

National Income Around 70 Billions

Secretary of Commerce Harry L. Hopkins in a statement reviewing the business upturn of the year, which in all sections of the economy was better than last year, suggested to business that a continuation of the favorable conditions depended upon proper pricing policies and the willingness of business to risk new enterprises.

"During the year 1939 the trend of business was toward higher levels," Mr. Hopkins said. "In all sections of the economy—industry, trade and agriculture—1939 was a better year than 1938.

"The extent of economic improvement during the year may be measured by the department's data on income payments—an inclusive indicator since it measures the flow of purchasing power derived from current productive activity. The estimated total for 1939 is \$70,000,000,000—\$4,000,000,000 more than in 1938, and \$2,000,000,000 less than in 1937. A large part of this increase—\$2,300,000,000—went to labor, through an increase in the number employed and in more regular employment.

"The number of persons employed in the latter part of 1939 was one and one-half million above the total of a year ago.

"Profits increased to a very marked degree, particularly in the late months of the year. This has meant higher dividend payments, as well as larger business savings available for reinvestment.

"Foreign trade in 1939 continued to provide an outlet for a significantly large portion of the produce of farms and factories and was a vital factor in our economy. The value of goods shipped abroad was approximately the same as the total of slightly more than \$3,000,000,000 in 1938.

Martins Returning to The Hardwood Tonite

SKIPPER OF TOBS



Frank Rodgers, skipper of the Wilson Tobs, is signing up a big regiment of rookies for the coming season. He, with Allie Fleming, has signed nine of the boys of the baby classification to date.

Business Charting Becomes Difficult

The charting of any reliable line for foretelling the course of business in 1940 gets more difficult as the year gets into stride and rather widely varying figures come to hand from different sources. About the only point of general agreement is that "before the year is out," we shall see a strong revival of the recovery trend. No one seems willing to "say when," though.

Meanwhile, here are two heartening notes: American women this winter have been buying 25 per cent more fur coats and neckpieces than in the same months of the 1938-39 season—which may indicate there is some good in the "ill winds" that have made things so cold generally this winter, but also reflects greater profits, wider employment, gains in purchasing power. And the latter is also mirrored clearly in a 10 per cent rise in jewelry sales for the final quarter of 1939, since this is an almost 100 per cent luxury field, and is entirely at the mercy of fluctuations in the business cycle.

"While foreign trade may provide a stimulus to our domestic economy in 1940, such prospects must remain highly uncertain under existing circumstances, and the outlook must be appraised largely in the light of domestic conditions."

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BY OPENING A CAN OR TWO I CAN DRESS UP A HOMEY MEAL INTO A REAL COMPANY DINNER IN NO TIME AT ALL!

AND WHERE I TRADE I GET ALL THE VERY FINEST BRANDS OF CANNED FOODS!

Of course she is referring to **M. & W. GROCERY**

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Canadian RUTABAGAS, 3 lb.	10¢	Jumbo Stalk CELERY, 2 for	25¢
Fresh Green CABBAGE, 5 lbs.	25¢	Winesap APPLES, 6 lbs.	25¢

M. & W.
PHONE 22 WILLIAMSTON, N. C.

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W. W. WALTERS, Jamesville, N. C.
E. C. EDMONDSON, Hassell, N. C.

Jamesville Wins Two From Locals

Play Washington Gunners, A Strong Semi-Pro Outfit

The "Martins" came here last night and when they went away Jamesville carried the long scoring ends of a double basketball schedule. Williamston, mightily outclassed in every phase of the game, struggled desperately, but they could not hold a light to the invaders.

Led by Miss Marjorie Martin, the visiting girls romped to a 33-13 victory. The star player was in the game hardly half the time, and had she gone the route the score proportions would possibly have been aggravated.

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Mr. Walker calls attention to the following as highlights of the sixty-ninth annual report:

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The past year witnessed further liberalization of the company's weekly premium policy contracts and the granting of those new benefits to old policy owners without cost.

The Life Insurance Company of Virginia is represented in Williamston by W. G. Peele.

Present Awards To "Modern Pioneers"

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This 13th day of February, 1940.
A. T. PERRY and J. T. MARTIN.

Mrs. R. F. Bullock Died Last Monday

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Funeral services were held from the home Tuesday afternoon at 1:30 with Rev. J. M. Perry, of the local Christian church, officiating. Interment was made in the family cemetery.

Mrs. Bullock is survived by a daughter, Miss Nora Dean Bullock, of Norfolk, and four sons, Lawrence Bullock, of Norfolk; Roy Bullock, of Omaha, Nebraska; Joe Tom and Coy Bullock, of Robersonville.

NOTICE

North Carolina, Martin County. In the Superior Court.

County of Martin Against William Gaynor and wife, Maud Gaynor, Joseph Gaynor, Elsie Maud James, Willie Speller.

The defendants, Joseph Gaynor and Elsie Maud Jones, above named, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Martin County, North Carolina, to foreclose the taxes on land in Martin County in which said defendants have an interest; and the said defendants will further take notice that they are required to appear before L. B. Wynne, Clerk of the Superior Court of Martin County at his office in Williamston, North Carolina, within thirty (30) days after the completion of this service of publication by notice and to answer or demur to the complaint of the plaintiff in this action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This the 14th day of Feb., 1940.
L. B. WYNNE,
Clerk Superior Court of Martin County.

