

Machinery Repair Doubly Important To Cotton Growers

Allocation of Vital Materials For New Implements Lower Than General Average

Raleigh—Immediate repair of farm machinery—a "must" on every farmer's schedule—is doubly important to cotton producers, according to G. Tom Scott, chairman of the State USDA War Board.

Materials for the manufacture of all types of new farm machinery have been restricted to an average of about 83 per cent of the materials used for similar purposes in 1940, Chairman Scott said, while use of materials for repair parts will be permitted at an average rate of about 150 per cent of the 1940 level.

For implements used in the production of cotton, allocations of materials generally have been lower than the average. For example, materials used in the manufacture of a one-horse, single-row combination corn and cotton planter are restricted to 66 per cent of the 1940 level.

This means, he said, that cotton producers, especially, will find new equipment difficult to obtain and that equipment which ordinarily would be discarded in normal times will have to be repaired for use this year.

"By repairing farm machinery, farmers can put more guns into the hands of the armed forces," Scott said. "Every piece of old machinery which substitutes for a new machine this year means a saving of critical materials for new implements of war."

"In the campaign now underway in North Carolina, time is the essential element," he said. "Farmers will do well to take advantage of the quickest and best methods of repairing machinery, especially during the emergency. It is the patriotic duty of every farmer to make whatever machinery he has on the farm last him as long as it will do satisfactory work."

Allocations for essential materials for new machinery, attachments and repair parts ordinarily used in cotton production, expressed in terms of materials used for similar purposes in 1940, follow:

- Group 1: Planting, seeding and fertilizing machinery—from 66 to 83 per cent of 1940 level; attachments and parts 140 per cent.
- Group 2: Plows and lists—from 64 to 82 per cent; attachments and parts 140 per cent.
- Group 3: Harrows, rollers, pulverizers and stalk cutters—from 71 to 89 per cent; attachments and parts 120 per cent.
- Group 4: Cultivators and weeder—from 61 to 74 per cent; attachments and parts 150 per cent.
- Group 5: Tractors—from 59 to 81 per cent; attachments and parts 160 per cent.
- Group 12: Spraying outfits (complete). Division: Sprays—85 to 100 per cent; attachments and parts 140 per cent; division 2: dusters—94 to 103 per cent; attachments and parts 140 per cent.

Traffic Deaths May Set Record In 1941

Safety Leader Calls It Blow At War Program By Killing Workers

American motorists achieved an unenviable all-time high record for traffic fatalities with approximately 40,000 dead in 1941, if unofficial but usually all-too-close advance reports are substantiated by final statistics.

The last high mark in street and highway killings was being up in 1937, with 39,643 dead. Since then, however, marked improvement has resulted from better engineering, more stringent law enforcement and intensified safety education. In 1939 the figures dropped to 32,600, with a slight rise to 34,500 in 1940.

"Now, at the very time we need every ounce of human strength we can muster," grimly declares Julien H. Harvey, managing director of the National Conservation Bureau, accident prevention division of the Association of Casualty and Surety Executives, "we are confronted by a record of preventable automobile killings which probably is unprecedented."

"Consider the effect of this news on our war program. Of the approximately 40,000 killed by motor vehicles last year, no less than 17,000 are estimated to have been occupationally employed. But even that isn't the whole of the bad news. The total loss of man-days of productive work caused by traffic accidents in 1941 was in excess of 150,000,000—enough to build 8,000 heavy bombers or 25 battleships.

"Such waste of human and economic resources would be shameful in a normal year; in time of war it becomes criminal and might prove disastrous. It can be prevented. Few, if any, traffic accidents, can accurately be termed unavoidable. Those due to mechanical failures can be stopped by a little attention to the condition of every car at regular periods. Where road or human factors fail, we might well look to the seat of local government, where the responsibility for maintaining safe roads, licensing physically fit drivers and enforcing the laws is vested.

Displaying Western Hemisphere Solidarity



TO QUE EXISTE, ARRAIGADO NO CORACAO DE TODOS, DAS PRAIAS DO ATLANTICO AS DO PACIFICO, E O SENTIMENTO DA INVIOABILIDADE DO PATRIMONIO CONTINENTAL. Getulio Vargas

This poster showing President Roosevelt and Brazilian President Getulio Vargas was widely displayed throughout South America as a symbol of hemispheric solidarity. The Spanish text is from a speech by Vargas and reads, "Rooted in the heart of all, from the Atlantic shores to the Pacific, there is a feeling of the inviolability of the continental patrimony—Getulio Vargas."

