

SENATE MONEY BILL REFUSED

House and Senate Conferees Soon To Be Named To Iron Out Million Dollar Difference. Local Option Did Not Come Up Yesterday As Expected.

Columbia, Feb. 22.—The senate insisted tonight on its amendments to the general appropriation bill after the house refused to accept them and appointment of a free conference committee to iron out the differences loomed for tomorrow.

Lieut. Governor J. E. Harley, presiding officer of the senate, was not present when the senate met for the first time this week, thus postponing the expected appointment of senate conferees.

Senator Brown of Barnwell, presided over the handful of senators, who adopted the motion of Chairman Ward of the finance committee to insist on the senate amendments, which boosted the total of the bill by more than \$1,000,000 over the \$12,356,698 house-approved measure.

No other matters, except a few local bills, were taken up by the senate.

On motion of Chairman Neville Bennett of the ways and means committee, the house rejected the senate amendments which brought the total of the money measure to \$13,370,321.

Speaker Sol Blatt said he thought conferees would be "named no later than Wednesday," but he would not indicate whom he had in mind for the places.

Three are appointed from each house, and by custom these include the chairmen of the ways and means and senate finance committees.

For the most part, representatives consumed the brief session which opened the seventh legislative week with a discussion on a proposed change in house rules to stipulate what percentage would be necessary to bring out a bill as a committee-sponsored measure.

The question was brought forward earlier by action of the long-dormant offices and officers committee in introducing numerous measures of statewide importance.

Representative Wannamaker, of Chesterfield, charged, however, that the prolonged debate on the rule was designed to block consideration of other matters.

"Everybody knew," Wannamaker told newspapermen, "that the house killed time today so there could be no vote on the county option and gallon-a-month liquor measures."

The bill to limit the amount of liquor a person might have in his possession remained in top place on the house calendar, however, although it was not reached during the day's proceedings.

The house referred to the ways and means committee a bill by Representative Bennett to exempt gasoline used by counties and municipalities from gasoline license tax.

Other new bills included two by Representative Britt, of York, to forbid textile operators from charging house rent to employees during any week in which the plant operates less than 24 hours, and to furnish free textbooks for the first seven grades in those public schools of the state "which shall be designated by the county boards of education."

Home Financing Drive Started

Association Formed To Attract \$1,000,000,000 Private Funds Into Construction.

Washington, Feb. 19.—An effort to attract \$1,000,000,000 of private funds into home construction and financing got under way today when Stewart McDonald, the federal housing administrator, signed a charter authorizing creation of a National Mortgage Association.

The association has initial capital of \$10,000,000 and surplus of \$1,000,000 paid by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

The R. F. C. has stated it is willing, if necessary, to contribute more money up to \$40,000,000 to the capital of this or other national mortgage associations.

In this way, a statement from the housing administration said, there would be provided "a total of \$50,000,000 as the base for \$1,000,000,000 of private funds ultimately available for housing construction and financing."

In order to raise cash to make loans and purchase mortgages, mortgage associations may issue their own obligations up to an amount not exceeding two times their paid-up capital.

McDonald said this system "gives the individual investor an opportunity to place his savings in a tax-free investment, backed by insured mortgages."

Work Begun On Church Building

Combined Presbyterian Congregations of Little River and Dominick Erecting New Brick Structure Ten Miles From Clinton.

A new Presbyterian church is being constructed about ten miles out from Clinton on the Jacobs highway. The building will be brick veneered and of modern design, with Sunday school rooms, choir loft and facilities for carrying on the full program of church activities.

The new church is a combination of the old organizations of Little River and Dominick, and will have a combined membership of about 100. Plans have been underway for about three years toward this union and building program and have at last materialized. The union was effected without an opposing vote in either congregation.

Little River church dates back to about 1762 and has had an interesting history in the development of Presbyterianism in upper South Carolina.

An elder of the Little River church was killed in the battle of Kings Mountain in the American Revolution. In the old cemetery lie buried many notables of early South Carolina history, including a general of the Revolution and a former United States senator from South Carolina.

