January Influenza Deaths Number 224 In North Carolina

Pneumonia Flares Up To Claim An Increased Number of Lives

The influenza epidemic that swept many sections of North Carolina took a toll of 224 lives in January, 1940. it was announced by the State Board of Health this week. This total com-pared with only 53 deaths from this couse reported in January, 1939.

There was also an increase pneumonia deaths in January, the total having been 327 as compared with 315 the corresponding month a year ago, while deaths from pulmonary tuberculosis numbered 155, as compared with 146 the same

Deaths from preventable accidents also took an upward turn as 1940 got underway, the total for January having been 142 as compared with 118 ing been 142 as compared with 119 A warning to North Carolina f a year ago. It was explained by the mers to beware of the home-man curring in 1939 but not reported un-til 1940."

Suicides jumped from 17 in Jan uary, 1939, to 30 in January, 1940, while there was a decrease of one in the number of homicides, the 1940 figure being 29, as compared with 30 for January a year ago

Probably there's no industry about

rolling along near the front of the

milestone year of 1929, with an esti-

PEACE AGREEMENT

A full agreement pointing to-ward peace was reported to have been reached in Moscow this morning. No details of the re-ported agreement were released. but it was believed that the way had been paved for the cessation of hostilities between Russia and Finland.

ties were reported on other war froms. England announced today

Home-made Electric

hat the home-made device which of electricity, is especially tethal.
The recent death of a Wilson

number of maternal deaths this year tion of my department, and that of in January was 33, against 30 the same month in 1939, making the rate for January, 1940, 4.9, compared with 4.7 a year ago.

Service that all electric fences present definite safety problems, but home-made electric fence devices

deaths. The number of babies born charged intermittently, and which in North Carolina in January, 1940, had only a small electric bulb to rewas 6.680, as compared with 6.352 duce the amount of current from a a year ago, an increase of 328.

Allies Concentrate on Cutting Nazi Trade Lines



Germany's greatest war problem is one of supply. Iron, oil and food imports are of vital importance to her. Her iron problem involves Sweden and Norway. Her oil shortage involves Rumania and Russia. Her food needs put Hungary and Rumania on the anxious seat. Italy comes into the picture as a transfer agent of needs put Hungary and Rumania on the anxious seat. Italy comes into the picture as a transfer agent of supplies bound for Germany. Progress of war sees Allies concentrating more and more on cutting the Nazis' import and export lines. (Central Press)

"Spy" Returns



Debarking in Boston from the Excambion, Virginia Davis, 22, reveals that she was jailed for two days in Paris as a spy suspect, after losing her identification card, and when freed was warned to leave the French capital by spring. She is the daughter of Meyer Davis, swing maestro from Philadelphia.

Nazis Extend Front

NORTH

· PARIS

FRANCE

TZERLAND'S

ITALY

Germany is reported extending her Westwall defense line in modified form the entire length of the Belgian and Dutch frontiers to the North Sea. Dotted line indicates old forts. Line of squares indicates the new fortifications, which would serve as hopping-off places if the Lowlands are invaded by the Nazis.

Works for France

Miss Anne Morgan, sister of J. P. Morgan, the noted financier, sailed from New York for Europe to en-

THE RECORD SPEAKS . . .

While 1940 is building up quite in accident record as compared with the early part of 1939, the wrecks are not proving as serious as those of a year ago. However, last week the wrecks ap proached a serious point, but even then the victims came through with their lives. Com-paring the accident records for the tenth week in 1939 and 1940, the latter period is leading 21 to 7 in the number of automobile accidents on Martin County highways, but the record this year shows no serious injured or dead. A year ago, the dead column claimed a highway vic-tim, and a year ago last week a small boy nearly lost his life on Williamston's main street.

A little tot was run over on a local street last year, but fortunately he came through with only minor bruises and cuts. If the car had been speeding, pos-sibly the child would have been killed. The accident clearly shows that it does not pay to speed even if the right-of-way is open and the driver has the

full right to step on the gas.

The following tabulations offer a comparison of the accident trend: first, by corresponding weeks in this year and last and for each year to the present time.

