

**CALIFORNIA INSURANCE COMPANY—San Francisco, Calif.**  
Condition December 31, 1952, as Shown by Statement Filed

Income—From policyholders	\$3,512,566.54
Miscellaneous	390,007.70
Total	\$3,902,574.24
Disbursements—To policyholders	\$1,873,782.58
Miscellaneous	2,217,169.14
Total	\$4,090,951.72

**ASSETS**

1. Bonds	\$4,952,170.30
2. Stocks	2,242,850.00
4. Real Estate	494,730.08
6. Cash and bank deposits	799,654.85
(Cash and invested assets, sum of items 1 to 7 inclusive	\$8,489,405.23)
8. Agents' balances or uncollected premiums	783,515.70
Less ceded reinsurance balances payable	145,900.89
11. Reinsurance recoverable on loss payments	23,400.80
10. Reinsurance recoverable on loss payments	9,699.92
14. Interest, dividends and real estate income due and accrued	31,569.00
TOTAL ADMITTED ASSETS	\$9,203,780.76

**LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS**

1. Losses unpaid	\$69,804.00
2. Loss adjustment expenses unpaid	33,138.00
3. Contingent commissions and other similar charges	21,875.00
4. Other expenses (excluding taxes, licenses and fees) Underwriting	\$15,000.00
5. Taxes, licenses and fees (excluding Federal income taxes) Underwriting	\$118,200.00
6. Federal income taxes	118,200.00
10. Unearned premiums	215,000.00
12. Funds held by company under reinsurance treaties	4,256,202.04
13. Amounts withheld or retained by company for account of others	34,997.66
14. Unearned premiums on reinsurance in unauthorized companies	15.44
19. Unearned premiums on reinsurance in unauthorized companies	191,302.00
23. Total liabilities	5,455,334.14
24. Special surplus funds:	\$ 87,250.00
25. Capital paid up	1,000,000.00
26. Unassigned funds (surplus)	2,661,196.62
27. Surplus as regards policyholders	3,748,446.62
28. Total	\$9,203,780.76

**BUSINESS IN NORTH CAROLINA DURING 1952**

Line of Business	Net Premiums	Net Losses Incurred
Fire	\$10,019	\$4,516
Extended coverage	1,873	1,125
Torn., wind, cyc., hail (except growing crops)	2	2
Sprinkler and water damage	3,905	523
Inland marine	1,107	776
Personal property floater	1,301	241
Auto phys. damage	1,301	241
TOTAL	\$18,212	\$7,181

President F. H. Spencer; Secretary H. B. McGuire; Home office 315 Montgomery St., San Francisco 4, Calif.  
Attorney for service: WALDO C. CHEEK, Commissioner of Insurance, Raleigh, N. C.

### Highway Perils Greater During Holiday Season

Boston, Dec. 7.—You are 22 per cent more likely to be injured in an auto accident during the ten-day period from December 24 through January 3 than at any other season of the year.

This figure is given by the American Mutual Liability Insurance Company's Institute for Safer Living, which predicts more than 1160 fatalities resulting from Christmas holiday season driving. This is 200 more auto deaths than during the eight-day holiday period last year.

Principal factors responsible for this seasonal increase will be bad weather conditions in many areas, increased holiday travel, increased social activity and generally poor visibility. The two long holiday weekends will again increase driving exposure this year according to the Institute.

To be sure that you are not counted among this year's crop of Christmas fatalities, DON'T . . .

- 1—drive any more than is necessary.
- 2—drive on long trips if a train or bus or other transportation is convenient.
- 3—drive home from parties after drinking.
- 4—drive without lights when visibility is poor.
- 5—drive without chains when roads are iced or slippery.
- 6—allow younger drivers to use the family car unless you are certain that they are responsible and experienced enough to meet the season's increased hazards.

### Decorations To Be Judged Here

Plans for the annual Home Decorations Contest, sponsored jointly by the Boone Junior Woman's Club, the Blue Ridge Garden Club and the Home and Garden Department of the Worthwhile Women's Club were announced this week.

The Blue Ridge Garden Club sponsors the contest for Lawn Displays and roof decorations. The Junior Woman's Club sponsors the Door Decorations division.

### Craven Announces New Televisions

Craven Furniture Company of Boone announces the addition of the new Hoffman line of home television sets to the stock of top quality furniture and appliances they have been assembling at their new store ever since the big fire last Christmas Day forced a change of location.

"Hoffman brings a new conception of television enjoyment," said Clifford Craven, owner of

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the store in the Cannon building on West King Street, "with new high fidelity sound and Hoffman's Easy-Vision picture. You have to see it to believe and appreciate it," he added.

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**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA INSURANCE DEPARTMENT**  
Raleigh, May 4th, 1953

I, WALDO C. CHEEK, Commissioner of Insurance, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct abstract of the statement of the California Insurance Company, of San Francisco, Calif., filed with this Department, showing the condition of said Company on the 31st day of December, 1952.

