

Dairymen In State Get More Than 12 Million For Milk

Milk Products Valued At More Than Cotton Crop Last Year

North Carolina farmers received \$12,630,000 for milk and dairy products during 1939, Frank Parker, federal statistician with the State Department of Agriculture, reported recently.

"Total gross value of all milk and dairy products last year amounted to \$37,540,000, based on a total milk production of one billion, 439 million pounds, he said. Incidentally, the total value of milk exceeded the 1939 cotton and cotton seed crop value by \$11,233,000.

The Federal-State Crop Reporting Service officials listed North Carolina thirteenth among the States in the gross value of milk and dairy products produced.

The 1939 summary reveals that farmers sold 46,047,000 quarts of milk at 11.7 cents per quart for a total of \$5,387,000 while 6,000,000 pounds of butter were sold at 23 cents per pound for a total of \$1,380,000.

Wholesale milk sales totaled 195,000,000 pounds valued at \$2.70 per 100 pounds, or for a total value of \$5,265,000.

Farm families consumed milk and dairy products valued at \$24,910,000, or two-thirds of the total value of dairy products produced.

The 1939 total milk produced was consumed as follows: Fed to calves, 2 per cent; consumed on farm, 33 per cent; used for making butter, 40 per cent; sold to wholesale plants, 18 per cent; retailed by producers, 7 per cent.

BUSINESS FIELD PERSONAGES



Listed among the widely-known business personages in the town and county are Messrs. J. E. Pope, left; J. Eason Lilley, center, and Edwin Peele, right. Mr. Pope has represented the county as commissioner several terms and is a leading figure in the insurance field in this section. Mr. Lilley is known well in several fields, including farming, manufacturing, laundrying and baseball. Possibly more people have come to know him through his association with the "Martins" than in any other of the three fields. Mr. Peele heads the Peele Jewelry firm in Williamston and is one of the town's youngest business men.

NON-FATAL INJURIES

Motor vehicle accidents in this country last year resulted in non-fatal injuries to 1,150,000 persons.

Light cotton canvas or muslin is recommended by the Department of Agriculture as an ideal covering for hot beds, the National Cotton Council reveals. The muslin can be waterproofed by application of a mixture of paraffin, beeswax and benzine.

The average cow in North Carolina last year produced 3,900 pounds of milk compared with 3,880 pounds in 1938.

Cattle Thievery Indicates Trend

The activities of cattle thieves in Alabama has caused the department of agriculture in that state to form an "anti-rustler" division. Though hardly destined to rank in glamour with the vigilantes of other days or with the Texas Rangers, our best wishes ride with its men. Its mere existence proves the importance of the beef cattle industry in the Cotton Belt. In the Upper South, newspaper reports of cattle thefts appear with increasing frequency. Thus, crime points up a trend. —Southern Agriculturist.

PROPERTY DAMAGE

Property damage in 1939 motor vehicle accidents totaled \$750,000,000.

One pedestrian in every seven involved in fatal accidents last year had been drinking.

Three out of every four bicyclists injured last year were violating some traffic law.

About 700 deaths occurred last year in collisions between bicycles and motor vehicles.

Motor vehicle accidents at railroad grade crossings killed 1,197 people in this country last year.

A total of 28,467 drivers' licenses had been revoked by the North Carolina Highway Safety Division through June 30, 1940.

Cigarette Vending Machines Causing A Penny Shortage

Cigarette Vending Machines are being partly blamed for shortage of pennies, especially in the northern part of the State. The retail price of cigarettes in machines is 17 cents in up-state territory, locally 16 cents. In order to obtain a pack of cigarettes, the purchaser puts in two dimes and gets back three cents where the price is 17 cents and four cents where the price is 16 cents per pack. The pennies are enclosed by jobbers inside the Cellophane wrapping of the package. In this connection, we are just in receipt of the idea—how long will the manufacturers stand for this inserting of pennies inside the cellophane. It has taken considerable experimenting and many a good dollar to achieve the present air-tight pack and now comes along an act that practically makes this wrapping useless. Well, we will just wait and see what happens. It has been estimated that when the new tax law went into effect, in Ohio alone it took about \$70,000 in pennies to fill these machines in order to comply with the new tax.

Farmers Are Bulwark In World Democracy

"It may well be that the organized farmers of present day America," said the Dairymen's League News, of New York, recent, "will prove to be the nation's great bulwark in maintaining freedom and democracy for America and the world."

Sad as it may be, the farmer was not recognized until a few years ago by the government.

SCHOOL AIDS

FOUNTAIN SPECIALS

PERFUMES

TOBACCO SPECIALS

BABY NEEDS

ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES

CANDY

PATENT MEDICINES

SICK ROOM NEEDS

We Make Our ICE CREAM

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We are conveniently located to the tobacco market and we invite the farmers to our shop for a refreshing fountain drink. You'll enjoy a delicious serving of our ice cream in a dozen flavors.

You can find your every need in cosmetics, patent medicines, toilet articles and novelties. We also stock fall seed and many other items needed for the household. You'll find our prices lower—service the best.

Farmers and Tobacco Growers Sell Tobacco in Williamston

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