Tenth Week Comparison Accidents Inj'd Killed Dam'ge 1939 Comparison To Date 16 5

B.&L. Associations Set Record In 1939

The building, savings and loan associations of North Carolina made the largest amount of loans during 1939 that they have in the past decade, it was announced by Wheeler Martin, secretary of the Martin County Building and Loan Associa-

These home financing institutions dividuals to purchase, refinance or repair their homes. This record-breaking total No. 1 mule. B. F. Peel, Williamston, represents an increase of more than Route 2. \$3,000,000 over 1938. The largest increase in type of loans was in construction of new homes for which \$10,956,000 was loaned during 1939. During the past year 3,400 homes, to the value of \$5,500,000, were purchased through these local institutions. The balance of \$9,000,000 was loaned for refinancing, repairs, modloaned for refinancing, repairs, modernization and miscellaneous purposes. A combined total increase of over \$10,800,000, by the building and loan and Federal savings and loan associations, which is one of the largest annual gains in the past decade was also predicted by Martin.

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from New York for Europe to engage in relief work as president of the American Friends of France.

Mrested For Alleged
Theft Of Pistol Here

Alphonso Moore, colored, was arrested last week-end for the alleged theft of a pistol and about \$450 in the state of the alleged theft of a pistol and about \$450 in the state of the alleged theft of a pistol and about \$450 in the state of th

theft of a pistol and about \$4.50 in cash from the colored pool room on Washington Street. The pistol, valued at \$30, was recovered. Moore was at one time employed by Bruce Payton, operator of the pool room. He was said to have slipped in the back door and slipped out unnoticed.

Robersonville.

Rober

limit were involved in 796 traffic accidents, 188 of which resulted fatally. In addition, speed too fast for conditions entered into a number of other fatal accidents. It is safe to say that at least one in every four traffic fatalities in North Carolina last year were directly attributable to speeding.
"This most common of all accident

causes must be curbed if our streets and highways are ever to be safe. The Highway Safety Division urges all motorists to cooperate in reduc-ing the great number of deaths caused by speeding and asks all en-forcement officers of the state to wage an unceasing war on speeding

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made, last year, total loans of approximately \$25,600,000 enabling overally ready to be "fed-out" and several gilts bred one time, and a Poland-China male hog half grown. Also a

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Suicide Marks End Of Tragic Life Of Harvey L. Gardner 120-61

(Continued from page one)

and finally his own death.

Harvey Gardner was a good neighbor when sober, thoughtful of others and kind to everyone. He was a

whitley farm near here nearly thirty years ago. Another brother, George, was run down and fatally hurt by an automobile at Sweet Water Creek. The fatal attack on his son followed in 1932 and then his own death. death. The record over a period of years was enough to drive his crazy and to the final tragic act, an acquaintance remarked as news of the

Rumania and Russia. Her food the picture as a transfer agent of the was heard on the streets here Sunday morning.

He was the son of the late Loten and Jane Hopkins Gardner. He was married three times, first to Miss Cecilia Lilley, of Griffins Township, His third wife, formerly Mrs. Lula Johnson Moore, of Poplar Point, survives. No children were born to the third union, but he leaves a son by his first wife, George T. Gardner, of Williamston; and two daughters by his sector of the Highway Safety Division. tor of the Highway Safety Division, ington, and Mrs. R. F. Bennett, of stated recently in discussing the Murfreesboro. He also leaves one problem of speed.

"The 1939 accident record for this state shows." Hocutt said, "that drivers who were exceeding the speed brother, Charles Gardner, of Tarboro, and two sisters, Mrs. Henry Williams and Mrs. Frank Hardison, both of Williams Township.

Funeral services were conducted from the Presbyterian church here esterday afternoon at two o'clock by is pastor, Rev. Z. T. Piephoff. Interthurch yard in Williams Township.

titled action will take notice that this action is one to obtain a divorce a vinculo from him on the ground of two years separation and that he is required to appear and answer the complaint herein filed in the Clerk's Office within thirty days from March 26, 1940, or the relief prayed for in the complaint will be granted.

This the 26th day of Feb., 1940.