Former Governor Simpson of South Carolina and his family were once members of this congregation. The Simpson, Hunter, Griffin, Williams and Crawford families played an important part in the life of this church as well as the state in the early days.

Also old records show the missionary spirit of the people of Little River in the pioneer days of the state. On one occasion an offering was taken for missionary work amounting to \$50. This was used to help send a home missionary to the city of Greenville, then in its infancy. Also, the first Presbyterian school in upper South Carolina was in connection with Little River church. Cabins were erected near the church and entire families would bring provisions and camp for the school session. The pastor was also the school teacher.

Many other interesting facts reveal the useful history of this organization. Dominick church was organized in 1916 and has served the community well during the years of its activity. The new building and uniting of effort will open up a larger field of service for the membership of both churches.

Three acres of land on the highway from Clinton to Chappells was secured for the new building by T. J. Davenport, Sr. Timber for the framing was given by M. A. Cannon. The Belk stores of Clinton and Newberry sponsored a gift of \$250 from the Belk Memorial fund to be applied on the purchase of brick. J. V. Clary, an elder in the Smyrna church, Newberry, gave \$1,000 toward the building fund and also, at the request of the two congregations, Mr. Clary will act as chairman of the building committee and treasurer of the building fund.

The contract for the building has been awarded to E. T. Mayer of Newberry. The two congregations have given sacrificially and are at present within \$500 of the amount necessary to pay cash for the new church. Any one desiring to have a part in this work by contributing to the building fund may do so by writing J. V. Clary, treasurer, or Rev. C. J. Matthews, pastor, both of Newberry.

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Approval was voted to a proposal that suitable resolutions be drafted expressing thanks to donors of gifts to the college.

GOING TO CHAPEL HILL
Track Coach L. S. McMillian announced yesterday that he will enter five P. C. men in the ninth annual Southern conference indoor games to be held at the University of North Carolina on Saturday. Of the entries, three will compete in the non-conference varsity division, and two will enter the freshman events. Coach McMillian will accompany the team to Chapel Hill.

MEETS HERE IN APRIL
The South Carolina Scholastic Press association will hold its annual meeting in Clinton on April 14 and 15, with an expected attendance of 300 boys and girls.

In providing entertainment for the convention plans are being made to care for the girls in private homes of the city and the boys at Presbyterian college.

P. C. Winds Up Winter Sports

Presbyterian college athletes are enjoying a quiet and almost inactive period this week as three teams see but two contests throughout the six-day period.

Boxing season is officially closed. The swimming team has one contest during the period, a meet with Georgia Tech in Clinton on Saturday afternoon.

The basketball men, having played 13 of their scheduled games, rest until Friday evening when they meet the Wofford aggregation in Leroy Springs gymnasium. Their closing battle comes next Monday when they meet The Citadel in Clinton.

Laurens Solons For Air Conditioning

In the vote in the house of representatives last week on the passage of the bill for air conditioning of textile plants, the Laurens legislators, Messrs. Huff, Milam and Wasson, were recorded as among the forty legislators who voted "no" on the motion to kill the bill. In other words, they voted for the bill. The bill was killed by a vote of 53 to 40.

DODD BARES PLAN OF ROME, BERLIN TO GAIN COMPLETE EUROPEAN CONTROL

Carving of New "Holy Roman Empire" in Danube and North Africa Seen. Reveals Nazi Agents Followed Roosevelt Visit To South America.

Washington, Feb. 20.—William E. Dodd, former United States ambassador to Germany, in secret testimony before the house foreign affairs committee revealed an alleged plan by which he said Germany and Italy may attempt to gain complete control of Danubian Europe and the Mediterranean, the United Press learned tonight.

Details of the testimony were disclosed by a member of the committee who declined use of his name. Efforts to contact Dodd for confirmation or denial were unavailing.

