

SUSTAINS VETO OF BOND BILL

House Upholds Johnston In Greenville Case. Would Have Allowed Unlimited Issuance of Bonds, Claim Made. Truck Bill Up Again.

Columbia, April 12.—Governor Olin D. Johnston won a resounding victory in the house of representatives today when members voted 88 to 12 to sustain his veto of an act to give county governing boards rather than legislative delegations administrative authority in issuing reimbursement bonds for highway construction.

In refusing to sign the proposal six days ago, Johnston claimed the measure would allow the unlimited issuance of bonds and scored the legislators for seeking to give up their responsibility.

Reimbursement bonds are issued by counties for road work which is performed by the highway department, which in turn reimburses the county for its capital expenditures.

Representative Sawyer, of Georgetown, pleading for the house to override the governor, said the measure was designed to conform with the supreme court ruling in a recent appeal from Greenville county.

"The court has simply said that a delegation could not sell bonds, but an executive officer must do it," Sawyer asserted.

The veto was also attacked by Representative Moorer, of Colleton, who said if the bill were not passed "you can not enter a reimbursement agreement until the general assembly meets and a special act is passed."

Speeches supporting the governor were made by Representatives Leppard of Chesterfield, Adams of Richland, and Osborne of Spartanburg.

"This statute would give the county governing boards complete power to issue bonds for reimbursement purposes," Leppard said.

The house held an afternoon session to deliberate on the 40,000-pound, 96-inch truck limitation bill, but after hearing Representative Horne, of Richland, speak for an hour and 45 minutes against the proposal adjournment was voted without action having been taken.

Visitors wearing large tags reading "40,000 pounds, 96 inches. Keep South Carolina from becoming a backward state," crowded into the house chamber as Horne, a railroad employe, assumed the floor armed with large bundles of petitions and letters against the truck measure which he said he planned to read to the house.

He read, interspersing remarks between communications.

"This may not be interesting because of other propaganda but I think the people of South Carolina ought to be heard," he said.

When a member sought to interrupt the 58-year-old Richland legislator, he replied:

"If you'll leave me alone I think I'll conclude in five days and nights and then we can go home."

Under house rules Horne will retain the floor to continue his argument when consideration of the truck bill is resumed.

Governor Johnston's proposal, made last week, to divert \$1,500,000 from the highway department's share of the gasoline tax to provide a teacher retirement fund and to increase old age benefits paid under the public welfare act was sidetracked to committees in both house and senate.

The house referred to its ways and means committee a resolution by Representatives Wannamaker of Chesterfield, Kay of Anderson, and Grant of Chester, "approving the recommendations of the governor," and asking "the conferees on the general appropriation bill to include in their report provisions making same effective." Members objected to immediate consideration.

LEAGUE CONTESTS ARE HELD HERE

The annual expression and declamation contests for the high school league, district number two, were held Friday afternoon at Florida Street school and the Thornwell orphanage chapel, respectively.

The judges awarded first, second, and third places in the girls' expression contest as follows:

First, Miss Nancy Gaston, of Woodruff; second, Miss McEachern, of Whitmire; third, Miss Elizabeth Kessler, of Newberry. Miss Jeanne Simmons, of Gray Court, won honorable mention.

Placing in the boys' declamation contest were: First, Cam Wallace, of Newberry, "The Unknown Soldier Speaks," second, to Andy Nance of Cross Hill, "The Big Parade," and third, Jimmy Stallworth of Woodruff, "Are These Our Children?" Charles Franks, of Laurens, was given honorable mention.

Greenville Mill Official Dies

A. F. McKissick Passes At His Home. Was Long Business Leader In This Section.

Greenville, April 10.—Funeral services for A. F. McKissick, widely-known textile executive of this city were held here Sunday afternoon at the residence.

Following the services here the body was taken to Greenwood, his former home, where committal services were held in Magnolia cemetery.

Mr. McKissick, who was sixty-eight years old, was a son of the late Isaac G. and Sarah Foster McKissick, prominent South Carolinians. Prior to coming to Greenville, Mr. McKissick lived in Greenwood.

He was a member of the First Baptist church of Greenville. Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Mary S. McKissick, the former Miss Margaret Adger Smythe, of Charleston, and a son, Ellison S. McKissick, both of Greenville.

He is also survived by a brother, Dr. J. Rion McKissick, president of the University of South Carolina, and two granddaughters, Miss Mary McLean McKissick and Miss Margaret S. McKissick, second, and one grandson, A. F. McKissick, second.

