

**SCHOOLS AND TAXES**  
**PRINCIPAL ISSUES**

**Problems to Come Before 73rd General Assembly. Insistent Demand for Revision of Education System—Cooper Has Tax Recommendations.**

Columbia, Jan. 12. — Education and taxation will be the principal issues before the first session of the seventy third General Assembly which convened here at noon Tuesday.

There is an insistent demand from many quarters, notably from Governor-elect Cooper, that the educational system of the State be broadened and made more efficient. Several fundamental principles are involved. First, and foremost, is larger appropriations, without which there can be but little more expansion. In this there are involved wages for the poorly paid teachers of the State and the meagerly remunerated county superintendents of education; likewise a minimum term of seven months in the public schools. In the broadening of the educational system, there will be a bill presented to the Legislature asking for a Statewide compulsory attendance system, with adequate facilities for enforcement.

**Problem of Taxation.**  
In the problem of taxation, Mr. Cooper will recommend to the General Assembly a budget system along the lines of the law now in force in Virginia; also he will advocate a different method of apportioning the revenue for State offices and institutions. These questions probably will take up much of the time of the Legislature.

In the taxation fight, there will be a strenuous effort made to abolish the State Tax Commission created by the General Assembly of 1915. This abolition movement will be a re-embodiment of the fight of the last session when the efforts of the enemies of the commission were almost successful. Last year the tax commission in its equalization and reassessment of farm lands showed an increase in the taxable property of the State of \$47,087,415, which allowed the tax levy of nine and one half mills to be reduced to eight and a quarter mills. Senator Christensen, of Beaufort, who recently announced that he would serve his last year in the upper house, it is understood, will lead the fight in the defense of the State Tax Commission.

**Constitutional Convention.**  
Another interesting question which will come before the General Assembly will be the agitation for a new constitutional convention. At least two organizations — the department of superintendence of the State Teachers Association and the State Council of Defense — have made specific recommendations for a convention. There was a bill in the last Legislature for the calling of a convention, but it did not pass. Since that time the sentiment, which has been growing for several years, has considerably broadened the chances of the passage of a joint resolution for a referendum on the question at the general election in 1920. The advocates of a new convention contend that the progress of the times and the necessity of a new educational system and a reform of the taxing power of the State demand new fundamental laws.

The steering committee of the South Carolina Automobile Association, in its movement for an improved system of State and county highways, will make specific recommendations to the General Assembly for an increase in the personnel and the power of the State Highways Commission, and will ask for laws looking to a future bond issue referendum. These recommendations include a material increase in the license tax on motor-propelled vehicles.

**To Increase Salaries.**  
The first matter to come up before the General Assembly will be the bill to increase the salaries of elective State officers and the justices of the State Supreme Court and the judges of the circuit courts. It is understood that the Legislature will be asked to increase the salary of the Governor from \$3,000 to \$6,000 per annum and the yearly compensation of all other State officials to \$3,000. They now receive \$1,900 a year each. Likewise it is understood that the salary of the chief justice will be placed at \$4,500 and the justices and the judges at \$4,500 per annum. To make the salaries effective the bill will have to be passed by the Legislature and signed by Governor Manning by January 21, when Governor-elect Cooper is inaugurated and the other State officials inducted into office. There is a healthy sentiment in favor of these increases which will only add about \$20.00 annually to the appropriation bill, and the probabilities are that, with correct parliamentary handling, the measure will be gotten through both house in time.

**Liquor Problem.**  
The ever-recurring liquor problem undoubtedly will be to the fore this year. It is probable that an effort will be made to abolish the present method by which one quart of intoxicants an individual for medicinal purposes can be secured each calendar month by the presentation of a certificate from the judge of probate of the county in which the recipient resides. An effort to make the State "bone dry" will be attempted, it is thought.

It is understood that organized labor will present several progressive measures to the General Assembly,

which will include educational reforms and the creations of a department of labor.

Although no official announcement has been made, it is understood that the South Carolina Equal Suffrage League will not make a fight this session for a State equal suffrage law but, should the Senate of the United States pass the constitutional amendment for equal suffrage, undoubtedly the suffragettes will be in force in the lobbies of both houses to line up the South Carolina Legislature. It is understood that they will probably advocate a bill for a minimum wage for women and the reporting by commercial and industrial establishments of wage statistics.

