

# EIGHT HUNDRED AUTOMOBILES IN WATAUGA COUNTY

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revenue stamps, \$20.00; franchise, \$1,502.86; income, \$238.41; sales, \$7,763.88; beer, \$15.25.  
The ten counties paying almost 66 per cent of the total, in order of amount paid are: Mecklenburg, New Hanover, Wake, Forsyth, Guilford, Durham, Runcombe, Gaston, Alamance and Cabarrus.

### WINS RAILWAY PETITION

North Carolina won her petition in the federal court of the eastern district of Virginia last week to have the affairs of the Norfolk Southern Railway, as they relate to its indebtedness to North Carolina in rentals on the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad, heard before a master, in a decision by Judge Luther B. Way, who granted the petition and named George Tilcker, of Norfolk, to hear the evidence. The hearing probably will begin in December. The Norfolk Southern, now in the hands of receivers, owes the A. & N. C. about \$300,000 in rentals. The state owns 72 per cent of the road. Major L. P. McFadden, Greensboro, is appearing with Attorney General A. A. F. Seawell.

### COMPENSATION CASES

Industrial Commissioners T. A. Wilson and J. Dewey Dorsett have calendars of 47 workers' compensation cases for hearing this week. Mr. Wilson has 15 cases, one at Halifax, one at Oxford, four at Reidsville, one at Spray, three at Elkin, one at Wilkesboro, two at Lenoir, one at Newton and four at Gastonia. Mr. Dorsett has 29, three at Durham, six at Graham, four at Greensboro, three at High Point, one each at Salisbury, Concord and Wadesboro, eight at Charlotte and two at Albemarle.

### UNEMPLOYED TO WORK

George W. Coan, Jr., state WPA director, estimates that 1,500 unemployed North Carolinians will be engaged on WPA projects by November 1 and that by the middle of November 3,200 will be employed. Projects were selected from among the most important proposed last week by the field staff and will be started in all sections of the state as rapidly as possible. The \$9,100,000 so far allocated to North Carolina will be utilized as rapidly as projects can be provided to get the unemployed of the state at work, Mr. Coan said.

### BUSINESS IMPROVES

North Carolina manufactures alone had a payroll of \$113,000,000 in 1935, and all of the state's industries under improved conditions must now be paying workers fully \$200,000,000, Commissioner of Labor A. L. Fletcher estimates. At that rate this state's industries will be paying \$2,000,000, or one per cent of their payrolls for unemployment insurance starting January 1. At least \$1,800,000 of this will be returned to the state if the state meets the federal requirements. Attorney General A. A. F. Seawell has expressed an opinion that the Cherry act passed on the last day of the 1935 General Assembly at the request of Governor Ehringhaus, will meet the requirements. Merrill G. Murray, of the National Social Security Board, has expressed doubt about it. If it fails to meet the requirements, then it will be necessary for a special General Assembly session to enact a proper law, else this state will lose \$2,000,000 a year until such a law is enacted.

### TO SPEAK IN RALEIGH

Dr. Albert Jay Nock, educator, author and widely known man of letters will be the principal speaker at the annual meeting of the N. C. State Literary and Historical Association in Raleigh December 5-6. Dr. C. C. Crittenden, secretary, announces. Dr. Nock has written several books and has been a frequent contributor to the New Republic and Atlantic Monthly and for a time was editor of The Freeman. He has been visiting professor of American History and Politics at St. Stephens College in New York state. He will probably speak on some phases of European diplomacy and politics, as he recently visited in Europe.

When 17 new crop rotation demonstrations were started in Alamance county last week, a total of 52 for the county was reached.

## Farm Notes

(By W. B. Collins, County Agent.)  
I now have a large number of government bulletins dealing with the Potato Act of 1935, which interested farmers may secure by calling at my office. In the meantime I submit some excerpts regarding allotments which are of principal interest at this time.

### The National and State Allotments

The national sales allotment for each allotment year (December 1 to November 30) is to be determined by the Secretary of Agriculture. The Secretary is required to investigate probable production and market conditions for each year and to determine from available statistics the quantity of potatoes which, if sold, will tend to establish and maintain such balance between production, sale, and consumption of potatoes and such marketing conditions as will tend to establish prices to potato producers that will give potatoes a purchasing power equal to the purchasing power of potatoes for the period August 1918-July 1929. Additional requirements are that this quantity of potatoes be such as will not reduce the total net income of potato growers below their largest probable income from production of potatoes, or tend to cause an excessive shift in consumption from potatoes to other commodities.

Apportionment of the national sales allotment will be made to the various states as outlined below. For each state:

- (1) The potato acreage for the four years in which potato acreage was highest during the years 1927-1934, inclusive, will be selected and averaged.
- (2) Similarly, the yield for the four years in which the yield was highest during the years 1927-1934, inclusive, will be selected and averaged.
- (3) The average annual percentage of the total sales of the potato crops produced in the state in the years 1929-1934 will be determined.
- (4) The three averages will be multiplied together to determine a number of bushels. For example: 266,800 acres times 113.5 bushels times 57.5 per cent equals 17,412,035 bushels.
- (5) The percentage which the resulting number of bushels for any state is of the total of such numbers of bushels for all states will be the percentage of the national sales allotment apportioned to such state.

The act provides for adjustments in the apportionment determined for each state to meet changing conditions of production and sales. Such adjustments would tend to bring the sales allotment for each state into line with sales of potatoes grown in the state.

