

Business Activity Shows Decline

The level of business activity in North Carolina edged downward in November, according to the Wachovia Business Index.

The Index registered 153.9, down 0.2 per cent from the October level. The decline in the Index came after two months of

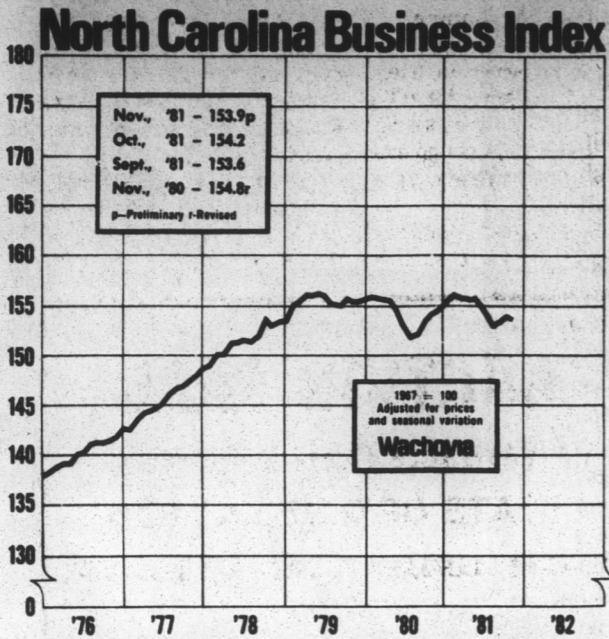
setting declines in textiles and apparel.

A slight increase in non-manufacturing employment resulted from continued strength in service employment. Trade employment was down slightly, while contract construction and government employment decreased 0.5 per cent and 0.4 per cent respectively.

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for North Carolina was 6.6 per cent in November, up 0.5 per cent from the October level. The national rate for November was 8.4 per cent, up 0.4 per cent from October. The unadjusted unemployment rate in North Carolina was 6.2 per cent in November.

Year-to-date unit sales of cars and trucks remained below 1980 levels, with car sales down 4 per cent and truck sales down 5.8 per cent.

The N. C. Business Index measures the level of economic activity in North Carolina on a monthly basis. Using 1967 as the base of 100, it reflects indicators of employment, production and spending in the state's economy. All figures are adjusted by Wachovia-calculated figures for expected seasonal fluctuations.



modest growth and was primarily attributed to a shorter manufacturing work week during November. However, losses in manufacturing employment and price-adjusted average hourly earnings for manufacturing employees also contributed

to the downward movement. In the manufacturing sector, employment in durable good industries was 0.7 per cent below October's level. Non-durable goods industries employment remained stable, with growth in tobacco, food and chemical employment off-

The Patter Of Rain

By Murrell Smith

Listen to the patter of the soft rain overhead -

The melancholy of darkness gently sweeps away the rainy tears.

A thousand dreamy fancies burst into my head - as I listen to the patter of the soft rain overhead -

As I listen to the murmur of the soft rain on the roof - a thousand recollections weave their bright hues into a long wool scarf worn loosely around a lady's shoulders -

I sit and think when the sunset's gold - with ringlets of winters cold -

Somewhere, I know on the unseen shore - she will not sunder the scarf - depart -

As the clouds lay sleeping across the Azure sky - A little silver bell was ringing across the country side - In town a mother entered her daughter's room - Thinking she was asleep -

Call her for supper - As a silver bell rang the little raindrops keep sinking and ran trickling to the ground -

So, with an equal splendor the morning sun-rays meet the eternity of glory -

The long bright scarf with its thousands of bright hues of colors weave a dream -

The melancholy of darkness gently sweeps away the rainy tears until a brighter day emerge -

Look at the cold radiant scarf winter wears as his broad-face smiles on the land - with a hollow cold blast.

