

Joint Legislative Body Proposes Reduction of State Levy.

Reduction of the state tax levy for 1922 by at least one-third is to be the major proposal of the joint legislative committee on economy and consolidation, according to an announcement following a two day session of the committee in Columbia last week. The meeting was attended by Senator Neils Christensen, chairman; Senators F. A. Miller and W. Fred Lightsey, and Representative E. T. Hughes and J. Ed. Anderson. The only member absent was Representative John K. Hamblin, who was unavoidably detained by cases in court.

According to the committee's statement, three different devices will be used to reduce the state tax levy from 12 mills to eight mills or less. The first is to postpone the construction of practically all building operations for a year. The second is to carry on the state government at smaller cost by means of better organization and improved operating procedure. The third is to raise part of the state's money by levies on those now escaping wholly or partially their fair share of the burden. All told, according to the committee, the general property tax can be reduced over \$2,000,000 compared with 1921.

Building Deferred.

After considerable discussion the committee came to the conclusion that financial conditions in the state would justify its recommendation to the legislature of deferring practically all building operations in 1922. Such action would result in a reduction of the appropriations by approximately half a million dollars. The committee realizes that this means merely the deferring of expenditures which in some cases will have to be made later. In only a few instances, however, was the committee able to learn of conditions making the erection of new buildings at once very desirable and in most cases it was thought no great hardship would result from a postponement of the building program for one year.

The principal attention of the committee was given to the possibility of savings through the consolidation of state agencies, through better internal organization in departments and institutions, through the central purchasing of supplies, through improvements in the state's fiscal system, and through better operating procedure. After carefully considering conditions as found in each separate department, commission, board and institution, the committee concluded that the appropriations for 1922 might be decreased by another half million in this manner. In this case the committee points out the savings will not be for 1922 only but will continue year after year indefinitely. Members expressed the further opinion that closer financial control according to a plan which will be presented to the legislature may be expected to prevent any rapid and unreasonable increase in the cost of state government during the prosperous years which the committee believes will in the course of time be experienced again in South Carolina.

Changes in System.

Additional relief should be given hard pressed tax payers, the committee believes, through changes in the tax system, and the committee is working on definite proposals to present to the legislature. These proposals will deal with new sources of revenue and with means of so shifting the tax burden that it will be more fairly distributed. In particular the committee expects to recommend the adoption of plans to recommend the raising of at least \$1,000,000 from those now escaping taxation in whole or in part, with a consequent lessening of the levies on those now carrying the whole load.

Before adjourning the committee went over the reports on the various state agencies made by Griffenhagen & Associates, Ltd., of Chicago, the industrial engineers who have conducted the investigations, and decided upon the text of the report it will make to the legislature. This report, which the committee expects to put into the hands of members of the general assembly when they convene in January, will consist of two parts. The first part will embody the committee's conclusions and recommendations and its concrete proposals as to savings, improvements in the fiscal system, and changes in the tax system which will shift part of the burden to those now paying only small amounts of escaping entirely. The second part will set forth briefly the committee's findings with regard to the conditions in each of the various state agencies.—The State.

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