Witness my hand and official seal, the day and date above written.  
WALDO C. CHEEK  
Commissioner of Insurance

### Former Boone Minister Dies

The Rev. Walter Sanford Goodnight of Vale, formerly of Watauga county, died in a Morganton hospital Sunday, November 29, at the age of 75 years.

Rev. Mr. Goodnight was a brother of the late Mr. J. L. Goodnight of Perkinsville, and owned a home in that section before going into the ministry. At one time he owned and operated a shoe repair shop in Boone.

Funeral rites were conducted in the chapel of the Hickory Funeral Home at 2 p. m., Nov. 30, with the Rev. A. M. Yoder of Whitnel and the Rev. J. C. Honeycutt of Albemarle officiating. He was buried in Oakwood cemetery, in Hickory.

The Rev. Mr. Goodnight was of the Church of God faith, traveling about the country for approximately a quarter of a century lecturing on the "Revelations." His travels took him through the South and the Southwest. He retired about a year ago because of failing health.

The deceased was born in Lincoln county February 20, 1878, son of the late Joseph N. and Harriette Rhoney Goodnight. His wife, the former Miss Nora Boggs, died June 17, 1951.

Surviving the minister are two sisters, Mrs. J. P. Chapman of Hickory and Mrs. J. L. Yount of Vale.

### Covered Dish Supper Is Held

Fifty-three people met Friday evening at 7:00 p. m. on December 4, at the Cove Creek High school for a covered dish supper and meeting for all of the test demonstration farm families in the county. This group enjoyed a very delicious covered dish supper, followed by a business meeting.

The group voted to continue their annual farm and home tours next summer. Plans were made for some changes in the judging of the farms and homes on the tour. Special plans are being made for a tour of all the homes along with the farms. The home which has made the most improvement during 1954 will be selected on the tour, also the farm which has improved most and in addition to this the farm and home combined that has improved most as a whole will be selected.

After the business session the entire group enjoyed an hour of recreation led by Mrs. W. R. Vines, the home and county agent.

The committee responsible for the supper were Mrs. W. R. Vines of Bethel and Mr. Howard Edmisten of Cove Creek.

### LIVING COSTS

For the fifth consecutive month, living costs edged up a bit in the month ending in mid-October. The increase of two-tenths of one per cent during the month brought the index of the Bureau of Labor Statistics to another record high—11.15 per cent of the 1947-49 average, or 1.1 per cent above a year ago.

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**CHURCH FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY—New York, N. Y.**  
Condition December 31, 1952, as Shown by Statement Filed

Income—From policyholders	\$105,147.52
Miscellaneous	53,718.39
Total	\$158,865.91
Disbursements—To policyholders	\$42,703.97
Miscellaneous	\$4,081.07
Total	\$46,785.04

**ASSETS**

1. Bonds	\$1,208,452.56
2. Stocks	392,500.00
6. Cash and bank deposits	103,652.90
(Cash and invested assets, sum of items 1 to 7 inclusive	\$1,704,605.46)
8. Agents' balances or uncollected premiums	103,631.88
Less ceded reinsurance balances payable	35,563.29
11. Reinsurance recoverable on loss payments	52,019.59
10. Reinsurance recoverable on loss payments	52,019.59
14. Interest, dividends and real estate income due and accrued	10,729.31
TOTAL ADMITTED ASSETS	\$1,835,422.95

**LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS**

1. Losses unpaid	\$ 8,400.00
2. Loss adjustment expenses unpaid	500.00
4. Other expenses (excluding taxes, licenses and fees) Underwriting	\$4,600.00
Investment	500.00
5. Taxes, licenses and fees (excluding Federal income taxes) Underwriting	9,400.00
6. Federal income taxes	9,400.00
10. Unearned premiums	65,409.94
12. Funds held by company under reinsurance treaties	110,919.74
14. Unearned premiums on reinsurance in unauthorized companies	83,222.77
23. Total liabilities	282,952.45
25. Capital paid up	\$ 500,000.00
26. Unassigned funds (surplus)	1,052,470.50
27. Surplus as regards policyholders	1,552,470.50
28. Total	\$1,835,422.95

**BUSINESS IN NORTH CAROLINA DURING 1952**

Line of Business	Net Premiums	Net Losses Incurred
Fire	\$108	\$865
Extended coverage	46	15
Torn., wind, cyc., hail (except growing crops)	49	49
TOTAL	\$112	\$880

Attorney for service: WALDO C. CHEEK, Commissioner of Insurance, Raleigh, N. C.

### Covered Dish Supper Is Held

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA INSURANCE DEPARTMENT**  
Raleigh, May 4th, 1953


I, WALDO C. CHEEK, Commissioner of Insurance, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct abstract of the statement of the Church Fire Insurance Company, of New York, N. Y., filed with this department, showing the condition of said Company on the 31st day of December, 1952.

Witness my hand and official seal, the day and date above written.  
WALDO C. CHEEK  
Commissioner of Insurance.

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