S. S. Brown Passes In Hospital Here Last Sunday Night

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untarily retired. While he greatly valued the political friendships and the religious fellowship through a 35 year membership in the local Baptist Church, Mr. Brown possibly found his greatest pleasure in life as a member and officer of the Skewakey Masonic Lodge. When a young man he was elevated to sublime master Mason by the Grand Lodge. He was master of the local lodge seven terms, and was faithful in its service until the end. Just before his last illness, he visited the lodge alone to look after the plumbing. Late one cold afternoon, it was one of his last earthly acts, an act characterized by its unselfishness and without hope of any reward. He was also active in other fraternal organizations.

Funeral services are being held this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in the local Baptist church on the 51st anniversary of his marriage. The body is lying in state in the church from 1:30 to 3:30 o'clock attended by a guard of honor from the Masonic Lodge. Interment will follow in the local cemetery.

Active pallbearers: E. S. Peel, B. S. Courtney, J. W. Manning, C. B. Clark, J. A. Leggett, Chas. B. Roebuck, J. C. Anderson and H. G. Horton.

Besides his wife, Mr. Brown is survived by six children: Mrs. Mary B. Shufy, Mrs. Sally B. Gurganus and Samuel S. Brown, Jr., all of Norfolk; Mrs. E. L. Lowe, of Gastonia; Mrs. J. Sam Gotsinger and Mrs. John A. Ward, both of Williamston; and the following grandchildren: Mrs. E. A. Harrison, of Plymouth; Benjamin Hopkins, of Suffolk; Conrad Gotsinger and James Willis Ward, both of Williamston; John A. Ward, Jr., of San Juan, Puerto Rico; Miss Shirley Gurganus and Charles Spencer Brown, both of Norfolk; and two great-grandchildren. He also leaves a sister, Mrs. V. C. Langley, of Wilson, and two brothers, Messrs. L. Montford Brown, of Jamesville Township, and Henry Brown of Williamston.

Knitters Urged To Consult Red Cross

Washington, D. C.—In response to numerous inquiries, R. R. Guthrie, chief of the Textiles, Clothing and Leather Goods Branch, has explained the official position of the War Production Board on the question of women knitting sweaters for soldiers and sailors.

The Ninth Week Of The War

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tion of 30 caliber ball ammunition was nearly doubled during the first three weeks of January, 1942, over the corresponding period last year. War Department Production Director Knudsen announced the Chrysler Corporation will construct a \$100,000,000 plant in Chicago to turn out Wright 12-cylinder air-cooled engines.

War Production Chairman Nelson announced adoption of a system of daily progress reports to check production delays "anywhere along the line." He merged priorities and sub-contracting field offices in a new Bureau of Field Operations to provide "faster, more efficient service to business and industry." The WPB asked the typewriter manufacturing industry which produced 1,000,000 machines in 1941 to cut its normal production 25 per cent immediately and convert its facilities to war production.

Central Information Service President Roosevelt directed the United States Information Service to expand its facilities "so that visitors shall have one central place to which they can go for direction and information." The President said because many businessmen and other citizens "are coming to Washington in increasing numbers seeking information and the assistance of their Government... it has become more and more difficult for those coming on specific business to locate the Government official who can give authoritative answers to their questions."

It is now necessary that there be an integration of the various offices having direct contact with the public, and that their activities be coordinated under the direction of a central office.

Civilian Defense The Senate passed and sent to the House a bill to create a \$1,000,000,000 fund to compensate American property owners for war damages. The fund would compensate for losses other than life or personal injury to the extent of \$15,000. OCD Executive Landis announced cities in target areas will not be required to submit requisitions for protective equipment including gas masks and auxiliary fire-fighting equipment to be provided by \$100 million of Federal funds. He said the equipment would be allocated to the various areas according to their likelihood of attack, vulnerability and present equipment. Attorney General Biddle established a special War Frauds Unit within the Department of Justice to prosecute all cases involving frauds in connection with the war effort.