The committee member said the former diplomat told his group, in an executive session attended by all twenty-five members, that the two fascist powers plan to carve out a new "Holy Roman Empire" on the continent and in North Africa. He quoted Dodd as saying he had seen maps in Berlin, outlining in Brown the domain which Germany wants. This territory purportedly includes the Netherlands, Switzerland, Czechoslovakia and the Polish corridor in addition to whatever could be obtained through "nazification" of Austria and the Balkan states.

He was quoted as saying that German school children are being taught that it is Germany's destiny to control these nations by right of blood, tradition and heritage, and that meanwhile Premier Benito Mussolini, at the other end of the Berlin-Rome axis, has his eyes on Spain, Egypt and Palestine.

Dodd assertedly explained that Il Duce is particularly anxious to gain control of Southern Spain and extend his domain across the straits of Gibraltar into Spanish Morocco as a check against British domination of the Mediterranean, through which all Italian sea-borne commerce must pass, the United Press informant said.

With powerful fortifications in southern Spain and Spanish Morocco, Dodd pointed out, Italy could practically nullify Britain's position at Gibraltar. He said however that Mussolini will not be satisfied with this and will move towards domination of Egypt and Palestine. If this venture proves successful her long-cherished ambition for control of the Mediterranean and be in a position to sever the "life-line" of the British empire in event of war.

Todd Chairman Of P. C. Board

Greenwood Attorney Succeeds Dr. Henry Wade DuBose, Resigned.

Albert C. Todd, Greenwood attorney, was elected chairman of the Presbyterian college board of trustees at its spring meeting here Tuesday.

Todd, a member of the board for the past five years, succeeds Dr. Henry Wade DuBose, who recently left the First Presbyterian church of Spartanburg to accept a pastorate at Dallas, Texas, and resigned at that time. Dr. DuBose had been chairman since 1930 except for one year.

The board approved a budget presented by President William P. Jacobs and also gave its approval to the faculty, with one change—elevating Bernard H. Boyd from associate professor of Bible to a full professorship.

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Dodd's testimony was given before Reichsfuehrer Adolf Hitler's Nazification of Austria.

He assertedly told the committee that Germany and Italy probably would not resort to arms except as a last means of gaining their objectives. He said that Japan is a most important consideration in activities of the Rome-Berlin axis and predicted that the island empire would come to the aid of the two European Fascist powers immediately in event of a major war.

Dodd also testified that war between Germany and Italy in entirely conceivable because of jealousy resulting from one nation obtaining more than the other.

He said a boycott of the "have not" powers by the "haves" would crush Germany, Italy and Japan, but added that the horrors of the last war are still so fresh in the memories of the British, French and American governments that they are afraid to act.

With this knowledge, he was quoted, Hitler and Mussolini will go the limit to gain sources of raw materials and room for expansion in Europe and Northern Africa.

One of Great Britain's greatest difficulties, Dodd reportedly testified, is the fact that the empire actually is a loose confederation of states, some of which might refuse to bear arms in defense of the motherland in event of a European war.

He said the overwhelming pacifist sentiment of the major powers was largely responsible for the war-like, aggressive moves of some of the dissatisfied nations. He predicted that in any realignment of powers, Russia undoubtedly would be found in the camp of the "haves" against the "have nots," and added that recent Soviet policy has been slanted towards friendliness with the democratic nations.

It was learned that Dodd charged that after the inter-American peace conference at Buenos Aires late in 1936, Germany sent secret agents to the Argentine capital to undermine the good will engendered by President Roosevelt's and Secretary of State Cordell Hull's visits.

U. S. Is Advised To Remain Aloof

George Washington's Farewell Address Given Attention On Anniversary of His Birth.

Washington, Feb. 27.—Congressmen worried about the troubled international scene heard advice today that this country "should steer clear of permanent alliance with any portion of the foreign world."

The swiftly moving events stemming from Hitler's Sunday speech and England's efforts at rapprochement with Italy left most congressional leaders silent, wondering what they portend for America's future foreign policies.