McKissick was born at Union June 10, 1869. He was graduated with the B. S. and A. M. degrees from the University of South Carolina, being the first honor man of his class of 1889. He received the degree of master of mechanical engineering at Cornell in 1895.

While a member of the faculty at Alabama Polytechnic institute, at Auburn, Ala., he was recognized as one of the leading authorities in X-ray research.

From 1899-1901 he was chief engineer of a group of textile mills at Pelzer in Anderson county. He was elected president of the Grendel mills at Greenwood in 1901, an office he held until 1918. He was president of the Ninety-Six cotton mills from 1906 until 1917. He moved to Greenville and in 1923 became vice-president of the Alice plant at Easley, a post he occupied until his death.

McKissick was vice-president of the Aerial mill from about 1925, when he and his son built it, until his death. The textile magnate was a director of the Piedmont and Northern railway and of the Charleston and Western Carolina railroad and at one time was a member of the Port Utilities commission at Charleston.

During the war he was a member of the district exemption board and served in the house of representatives from Greenville county from 1922 through 1924.

He was superintendent of the first electric power plant in Columbia after leaving college.

The state university conferred the rare degree of doctor of engineering on McKissick about six years ago.

Miss Bebe Dillard Wins Beauty Contest

In the beauty pageant given Tuesday evening at Florida Street school and sponsored by the college dramatic club, Miss Bebe Dillard was declared "Miss Clinton" from a group of twenty-six contestants entered by a similar number of local merchants and firms. Second place was awarded by the judges to Miss Margaret Little, and third to Miss Millie Whitten.

Under the published regulations, Miss Dillard will be eligible to compete in a state contest in Columbia to select "Miss South Carolina," also to compete in other contests at Atlantic City which would carry her ultimately to Hollywood if she wins them all.

In the talent contest Paul Martin and Miss Whitten tied for first place. Second place went to Harris Gray, trumpet soloist, and third to Miss Dillard and Richard Meisky, composing a dance team.

In the kiddie parade little Nelle Buchanan won first place, Earl Pitts second, and Barrie Jean Wingard and Barbara Workman tied for third.

KIWANIS MEET TODAY

The regular Kiwanis club meet will be held this evening at 6:45 instead of 7:30 as usual, President R. E. Ferguson stated yesterday. The change in hour is made to give the Kiwanians an opportunity to attend the special services being held at North Broad Street Methodist church.

WHITNEY'S SEAT SOLD

New York, April 12.—Richard Whitney's seat on the New York stock exchange was sold today for \$59,000. Announcement of the transfer was made about the time Whitney, convicted of grand larceny, was entering Sing Sing prison. Whitney bought the seat in 1912, for \$65,000.

Easter

How lovely is Easter,
The Queen of the Spring,
What gladness and joy
Its coming can bring;
It holds a rich promise
As bright as the flowers
That break into beauty
And bloom through its hours.

O glad is the world
On this brightest of days,
When nature gives mankind
In glad songs of praise;
For no heart can be heavy,
No heart can stay cold,
As its sunshine envelopes
Each pathway with gold.

How lovely is Easter,
What dreams it can bring,
It holds all the joy
Of the newly-waked spring.
As through its glad music
We hear angels say:
"The Lord has arisen—
Death is conquered today."



Young People's Group To Meet

League of South Carolina Presbytery To Convene In Greenwood Saturday.

The annual meeting of the young people's league of South Carolina presbytery will be held in the First Presbyterian church of Greenwood on Saturday from 10:45 in the morning to 2:30 in the afternoon. The meeting will feature addresses by the leaders among the young people.

The theme for the new church year, which began on April first, "Christ Everything, Everywhere," will be discussed in addresses by Bob Thomason of Presbyterian college, who is president of the synod's league; by Miss Dorothy Simpson of Erskine college, who is president-elect of the presbytery's league; by Robert Black of Presbyterian college, vice-president, and by John Leith of Due West, league secretary. Miss Euphemia Gordon of Greenville, will make the opening address on the subject, "A Look At Our League." Miss Gordon has been league secretary since its organization March 31, 1934.

Miss Constance Armfield of Newberry, retiring president, will preside at the various sessions of the league and the new officers will be installed by Dr. Roswell C. Long of Greenwood, chairman of presbytery's committee on religious education and one of the league's adult advisers. Mrs. M. A. DuRant of Abbeville, is the other adult adviser and a member of the council.

It is expected that the Rev. J. M. Carr, new director of religious education for the synod, will be present for the occasion to counsel with the young people.

Lunch will be served cafeteria style by the women of the hostess church. Each young person attending will bring an individual lunch.

