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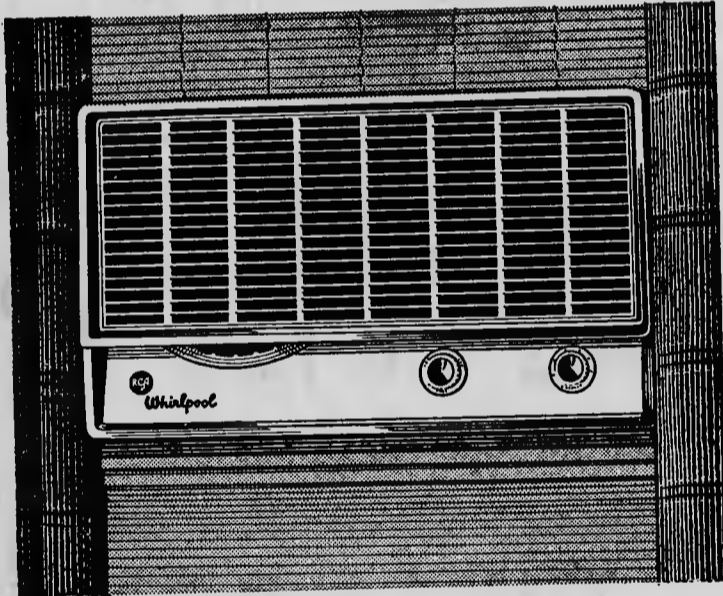
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**Local Police Win Battle Against Loud Car Mufflers**

How loud can an automobile muffler be before it is too loud? That question was the subject of an hour-long trial in Moore Recorder's court Monday afternoon when Southern Pines policemen, admittedly on the war-path against drivers with noisy mufflers, set out to test the statute governing mufflers.

Floyd Uphole, 19, of West End, arrested by local officers about two weeks ago and charged with driving a car with a noisy muffler, contended through his attorney that his muffler was not the "gutted" type. Neither, he said, was it unduly loud.

His attorney, H. F. Seawell, said it certainly couldn't have been any louder than the trains or trucks passing through Southern Pines, or for that matter, many of the police cars.

But the policemen, Sgt. Lamar K. Smith and Robert T. Yonts, said they were acting on orders and they had felt the West End driver was making entirely too much noise.

Solicitor W. Lamont Brown read the statute covering noisy mufflers and suggested a demonstration of the car in question.

Judge J. Vance Rowe called on members of the State Highway Patrol to test the car by driving it around the courthouse.

Following the test ("terribly loud," someone said) Judge Rowe ruled that the car was too noisy and charged the defendant with the costs of the action.

Southern Pines police said they were going to continue arresting drivers who possessed loud mufflers.

"Some of those things make the train sound like a lullaby," they said.

**First Forecast Of PeachCropTermed Encouraging Here**

The first 1956 prepared production forecast is for a crop of 900,000 bushels, according to the North Carolina Crop Reporting Service.

Moore County peach growers, completely wiped out along with other peach growers in the Sandhills last year, cheered the news. Few of them had reported serious damage to their crops caused by the late frosts and other weather damage.

The crop reporting service said it had no reports for individual counties at present, but did say that the crop forecast would be about 58 per cent of the 1945-54 average of 1,559,000 bushels.

Most Moore County growers have said that a 60 per cent crop would help them make up the tremendous losses of last year. Cold weather in March and April caused spotty damage in the county. Some orchards escaped with little or no damage while others had more severe losses.

On the whole, however, Moore County growers said they were happy with the present forecast.

**ROADS AND FATALITIES**

Bad roads were responsible for only 11 of North Carolina's 1,031 fatal auto smashups last year. The State Department of Motor Vehicles' study of accident facts showed defective shoulders caused two fatal accidents, holes in the road one, road under repair four, loose gravel three, and other defects, one. More than half of the fatal accidents occurred on straight, level and dry roadways.

Speeding on U. S. streets and highways injured 702,560 men, women and children.

**Pinehurst Banker Plans To Attend Cruise Convention**

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Creath of Pinehurst will join about 610 other bankers and guests on a seven-day cruise to Havana and Nassau beginning Saturday.

The bankers will be attending the 60th annual convention of the North Carolina Bankers Association.

The cruise will be aboard the "Queen of Bermuda," which will sail from Norfolk Saturday. Mrs. Ivy Baker Priest, Treasurer of the United States, will be principal speaker of the convention.

Mr. Creath is vice-president of the Carolina Bank in Pinehurst.

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**Manchester Road Will Be Closed To Traffic Friday**

Manchester Road, which traverses Fort Bragg, will be closed—for convenience sake—to civilian vehicles Armed Forces Day, Saturday, May 19, officials of the 18th Airborne Corps and Fort Bragg have announced.

The road will be closed off after 8:30 a. m. from Southern Pines and Vass from the west and Pope Air Force Base from the east. Traffic will be turned off on Highway 87 to the entire post for Armed Forces Day "Open House."

Experience has indicated to Fort Bragg officials that even the best traffic control and direction provided within Army regulations cannot eliminate traffic congestions on Manchester Road during the type of "Open House" demonstrations planned.