Civilian Supply Price Administrator Henderson announced rationing of new passenger autos to eligible users will not begin before February 28th, and delivery of cars purchased but not delivered before the Government freeze all sales will begin February 12th. The WPB Food Supply Branch asked sugar retailers to take care of small industrial users who have bought sugar from them in the past so they can conduct business on a minimum basis. The OPA Consumer Division said wool products sold during the emergency still must carry a label telling the fiber content of the article.

Prices Price Administrator Henderson set ceiling prices for electric photographs, radios and all tubes and parts at the levels of last October 15th. He also set ceiling prices for washing machines and irons. Wholesale and retail prices were set for passenger autos under the rationing program, including a provision to compensate dealers for storage expenses. The WPA reported that since the beginning of the defense program rents have been increased in 114 of 115 vital defense areas surveyed.

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Infantile Paralysis Campaign in County Has Marked Success

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Oak City Ruritan Club	9.85
Farm Security group	2.95
WPA	10.71
Williamston (general)	41.71
Williamston schools	26.35
Robersonville (general)	27.70
Robersonville schools	8.90
Farm Life school	29.25
Jamesville school	13.61
Bear Grass	14.45
Everetts school	4.35
Gold Point school	2.00
Oak City school	9.00
Hamilton school	13.90
Hassell school	2.80
Colored schools	17.15
Total	\$391.99

Draft Board Will Not Call Married Men At This Time

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Ralph Clayton Mobley, white of Williamston R.F.D., 1-A, subject to physical examination. Thomas Weldon Council, white of Oak City, 1-A. Luther Harris, white of Williamston R.F.D., 1-H to 1-A. Harding Juraze Taylor, colored of Williamston, 1-A. In this case, the board arranged for deferment until the end of the school term. Henry Churchill Harrington, white of Palmyra, R.F.D. 1, 1-A.

Tires Allotted By Rationing Board

Holding their regular meeting here yesterday, the Martin County rationing board allotted thirteen tires and thirteen tubes. Four of the tires and four of the tubes were of the obsolete type and were not charged against the county's February allotment. C. C. Martin, chairman of the board explained.

Tires and tubes were allotted as follows: Julian Fagan, Dardens, two trailer tires and tubes of the obsolete type. Edgar R. Johnson, Robersonville, two tires and tubes of the obsolete type.

H. B. Thompson, Williamston, two tires and tubes for pick-up truck used for transporting ten or more workers to and from work. W. O. Abbott, Williamston, tire and tube for truck used in hauling grain. Wiley Rogerson, Robersonville, two tires and tubes for truck used in hauling gas and oils.

Martin County Transfer Company, Robersonville, four tires and tubes for trucks used in hauling fertilizers and oil products. Two applications, one from Walter C. Lackey, county sanitarian, and one from J. L. Knowles, Dardens farmer, were carried over until the next meeting.

Agriculture Year Books For Schools

Congressman Herbert C. Bonner recently sent to the high school libraries of Martin County a set of Agriculture Yearbooks covering practically the past thirty years. These books contain much valuable information and statistical tables which should be of great benefit to not only the high school students, but also to the general public of the county. The Congressman expressed a desire that the books be properly taken care of and made available to those who desire to use them for reference in the various communities. The schools that have been furnished a set of these valuable publications are as follows: Bear Grass, Everetts, Farm Life, Gold Point, Hamilton, Hassell, Jamesville, Oak City, Robersonville and Williamston.

Japanese Slamming The Pacific Door In Face Of Allies

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A stiffer attitude toward the Vichy government of France was taken by this country today when it was well established that Vichy had been instrumental in getting supplies to the Axis in Africa.

The British and Germans both claim they have attacked and damaged convoys moving through the Mediterranean toward Libya. In the German fighting in Libya is seen a plan by which Hitler could move southward toward the Americas by way of Dakar.

Despite increased resistance the Russians continue their drive against the Germans, late reports stating that 26 more villages had been recaptured and that fighting was in progress along the entire front with marked gains resulting in the south.