Date Changed

RALEIGH — The N. C. Board of Transportation meeting originally scheduled for January 8 has been rescheduled for January 15 due to the change of the December meeting date and the Christmas and New Year's holidays.

The meeting will begin at 10 A.M. in the Highway Building Board Room. Board committee meetings are scheduled to begin at 1 P.M. on January 14.

Boiling cloves in a cup of vinegar will absorb most kitchen odors.

Warning To Drunk Drivers

WASHINGTON, D. C. — When is enough enough?

When it comes to mixing alcohol and driving, more than enough is when your judgment and reactions begin to be affected.

This is the warning from Norman Darwick, executive director of the International Association of Chiefs of Police, who represents enforcement authorities throughout the nation.

A person's tolerance for liquor depends upon many factors, Darwick contends — weight, food intake, medication, even the sex of the driver since recent surveys indicate that women in general have a lower tolerance for alcohol than most men.

Darwick's point is that each individual should know

his own limits and adjust his behavior accordingly, when it comes to mixing it up in traffic — either as a driver or as a pedestrian.

"You take chances and misjudge risks entirely differently when you're under the influence than you would stone-cold sober," Darwick claims.

"An officer observing your behavior in traffic has no way of knowing the factors I've just mentioned. He can only conclude that your actions are not normal and that he must take the necessary steps to get you off the road."

This is especially critical at this time of year when adverse winter conditions require a clear head and sound thinking.

Darwick, who in addition to his IACP duties is also a director of the Safe Winter Driving League, headquartered in Chicago, went on to review recommended driving techniques that require a motorist's unclouded attention during the winter months:

When slowing or stopping on slippery pavements,

"pump" your brakes. An intermittent on-off action helps maintain steering during those times when

New Division Is Formed

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Communications will be managed by Tony Bunch, director of marketing. According to Bunch, "We plan to be as good in the competitive, non-regulated environment as Carolina Telephone has been and will continue to be in its regulated operations. We plan to provide good, dependable service and to be very customer oriented."

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Reduction Is Approved

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open competition. This country was founded on the principle of free enterprise; yet, the right to use individual policies and responsive rates is denied to insurance companies in this state. The consumer would benefit from open competition as is currently the case with other products and services."

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MOBILE HOME — 1974 Double-wide, 3 bdrm., 2 baths. Excellent condition. \$12,800.

WATERFRONT — Large lot on Chowan River with septic tank, county water, electricity. 12 per cent owner financing. negotiable

CHOWAN BEACH — 10x50 2 BR, mobile home. Nice shaded lot, beach access. (Owner financing 12 per cent) Make an offer

ARROWHEAD BEACH — 2 adjoining corner lots. Both for \$3,000

WATERFRONT HOME — Arrowhead Beach - three bedroom home, 2 baths, L.R. with fireplace, kit., D.R., util. rm., 1 car garage on beautiful extra large lot. Bulkheading and pier with spectacular view of the Chowan River (Owner financing at 12 per cent) Make an offer.

ARROWHEAD BEACH **SOLD** near the water, nice wooded lot, beach access. Beautiful view.

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THE HORSE WAS USED ONLY FOR WARFARE AND IN THE ROCKY, HILLY COUNTRY OF JUDEA, IT WAS OF NO USE EVEN IN BATTLES FOR IT COULD NOT MOVE WELL IN THE ROCKS AND RIDGES OF THE MOUNTAINOUS LAND — IN FACT, THERE IS HARDLY ANY MENTION OF THE HORSE BEING USED BY THE JEWS UNTIL KING SOLOMON, WHO IMPORTED THOUSANDS OF THEM FROM EGYPT. BUT THE ASS WAS A NECESSITY IN THE DAILY LIFE OF THE JEWS EVEN TO THE POINT OF PRODUCING FOOD — FOR MANY HERDS WERE KEPT FOR MILKING — THE SHE-ASS GIVING MILK AS RICH AND NUTRITIOUS AS THE GOAT AND COW!

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