The legislators were told, however, that "Europe has a set of primary interests which to us have none, or a very remote relation."

"Hence, she must be engaged in frequent controversies, the causes of which are essentially foreign to our concern," said a message read in the senate by Senator Ellender, Democrat, of Louisiana, and in the house by Representative Case, Republican, of South Dakota. "Hence, therefore, it must be unwise in us to implicate ourselves, by artificial ties, in the ordinary vicissitudes of her politics, or the ordinary combinations and collisions of her friendships or enmities."

The message, however, spoke with approval of "temporary alliances for extraordinary emergencies."

George Washington's farewell address always is given a careful hearing on his birthday.

MARTIN-CANNON CASE POSTPONED

The case of A. F. and Waldo Martin of Laurens, who are alleged to have made an attack on County Agent C. B. Cannon at the new agricultural building last December, was postponed Tuesday until the next term of court by Judge Thurmond. The postponement was made on a physician's certificate stating that A. F. Martin because of illness, was unable to appear in court.

VOTE ON GAS TAX BILL

Representatives Huff and Milam were reported in press dispatches last week as having voted against the gas tax division bill defeated by the house. Wasson, the third member of the delegation, and one of the co-authors, voted for the bill.

Wallace Greases Farm Machinery

Department Makes Ready For New Control Program. To Explain Act To Tillers.

Washington, Feb. 19.—The 10,000-room agriculture department building hummed tonight as officials and clerks worked in a race against time to start the new farm program before farmers started spring plowing.

Not since the early hectic days of the agricultural adjustment administration in 1933 had there been such feverish activity as followed signing of the farm bill this week by President Roosevelt.

The secretary of agriculture, Henry A. Wallace, completed preliminary plans for the program and left tonight on a cross-country speaking trip to explain the act to farmers. The tour will take at least a week and will include four speeches in California.

J. B. Hutson, assistant AAA administrator, is in the South explaining cotton and tobacco programs. Southern farmers will vote March 12 on imposition of marketing quotas for cotton and tobacco this year. Production allotments sharply reducing 1938 acreage already have been placed in effect.

H. R. Tolley, AAA administrator, and Wallace discussed the program in nationwide radio hookups during last week. Tolley leaves tomorrow on a speaking and conference tour that will take him to Sacramento, Calif.

President Roosevelt called congress into special session last November to enact a new farm bill when surpluses mounted from record crops and prices slumped sharply. He declared an emergency existed demanding immediate new legislation.

Wallace and other farm administration officials urged speed and chafed at delay. Time for planting was drawing nearer and haste was essential if the program was to become effective this year. Wallace said the soil conservation act was inadequate to cope with the situation.

Impatient as race horses at the post, Wallace and his assistants sped away when Mr. Roosevelt lifted the barrier by signing the bill last Wednesday. One official said, "There isn't a minute to lose."

Production allotments for cotton were set at 26,384,000 acres, a reduction of 8,000,000 acres from last year. Wallace announced quotas—subject to a referendum—to penalize farmers who market cotton raised on acreage in excess of the allotment.

Wallace announced plans to pay cotton farmers more than \$250,000,000 this year for compliance with reduction and marketing control programs—a sum double that of any previous year.

He proclaimed a national marketing quota—also subject to referendum March 12—limiting the sale of flue-cured tobacco this year to 705,000,000 pounds and dark tobaccos to 145,000,000 pounds.

Elliott Leading Services Here

The annual week of religious services sponsored by the college, began Monday morning when the Rev. J. McDowell Richards, D.D., president of Columbia Theological seminary, spoke to the student body.

The services were continued Tuesday morning with the Rev. W. N. Elliott, D.D., pastor of Druid Hills Presbyterian church, Atlanta, as leader. Two services are being held in the chapel daily at 11:45 a.m. and at 7:30 p.m. to continue through this evening.

Dr. Elliott is an outstanding minister of the Southern Presbyterian church and is being heard with interest by the students.

