

Purchase Of 1953 Automobile Plates Is Still Lagging

On Feb. 1 Motorists Will Be Arrested With 1952 Tags

Sales of new license tags continued to lag with less than two weeks to go before 1952 plates become invalid, the State Department of Motor Vehicles reports this week.

News of the puzzling decline of new tag sales had Motor Vehicles Commissioner L. R. Fisher worried. He reminded Tar Heel auto and truck owners that long waiting lines would be the inevitable result unless sales picked up rapidly.

From the Registration Division, Director Foy Ingram said through January 12 only 505,892 new tags had been issued. This compares with 535,699 sold through the same date last year.

In the Raleigh area Fisher reminded motorists that the Motor Vehicles office will be closed Saturday, January 31, as are all state offices. Thus Friday, January 30, will be the last day new tags may be secured from the Raleigh office.

Many of the department's branch offices, which are staffed with personnel of the Carolina Motor Club, will be closed, too, the Commissioner stated.

Auto and truck registration normally tops the one million mark before the end of January according to registration officials. If sales continue as slowly as they have, clerks will be unable to cope with the rush on the last day or two before 1952 plates become invalid.

Motorists driving with last year's tag on February 1 will be violating the law, Commissioner Fisher declared. "I am appealing now to everyone who has not bought a new plate to please do so immediately."

Electric Specialist 4-H Clubs' Speaker

Points Out Danger of Overloading Electric Circuits

E. S. Coates, Extension Agricultural Engineering Specialist, of State College, gave a 4-H Electric Demonstration at each of the 4-H Club meetings in Chowan County. Mr. Coates explained a few of the many uses of electricity in the home and on the farm. His demonstration showed the danger of having an overloaded electrical circuit in the home or in farm buildings. He urged club members to be sure that all fuses which are used as replacements in the home should be Number 15, as large sizes are dangerous.

Mr. Coates explained in detail the 4-H Farm and Home Electric Project and several club members are planning to take this project in 1953. The county winner is awarded a free trip to the Farm and Home Electric Congress which is held during the Fall. The State winner is awarded a free trip to Chicago.

Mr. Coates congratulated Shirley Harrell and Jackie Morris, the two Chowan 4-H Club members, who gave a repeat performance of their television program at the 1952 4-H Farm and Home Electric Congress which was held in Charlotte.

Second Degree Tonight At Masonic Meeting

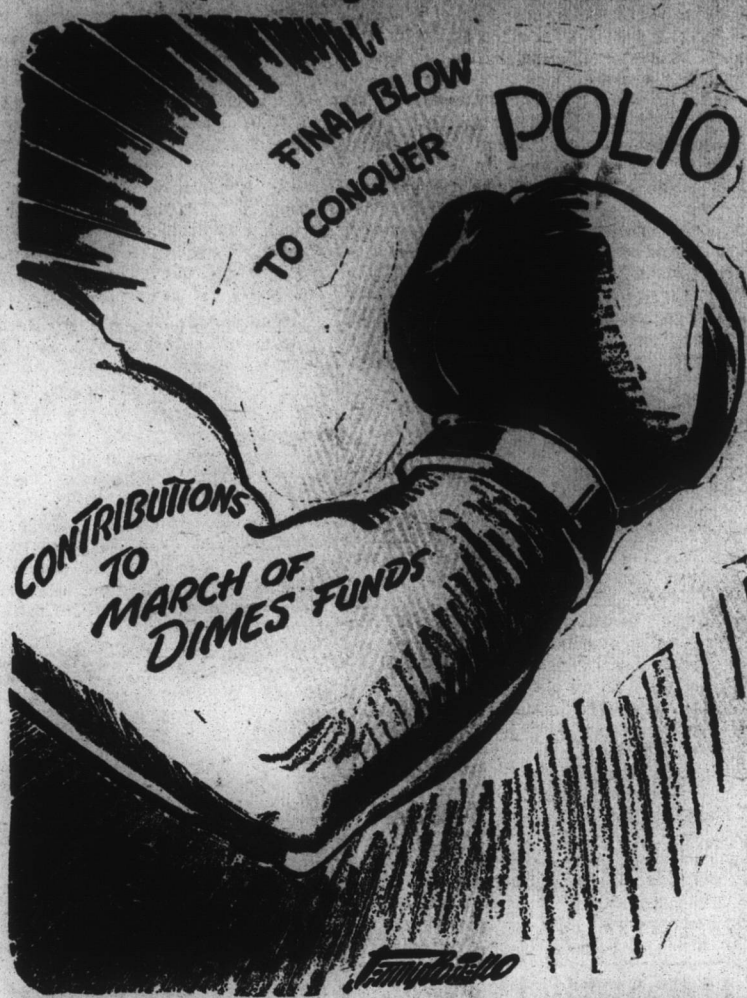
At the meeting tonight (Thursday) of Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F., & A. M., the second degree will be conferred upon a candidate. The meeting will begin at 8 o'clock and all members are especially urged to attend. Visiting Masons are also invited to witness the degree.