L. B. WYNNE, Clerk Superior Court.

H. L. Swain, Attorney for plaintiff. 127-4t

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE North Carolina. Martin County.
Having qualified as administratrix of the estate of C. A. Harrison, deceased, this is to notify all persons having claims against the said estate to exhibit them to the undersigned wihin twelve months from the date of this notice or this notice will be pleaded in bar of any recovery. All

persons indebted to the said estate will please make immediate pay-ment to the undersigned.

This the 19th day of Feb., 1940 MRS. LOSSIE A. HARRISON, Administratrix of the estate of C. A. Harrison, deceased.

NOTICE
North Carolina Martin County. In
The Superior Court.
County of Martin against C. A. Forrester, W. C. Manning, Jr., administrator, Emie Knutti and town of
Williamston.
The defendant, Emie Knutti, above
named will take notice that an ac-

bor when sober, thoughtful of others and kind to everyone. He was a hard worker and accepted fate as it came. It is thought that the act resulting in the death of his son caused him to worry much in late years, that unable to dismiss the tragedy from his mind, it preyed on him more and more as the years past.

His life was pathetic as well as tragic, for he held no malice against anyone and recognized the value of virtue and good citizenship when he was free of liquor.

It just seemed as if tragedy following the family. A brother, Wiley, was shot and fatally wounded on the Whittey farm near here nearly thirty years and Apothers brother.

omplaint.
This the 17th day of Feb., 1940.
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Clerk Superior Court of
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As peace was talked on the Finnish front, increased activi-

that more than three hundred thousand Tommies had been removed to French soil in prepara-tion for any flare-up along the Western Front, and that the eco-nomic blocade for Germany was being tightened.

Wital Statistics Division, however, clearly fence has been issued by Dathat the total "includes deaths occurring in 1939 but not reported unit 1940."

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There was an increase in both in-fant and maternal mortality. Deaths among children under a year old in January, 1940, totaled 453, as compared with 411 the corresponding now being widely used to restrain month in 1939, throwing the month livestock in the State." Prof Weaver ly rate up from 64.7 to 67.8 while the stated "I wish to resterate the posi-

The total number of deaths record are especially dangerous."

ported in January, this year, was the State College man said that 3,382, which was 554 in excess of the Wilson County child died as a the 2,828 reported in January, 1939, result of coming in contact with a a large portion of this increase have home made electric fence, which did ing been reflected in influenza not allow for the fence wire to be

Diphtheria deaths in January.

1940, totaled 27, an increase of 8 reliable companies restrict the over the 19 reported for January, amount of current, and interrupt the 1939, in spite of the State's new law current at regular intervals in order requiring immunization of children that a person or animal may be between the ages of 6 months and a freed from contact with the charged

year and making immunization a wine usually without fatal damage condition for school enrollment. I repeat the warning which we The year started out with 9 drown have frequently issued that an elecngs, compared with 3 the preceding tric fence is extremely dangerous unless it is properly made, correct-Auto Industry Rolls

At Intersections whose "saturation point" the man-in-the-street worries so much about as tion accidents the automobile industry. Yet it keeps Ronald Hocutt, director of the Highway Safety Division, pointed out that

milestone year of 1929, with an esti-mated 285,000 units, 37 per cent above February, 1939, and in sharp reversal of seasonal trend. This is highly encouraging to rubber, glass and 388 at rural intersections in North Carolina. The drivers involv-ed in these accidents were guilty in and steel, too. For instance, autos

narks the first full year in which the new high-test safety plate glass—rules of safe driving, or of failure to rules of safe driving, or of failure to practice common courtesy.

These accidents can be prevented if motorists will only follow the three courtesy.

ter vision glass and lighting, and a consequent reduction in number and visited friends in Newton last week-severity of traffic casualties.

whole business parade. It just had the this type of accident is becoming in-best February since that fabulous creasingly frequent

and steel too For instance, autos take 70 per cent of the plate glass made in this country. This year marks the first full year in which the new high-test safety plate glass—ranked with sealed-beam headlights.

road equipped with life-saving, bet-ter vision glass and lighting, and a

cars. The steady turnover means a C's of safe driving—courtesy, caularger percentage of new cars on the tion and commonsense."

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