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WHERE TO START

The meeting of the tax-payers Saturday, called by the county delegation, is a good place for the tax-payers to decide for themselves whether or not they want taxes reduced. The meeting cannot touch all the tax problems, for city taxes and school district taxes will hardly be discussed, but the state and county taxes will be up for the tax-payers' attention.

We believe that the delegation will want something concrete. A whole lot of words without laying the cards on the table will, we believe, be boring to our senator and representatives.

To cut expenses a start must be made. Where is it going to be made?

Shall it be on roads?

Shall it be on charitable institutions?

Shall it be on collegiate education?

Shall it be on common schools?

Shall it be on salaries, if so, whose?

Shall it be on rural policemen?

Shall it be at the poor farm?

Shall it be the farm demonstrator?

What are you going to start on, Ladies and Gentlemen? The delegation

will want to know that one specific thing when it meets you Saturday.

TAX COMMITTEE

WANTS MEETINGS

Calls for Sessions in Every County.
Meeting Thursday Gets Statewide
Organization of Taxpayers Under
Way.

The State, 29.

Decision to call meetings in every county in the state to get the tax program of the South Carolina taxpayers' conference before the people and the appointment of various subcommittees to work for the tax program were the more important actions reached by the executive committee of the South Carolina taxpayers' conference here yesterday. This committee was chosen at the statewide tax meeting here December 14.

Need for immediate action being apparent, the executive committee decided to hold meetings in each county in the state, and with that in view directed each member of the state executive committee to appoint a chairman of the counties in his district, who will be expected to arrange for and hold the meeting, at which meeting some one will explain to the taxpayers the program for their approval.

Ways and Means

The program which will be proposed to the legislature will suggest ways and means by which the state property tax may be reduced from 40 to 50 per cent, and at the same time equalize the burden of taxation, so that the tax burden on property will be gradually reduced.

Acting under instructions from the Taxpayers' association, the executive committee is prepared to suggest to the taxpayers the following program for new sources of revenue: Gasoline tax, \$600,000; occupation tax, \$350,000; inheritance tax, \$250,000; increase in the corporation license tax, \$250,000; increase in the public service corporation franchise tax, \$300,000; income tax, \$1,000,000, and luxury tax, \$150,000. If the general assembly will enact the above tax laws it will produce approximately \$2,500,000, the committee says.

The gasoline tax will be applied to road maintenance and will take the place of the two mill property tax for roads. The occupation tax will be placed on occupations and professions not otherwise taxed, such, for instance, as brokers, etc. A graduated inheritance tax, the details of which will be worked out by the legislature, will raise considerable revenue. An increase in the corporation license tax from one to two mills was recommended, and also an increase in the public service corporation franchise tax from three to five mills. The committee favors a luxury tax.

Rigid Economy

The committee repeated the recommendation of the meeting of the tax association that most rigid economy be used in the state government.

In studying the tax situation, the committee is convinced that one of the causes of complaint is due to the fact that the people themselves have voted special levies for local purposes, which, in many instances, far exceed the amount necessary for state purposes. Therefore, the committee earnestly recommends most rigid

economy in county expenditures.

A committee representing the Columbia Automobile association appeared before the executive committee and called attention to their road improvement program, and expressed desire to cooperate in the tax reform movement.

Those present yesterday were: C. W. Coke, chairman; E. W. Dabbs, B. F. McLeod, W. B. DeLoach, C. P. Hodges and John I. Rice, secretary. The committee organized by electing the following committees: Publicity committee to be composed of the following: A. B. Jordan, Charles O. Hearon, Reed Smith, Robert Lathan, J. L. Mims, Mrs. J. B. Salley, Mrs. William Darlington, W. D. Grist, H. G. Osteen, H. L. Watson, J. Rion McKissick and Miss Mabel Montgomery. The finance committee to be as follows: Bright Williamson, chairman; H. C. Harvley and Morris C. Lumpkin, and W. B. DeLoach and C. W. Coker constitute the by-laws committee.

POISONED DOPE FOR BOLL WEEVIL

Clemson College, Jan. 1.—So far as the records of 1921 from South Carolina and other states have been worked over and summarized, no evidence has yet been obtained that sweetened poisons are sufficiently attractive at any time to accomplish profitable control of the boll weevil, states Prof. A. F. Conrad, entomologist in answering the question now being asked by so many farmers who are seeking to know what to do in helping to control the boll weevil in 1922. The idea that sweets are attractive to the weevil is very probably based on the fallacy in assuming that whatever tastes good to us also tastes good to the boll weevil. Were this reasoning correct, it would be difficult to explain why flies rear their young in manure and yet that material tastes good to them and they like it.

