

## Business Shows Big Increase In Purchase

Business may not be "as usual" under such a regime, and a lot of businesses will feel pinches, but there's no denying that, in general, business is good. Data on Christmas week retail sales for the country as a whole indicate that trade may very likely have registered a gain of 50 per cent or more over the same week in 1939. The catch here is that this particular week contained two just-before-Christmas shopping days that on the 1939 calendar, occurred in the previous week. Even so, the whole month of December ran about 11 per cent ahead of December, 1939, which puts it just about even with December of 1929 . . . and considering that prices then were about 20 per cent higher, it appears that, in volume of goods, the recent holiday season was the greatest in the country's history.

## Change Ruling On Federal Incomes

The North Carolina Department of Revenue announced today that all Federal employees residing or domiciled in this State, or assigned to duty here during the year 1940 are liable for income tax to this State and will be required to file returns for the year 1940, for the income received while a resident of this State, according to an opinion rendered by Attorney General McMullan. The liability, it was said, results from the fact that such employees resided or worked in this State during the year 1940.

Last March the department ruled that no returns would be required of Federal employees from other states who were assigned to duty in this State and received salaries in 1939. This ruling was made, it was stated, because Congress had only recently granted the states authority to tax such salaries, and proposals for restricting such authority were understood to be then pending before

## STATE COOPERATES IN NEW SAFETY EFFORT



The dramatic safety appeal shown above will appear on North Carolina highways shortly under the direction of Highway Safety Director Ronald Hocutt. The poster, according to Hocutt, is a plea not only for safe driving, but for equal care on the part of the pedestrians, who made up nearly 40 per cent of the 1940 traffic fatalities in North Carolina. The poster is from a painting by Hayden Hayden, noted American artist, who prepared it as his contribution to the joint safety move.

## Germany Caring For One-Third Of Its Tobacco Needs

The present production of leaf tobacco in Germany, excepting cigar tobacco which is not cultivated to any extent, is stated to cover at least one-third of the domestic demand, according to the Deutsche Tabak Zeitung, of October 9, 1940. The 1939 crop, totaling 11,500,000 German pounds, was not considered large. The 1940 crop, including the production of the reincorporated former Polish districts of Western Prussia and Suwalki, as well as that of Alsace, is estimated at 87,300,000 German pounds, an increase of approximately 22 per cent.

The cultivation of Virginia-type tobacco is reported to have been considerably extended in the old tobacco districts of Central Germany, Franken, Pfalz, and Baden, with the assistance of the Reich Institute for Tobacco Research and large firms in the tobacco trade which provided facilities for blue curing. Districts producing cigar tobacco are now cultivating better grades which are largely supplanting other grades in the districts of Western Prussia and the Rhineland. According to reports, the Kurmark is leading in the production of nicotine-free tobacco.

It is said that blue curing and the cultivation of Virginia-type tobacco do not constitute a problem in former Poland districts. Other grades grown in these districts are unsuitable for German purposes, and their elimination in favor of more useful grades has been successful.

Owing to the small volume of tobacco grown in Austria, there has been no difficulty in adjusting the situation to meet the German demand. Consequently, the first cultivation of American-type tobaccos (Virginia, Kentucky, burley and pryor) has met with success, the area under cultivation in Austrian tobacco districts having been extended to approximately 250 acres during 1940.

committees of Congress. It was said that such proposals were rejected and that the states now have full authority to tax Federal salaries the same as other income.

## Two Varieties of Air Defense



America and North Carolina rely on airplanes for National defense and soil defense. Heavily armed planes such as the giant four-motored "flying fortress" at top are frequently seen flying over the State. They help provide National defense. Thousands of North Carolina farmers, like the two pictured beside the truck, have been supplied aerial photographs of their farms, similar to the one shown here. The Agriculture Adjustment Administration has

made aerial photos of about 40,397 of the 48,740 square miles of agricultural land in North Carolina. Aerial photography in connection with the AAA farm program was started in the State in 1936 and in 1940 performance in the program was checked through aerial photos in 86 counties. As a part of their educational work, county farm agents of the State College Extension Service show farmers how to use the aerial photographs to check their compliance with the program.



## Largest Trees Names for Cherokee Indians

When North Carolina became guardian for the Cherokee Indians, the tribe had no alphabet; and thus there was no written language in common usage among these "Carolina mountaineers." They had no native books or newspapers. These red men were far from being the white man's equal.

About 1821 a new era dawned for the Cherokees. They had been undergoing a slow process of civilization; and now rapid progress was their fortune. A contribution necessary for every advanced civilization was made by a half-breed. This Indian leader, called George Gist (also George Guess) by the white men, invented an alphabet for his native language.

In a short time men who had been illiterate became literate. Newspapers, and books were written in the native language using George Gist's alphabet. A grammar was eventually written and published.

When Cherokee writing was invented, no one knew that today the Old North State would be providing our present educational program in an effort to educate the red mountaineers in the English language. It was a great contribution on the part of the inventor, and was a valuable asset for the tribe which was plodding slowly along the road to civilization as established by the white

race. The largest living monuments in America remind those who pass that way that George Gist's Indian name, Sequoia, is worthy of remembrance, and that his alphabet was a valuable addition to the culture of his people. "Sequoia" was the name adopted by an Italian scientist for the giant redwood trees on the Pacific coast. When these gigantic trees were first discovered, there was a difference of opinion as to what name they should bear.

American botanists considered George Washington America's "biggest" man and used the name "Washingtonians" for the California redwood trees. The British botanists had an equally high esteem for an Englishman of great renown. They called them the "Wellingtonians." Nevertheless, "Sequoia" has survived as the name of those giants of the forest.

Sequoia's mind dwelt upon an old tradition of a lost band of Cherokee, living somewhere in the Far West. With his provisions and papers loaded in an ox-cart, he made several journeys into the West, and was kindly received everywhere, even by the wildest tribes. In 1843 he planned to extend his search into northern Mexico, but, being then an old man, he sank under the effort and died near the village of San Fernando, Mexico. He had carried his Indian name into the West.

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Wednesday-Thursday January 15-16  
"GIVE US WINGS"  
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Friday-Saturday January 17-18  
"TRIPLE JUSTICE"  
with George O'Brien and Virginia Vale

## NOTICE OF SALE

North Carolina, Martin County. In The Superior Court.  
County of Martin vs. Lawrence Knight and others.  
Under and by virtue of an order of sale and judgment made by L. B. Wynne, Clerk of the Superior Court of Martin County, on the 18th day of December, 1940, the undersigned commissioner will, on the 17th day of January, 1941, at twelve o'clock noon, in front of the courthouse door in Martin County, offer for sale to the highest bidder for

cash, the following described tract or parcel of land, to wit:  
Beginning at a white oak on the South side of the road leading from Williamston to Jamesville, thence Southerly along the line of marked trees to a corner, a pine, thence Southerly along the line of marked trees opposite the beginning to a small-pine, thence a straight line to the beginning, containing 25 acres, more or less, and being the old John Cherry home place.  
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ELBERT S. PEEL,  
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# V. G. TAYLOR

ADMINISTRATOR.

## N-O-T-I-C-E!

City license plates are now for sale at the Town Office. All motorists residing in the corporate limits of the Town of Williamston are required by law to purchase and display on their cars these plates at once.

Failure To Do So Is Punishable By Fine

# The Town of Williamston