TO TAKE FLYER'S TEST

W. M. Clark and C. P. Fuller, Presbyterian college students, are soon to take the physical examination for admission to the United States army corps school at Randolph field, San Antonio, Texas.

DRIVE CAREFULLY SAVE A LIFE!

So Far This Year There Have Been

3 FATALITIES from AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENTS in LAURENS COUNTY

Let's Strive To Make 1938 a Safe Year On the Highways.

This date last year, 6

CABINET CRISIS IN ENGLAND

Chamberlain's Policy Approved By Commons, 330 to 168. Vote Heavily Favors Conciliating Dictators In Name of Peace. War Averted, Is Claim.

London, Feb. 22.—A thundering conservative majority tonight gave Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain a house of commons victory in the wake of a cabinet crisis that ushered out Anthony Eden as foreign secretary and signalled a new British policy of conciliating dictators.

By a vote of 330 to 168 commons rejected a labor motion to censure the prime minister's action.

Fighting bitter attacks in the tumultuous commons, Chamberlain cried it was his duty to seek peace in the armed camps of Hitler and Mussolini, thus to avoid "the frightful question" of war. He rejected as "sham" the League of Nations idea of fighting aggression by force.

The effect of the new policy on the United States was flung into the bitter debate on several occasions by opposition members in their running fire and former Prime Minister David Lloyd George accused Chamberlain of withholding an Italian telegram until Eden resigned.

Arthur Greenwood, vice chairman of the labor party who moved the vote of censure, declared that recognition of Italy's conquest of Ethiopia "would really hamstring the president of the United States and drive him completely into a policy of isolation."

Winston Churchill, former cabinet minister, charged that in the United States "havoc has resulted from these events. Millions of people there who are our enemies have been armed with the means to mock the sincerity of British idealism . . ."

He said American isolationists now could "represent that we are all of us continental people, tarred with the same brush, and that there is nothing to choose between us."

"That is propaganda which is now being given enormous impulse while our friends and those who steadily are working for closer cooperation of the two countries, on parallel lines are downcast, baffled and bewildered."

Lloyd George, opposition liberal, accused Chamberlain of "not taking the trouble" to obtain an Italian telegram accepting the British formula for removing foreign volunteers from Spain until after Eden resigned.

White with fury, the prime minister sat on the edge of the front bench while Lloyd George cried:

" . . . I never heard of such conduct . . . it is a most incredible story."

Chamberlain hotly denied he had done "anything disgraceful" and insisted he merely had learned of the telegram's import from a friend of Italian Ambassador Count Dino Grandi on Sunday.

He said he told the cabinet so—but did not get the telegram itself until Monday.

Eden took part in the angry scene, rising to declare that up to the time of his resignation "I received no official intimation whatever from the Italian government in the sense of which the prime minister has just spoken."

"Labor members cheered as he added it would not have made any difference anyway."

Lloyd George brought the dispute to a climax by declaring "we have been beaten by dictators." He asserted a man as innocent as Chamberlain was "only fit for a stained glass window."

The prime minister earlier had repudiated flatly the league sanctions theory as a "sham."

"We must not try to delude ourselves, and still more we must not try to delude small, weak nations that they will be protected by the league against aggression," he said.

"We know that nothing of the kind can be expected."

"The league is unable to provide collective security for anybody . . . I would stay in the league because I have faith that it will be reconstituted."

"If the league would throw off the shams and pretenses which everyone sees through and come out with a declaration of what it is prepared to do, its moral force as a focus for public opinion would be multiplied at once."

He defended his action in seeking to negotiate an understanding with Italy by saying that if it was not taken "we may presently be faced with that frightful question (of war)."

He has promised to submit any agreement with Italy to the League of Nations and stated the league still had "valuable work to do."

"I would not tear up a single article, not even article XVI (the sanctions article)," he said.

Mrs. Grady Seawright and Miss Margaret Milam of Pendleton, spent the week-end with their daughter and sister, Miss Jim Milam.