

Volcanic Island Rises From Sea

Tokyo.—A new volcanic isle has risen from the sea 200 miles south of the Yokosuka naval base, reaching a height of 50 feet and a diameter of 200 yards in two weeks, American naval officers said today. Huge rocks occasionally tumble down its growing peak, and black smoke puffs forth.

The isle was first reported by a British ship, said Lt. (j.g.) Daniel J. Ranshoff, of the U. S. naval staff at Yokosuka base. Prof. Takesha Nagata, of Tokyo Imperial University, said a similar islet appeared near Iwo Jima in the early 1900's, but later receded into the sea.

North Carolina's 1946 egg production goal is \$9,335,000 dosen.

Burley Tobacco Acreage Reduced

Individual farm acreage allotments of Burley tobacco in Wilkes county for 1946 will be reduced by ten per cent below 1945 in accordance with a recent announcement by the U. S. Department of Agriculture of a decrease of a similar amount in 1946 national marketing quota, it was stated today by H. C. Roberts, chairman of the Wilkes County AAA Committee.

This reduction was made possible through a recent amendment to the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, and is considered advisable at this time in order to bring supplies of Burley tobacco more nearly in line with demand.

"During the past two years, we have seen available supplies of Burley tobacco increased by approximately 200,000,000 pounds because of the record crops of 1944 and 1945," he declared. "Many Burley producers have experienced sharp drops in the prices of some grades of the 1945 crop and have expressed their favor of a reduction to prevent accumulation of a tremendous surplus of Burley, such as we saw several years ago."

The reduction will result in a total national acreage allotment of 558,000 acres, compared with allotments of 610,000 acres in 1945. If yields are normal, and if growers again plant about the same percentage of the allotment as they have in the past, the 1946 crop of Burley should amount to about 498,500,000 pounds, as compared with approximately 603,000,000 pounds produced in 1945.

Mr. Roberts also announced that the new legislation increased the rate of penalty imposed on tobacco marketed in excess of the farm's marketing quota to 40 per cent of the national average sales price during the preceding marketing year. On the basis of a season's average price of 40 cents, the penalty rate of 1946 would be 16 cents per pound, instead of the 10-cent penalty in effect in the past.

In addition to the increase in penalty rate, Mr. Roberts said, enforcement of the quota program will be further strengthened by measurement of Burley acreage on all farms in 1946.

Why Men and Women Leave Home.—Hidden treasures, ideals, love—all sorts of things lure people away from their own firesides. Read some of the interesting reasons that impel people to disappear. One of many fascinating features in the March 10th issue of The American Weekly, nation's favorite magazine with the Baltimore Sunday American. Order from your local newsdealer.

Unusually large stocks of certified seed sweet potatoes are available for planting in 1946.

District Music Contest Mar. 19

Major C. D. Kutschinski, of State College, and Mr. John A. Holliday, of Queens College, have been chosen as judges for the district music contest for this area. This contest will be held this year in the Lenoir high school auditorium, Lenoir, N. C., on March 27. The Lenoir district is composed of the counties of Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Caldwell, Mitchell, Watauga, Wilkes and Yancey.

This year marks the first district contest to be held since the curtailment of travel because of wartime restrictions. No appreciable changes in contest regulations have been made during that time.

In all contests except band and orchestra, schools will be classified as follows: Class A—High schools having an enrollment of over 600. Class B—High schools having an enrollment of 250 to 600. Class C—High schools having an enrollment under 250.

Honor ratings for contest events will be given by the judges according to this plan: Honor Rating 1, excellent; 2, very good; 3, good; 4, average; 5, below average.

All contestants must be regularly enrolled high school students with passing grades in three or more subjects. Students over 21 years of age are not eligible for competition.

All schools must participate in the district contest to be eligible for the state contest, except for individuals or groups who have won a rating of one in the state regional contest the preceding year.

Only contestants earning a rating 1 in the district contest may enter the state contest. Complete information on contests may be found in the contest bulletin.

Churches Urge UN Avert Another War

Geneva, Switzerland.—The provisional committee of the World Council of Churches issued a message at the close of a week's conference yesterday saying that "man's triumph in the release of atomic energy threatens his destruction."

Representing all church bodies from 32 countries, including three members of the Russian Orthodox Church, the committee has been engaged in preparing for a general assembly in 1948 which will launch a proposed world society of churches. Except for the three Orthodox members all are Protestants.

In its closing resolution the committee said war is the result of human self-will and of men's tragic inability to find the true solution of their conflicts. We pray God that the United Nations will choose their way of life and save future generations from the scourge of war, but the time is short."

World meat production in 1945 was 59.3 billion pounds, a decline of about 6.8 billion pounds from 1944 production.

NOTICE OF SALE OF TIMBER

Under and by virtue of authority contained in Section 169-59 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, and by virtue of a resolution duly passed by the Board of Commissioners of the Town of North Wilkesboro, North Carolina, in regular meeting held on the 5th day of February, 1946, the said Town of North Wilkesboro, North Carolina, will on Saturday, the 16th day of March, 1946, at the front door of the Town Hall in North Wilkesboro, N. C., at 12 o'clock Noon, offer for sale at public auction to highest bidder for cash all the standing timber measuring ten inches in diameter and above, two feet from the ground, growing on the following described tracts of land:

First Tract: Containing 17 acres more or less, known as part of the Hackett Mill Tract, lying on the west side of Reddies River northward from the water plant dam and bounded on the north and east by lands of C. D. Coffey, Jr., and on the south by E. V. Williams, and on the west by the old Jefferson Turnpike, and being part of a tract of land conveyed to the Town of North Wilkesboro by deeds recorded in Book 74, Page 105, in the office of Register of Deeds of Wilkes county.

