

Epidemic of Unusual Accidents Noted In This State Recently

Falling Off Or Out of Moving Vehicles Cause of Number of Deaths

An "epidemic" of accidents in which persons have been killed as a result of falling off or out of moving automobiles or trucks on North Carolina streets and highways has been noted in recent weeks, the Highway Safety Division reported this week.

Five such fatalities were recorded in December, and two more during the first two weeks of January.

Reading of the accident reports gives some idea of how these accidents happened. One report said, "Two Negroes were riding between truck and trailer. A hog ran out into rear wheels of truck, causing truck to bounce up, throwing Negro from truck and under wheels of trailer. Killed instantly."

Another report simply said, "Deceased fell out of car when right door came open as car was rounding curve."

In another instance, a boy riding on the back of a truck, fell off while attempting to attract the driver's attention to get him to stop the truck and let him off.

"Such accidents can be eliminated if every driver in North Carolina will refuse to carry any passengers for whom they cannot find a seat inside," said Ronald Hocutt, director of the safety division. "Furthermore, all persons who ride in motor vehicles as passengers should learn that it is dangerous to lean on door handles."

"Falling out of a moving vehicle is sheer carelessness and can be prevented only by the use of a little common sense," he added. "Falling off or being bounced off trucks is an inexcusable type of accident which is primarily up to drivers to control."

"Business As Usual" Sign To Come Down

Looks as though we're rapidly approaching the time when we'll have to take down the "business as usual" sign over the doors of many of our industries. It's been contended for months that Uncle Sam couldn't go into the armament business — for himself and for nations elsewhere that are fighting what is often described as our battles — on the scale that now seems necessary, and still have the time, talent and materials necessary to carry on everything else at normal speed and in normal volume.

Dislocation appears just around the corner, with official acceptance of the above view. And it is beginning to appear, to economists studying the situation with an eye to the future, that along with passing of the "business as usual" status will come, to a noticeable extent, the passing of profits on some usual — that is, peace-time — businesses. Washington economists have arrived at the inescapable conclusion that, for example, if automobile production must be curtailed in order to provide needed steel for armament, other businesses which lean heavily on the auto industry will be greatly affected because of the curtailment of purchases by this top-notch peacetime customer of theirs.

The next question is: Will the defense work make up for the normal business thus shoved aside? Consensus is that, in the over-all picture, it will more than do that; for most companies, such as aircraft, steel, ship-building, copper and aluminum, it assuredly will do so; that for others, notably motors, the answer is "probably", and that for some others like building materials, agriculture, and household appliances, it's "probably not."

Epidemic Of Cold Symptoms

666 Liquid or 666 Tablets with 666 Salve or 666 Nose Drops generally relieves cold symptoms the first day. —Adv.

RAF Pats Baldy for Luck



Two members of the British Royal Air Force pat the bald head of a flight sergeant for luck before taking their plane aloft over the Greek-Italian front, where the RAF apparently has won control of the air.

Dr. Graham Named 'Man Of The Year'

For his leadership in furthering the agricultural research, teaching and extension program of North Carolina State College, Dr. Frank Porter Graham, president of the Greater University of North Carolina was selected by The Progressive Farmer magazine as the "Man of the Year" in service to North Carolina agriculture.

It was the fourth such annual award made by the magazine, and Dr. Graham was the second person connected with N. C. State College to be honored. Dr. I. O. Schaub, dean of the school of agriculture and director of the Extension Service, was named the "Man of the Year" in 1938.

In announcing the selection for 1940, Dr. Clarence Poe, editor of The Progressive Farmer, wrote: "By being head of the Consolidated University of North Carolina... President Frank P. Graham had an opportunity either to greatly discourage and diminish or to greatly encourage and enlarge our own North Carolina agricultural college. Because he was big enough of brain and heart to choose the latter course—we honor him as 1940 'Man of the Year' in service to North Carolina agriculture."

The honor to Dr. Graham is being widely acclaimed on the State College campus. Dr. Graham secured funds in 1940 for greatly enlarging the agricultural research program of State College and for beginning the virtual equivalent of a "Kenan Fund" for getting and keeping the foremost leaders in agricultural research, teaching and extension.

In citing the value of Dr. Graham's contribution, Dr. Poe said: "Towering above all other agencies in promoting American rural progress these last twenty years have been our agricultural colleges — with the so-called 'land-grant colleges' their ever-increasing efficient research, teachings and extension staffs. Dr. Graham decided that State College

must be made, if possible, the South's foremost agricultural and technical institution."

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
In the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of North Carolina, Washington Division.

In Bankruptcy No. 741.
In the Matter of: Hepman Barker, Greenville, N. C. Voluntary Bankrupt.