NOTICE OF SALE
By virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain deed of trust executed by G. R. Coburn and wife, Maude Coburn, to the undersigned trustee, and dated the 1st day of April, 1935, and of record in the Book M-3 at page 406 and at the Public Registry of Martin County in quest of the holder of the note of indebtedness thereby secured, default having been made in the payment thereof, I will, on the 1st day of March, 1940, at 12 o'clock noon, at the courthouse door in Martin County offer for sale at public auction for cash the property described in said deed of trust as follows:

Adjoining the lands of J. F. Jackson on the East, adjoining the lands of J. F. Jackson and Mrs. C. C. Bundy on the South, adjoining the Daley Road on the West, and adjoining the Jamesville-Plymouth road on the North. Containing 50 acres, more or less, and being known as the N. T. Coburn Home Place.

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This the 29th day of January, 1940.
W. H. COBURN,
Trustee.

UNSIGNED

According to reliable information received today, Harry "Red" Swain, the hard-working pitcher, has returned his contract to President J. Eason Lilley, unsigned.

With a salary limit staring him in the face, President Lilley is at a loss as to what to do in Red's case. "I am writing him today and trying to explain the situation in the hope that he will reconsider," Mr. Lilley was quoted as saying.

NO CHANGE

President Ray Goodmon advised that the effort of a member of the circuit to secure an eleventh hour reconsideration of the quota of veterans to be carried in 1940 had bumped into a stone wall. Upon request of an undisclosed mogul-Goodmon "polled" the clubs relative to calling another session to consider the proposal, but the replies of other moguls did not warrant calling the meeting.

NO MANAGER YET?

While most Coastal Plain outfits are searching the country-side for new and untried talent, Owner Josiah Exum, of the Snow Hill Billies, is on the scout for a manager. At present he's in Norfolk, interviewing a prospect to skipper his Billies. There have been more than a dozen applications for the job vacated by Peabody Walker and Owner Exum is "weeding 'em out".

NOTICE

North Carolina, Martin County. In the Superior Court.

County of Martin Against Sylvia Rhodes, Mary Stewart, Alice Ormand and husband, W. V. Ormand, Addie Cherry and husband, Offie Cherry, Bertha Davis and husband, George Davis, Harry Mayo and wife, Jessie Mayo, Presley Mayo and wife, Ruth Mayo.

The defendants, Sylvia Rhodes, Mary Stewart, Addie Cherry and husband, Offie Cherry, Bertha Davis and husband, George Davis, Harry Mayo and wife, Jessie Mayo, Presley Mayo and wife, Ruth Mayo, above named, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Martin County, North Carolina, to foreclose the taxes on land in Martin County in which said defendants have an interest; and the said defendants will further take notice that they are required to appear before L. B. Wynne, Clerk of the Superior Court of Martin County at his office in Williamston, North Carolina, within thirty (30) days after the completion of this service of publication by notice and to answer or demur to the complaint of the plaintiff in this action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This the 22nd day of Feb., 1940.
L. B. WYNNE,
Clerk Superior Court of Martin County.

NOTICE

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County of Martin Against Caesar Purvis, Jr., of wife, Purvis, Noah Purvis and wife, Serriusa Purvis, Carrie Purvis Ormand and husband, Goler Ormand, Arthur Purvis, Florence P. Williams and husband, Williams, Nancy P. Peyton and husband, Peyton, Wheeler Purvis, Evie Purvis Davis and husband, Davis.

The defendants, Noah Purvis and wife, Serriusa Purvis, Arthur Purvis, Florence P. Williams and husband, Williams, Nancy P. Peyton and husband, Peyton, Wheeler Purvis, Evie Purvis Davis and husband, Davis, above named, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of

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North Carolina, Martin County. Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain deed of trust executed to the undersigned trustee by P. W. Williams and wife, Ida Williams, on the 16th day of November, 1925, and of record in the Public Registry of Martin County in Book Q-2 at page 444, said deed of trust having been given for the purpose of securing certain notes of even date and tenor therewith, default having been made in the payment of the said notes, and the stipulations contained in said deed of trust not having been complied with, and at the request of the owner of the said notes, the undersigned trustee will, on Thursday, the 7th day of March, 1940, at twelve o'clock noon, in front of the courthouse door in the town of Williamston, offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate, to wit:

Bounded on the North by the lands of Plenny Peel, on the West by the lands of J. G. Stator, on the South by the lands of Simon Lilley, and the Williamston and Washington Road, and on the East by the Williamston and Washington Road, containing 60 acres, more or less, and being known as the P. W. Williams place and being the same land whereon P. W. Williams and wife now live.

This the 5th day of February, 1940.
ELBERT S. PEEL,
Trustee.

NOTICE OF SALE

North Carolina, Martin County. In the Superior Court.

County of Martin vs. J. T. Simpson, James Simpson and wife, Mrs. James Simpson, and Mrs. E. P. Hardison.

Under and by virtue of an order of sale and judgment in the above entitled proceeding made by L. B. Wynne, Clerk of the Superior Court of Martin County, on Monday, the 5th day of February, 1940, the undersigned commissioner will, on Thursday, the 7th day of March, 1940, at twelve o'clock noon, in front of the courthouse door in the town of Williamston, North Carolina, offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate to wit:

Twenty (20) acres of Walton land lying and being in Jamesville Township, beginning at Will Beacham's tract of land, thence going down Lonnie Barber's line to Deep Run Swamp, thence along Deep Run Swamp to Zeb Price's line, thence along Zeb Price's line to Will Beacham's line, thence along Will Beacham's line to the beginning.

This the 5th day of Feb., 1940.
CHAS. H. MANNING,
Commissioner.

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1938 FORD DELUXE COACH	\$475	1938 FORD DELUXE COACH	\$552

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