Second Tract: Containing 13 acres more or less, known as the J. T. Finley, Sr., Tract, lying on the west side of the Reddies River and bounded on the south and west by the lands of J. R. Finley, C. L. Osborne; and on the north by Osborne and on the east by Reddies River, and being Tract No. 2, as shown on the deed recorded in Book 80, Page 573, in the office of the Register of Deeds of Wilkes county.

For more perfect and complete description, see plat of the above described lands on file at the Town Clerk's office in the Town Hall.

A cash deposit of 10 per cent of the amount bid will be required at the conclusion of the sale and the right to reject any and all bids is expressly reserved.

This 12th day of February, 1946. TOWN OF NORTH WILKESBORO, N. C. 3-7T By W. P. Kelly, Town Clerk

CONSERVATION FARMING

Steep hillsides are being prevented from washing entirely by Mr. Tom Stout, of the Millers Creek community. Tom has tied them down to hay crops. He applied 500 pounds of superphosphate per acre on his hay land last year and this past summer was mighty well pleased by the extra number of nice big hay stacks he was able to put up because of this phosphate treatment.

Mr. Cyrus Faw, at Millers Creek, reports that wood shavings have helped him improve land where the top soil was removed for road surfacing. He says nature does a somewhat similar job by using forest litter to build our soils in the first place.

In the Mulberry community, Mr. Charlie B. Hayes is retiring critically steep crop land to hay and pasture. Charlie thus finds himself up alongside the growing number of foresighted farmers

200,000th MAN Gets Discharge

Fort Bragg, N. C., Feb. 23.—S-Sgt. William S. Essick, of Welcome, N. C., was the 200,000th man to be discharged by the Fort Bragg Separation Center and was presented his discharge certificate by Major General Jonathan W. Anderson, Commanding General of Fort Bragg, on Thursday morning.

Sgt. Essick has recently returned from the Pacific Theatre, where he served in New Guinea and the Southern Philippines. He was born in Davidson county and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arlie L. Essick, of Welcome. Prior to

who want to keep steep hill land productive. The Soil Conservation Service is making a complete plan for Charlie.

A World War II veteran of the Reddies River community, Mr. Floyd W. Riggs, is having the Soil Conservation Service to make a complete farm plan of his newly purchased farm. The Soil Conservation Service is glad to help veterans with their farm problems.

As a result of improved highways and motor transportation, attendance at county farm meetings jumped from a total of 12 million annually in 1920 to 46 million in 1940.

entering service Sgt. Essick was affiliated with the Dixie Furniture Co., of Lexington, N. C., and graduated from Welcome high school in 1941.

North Carolina is one of 11 states exempted from the nation's new set-aside program for pork and lard.

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JEFFERSON STANDARD'S 39th ANNUAL STATEMENT

| FINANCIAL STATEMENT • DECEMBER 31, 1945 | | | |
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| ASSETS | LIABILITIES | | |
| Cash | \$ 1,820,826 | Policy Reserves | \$123,474,031 |
| United States Government Bonds | 35,566,252 | This reserve is required by law to assure payment of policy obligations. | |
| State, County and Municipal Bonds | 3,842,440 | Reserve for Policy Claims | 744,729 |
| All Other Bonds | 14,494,209 | Claims in course of settlement on which proofs have not been received | 624,596 |
| Stocks | 14,494,616 | Reserve for Taxes | 624,596 |
| Listed securities carried at market, cost, or call value, whichever is lowest. | | Premiums and Interest Paid in Advance | 2,711,493 |
| First Mortgage Loans | 66,792,718 | Policy Proceeds Left With Company | 12,587,064 |
| Real Estate | 6,807,617 | Dividends for Policyholders | 1,510,619 |
| Loans to Our Policyholders | 10,281,816 | Reserve for All Other Liabilities | 1,125,514 |
| Secured by the cash values of policies. | | Liabilities | \$142,778,046 |
| Premium Loans and Liens | 2,316,658 | Capital | 10,000,000 |
| Secured by the cash values of policies. | | Surplus Un-assigned | 8,500,000 |
| Investment Income in Course of Collection | 1,236,376 | Total Surplus Funds for Additional Protection of Policyholders | 18,500,000 |
| Premiums in Course of Collection | 3,433,992 | Total | \$161,278,046 |
| All Other Assets | 190,526 | | |
| Total Assets | \$161,278,046 | | |

INTEREST EARNINGS AND INTEREST PAYMENT MAINTAINED

★ Jefferson Standard maintained its national leadership in interest earned on invested assets. During the year 5 per cent interest was paid on funds held in trust for policyholders and beneficiaries—this rate has been maintained since the company was organized in 1907.

ASSETS INCREASED SUBSTANTIALLY

★ Assets increased \$18,000,000 for 1945. Total assets are now \$161,000,000. For every \$100 of liabilities there are \$112.96 of assets.

LARGEST CAPITAL AND SURPLUS

★ With a 10 million dollar Capital Stock structure, added to \$8,500,000 Surplus, our company is in the strongest financial position in its history.

YEAR OF RECORD ACHIEVEMENT

★ (1) Largest sales in history—\$70,000,000.
 (2) Largest gain in insurance in force—\$46,500,000.
 (3) \$589,000,000 insurance in force—the greatest on record.

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★ \$7,500,000 in benefits was paid to policyholders and beneficiaries in 1945. Total benefits since organization in 1907—\$151,600,000.

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