In one carefully conducted, experiment molasses mixture seemed to have given a certain degree of control, but only on very small plants averaging a few inches in height and then only during exceedingly dry weather. Checking this record against those obtained where unpoisoned sweets were tested to determine the weevils desire for sweets it appears more than probable that whatever weevils visited the young plants above referred to were attracted on account of the moisture droplets during the dry hot weather and not by any sweets. Furthermore this practice was not followed by the weevil during normal weather.

Field tests so far have shown no advantage in favor of sweets and press articles claiming that all weevils were destroyed by such materials and the destruction was accomplished at a cost of about 5 cents per acre, are without foundation in fact. Sometimes these statements are made with the greatest sincerity but they are not based upon carefully and accurately conducted tests.

Prof. Conrad announces that a more definite statement for boll weevil poisoning for 1922 will be made at an early date, when all records have been completely worked up. Because of the depressed conditions confronting us, farmers are urged meanwhile to proceed carefully and not to invest in the various kinds of contraptions that may be only a loss of time and money. Records of the work of 1921 are now being worked over and carefully considered from every conceivable angle, so that a safe and impartial recommendation may be made at an early date. Many extravagant claims are now being made, but are you gullible enough to swallow them before you are sure that you are right?

As It Works Out.

By the time the small boy who now revels in dirt gets old enough to do and off the car for dad he'll be so afraid of soiling his hands that he won't go near the job.

WORN NERVES

Nervous troubles with backache, dizzy spells, uric pains and irregular kidneys, give reason to suspect kidney weakness and to try the remedy that has helped your neighbors. Ask your neighbors!

Mrs. B. T. Bishop, 414 Park St., Laurens, says: "My back ached so I could hardly get around. I felt tired and dull and all worn out and my kidneys were weak and didn't act as they should. I could hardly bend over and when I did it was almost impossible to straighten up. My head ached so I could hardly stand it and I was awfully nervous. Mornings my back was so sore and lame I could hardly move, and my ankles bloated so I could hardly get my shoes on. I just couldn't do my work. Hearing of Doan's Kidney Pills, I began taking them and they entirely rid me of the trouble."

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ARMS CONFERENCE

NEARS ITS END

(Continued from Page One.)

treaty does not cover the Japanese "homeland." The present discussions are said to be tending towards accomplishment of that end through a reservation signed by all the four powers.

To Meet Opposition

While this exchange is in progress, the opponents of the treaty in the senate are busy organizing to prevent its ratification and are losing no opportunity to carry their fight to the country. Senator Borah (Republican) of Idaho delivered from the pulpit in Washington today an argument against unreserved ratification and his speech was disseminated from the capital by wireless. More discussion of the subject in the senate itself is expected when it reconvenes this week after the holiday recess.

On the side of the naval limitation program, the most embarrassing problem yet to be settled is that involved in the proposed regulation of submarine warfare. All of the powers have agreed to unite in a declaration reaffirming the present well understood restrictions of international law and condemning the ruthless use made of German U-boats during the World War, but there has not been the same facility of agreement on the proposal to go further and prohibit entirely submarine attacks on merchant vessels.

WORRIED WIVES-- READ THIS

Half Sick, Cross Husbands Will Be Helped by Gude's Pepto-Mangan.

Is he "cross as a bear" when he comes home? Is he nervous and a bit pale and always tired? You can help him back to health with Gude's Pepto-Mangan. He is run-down, and Pepto-Mangan, the wonderful blood tonic with the right kind of iron in it, will build him up. Help your husband get plenty of red blood and he will be well and good-natured again and stronger, too. Good blood, good health, makes happy good humor—that is the way it goes. If you don't give him some kind of a tonic he will probably get worse—they usually do. Go to the drug store and ask for Gude's Pepto-Mangan in liquid or tablet form. It is pleasant to take and works wonders if taken daily for a few weeks. Advertisement.

BANDITS SHOOT UP BANK, KILLING TWO

Fail in Attempt to Rob and Escape in Automobile that Was in Waiting.

Pearl River, N. Y., Dec. 29.—Four armed bandits today swooped down on Pearl River, failed in an attempt to rob the First National Bank, and fled in their automobile after slaying two men and probably mortally wounding another.

One robber, wounded by one of his victims, left a slight trail of blood in the snow, but this was lost when he entered the machine.

Tonight the town fire department in their trucks, citizens in private machines, and the police were scouring the country.

Just what occurred was told the district attorney by Otto Miller, a railroad flagman who was conferring in an inner office with James P. Moore, assistant cashier, when the robbers appeared, and who tonight lays critically wounded in a hospital. Only one other person was in the bank at the time—Seigfried Butz, a clerk who, with Moore, was slain.

Attracted to the bank by the prospect of obtaining a \$7,000 pay roll for the Dexter Folder Company plant across the street, the robbers without any preliminaries began shooting.

