young woman securing the greatest number of votes will be crowned queen of 1922 Palmafesta, will be awarded the \$500 diamond ring and will be the recipient of many special honors during the big gala week.

Every county queen will be royally entertained and will have a week filled with pleasure and honor. It will be a week remembered through life as a landmark of pleasure—something to outshine all other occasions of merrymaking.

The big steel auditorium at the state fair grounds will be the center of Palmafesta activities such as the crowning of the queen, daily band concerts, the big fashion show, automobile show, trades displays, vaudeville and amusement acts both afternoons and evenings, and one or two nights featuring grand opera stars of international reputation.

Palmafesta will open Monday evening, April 17th, with a mammoth display of fireworks. Columbia's streets will be specially decorated for the week and there will be gorgeous float parades, baby parades, and other features now being worked out by committees from the chamber of commerce. Several state conventions have arranged to meet in Columbia during the week of Palmafesta.

The county queen contests will close throughout the state on Saturday, April eighth, at six o'clock. As soon as the votes can be counted the winner's name and photograph will be sent to Columbia for insertion in the beauty supplement to be circulated throughout the state the week before Palmafesta.

The most popular young woman in Newberry county will be elected by sending voting coupons clipped from our columns to the Palmafesta contest manager of this paper.

You can't expect people to trust you if you distrust them.

MEETING OF JASPER CHAPTER D. A. R.

Mrs. James McIntosh was hostess to the Jasper chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution on Saturday the tenth, at which time South Carolina day was celebrated. At roll call the members present responded with current events of interest to South Carolinians. The meeting was presided over by the vice regent, Mrs. W. G. Houseal, in the absence of the regent, Mrs. W. H. Hunt. After a short business session, a very instructive and interesting paper on South Carolina was read by Mrs. J. M. Kinard. This paper showed that Mrs. Kinard had taken infinite pains in its preparation, which began with the first colony from France under Jean Ribeau, coming on down to the present day, and dwelling on each particular political era, giving a resume of each war in which our state participated, with the credits when due.

Miss Mary Burton read an interesting letter from our state superintendent of education in regard to the observance of South Carolina day, March 18th, and giving the words of the legislative act which made its observance a law. This day is supposed to be celebrated on next Friday by all of the teachers in the state.

Mrs. Burns read a fine paper on Sumter county, after which a social half hour was enjoyed by the members present.

Mrs. McIntosh proved herself a delightful hostess and the beautiful home was fragrant with the breath of blooming flowers in jars and vases. Most beautiful was a pot of yellow tulips on the center table, while opening from the parlor was the conservatory filled with lovely plants.

It was a beautiful party and the delicious sweet course was a most enjoyable part of the social hour.

A. A. W.

What a Contrast

Among the citizens of Newberry as well as elsewhere in the state and nation there is, from time to time, feasting at banquets and big dinners after lavish expenditure of money, notwithstanding the cry of hard times. Those who partake of the food are no more in need of it than was Balshazzar and his friends at the banquet which foretold destruction. Still with the cry of hard times upon their lips the people of favored America spend money freely upon other indulgences which gratify for the moment. You who have all you want and to spare read the following from a famine stricken land:

"So many are already dying that they are burying them in wagon loads. They take off the clothes of the dead, throw them into boxes, put snow on the bodies to freeze them, then transport them in piles to the cemetery. There, twice a week, they are thrown into great holes, crosswise, packed closely. Dogs have become a menace and attack piles of bodies in droves and dig into graves. Dead children, starved to death, are left outside in open ways in piles, covered with rags until they can be hauled away."

Look at the two pictures. "Is it nothing to you, all ye that pass by?" Even the crumbs which fall from the banquet tables would be a God-sent to the starving ones. Those who are already dead from starvation and exposure, and "left outside in open ways in piles, covered with rags until they can be hauled away," are beyond the reach of the money wasted in riotous living. They can not feel the attacks of the dogs gnawing their emaciated bodies; but what of those who are at this very moment dying of hunger and want? "On with the banquet, let waste be unconfined," if you will, but let's stop crying hard times, and while we are feasting in pleasure and luxury, let us also not refuse help for those unfortunate ones who, unless aid reaches them, will soon have their dead bodies stripped of their scant clothing, thrown into piles and transported to the cemetery, there to be "thrown into great holes, crosswise, packed closely."

You know nothing at all of hard times.

Judge Landis is probably wondering why Will H. Hays didn't hold on to his cabinet position and take the movie job, too.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY ADJOURNS AT LAST

FIGHT IN HOUSE ON APPROPRIATION BILL

Both Houses Wait Through Night and Sunday Morning on Conference Committee

The State, March 13.

After being in session, with various recesses, since 10:30 o'clock Saturday morning, the general assembly adjourned sine die at 3:38 o'clock yesterday afternoon, having finally passed and ratified the annual appropriation bill, providing for the expenditure by the state during 1922 of \$5,839,106.04 and carrying a state-wide levy on real property of seven mills, a reduction of five mills as compared with the levy of 1921. The session had run 20 days beyond the 40 day limit.

Adjournment yesterday afternoon was reached only after a long vigil by both houses, lasting through Saturday night and Sunday morning, while the conference committee worked on the annual appropriation bill. The senate completed its consideration of this measure Friday night and the conference committee began work on the bill Saturday morning. All through the day and night the three senators and three representatives debated the bill and rewrote it while the two houses sat and waited for their report. It was not until 1:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon that the committee completed its task and sent its report and the rewritten bill to the two houses, to be adopted later by both, ratified and sent to the governor for his signature. The senate agreed to the conference report almost without debate. The house, however, gave its acquiescence only after lengthy argument.

Eleventh Hour Attack
This eleventh hour attack upon the appropriation bill, which if successful would have held the general assembly in session at least two weeks longer, furnished a dramatic finale to the session. All through Saturday night various members of the house of representatives had attempted to secure adjournment over until Monday to prevent a meeting of the general assembly on Sunday, so yesterday afternoon, when the report of the conference committee was received at 1:30 J. E. Anderson of Florence moved to adjourn debate on the report until Monday. Mr. Anderson stated that he was not opposed to the bill or the adoption of the report but since it was apparent that it would be contested he was opposed to any discussion of it on Sunday.

Debate on Mr. Anderson's motion revealed considerable opposition to the adoption of the conference report, the charge being made by E. R. Buckingham of Aiken that the bill had been twisted from one side to the other. Mr. Buckingham's statement brought T. E. Hughes of Marion to deny the implication of twisting or juggling of the figures in any way by either the ways and means committee or the conference committee.

E. A. Brown of Barnwell opposed the motion of Mr. Anderson and thought, he said, that the time had come "for the honest manhood of the state to manifest itself." The one aim of the session, he pointed out, had been the relieving of the tax burdened farmers of the state and, he claimed, the conference committee was not representative of the house since none of the 54 farmers in the house were named as members of the committee.

Not Afraid of Fight
Eugene S. Blease of Newberry spoke in favor of the motion to adjourn until Monday, but at the same time disclaimed any fear at any time to meet the issues of the bill. Claud N. Sapp of Columbia had no objection to postponement of the debate but the question, he contended, was a simple one—either the house must adopt the conference report and the bill or refuse the report and kill the measure. W. D. Barnett of Columbia also opposed the motion to postpone debate, believing, he said, that the house had the fullest confidence in it conferees. "What is there in the bill," he asked, "that any class should be favored or protected? And those

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