### Allotments to Growers

The first allotment year commences December 1, 1935, at a time when practically all potato harvesting has been completed, and when the number of acres growing throughout the United States is at a minimum. All potatoes harvested on or after this date come within the requirements of the act. Potato growers who harvest and sell potatoes can apply for sales allotments in the county in which they produce potatoes. Individual sales allotments will be

based upon the past production and sales of potatoes. Ninety-five per cent of each state allotment is to be apportioned to farms upon which potatoes have been grown during one or more of the years 1932-1934, inclusive, and 5 per cent is to be available for apportionment to farms operated by persons beginning or formerly engaged in the production and sale of potatoes, and who are not eligible for an equitable allotment in farms used for potato production in 1932, 1933 or 1934. Any quantity not apportioned to these growers is to be available for increasing the allotments of old producers. The act specifies facts, such as available potato acreage and equipment, which are to be considered in determining allotments.

These provisions assure protection to old producers yet provide for production and sale of potatoes by growers who have not grown potatoes during any of the years 1932-1934 or who are for other reasons not eligible for sales quotas under the first classification.

Farms from which sales in 1932, 1933, and 1934 averaged five bushels of potatoes or less will receive tax-exemption stamps equal to such average sales. These growers will apply for allotments just as large growers.

Each individual grower has the responsibility of submitting information as to his potato production and sales to a committee of potato growers in his county. The committee will determine the accuracy of this information and will recommend an allotment for the grower in line with the allotments of other growers in the county whose circumstances are similar.

A committee of growers for each state will review the allotments recommended in all counties in the state and assist in deciding upon any adjustments that need to be made.

Growers from the different states will cooperate with extension service representatives and the Agricultural Adjustment Administration in making final decisions as to allotments which should be approved for growers in each state, taking into consideration all available statistical data including that submitted on grower applications.

Forms and regulations for use in connection with allotments and for other purposes will be distributed to growers through the extension offices of county agents who will have the assistance of grower committees. Announcements will also be made explaining forms and regulations.

### PIE SUPPER

Mr. J. Lewis Reese, teacher at the Valle Crucis public school states that a pie supper will be held at the school building Friday evening, November 1, beginning at 7:30. The proceeds from the event are to be used for school purposes.

### MICROBES NECESSARY

Contrary to popular belief microbes are a boon to mankind. Read what a prominent scientist says on this subject in an interesting illustrated article in the American Weekly issue of November 3, the big magazine which comes with the BALTIMORE SUNDAY AMERICAN.

## B. T. U. RALLY TO BE HELD AT COVE CREEK

The B. T. U. rally of the Three Forks Baptist Association is to be held with the Cove Creek Church on November 10. It has been announced by the pastor, Rev. Philip D. Fletcher, who releases an outline of the program to be followed. The meeting will begin at 7:30 and the theme will be "His Church the Stronghold of Righteousness." The order of events is as follows:

Songs and prayer; devotional; Matthew 5:13, Mark, 9:50; roll call; business and announcements; special music; discussion: "The Problems and Opportunities of our Associational B. T. U.," "How to Organize the Needed B. Y. P. U.'s or B. A. U.'s." Special music; address: "Real Religion Causes a Man to Live his Christianity Among his Fellow Men," by Dr. C. L. Bowden, pastor First Baptist Church, Elizabethton, Tenn. Everyone is invited.

### HISTORICAL PUBLICATION

The North Carolina Historical Review has reached its 12th anniversary with the recent publication of its current number, the first edited by Dr. C. C. Crittenden, new secretary of the N. C. Historical Commission. Among articles in the current issue are: "Virginia and Carolina Homes Before the Revolution," by Mrs. C. F. Spruill, Chapel Hill; "Geographic Influences in the History of North Carolina," by Ben Franklin Lemert, Duke University; "An Overlooked Personality in Southern Life" (Samuel Augustus Hale), by Hunter D. Farish, graduate student at Harvard University, and the last installment of "Unpublished letters from North Carolinians to Jefferson," edited by Miss Elizabeth McPherson, of the Library of Congress.

Greene county tobacco growers have purchased 33,000 pounds of tax free allotments from other growers who did not produce their full amounts.



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## Lenoir Negro Presents Problem That Puzzles Hickory Legal Minds

Caldwell Record.  
When the United States Supreme Court gets through wrestling with NRA and other National problems it may be then called upon to solve a legal problem that has stumped the most sagacious legal minds of the city of Hickory. Ray Hilton, colored, of Lenoir, was according to reports arrested in Hickory on a charge of operating an automobile while intoxicated. Evidence introduced in the trial left no doubt about Hilton being intoxicated. That point was admitted. But other evidence tended to prove that the engine to Hilton's car had for some reason ceased to perform the duties ordinarily expected of an auto engine. This being the case, Hilton had engaged the services of some two or three other colored men who were propelling the auto by man power, in other words, pushing it. This brought about the contention that Hilton was not guilty of operating a motor driven vehicle and it seems that there is no law against driving a man-drawn or pushed vehicle. It was argued that a train without an engine is a train just the same and that an auto without the regulation motive power is an auto nevertheless. Judge Cummings in his decision ruled that the man who was manipulating the steering wheel of an automobile while it was in motion

was "operating" the machine whether it was propelled by man-power, gasoline, cyclone or what not. After all was said and done the defendant was given a six months sentence on the road.

### METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, Nov. 3rd  
Holy Communion will be celebrated at the Boone Methodist Church Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock hour. The Sunday School will meet at 9:45. The Epworth League at 6:30. The evening preaching service will be at 7:30. There will be special music by the Young People's choir, directed by Professor Van G. Hinson.

F. S. Stikeleather of Taylorsville, Alexander county, has a ten-acre field of Jarvis golden prolific corn which has been inspected and certified by the crop improvement association.

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