To further avoid traffic congestion and inconvenience to their guests, Fort Bragg personnel will provide complete on-post transportation, information booths, traffic control points throughout the reservation, and parking lots—complete with attendants—for approximately 1,000 vehicles.

**Cotton, Tobacco Crops Slated To Be Measured Soon**

The Moore County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee will start measuring cotton and tobacco crops on all farms in the county in the very near future, it was announced today by Walter I. Fields, officer manager for the ASC.

Fields said that a sufficient number of measurers is still not available, and requested that anyone interested to contact his office in Carthage at once.

All people chosen for the work will be given necessary training and instructions by members of the ASC staff.

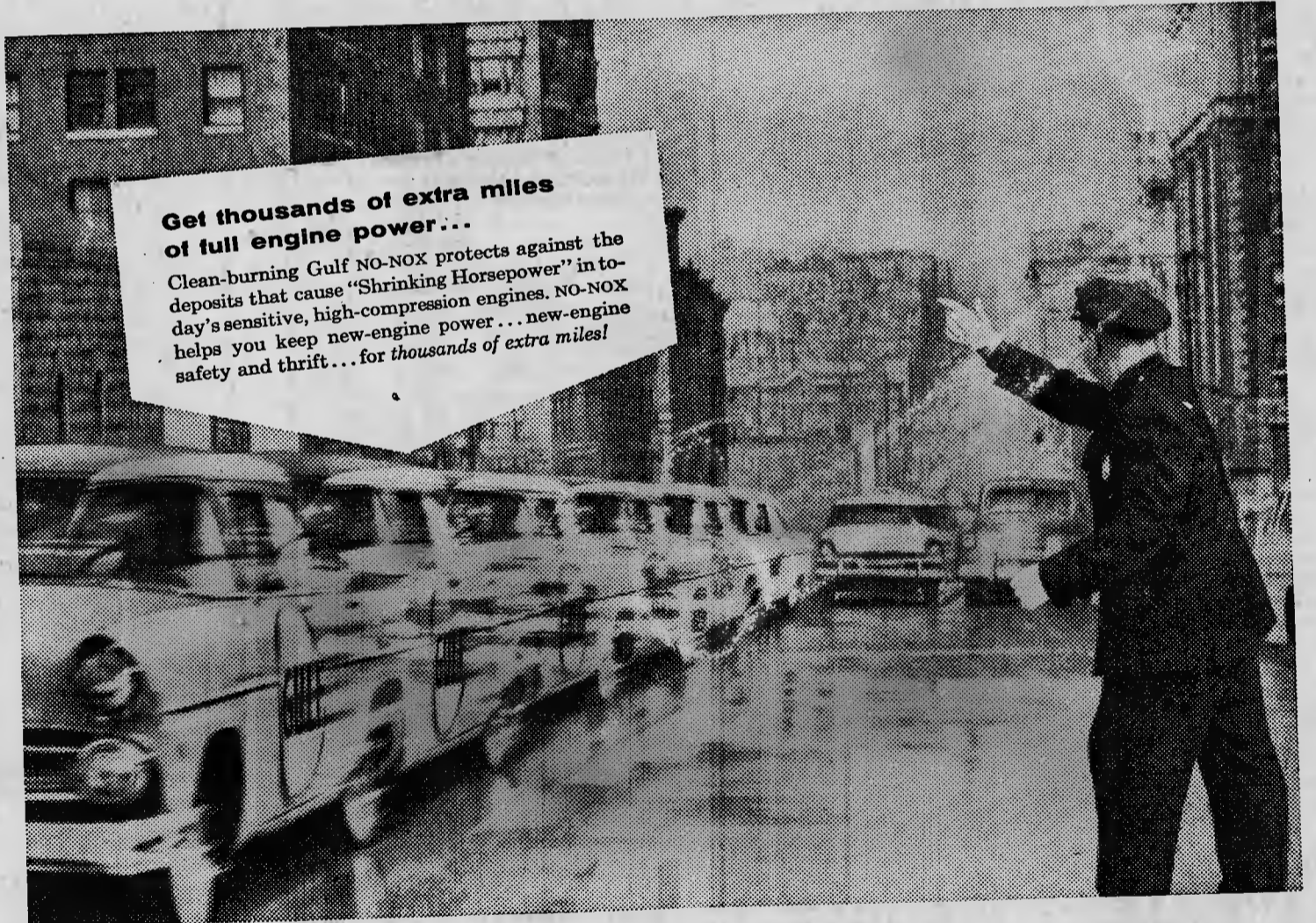
Fields this week also listed the official price of tobacco during the 1955-56 marketing year for the convenience of tobacco growers and the penalty rate on excess planting for the 1956-57 marketing year.

Average price for 1955-56 was 52.7 cents per pound; penalty rate for 1954 was set at 40 cents per pound.

The penalty rate for the 1956 wheat crop has been established at \$1.07 per bushel, Fields said. The rate represents 45 per cent of the parity price of wheat as of May 1.

Stocks of corn on North Carolina farms April 1 were estimated at over 26 million bushels, compared to slightly over 17 million a year ago.

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