All young people of the five counties included in the league, from ages of 16 through 24, are invited to attend. Intermediates will have their own meeting, called "the conclave," at Clinton on April 22.

Owens Named As School Trustee

It was learned yesterday from the office of the county superintendent of education that Robert S. Owens, local attorney, has been appointed by the county board of education as a member of Hunter school district No. 5. Mr. Owens fills the unexpired term of the late W. Ellwood Dillard, which terminates next June.

TRACK MEET TODAY FOR GRAMMAR SCHOOLS

The track meet for the Laurens county grammar schools will be held this afternoon on Johnson field at the college at 3:30. The meet has been postponed on two former occasions due to inclement weather. Also the high school league of district number two will gather on Johnson field Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock for their annual track meet.

L. Connor Fuller Dies At Laurens

Well Known Citizen Passes After Illness. Brother of Mrs. Jack H. Davis of Clinton.

Laurens, April 7.—Laurens Connor Fuller, 56, retired railroad office employe and popular citizen, died at six o'clock Wednesday morning at his home on East Main street, after a critical illness since last Saturday. Mr. Fuller had been in declining health for several years. Because of disability he had relinquished his clerical duties at the freight depot in 1935, after a tenure of approximately twenty-two years. Faithful in his work, friendly and courteous toward the public, he leaves a host of friends to mourn his passing.

Mr. Fuller was a son of the late Dr. Laurens S. Fuller and Ada Holmes Fuller, ancestral names prominently identified with the history of Laurens county.

He is survived by his widow, the former Miss Lydia Miller also of this city; three sisters, Mrs. Janie F. Davis of Chester, Mrs. Jack H. Davis of Clinton and Mrs. Earle Wilson of Columbia; one brother, Dr. L. S. (Dick) Fuller, Paris, France.

The funeral rites were conducted at the Kennedy mortuary at 11:30 o'clock Thursday by his pastor, the Rev. W. D. Spinx of the First Baptist church, and the Rev. W. Ray Anderson, a kinsman of the family. Interment followed in the family plot at the Laurens cemetery.

The following served as active pallbearers: Watts Davis, Jack Davis, Carroll Pitts, John Pitts, Martin Miller and Bill Miller.

History Students On Tour Of State

Students of South Carolina history at the college will leave this morning on a five-day pilgrimage to points of historical significance in South Carolina, as their teacher, Dr. Dudley Jones, utilizes this method of personalized instruction to make the history of the state become real to the students.

Columbia and Charleston will be the chief places of investigation on the trip, but a number of small towns and low-land plantations will also be visited by Dr. Jones and the class while away from the campus this week.

Methodists To Hold Conference Here

The Annual Epworth Training Conference for the Epworth Leaguers of the Laurens County Union will be held beginning April 18 and continuing through April 21. Sessions will be held at Broad Street Methodist church of this city each evening at 7:30. Rev. J. O. Smith of Laurens will be instructor and will teach a course on "The Life of Christ." All young people are cordially invited to attend these conferences.

Reorganization Bill Killed In House

Stunning Blow Dealt Roosevelt. Measure Sent Back To Committee By Close Vote.

Washington, April 8.—Here is how South Carolina representatives voted Friday on the reorganization bill: For sidetracking the measure—McMillan, Richards, Taylor.

Against—Fulmer, Gasque, Mahon. Washington, April 8.—President Roosevelt tonight suffered his bitterest defeat of the session when a powerful house Republican-insurgent Democrat coalition killed the government reorganization bill by sending it back to committee.

It was the most stunning blow dealt the administration since the president's supreme court enlargement plan was defeated last year. The vote on recommitment was 204 to 196.

It came shortly after administration forces, giving way to demands for compromise, appeared to be leading the fight and on the brink of passing the controversial bill, which was assailed by foes as Fascistic and dictatorial.

It was considered a personal defeat for Mr. Roosevelt, who had thrown the full prestige of his office behind the bill, and publicly disavowed any aspiration to become an American dictator in reply to the measure's opponents.

Voting for recommitment were 88 Republicans, 108 Democrats, six Progressives and two Farmer-Laborites. Against recommitment were no Republicans, 191 Democrats, two Progressives and three Farmer-Laborites.

As the vote was announced, the house was thrown into an uproar. Members flung their arms around one another's shoulders and the packed galleries hooted, stamped their feet and yelled.

The defeat paralleled house action last fall, when it had voted to recommit the bitterly contested wage and hour bill.

Historical Stamp Will Go On Sale

Columbia, April 11.—Historical stamps commemorating the 150th anniversary of South Carolina's ratification of the United States Constitution will go on sale throughout the state tomorrow, Ben E. Adams, chairman of the Constitutional Sesquicentennial commission for South Carolina announced.