Of course, the capability of the new General Assembly is unproved, but from a scrutiny of the personnel it is a safe augury that it will not be a radical one, but one that will look to the betterment of the State in its legislative efforts. There will be an absence of that bane of legislative progress which has characterized the General Assembly of later years—the partisan alignment. While there are some of the legislators who will be rankly partisan, the majority of them will look for the betterment of South Carolina, irrespective of the political faction to which they might happen to be affiliated with.—W. J. Cormack, in News and Courier.

**Trustee's Sale.**

Under and by virtue of a deed of trust executed to the undersigned trustee by Mary Greenwood, Martha Stanton, Bettie Morris and Frank Berry, of the state and county above named, and bearing date the 7th day of October, 1918, notice is hereby given that the said trustee will sell before the court house door at Dillon, S. C., on the first Monday in February, 1919, during the regular sales hours, the following described property situate in the county of Dillon and the state aforesaid:

Tract 1. All that certain piece, parcel or tract of land situate in the county of Dillon, state aforesaid, containing one hundred acres, more or less known as the "Home Place," and bounded on the south by lands of E. B. Greenwood; on the west by lands of Sarah M. Fore (and land intended for James L. Greenwood); on the north by lands of S. D. Lane and on the east by lands intended for E. B. Greenwood, this being the same tract of land conveyed to John R. D. Greenwood by Francis Greenwood by deed bearing date the 19th day of January 1888, and recorded the 28th day of February, 1888, in Book 00 at pages 634 and 635 in the office of the clerk of the court for the county of Marion.

Tract 2. Also all that certain piece, parcel or tract of land situate in the county of Dillon, state aforesaid containing forty acres more or less and bounded on the south and east by lands of T. W. Berry and on the north and west by lands of Elihue Berry, this being the same tract of land conveyed to John R. D. Greenwood by Francis Greenwood by deed bearing date the 19th day of January 1888, and recorded the 28th day of February, 1888, in Book 00 at pages 534 and 635 in the office of the clerk of the court for the county of Marion.

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1-16-3t. 298 A. B. JORDAN, Trustee.

**CITATION.**

The State of South Carolina, County of Dillon, by Joe Cabell Davis, Probate Judge:

Whereas, Sarah Jane Page has made suit to me to grant unto her letters of administration of the estate and effects of Hector Page.

These are, therefore, to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of the said Hector Page, deceased, that they be and appear before me in the Court of Probate to be held at Dillon on Monday January 27th next, after publication hereof, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any they have, why the said administration should not be granted.

Given under my hand this 11 day of January, Anno Domini 1919.

JOE CABELL DAVIS,  
Judge of Probate,  
1-16-21—301. Dillon County.

**CITATION.**

The State of South Carolina, County of Dillon, by Joe Cabell Davis, Probate Judge:

Whereas, Mrs. Jennie Watson has made suit to me to grant unto her letters of administration of the estate and effects of J. Leslie Watson. These are, therefore, to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of the said J. Leslie Watson, deceased, that they be and appear before me, in the Court of Probate, to be held at Dillon on Tuesday, January 28th next, after publication hereof, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any they have why the said administration should not be granted.

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The law requires that a penalty of fifty per cent be added for failure to comply therewith, therefore please do not wait until the last days to make your returns but come in as soon after January 1st as is possible.

All Polls and Dogs must be returned and any changes in real estate, such as transfers and new buildings must be noted.

The law requires the tax books to be written up by school districts and parties owing property in more than one district will use separate blanks for each district; by complying with this request you will greatly facilitate the work of the auditor.

The auditor or his deputy will be at the following places on the dates mentioned below to take tax returns:  
Hamer, Wednesday, Jan. 15th.  
Gadd's Mill, Thursday, Jan. 16th.  
Lake View, Friday, Jan. 17th.  
Fork, Monday, Jan. 20th.  
Judson, Tuesday, Jan. 21st.  
Little Rock, Wednesday, Jan. 22d.  
Bingham, Thursday, Jan. 23rd.  
Mallory, Friday, Jan. 24th.  
Kirby's X Roads, Monday, Jan. 27th.  
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