

Will Make Study of Nutritional Status In North Carolina

Raleigh—North Carolina, through the medium of its State Board of Health, in cooperation with other important agencies, is preparing to take another advanced step, in the field of nutrition, which will include definite action.

The human being—not the rabbit or the guinea pig—will receive the benefits.

The general committee on nutrition met at the call of Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, State health officer, in the new State Laboratory of Hygiene building, and discussed plans for the improvement of the nutritional status of the people of North Carolina.

Cooperating Agencies
The committee, organized on a state-wide basis is composed of key men and women in strategic positions in various agencies through which this important undertaking will be carried out.

Department of Public Instruction, Duke University School of Medicine, Rockefeller Foundation, Department of Public Welfare, Department of Agriculture, Extension Division of State College, North Carolina Medical Society, North Carolina College for Women, University of North Carolina Division of Public Health, State Board of Health.

General Purposes Explained
"The purpose of the study," Dr. Reynolds explained, "is to get an accurate measure of the present nutritional status of selected areas and groups of the population."

Qualitative Food Deficiencies
"In North Carolina, not only poverty, but ignorance, has led to much ill health from food deficiencies and resulting deficiency diseases. It is the qualitative rather than the quantitative element of food that has been overlooked."

State Prisons Have Many Syphilis Cases

Raleigh—Out of 9,533 prisoners in eight camps who were given serological tests for syphilis in a statewide survey conducted cooperatively by the State Board of Health and the North Carolina Highway and Public Works Commission, 2,229, or 23.3 per cent, were found to be syphilitic. The survey was made with the aid of the Reynolds foundation.

The results, announced by Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, State health officer, following conferences with prison officials, showed that 8.5 per cent of all white prisoners and 34.2 per cent of all Negro prisoners reacted positively to the tests. White syphilitics numbered 341, out of a total white population of 4,010, while the total number of Negro syphilitics was 1,888 out of a total Negro prison population of 5,523.

The highest percentage of positive reactions among both whites and Negroes was found in the county units, with a combined population of 5,291. In this group, 248 of the whites reacted positively, this being 9.5 per cent of a total of 2,528, while 1,572 of the 2,763 Negroes, or 53.2 per cent, were syphilitic. The total for this group was 34.3 per cent.

Wheat Price Rise Is Caused By Shortage
The wheat price on the Chicago futures market spurted five cents—the limit allowed—one day last week. The cause was something of a mystery, though some attributed it to reports of a short wheat crop in Argentina. Short crops do that to prices; surpluses do the opposite, of course.

The annual 4-H club camp, to which four delegates from each state are invited, will be held this year in Washington during the week of June 12-19.

Qualitative Food Deficiencies
"Of course, something should be done about it. A statewide plan and program to put to use some of our scientific knowledge of nutrition is urgently called for," and he explained that this is the underlying purpose of the general committee on nutrition which, from now on, he said, will attack this problem from every angle.

Car Operators Are Allowed Deduction In Tax On Income

North Carolina motorists filing Federal income tax returns may deduct money paid out during 1939 as a result of the state's gasoline tax rate of six cents a gallon, Coleman W. Roberts, president of the Carolina Motor Club, declared today.

Every penny paid to the state in the form of registration fees, driver's license fees, personal property and municipal taxes may be deducted by North Carolina motorists. Other deductible items include loss sustained from damage when not covered by insurance and interest on money borrowed for purchase of a car.

Amounts expended as a result of the Federal gasoline tax are not deductible, the motor club official explained, but said that deductions of money paid for state gasoline taxes were permitted in North Carolina as well as amounts paid for such taxes when traveling through all other states with the exception of Alabama, California, Georgia, Mississippi, Nebraska, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Wyoming and Ohio.

Other deductions allowed car owners were listed by Mr. Roberts as follows: Loss sustained by reason of damage to a passenger automobile while being used for pleasure is deductible. The loss, however, must be an actual loss to the person claiming the deduction and not covered by insurance or otherwise compensated.

If a passenger car is used wholly for business purposes, all expenses incident to maintenance, including depreciation, may be deducted. Where the car is used partly for business and partly for pleasure, only a proportionate part of the maintenance and depreciation may be deducted, based on the extent to which the car is used in the taxpayers' pursuit of business.

Loss sustained from the outright sale of an automobile used primarily for business purposes may be deducted, subject to certain limitations contained in section 117 of the Internal Revenue code.

Federal income tax returns must be filed by March 15, according to the motor club president.