Three hundred and fifty thousand of the stamps were mailed today to superintendents of high schools in every county with a letter addressed to the pupils asking their cooperation "in this patriotic undertaking" by selling the stamps.

Pictures of the four signers of the Constitution from South Carolina are shown on the beautifully designed green and gold stamps. Dates, historical information on the adoption, signing and ratification of the Constitution are included on the stamps.

Sports Schedule Heavy This Week

Athletics at Presbyterian college hit the full spring swing this week as the track, tennis, and baseball teams find themselves fully occupied with heavy schedules.

The tennis team is in Pinehurst, N. C., where they are taking part in the North-South tennis tournament. The track team goes to Greenville this afternoon where they meet the Furman university team.

The baseball team sticks to its guns as it continued its defense of the state championship with a game in Due West with Erskine on Tuesday afternoon, an encounter yesterday with the Tigers at Clemson, and a game to be played here on Friday afternoon with Erskine as their opponents.

DRIVE CAREFULLY SAVE A LIFE!

So Far This Year There
Have Been

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FATALITIES
from
AUTOMOBILE
ACCIDENTS

in
LAURENS
COUNTY

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

This date last year, 6.

WHITE HOUSE PARLEY HELD

President Roosevelt Calls Cabinet Members and Major Spenders To Discuss "Pump-Priming." Congress To Get Message.

Washington, April 12.—A presidential conference with cabinet members and administration spenders led to widespread belief tonight that President Roosevelt would outline his future course in many fields, including foreign affairs, to congress and the nation Thursday.

Mr. Roosevelt summoned five cabinet members and the chief of his major spending agencies to the White House to discuss a special message to congress and a radio address. The message is scheduled definitely for Thursday, the radio talk tentatively for Thursday night.

From a high administration official came word that the president would discuss a wide range of subjects, including international aspects. A recommendation that \$1,250,000,000 be appropriated for WPA's work relief project is likely, and the president is expected generally to disclose his decision on additional expenditures to "prime the business pump."

There was some speculation that the chief executive might reply to critics who have urged him to reassure business by announcing a moratorium on "reform" legislation. The possibility that he might discuss the sidetracked wage-hour and government reorganization bills also was discussed by newsmen.

Those called to tonight's conference included:

Secretary of State Hull.
Secretary of the Interior Ickes, who directed the huge public works program with which the administration sought to "prime the pump" of business in the early days of the New Deal.

Secretary of Agriculture Wallace.
Postmaster General Farley.
Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau, who said yesterday that the business situation required some government aid.

Harry Hopkins, the work relief administrator, who has been the Roosevelt administration's biggest spender in the past.

Jesse Jones, chairman of the Reconstruction Finance corporation, which congress recently authorized to make \$1,500,000,000 of long-term industrial and public works loans.

James Roosevelt, the president's son and secretary, and Stephen Early, his press secretary.

The president had interrupted his work on new relief spending recommendations today to deny in cheerful, but emphatic terms, that he and Vice-President Garner had engaged in a "tiff" about "pump-priming" expenditures or anything else.

In answer to the questions of newspapermen, he said he had called Garner's attention to a published article saying the vice-president thought the administration should let business alone. Garner denied having given such an interview, the president added, and that was all there was to it.

Meanwhile, on Capitol Hill, some usually well-informed legislators were inclined to doubt that Mr. Roosevelt would recommend "pump-priming"—that is, outlays for heavy public works, slum clearance and the like—in his coming message to congress on relief spending and the general economic situation.

The message, Mr. Roosevelt said at his press conference, positively would go to congress Thursday. He added he probably would follow it up with a radio address that evening.

Delegation Vote On Truck Bill

On a roll call vote last Thursday the house of representatives passed the 40,000 pound, ninety-six inch truck bill to third reading by a count of 74 to 30.

Representative Huff paired, was reported in the vote (present) and voted "aye," Representative Wasson (absent) voted "nay," and Representative Milam (absent) voted "aye." In other words, Huff and Milam voted for the bill, and Wasson voted against it.

TEACHER EXCHANGE IN GRADES HERE

Misses Lilly Yarborough, Margaret Blakely, Nancy Owens and Ella Little McCrary are spending the week at Winthrop college for special study and observation. Their grades in their absence are being taught by Misses Ruth McDowell, Sara Westbrook, Edith Ferrell and Dorothy Reid, Winthrop seniors, as a part of the annual spring teacher exchange sponsored by the institution.