METHODIST SOCIETY MEETS
Members of the Women's Society of Christian Service met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Parker Helms Tuesday night, where Mrs. G. A. Helms, recovering from a serious automobile accident, was able to attend in a wheel chair.

Mrs. Roy Hassell, president, presided over the meeting and Miss Mamie Hogg led the devotional. A brief but interesting program was presented by Mrs. J. H. Thigpen.

About 20 members were present and at the close of the meeting refreshments were served.

Help Strengthen This Arm



Question: Last year many of the vegetables in my garden yellowed and failed to grow properly. I had previously added plenty of organic matter to the soil. What was wrong?

Answer: John H. Harris, horticulture specialist for the State College Extension Service, says you might well have temporarily robbed your soil of nitrogen through the use of organic matter.

Harris points out that most of the State's garden soils do not contain enough organic matter, which helps to make tight soils more porous and loose, makes sandy soil hold more moisture, and adds a considerable amount of fertility.

At the same time the bacteria in materials, such as stable manure, leaves, straw, garbage, old sawdust, and green cover crops, that contain organic matter use up large amounts of nitrogen while rotting.

Evidence of nitrogen deficiency in the soil is indicated by yellowing of leaves and poor growth. When this is observed, quickly available nitro-

gen must be added to the soil in sufficient quantity to correct the deficiency.

The nitrogen used by the bacteria in rotting organic matter materials will eventually be returned to the soil for use by the crops, Harris points out. The more time allowed for the rotting of organic materials before a crop is planted, the less likely is nitrogen deficiency.

Missionary Will Speak At Presbyterian Church

Miss Charlotte McMurray, a missionary to the Belgian Congo, will speak in the Edenton Presbyterian Church Friday night, January 30, at 8 o'clock.

Miss McMurray comes prepared with a wealth of experience gained by 24 exciting years as an educational missionary to Africa. The public is cordially invited to attend the service and hear her informative and interesting presentation of the work there.

Mrs. Chas. P. Wales At Committee Hearings

Mrs. Charles P. Wales, librarian of the Shepard-Pruden Memorial Library, is in Raleigh this week attending the hearings before the appropriations committee of the Senate and the House for library appropriations.

PROMOTED TO SERGEANT

Friends will be pleased to learn that James B. Edwards, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Edwards, has recently been promoted from corporal to sergeant.

Sgt. Edwards' promotion was made in Korea, where he has been stationed for eight months. He is a member of the First Engineers and is serving on the west coast of Korea.

Miss Audrey Rowell Sails For Austria

Friends in Edenton will be interested to learn that Miss Audrey Rowell left New York Wednesday of last week aboard the USNS Geiger. Miss Rowell has gone to Salzburg, Austria, where she has accepted a position as supervisor for special services of the Department of the U. S. Army.

Vandy Parks Wins 4-H Corn Contest

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group and James Monds was winner in the third age group. Each of these club members was awarded a prize of \$10.00 by the Lions Club.

This is the seventh year which the Lions Club has sponsored this contest and it has more club boys enrolled than any other project in the county. Thirty-one averaged 61.0 bushels per acre on their project as compared to the State average of 25.5 bushels per acre. Each year of the contest the Chowan Club boys have more than doubled the average State yield.

Vandy Parks and Paul Blanchard were awarded certificates of recognition as being members of the 100 Bushel Corn Club. In addition to being Chowan champion, Vandy Parks is also Junior State Champion according to Dr. E. R. Collins, in charge, Extension Agronomy Department, State College.

The Lions Club not only entertained the 4-H boys at the banquet, but their dads as well.

The Extension Service expresses appreciation to the Lions Club for its wholehearted cooperation in sponsoring this worthwhile project for Chowan County 4-H Club boys. Appreciation is also extended to the

dads of 4-H Club boys for the encouragement and backing which they gave their sons.

Yields per acre in the various groups in the contest follow:

Ages 10, 11 and 12—Paul Blanchard, 106.2; Wayne Blanchard, 83.5; Gerald Harrell, 78.7; Edgar Lane, 76.2; C. B. White, Jr., 68.3; Joseph Wiggins, 61.4; Frank Evans, 54.5; Ronald Perry, 46.2.

Ages 13 and 14—Vandy Parks, 113.7; Jackie Byrum, 61.4; Bill

Goodwin, 72.3; Uimmie Jordan, 69.7; Wesley Layden, 69.6; Millard Layden, 69.6; J. D. Parrish, 68.4; Billy Gray Forehand, 59.7; James L. Byrum, 58.6; Paul Byrum, 55.8; Sherwood Harrell, 43.5; Wallace Evans, 42.1; Larry Skinner, 60.0; Carlton Perry, 27.9.

(Ages 15 and above—James Monds, 100.7; Rufus Smithson, Jr., 75.5; Harold Lloyd Bunch, 61.4; Kermit Harrell, 69.0; Edsel King, 45.2; J. C. Boyce, 43.8; Leon Privott, 28.0; Sherland Ray Forehand, 24.1; Sherlon Layton, 18.0.)

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