

Hunters Start Too Many Fires

Wanahish. — "The several thousand hunters who will take to the field Saturday on the opening day of the 1949 hunting season will create a tremendous hazard to the forests of North Carolina unless each one exercises extreme care to prevent forest fires."

This was the urgent message issued today by Rep. J. V. Whitfield of Pender county, general chairman of the North Carolina Forestry Association's "Keep North Carolina Green" committee.

"Because sportsmen realize the disastrous effect forest fires have on wildlife the majority are extremely cautious, however the minority were, according to records of the N. C. Forest Service, responsible for 157 fires in North Carolina last year which burned 10,000 acres and caused damages amounting to thousands of dollars."

"This was a needless waste of North Carolina's forest resource."

es, and a recurrence can be avoided this year if each hunter will pledge to help "Keep North Carolina Green," Whitfield said. The Keep North Carolina Green Committee is a citizen's organization formed by the North Carolina Forestry Association, with a group in each county working in cooperation with the N. C. Division of Forestry to prevent forest fires through an educational program.

2863 New Churches Formed By Baptists

Nashville, Tenn.—A total of 2863 Southern Baptist churches have been organized since 1940, according to Porter Routh, secretary of the Department of Survey, Statistics, and Information of the Baptist Sunday School Board. Of these, 933 are located in the city, 295 in the towns, 462 in villages, and 1173 in the open country.

In the city, nearly two-thirds of the 933 new churches have fewer than 200 members, but several have more than 1000 members. On the total 933, all have Sunday school organizations, 78.3 per cent have Training Unions, 78.2 per cent have W.M.U. work, and 52.6 per cent have Brotherhoods.

In the towns (501-2500 population), 72.5 per cent of new churches have Training Unions, 63.1 per cent have W.M.U. work, and 20 per cent have Brotherhoods.

In the villages (populated centers with fewer than 500 population), 49.6 per cent of the new churches have Training Unions, 42.9 per cent have W. M. U. organizations, and only 9.9 per cent have Brotherhoods.

Only 6.5 per cent of the open country churches organized since 1940 have Brotherhood organizations; 25.7 per cent have W. M. U. work, and 37.7 per cent have Training Unions. Of the young open country churches, 507 have full-time services, 425 half-time, 229 quarter-time, and 20 have services three times a month.

MASONIC NOTICE

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MORE ABOUT Highways

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Raleigh, October 10.—A \$1,900,000 expenditure on stabilization and some 501.9 miles of hard-surfacing constitute the opening phase of the Eighth Highway Division's bond road program, Highway Commissioner Mark Goforth of Lenoir announced today.

The Commissioner warned that emphasis during the next six months will be strictly on stabilization with paving following next Spring. A large-scale stockpiling of crushed stone is already underway in the Division's 10 Northwest Carolina counties.

"Our first objective is to keep up all school bus routes and other heavily traveled rural roads open this winter," Mr. Goforth said. "Next we want to make sure that all roads eligible for paving under the bond program get proper consideration before final selections are made. We do not expect to make final decisions too far in advance since conditions in our division are constantly changing. A typical example is the recent announcement of the removal of one of the Chatham Manufacturing Company plants from Virginia to North Carolina. This may very well affect our road situation in the Surry County region."

The Commissioner announced the following allotments of money for stabilization and mileage of projects in his 10 counties:

Alleghany — \$150,000, 17.1 miles; Ashe — \$200,000, 14.0 miles; Caldwell — \$225,000, 22.7 miles; Davie — \$125,000, 32.4 miles; Forsyth — \$200,000, 91.6 miles; Stokes — \$200,000, 52.8 miles; Surry — \$250,000, 30.2 miles; Watauga — \$150,000, 20.8 miles; Wilkes — \$250,000, 107.5 miles; and Yadkin, \$150,000, 82.8 miles.

The break-down of bond money in each county will vary considerably, the Commissioner said. In non-mountainous Forsyth County about 80 per cent of the county's share of the first allotment will be spent on stabilization and 70 per cent on paving. At the other extreme mountainous Alleghany county will get as much as 85 per cent of her road stabilized and only about 15 per cent hard-surfaced.

"Some of our mountainous districts prefer crushed stone roads over hard-surfacing since they provide better traction for vehicles under bad weather conditions on the steep grades and curves of the mountain country,"

Mr. Goforth said.

Selection of the first paving projects and plans for the stabilization program were made by Commissioner Goforth and Division Engineer John C. Walker after numerous public meetings in each county and after detailed surveys of all eligible roads in the division. They considered such factors as traffic, population along the roads, school bus and mail routes and roads which have a relationship to the entire county road system.

The program announced makes up roughly one-fourth of the Eighth Division's portion of the \$200,000,000 road bond program.

The stabilization and hard-surfacing summary for the division follows:

County	Mileage	Construction	Stabilization	Forsyth	Stokes
Alleghany	17.1	\$150,000	20.8	250,000	250,000
Ashe	14.0	200,000	107.5	250,000	250,000
Caldwell	22.7	225,000	62.8	150,000	150,000
Davie	32.4	125,000	TOTALS	501.9	\$1,900,000

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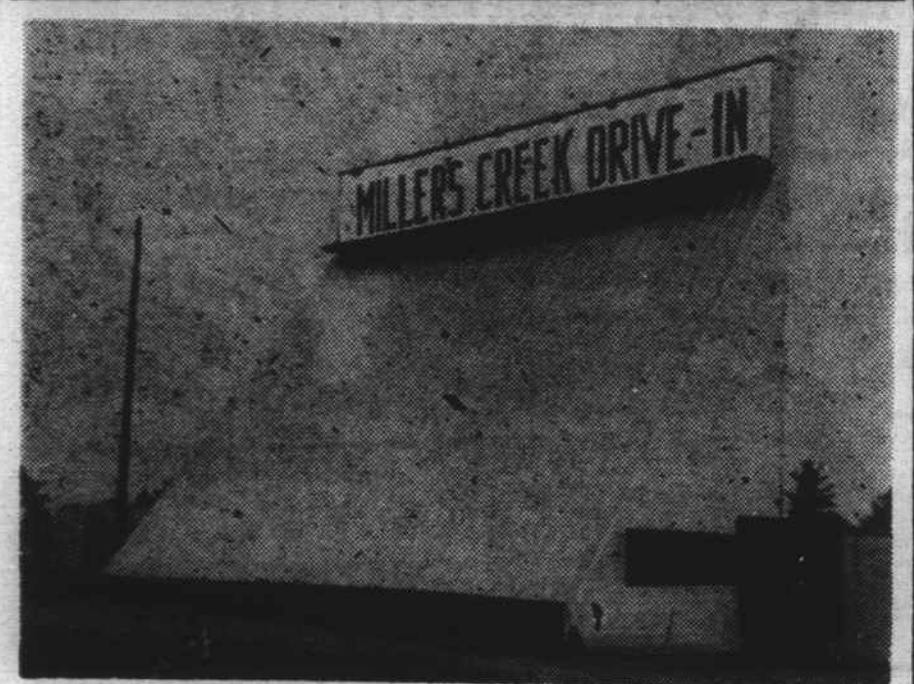
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