While Japan is closing the door in the faces of the Allies in the Far East, this country is busy arguing over pensions for feeble members of Congress. The dancers are still strutting unofficially or with the official blessings of the boondoggles, Miss Sally Rand, the over-publicized fan dancer, stating that she would consider a \$25,000 morale-building job and that she would change her title and stage a "nude deal" dance.

The Normandie, once the pride of the French merchant fleet, "accidentally" caught fire at a New York pier yesterday afternoon and keeled over this morning at 2 o'clock. Sabotage was dismissed, the authorities stating that the fire started from a workman's torch, meaning that only criminal negligence is responsible for the loss of the sixty million dollar liner. Over two thousand men were working on the ship converting it into service as a transport.

85,366 Babies Born In State Last Year

Raleigh—There were 85,366 babies born in North Carolina last year, as compared with 80,971 in 1940, according to figures released Wednesday by the Vital Statistics Division of the State Board of Health. Deaths reported during last year numbered 32,154, which was 53,212 less than the number of births and 40 less than the total number of deaths occurring in 1940.

The 1941 birth rate was 23.6, as compared with 22.7 the previous year; while the death rate dropped from 9.0 to 8.9, the lowest ever recorded in North Carolina. There was a noticeable increase in the number of deaths among babies under a year old, the 1941 total having been 5,073, as compared with 4,676 the preceding year, which raised the rate from 56.3 per one thousand live births to 59.4. Maternal deaths showed a decrease, however, there having been only 354 of these last year, against 438 in 1940, bringing the rate down from 5.3 to 4.1.

Deaths from what the State Board of Health terms preventable accidents numbered 1,862, which was 427 in excess of the number reported in 1940. Added to these were 297 suicides and 382 homicides, swelling the number of violent deaths last year in North Carolina to 2,541.

Deaths from diphtheria during the year dropped from 119 to 89. Figures now are beginning to reflect the compulsory immunization law passed by the 1939 legislature. Pneumonia deaths fell from 2,041 to 1,896, and tuberculosis deaths from 1,782 to 1,769.

There was a pronounced decline in the number of deaths from puerperal (childbirth) septicemia. The total last year was only 53, as compared with 112 in 1940. The decline is attributed by Board of Health physicians to improved methods of treatment.

Moses Roberson Dies Following Long Illness

Moses Roberson, respected colored citizen, died at the home of his son near here last Saturday morning at 6:30 o'clock following a long illness. Roberson, 47 years old, had been in declining health for nearly fifteen years, but was able to be up until about a month ago. He had suffered with a tumor on the spine. Funeral services were conducted at the Black Swamp church near here yesterday afternoon. Interment was in the Tyner Town cemetery.

Conditions Can Cause Cow To "Hold Up" Her Milk

Yes, a cow can hold up her milk, says Prof. Fred M. Haig of the State College Animal Industry Department, but she does not do so willingly. The secretion of milk is an entirely voluntary process. This condition is caused by some unusual conditions around the barn, which causes the cow to become nervous. Excessive noises, barking dogs, unkind treatment, and irregular feeding are almost sure to make a cow "hold up" her milk. Cows handled gently will seldom "hold up" their milk.

ence in the various communities. The schools that have been furnished a set of these valuable publications are as follows: Bear Grass, Everetts, Farm Life, Gold Point, Hamilton, Hassell, Jamesville, Oak City, Robersonville and Williamston. At the same time Mr. Bonner stated that he would take pleasure in sending individual farmers in Martin County copies of Farmers' Bulletins dealing with any particular subject or agricultural problem in which they might be interested.

THE RECORD SPEAKS . . .

During the first six weeks of this year, motorists on Martin County highways are doing no better and possibly no worse in making travel safe. The count stands at 10-all for the six weeks period in 1942 and 1941, with the property loss in this year more than six times greater than in 1941. So far no one has paid with his life in the nation's "march of progress" in transportation.

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.

6th Week Comparison			
Accidents Inj'd Killed Dam'ge			
1942	1	0	\$ 200
1941	4	0	250
Comparison To Date			
1942	10	4	\$2130
1941	10	3	345

Issues Urgent Call For Stenographers

The manager of the Fourth United States Civil Service District announced today that there is a critical shortage of stenographers and indicated that hundreds must be recruited at once for duty in the Government departments in Washington. All who are qualified are urged to apply immediately to the local civil service secretary at the post office in Williamston for full information.