Notice is hereby given that Monday, March 3, 1941, has been fixed, by order of the Court entered at the first meeting of creditors, as the last day on which objections to the discharge of this bankrupt may be filed.

Such objections are required to be specified, to be verified, to be in duplicate, and to be filed with the undersigned.

WHEELER MARTIN,
U.S. Referee in Bankruptcy,
Williamston, N. C. j17-2t

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 10th day of December, 1940, the under-

signed 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.

This the 16th day of Dec., 1940.
ELBERT S. PEELE,
Commissioner.

NOTICE OF SALE
North Carolina, Martin County. In The Superior Court.

County of Martin vs. Provident Trust Co., of Philadelphia, et als.
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 the 6th day of January, 1941, the undersigned commissioner will, on Saturday, the 8th day of February, 1941, 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:

Lying and being in the county of Martin on the South Side of Roanoke River in Great Pocosin, butted and bounded as follows: Beginning at Samuel Smithwick's corner on the river side where William Gardner lived, running along his line N 68 W 118 poles to his other corner, thence N 86 W 160 poles to his other corner; thence N 84 W 100 poles along the line of Samuel Smithwick's other patent, a corner, then a straight line to the river, so as to include 200 acres, then down the river to the first station, containing 200 acres, this being the same land allotted to Emil Guenther in a judgment of the Federal Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina and recorded in Book W-1, at page 376 in the public registry of Martin County.

This the 6th day of January, 1941.
ELBERT S. PEELE,
Commissioner.

DR. V. H. MEWBORN
OP-TOM-E-TRIST
Please Note Date Changes
Robersonville office, Scott's Jewelry Store, Tuesday, February 11th. Williamston office, Peele's Jewelry Store, every Wed., 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Plymouth office, Womble Drug Store, Every Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Eyes Examined—Glasses Fitted
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Commands Caribbean



Known as a prominent exponent of army mechanization, Lieut. Gen. Daniel van Voorhis is expected to immediately unify defenses under his new post as chief executive of the Caribbean defense zone. The zone includes the Panama Canal, Puerto Rico and new Trinidad bases.

Things To Watch For In The Future

An airplane that is "half automobile," having four wheels, two seats, sedan-like fuselage, and driving "like a car." It's to be priced at \$2,000, may open the skyways to many a well-to-do, but not rich, men. Propeller is behind the sedan-type "body" . . . "Love insurance" policies, taken out through your favorite florist—for a flat fee, the florist takes care of seeing that all loved ones get remembered appropriately, with flowers, on all birthdays, anniversaries, and so forth, for a full year . . . Dry goods stores operated on the super-market principle that has scored so resoundingly in the grocery field.

Reita Theatre—Washington

Monday-Tuesday January 26-27
"MEXICAN SPITFIRE OUT WEST"
with Lupe Velez and Leon Errol

Tuesday DOUBLE FEATURE January 28
"No Place To Go," Dennis Morgan, Gloria Dickson
"Nevada Buckaroo," with Bob Steele

Wednesday-Thursday January 29-30
"ROMANCE OF THE RIO GRANDE"
with Caesar Romero and Patricia Morrison

Friday-Saturday January 31-February 1
"WAGON TRAIN"
with Tim Holt

Survey Shows Need For Lower Taxes

Bozeman, Mont.—Unpaid taxes on Montana property amounting to \$27 million as of June 30, 1939, were twice as large as the delinquency in 1930 and four times that of 1920. A recent study of the Montana Agricultural Experiment Station to determine why delinquency had reached such proportions, the highest of any state except Mississippi, revealed that the primary cause was the heavy tax burden on low-income farm lands.

Three-fourths of Montana revenue is obtained from the general property tax, rather than income or corporation taxes. Moreover, in 1938 farm lands and improvements made up 27.3 per cent of the taxable value of property. This is a 7 per cent increase over the proportion borne by farmers in 1900.

While farmers received in 1936 only 3.7 per cent of the total net income, they paid 13.5 per cent of the total taxes. "Nearly a fourth of the farmers' net incomes was paid out in taxes compared with 3.2 for all employees . . . and 11.3 per cent for all business men," the study finds.

Not only were farmers carrying more than their share of the taxes, but poorer farms were assessed inequitably and carried more than their share of farm taxes. "This situation," states the study, "helps to explain why farm real estate tax delinquency has reached such staggering proportions."

In 1936 the counties owned nearly 3 1/2 million acres of farm land and 4 1/2 million acres more were subject to tax deed. This was more than 64 times the acreage owned in 1925. It is estimated that the farm land owned by county governments in 1940 has increased to 5 1/2 million acres.

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