Butz was the first to fall. When Moore and Miller appeared from the inner office, the rain of bullets continued with Moore returning the fire and wounding one of the bandits.

The shooting was heard by girls in offices over the bank and it was believed that the scuffling of their feet caused the bandits to flee through the window.

Investigation showed that the robbers had obtained nothing. The pay roll had been taken to the factory before their arrival and the inner doors to the vaults were locked.

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Executors, Administrators, Guardians and Trustees are reminded that the time for making annual returns begins January 1st each year.

O. G. THOMPSON,
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SPECIAL NOTICES.

Cows For Sale—One fine Jersey cow with calf three weeks old \$40.00. One Jersey cow, with calf five months old, \$27.50. One Jersey giving some milk and will be fresh during summer months at \$20.00. See T. B. Sumner, Laurens. 25-11

For Sale—Eggs from prize winning Rhode Island Reds, \$3.00 per setting. Six of these pullets and hens were under the blue ribbons last fall. W. W. Whitehead, 254 Gordon St., phone 442. 25-11

Wanted—To buy some fodder and oat straw, and about four Seabright bantam hens. Lewis Anderson. 25-21

Fords Cheap—One 1916 model Ford touring for \$125.00; one 1917 touring for \$150.00; one 1919 model Ford touring with block for starter, for \$165.00. These prices are for cash only, but will trade at higher figures. Sumner Motor Co. 25-11

Wanted—To rent near town a good one-horse farm for next year. Standing rent. Will furnish stock. Riley Hammond, Laurens, S. C., phone 316. 25-11

Wanted—Man with car to sell low priced Graham Tires. \$130.00 per week and commissions. Graham Tire Co., 3147 Boulevard, Benton Harbor, Mich. 25-11

Overlands Cheap—\$5-4 Overland touring for \$200.00; 90 touring for \$200.00; \$5-4 Overland roadster for \$200.00. Sumner Motor Co., Laurens. 25-11

For Sale—Wood cut ready for the stove at \$5.00 a load four body planks high, delivered. See J. L. Todd, Clinton, Route 1, or give order to T. B. Sumner, Laurens. 25-11

Old Cars Wanted—We still buy run-down Overland cars for junk. Will buy or trade for them. Nothing but old worn cars wanted, and price must be right. T. B. Sumner, Laurens. 25-11

For Rent—Either Two or four horse farm at Barksdale Station. House and good tenant and out-buildings. See either R. T. Henderson or B. M. Wolf. 25-11

Buggies and Wagons—\$90.00 gets a rubber tire top buggy or a two-horse wagon any time between now and the 15th of January. One up-to-date pony-buggy in this lot, for \$10.00 less. T. B. Sumner, Laurens. 25-11

Wanted—To buy chickens, turkeys, geese, etc. Armstrong Market. 25-51

For Sale—Two handsome registered Berkshire sows. Cheap. See me, Albert Dial. 25-11

Wanted—Reliable party with incubator to hatch two or three hundred chicks during February and March. Will furnish eggs and pay reasonable price for chicks hatched. W. W. Whitehead, 254 Gordon St., phone 442. 25-11

Cokers Pedigreed Deltat—Webber Cotton Seed (long staple), \$4.00 per bushel; also Coker's Pedigreed Webber No. 49, Strain 4, at \$2.75 per bushel. List of each variety pulls about 13-8 inches. These are seed produced from first year's planting of above Pedigreed Cottons. W. C. Mitchell, Mountville, S. C. 25-31

Wanted—A good man in every community to sell marble and granite tombstones and monuments. Write us. Liberty Marble & Granite Co., Spartanburg, S. C. 22-41

For Rent—Hugh Gray shop property is for rent from first of January, 1922. Call on Merchants & Farmers Bonded Warehouse, P. A. Simpson, Pres. 20-11

Government Wagons—For Sale, or offered in exchange for corn, oats, hay or lumber. Wagons in good condition. Dixie Ice and Fuel Co., Clinton. 16-11

To Our Friends—When in need of gas, oils, greases, tires, tubes or accessories, come to McDaniel's New Filling Station, opposite postoffice. 24-21

For Sale—Late model 11-2 ton Republic truck, with stake body and pneumatic tires. Run less than 1,000 miles. Right price. W. B. Knight. 24-21

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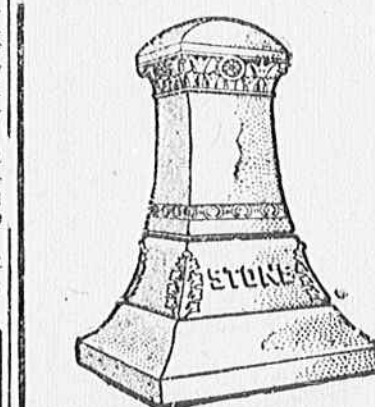
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