

# NEW GAS TAX OF ONE CENT IS EFFECTIVE

A one-cent per gallon tax on gasoline throughout North Carolina began on gas storage as of Saturday night. Sunday North Carolina motorists started paying an additional cent per gallon on the gas-

line they use. Highway patrolmen of this area were busy through last week passing out tax forms and giving instructions on inventory and collection of the extra cent. The Legislature boosted the tax from six to seven cents per gallon to help pay the state's \$200 million secondary road program. Revenue Commissioner Eugene Shaw announced last week that elaborate plans were made to collect the additional tax on gasoline stocks held by whole-

salers, filling stations and consumers who had more than 100 gallons on hand as of midnight Saturday. Dealers gave inventory of the gasoline they had on hand as of December 31 and will pay the additional one-cent tax by January 20. Those who fail to make the inventory and pay the tax by January 20 are subject to a penalty of 25 per cent. Members of the State Highway patrol will assist the Revenue department in checking up on the more than 18,000 dealers in seeing that the inventories are made and supplying forms to filling station operators. Shaw explained that normally the gasoline tax is paid by the oil companies directly to the Department of Revenue either when they bring it into the state or when they remove it from storage. The oil companies, in turn, collect the tax from the user in the form of higher prices. Beginning Sunday, the oil companies simply paid the Department of Revenue seven cents per gallon instead of six cents per gallon. Shaw estimated that there will be several million gallons of gasoline in the hands of wholesalers and filling station operators on which the six cents has been paid and on which the additional one-cent levy will be due. The additional one-cent tax is expected to take in more than \$7 million a year. The law requires that this money be used exclusively for the purpose of repaying the \$200 million the state will borrow for the secondary road program.

### Singing At New Hope Church January 8th

The pastor, Rev. L. M. Lunsford, announces that there will be an old fashioned singing at New Hope church on the "Brushes" Sunday night, Jan. 8th, beginning at 7 o'clock. All choirs, quartets, duets, trios, and soloists are invited to attend and take part in this service. Hampshire hogs are proving to be highly popular with farmers in Vance County.

# Women IN THE CHURCH

"A Friendly Center Club," for men and women sixty years of age and over, has been started at Center Church House, Hartford, Conn. The club meets every Friday afternoon from two to four. Its program of recreation and fellowship is sponsored jointly by the Downtown Inter-Church Committee, the Greater Hartford Council of Churches, and the Welfare Committee of the Hartford Women's Club. Mrs. Noble Lord, of the Center Church of Hartford, is general chairman.

Says the nation's only woman to preside over a federal court—Judge Florence Allen: "As we look out into the world which is fraught with so many tensions balancing uneasily in the peace which is actually called the 'cold war,' we realize that only one mighty force can change the drift toward a new 'Dark Ages,'—an upsurge of Christian faith, vital and actually applied, in every kind of situation, personally, nationally and internationally."

Miss Clementina Butler, founder and chairman during thirty years of the "Committee on Christian Literature for Women and Children on Mission Lands, Inc.," died recently in Boston, Mass., at the age of 88. Miss Butler was the daughter of Dr. William Butler, founder of the Methodist church in India (1857) and in Mexico (1873). Miss Butler was born in Bareilly, India and served with her father and her brother in both India and Mexico; her brother, Dr. John W. Butler, succeeded his father as superintendent of the Mexican mission. The Committee of which Miss Butler was founder is each year one of the principal recipients of the offerings of American church women through the World Day of Prayer.

To help tighten the bonds of cooperation and understanding between West African YWCA's and associations in other parts of

the world, two West African women, one World's YWCA official from Geneva, and another non-African woman are now touring Nigeria, Liberia, the Gold Coast, and Sierra Leone. While they are visiting local YWCA's they are also in touch with educationalists, church

leaders, social workers, trade unionists and government officials exploring the possibilities of expanding YWCA work in West Africa. Exports of wheat and wheat products in 1949-50 will be smaller than in recent years.

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