To expedite the filling of existing vacancies, the speed of dictation in the civil service examination for junior stenographer has been reduced from 96 to 80 words per minute, and the local civil service secretary has been authorized to accept applications, examine competitors, and forward the papers to Washington for immediate grading. Those who qualify will be offered immediate employment in Washington at an entrance salary of \$1440 per annum. Applications cannot be accepted from persons under 18 years of age or from persons who are not American citizens.

The district manager stated that a great many stenographers are required by the Government agencies and that he hopes that qualified persons will patriotically volunteer their services so that the war may be brought to a successful conclusion at the earliest date possible.

Fire Victim Aided By Basket Factory Workers

Calling for voluntary contributions, Lucy Hooker collected \$11.65 from workers at the basket factory yesterday for the relief of Dora West, colored woman, whose home and contents were destroyed by fire last Tuesday night.

In isolated naval stations our Navy normally supplies medical services for the entire population.

WE PAY CASH FOR CORN. Williamston Hardware Co. d12-tf

Pharmacy Observes Tenth Anniversary

Opened here by D. R. Davis, the pharmacy bearing his name is observing its tenth anniversary this week. Time slips by in a hurry, but during that period the drug store has filled thousands of prescriptions and served many hundreds of regular patrons.

The owner is receiving congratulations and best wishes for another successful ten years.

In connection with the anniversary observance, the management is boosting Uncle Sam's finances by offering a 25-cent savings stamp with each purchase amounting to as much as \$2.50.

WANTS

BLACK SOW, 250 POUNDS, CAME to my house Monday night. Owner can get same by paying for this ad. Mrs. Willie Ray.

WANTED: TENANT WITH AMPLE help. Good opportunity for hustling party. See T. W. Holliday, Jamesville R.F.D. 1. f10-2t

FOR SALE—ONE 15-30 McCORMICK-Deering tractor, one Oliver Disc, one Novo 3 H.P. double action force pump and engine all geared one unit, one mill house 32x75 feet, galvanized roof, one cast iron frame cut off saw. Luther Hardison, Jamesville, N. C. f10-2t

FOR SALE: ONE LOT 33x250 ON Simmons Avenue. Suitable for large duplex or apartment house. John Wier, Holly Ridge. f10-4t

LOST: BLACK LEATHER POCKETBOOK containing \$28 and letter with owner's name and address. Finder return to Enterprise and receive \$5.00 reward. Mrs. W. J. Smith. f3-4t

FOR QUICK, QUALITY DRY cleaning service, bring your clothes to Pittman's. One day service on any garment. Suits, coats and dresses, 55 cents, cash and carry. 65c delivered. Pittman's Cleaners. f3-4t

WANTED—TWO TENANT FAMILIES, white or colored, to work on farm. Jarven Leggett, Gold Point. f3-4t

CORN WANTED—WE ALWAYS pay top market price. Hardy's Esso Service Station, Highway 64, near fair grounds. Williamston. f3-4t

BABY CHICKS—N. C. AND STATE approved from day olds to three weeks old, of extra fine quality, from as good blood lines as there is in the State. See us before you buy. Phone 603-J, Sullivan Hatchery, Williamston, N. C. f3-4t

FOR SALE—ONE SUPER-HATCHERY electric incubator, 1200-egg capacity. Nine trays. Can set one or more trays at the time. J. F. Weaver. f6-2t

FOR SALE—BILLY GOAT AND cart. Cart in good condition. Asa Rogers, R.F.D. 2. f6-2t

THIS WEEK MARKS OUR

10th Anniversary

We sincerely appreciate the business and good will extended us during our 10 years in Williamston. We shall endeavor to merit your continued patronage by rendering a dependable and pleasing service.

WE ANNOUNCE A 10th Anniversary Offer of

FREE!

25c

BIRTHDAY SPECIAL

Defense Stamps

We Offer Free, One 25c Defense Stamp With Every \$2.50 Cash Purchase . . .

Wed. - Thurs. - Friday - Saturday

Of This Week — (Tobacco and Candy Excepted)

Make up a list of Drug Store Needs and earn Defense Saving Stamps this easy way.

Davis Pharmacy

WILLIAMSTON, N. C.