Negro Home Agent Reviews Activities

The Negro home agent, Cleopatra A. Tyner, reports an active work schedule for the month of January in the following summary submitted to the county commissioners at their regular February meeting:

Adult Work
In an effort to present home grown cereals to the women of the county, corn meal mush was used. I found many who had never heard of this cereal, a larger number still who did not serve cereals of any kind to children. Almost in every instance I was told that there was no money for anything except the bare necessities of life.

Home Health and Sanitation
So many children were absent after the Christmas holidays due to colds, I felt that pressure should be brought on health conditions in the homes. I found that 50 per cent of the children left home without breakfast, 75 per cent were without overshoes, and careless conditions such as beds being placed in drafty positions, and in many homes I do not see how births, daily living, health or any degree of happiness can ever be. I have tried to have parents know that keeping children warm and keeping them well fed is the secret of good health.

Meat Canning
Women were told at the end of summer that meat could be canned in a similar manner to vegetables. During the present "hog-killing" time calls were too numerous to answer, but I have been able to help a few of them when my other work would permit.

4-H Club Work
I found that about 97 per cent of the girls and boys would like to have cereals for breakfast, about 20 per cent of them enjoy cereals once weekly, and 7 per cent have it two and three times weekly, while the greater number have none at all. Again home grown cereals were

stressed. The making of and serving corn meal mush was given. Although something new to most of them, they expressed appreciation and an appetite for it. In the attempt to serve samples of the mush it was found that many were really hungry. Hot lunches are being served at only two schools of the 14 schools that I visit monthly.

Arts and Crafts
Continued from last month, when demonstrations in making mittens and rugs were given, the following was reported:

73 girls completed mittens from old fabrics; 31 girls had begun to make mittens, 47 girls had started rugs made from old stockings, 11 boys have also started mittens.

Projects
The following have selected projects for the year: 31 girls have selected gardens, 40 girls have selected chickens, 13 girls have selected flowers, 10 girls have selected pigs, 4 girls have selected corn, 1 girl has selected peanuts.

Expense Items For January
One pound sugar, 5 cents, 1-2 peck meal, 15 cents, sixteen 1-2 pints milk, 80 cents, 1 gallon oil, 10 cents, utensils for cooking, \$1.08, 2-burner oil stove, \$7.14, total, \$9.32.

Conetoe Boy Is Champion 4-H Soybean Producer
Roy Dail, of the Conetoe 4-H club has been declared champion soybean producer of Edgecombe County, and for first prize received 1,000 pounds of soybean meal.

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.

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 re-

quired 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.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION
Notice is hereby given that A. T. Perry and J. P. Martin, operating in partnership as Perry and Martin, have this day dissolved the said partnership. Accounts due this firm may be paid to either A. T. Perry or J. P. Martin.

NOTICE
North Carolina, Martin County. In The Superior Court. County of Martin Against Ceasar Purvis, Jr., of wife, Purvis, Noah Purvis and wife, Serrissa 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.

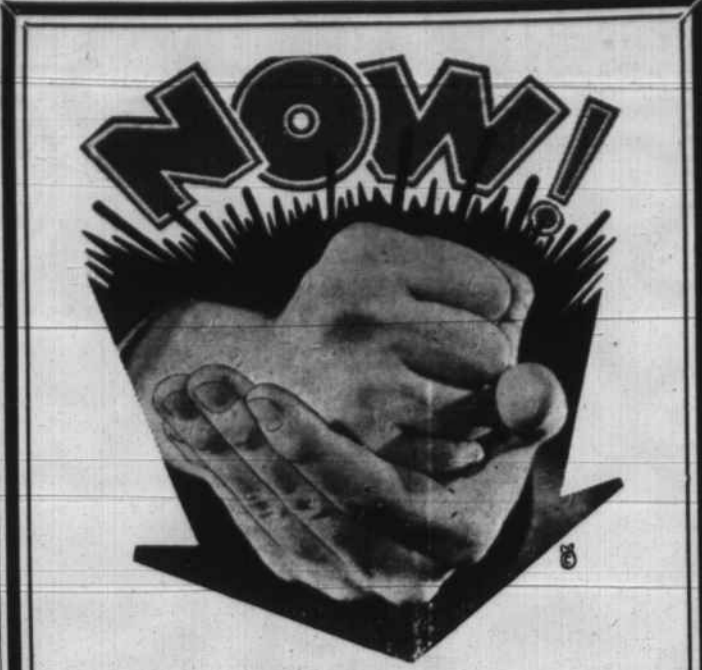
The defendants, Noah Purvis and wife, Serrissa Purvis, Arthur Purvis, Florence P. Williams and husband, Peyton and husband, Peyton, Wheeler Purvis, Evie Purvis Davis and husband, Davis, above named, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Martin County,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

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