

### Upward Trend In Births Reported in State Recently

#### Noticeable Drop in the Infant Mortality Rate Reported For Last January

Raleigh — The upward trend in North Carolina births, which has gained in momentum with the progress of World War No. 2, continued unabated in January, 1942, the second month of America's actual participation in hostilities. Last month, according to official figures compiled by the State Board of Health's Division of Vital Statistics, there were 7,162 babies born in this State, as compared with 6,071 in January, 1941, a gain of 1,091, or 18 per cent, for this one month.

Births for the calendar year of 1941 totaled 85,366, which was 4,395 in excess of the number reported in 1940. Only two months, January and November, showed a decline under the previous year. During the remaining ten months substantial gains were reported. A decline in deaths has accompanied the sustained gain in births.

An encouraging feature of the January, 1942, report, the first issued during the present calendar year, was the decline reflected in the infant mortality rate, which dropped from 68.7 in January a year ago to 60.7 last month, a decrease of eight points, while the downward trend in the maternal death rate continued. Although there were 7,162 live births reported in the State last month, there were only 30 maternal deaths, as compared with 32 during the corresponding month a year ago, the monthly rate having dropped from 5.3 to 4.2. There were no deaths from puerperal septicemia. Four such deaths occurred in January, 1941, and 53 during last year, but this figure was decidedly lower than the 1940

### Average Labor Income Shows Large Increase

An analysis of records submitted by Henderson County demonstration farmers showed that the average labor income for 1941 was \$760 as compared with \$402 in 1936.

total, which was 112. This marked decline is attributed by physicians to new methods of treatment, which has proved highly successful.

With 1,862 chalked up in 1941, deaths from preventable accidents continued to mount with the advent of 1942, the number reported in January having been 167, as compared with 149 in January, 1941, which ushered in a year marked by an all-time high.

While vital statistics for a month, a year or even two or three years, cannot be taken as absolute, it is pointed out by public health officials, yet these reflect trends; and, during the war period, these trends are being studied closely for danger signals.

As yet, there have been no signs of any epidemics in North Carolina, but carefully-laid plans to prevent these are under consideration by the State Board of Health and, in due time, these will be officially announced.

Last month reflected a sustained downward trend in the number of pneumonia deaths, with a total of 225, as compared with 262 the corresponding month a year ago, while suicides dropped from 18 in January, 1941, to 14 last month.

The January, 1942, homicide toll in North Carolina was 21, against 30 during January, 1941, while there were 7 fatalities resulting from airplane accidents, as compared with none in January, 1941, and only 12 for the entire year. There were 14 in 1940.

Six persons were drowned in North Carolina last month against 2 in January, 1941. The number of influenza deaths dropped from 147 in January, 1941, to 38 in January, 1942.

### British Parachute Troops Raid French Coast



C. P. Radphoto

British parachutists and heavily armed infantry carried out a successful surprise invasion 100 miles across the English Channel, raiding the German radio station at Bruneval, near Le Havre, France. British soldiers are shown searching the Nazis for hidden articles of military value. It was a combined Army, Navy and Air Force operation. This picture was flashed by radio from London to New York.

### Koreans Seek to Join Pact



Formal application of the Korean Provisional Government requesting that it become a party to the Declaration of United Nations has been endorsed by the Korean Liberty conference being held at Washington, D. C. Above, a few of the fairer Koreans as they appeared at the conference on anniversary of the 1919 Declaration of Korean Independence. (Central Press)

### Interesting Bits of Agricultural News

#### Cheese

A new method of cheese-making developed at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute cuts the customary time in half and has been selling at a premium on the market.

#### Cotton

Domestic cotton consumption established a new daily record in November, and consumption may go even higher in the next few months if labor and equipment are available.

#### Conserve

Farmers, dairymen, stockyard operators and livestock producers have been asked by the U. S. Department of Agriculture to make special efforts to conserve baling wire.

#### Protection

Vast strides made since World War I have caused forest lands of the United States to be better defended against fire than ever before, reports the U. S. Forest Service.

### John Paul Jones



Another John Paul Jones fights for American liberty one hundred and sixty-six years after his famous ancestor made American naval history. This one is a lieutenant on duty at the Corpus Christi Naval Air Station where he is shown atop a flying boat. His brother, a naval reserve flier, was killed in the Philippines. (Central Press)

### IN MEMORIAM

In memory of Orice M. Hardison. Little Orice, you've left this world of strife,

To enter that home of eternal life; You were so friendly and always bright, Love had made your little heart right.

Your dear, sweet voice has now been stilled, And your place can ne'er been filled; Your loved ones here will strive to gain, That home with you where angels sing.

Jesus called you to His haven of rest, To be with Him forever blest; Where there's no sorrow, grief or pain,

And no one there seeks wealth or fame.

May Jesus fill our hearts with grace And prepare us for that heavenly place; Renew our faith from day to day, And help us walk the narrow way.

Show us our need of daily prayer, That we must ask Jesus our burdens to share; And may we reach that golden shore Where we shall meet to part no more. By Mrs. Arthur Hardison, Plymouth, N. C.

**NOTICE OF RE-SALE**  
North Carolina, Martin County. Whereas, the undersigned, acting as Substituted Trustee in a certain deed of trust executed by Edgar M. Long, and recorded in Book B-3 at page 277, in the Office of the Register

to the undersigned from the Superior Court of Martin County in the above entitled action, and by virtue of an order of the Clerk of Superior Court of Martin County of even date herewith, directing the undersigned to re-sell the property hereinafter described by reason of a raise in the bid in a former sale. I will on Monday, April 6, 1942, at twelve o'clock Noon, at the Courthouse Door of said County, sell to the highest bidder for cash to satisfy said execution, all of the right, title and interest which the said Major Latham, deceased, had in the following described real estate, to-wit:

Eleven (11) acres of land adjoining the S. R. Mobley Farm on the old Williamston-Greenville Road in Williamston Township, Martin County, and being the same lands deeded to Major Latham by J. L. Bailey and wife by deed of record in Book KKK, at page 557 of the Martin County Public Registry and being known as the Major Latham Home Place.

This the 28th day of Feb., 1942.  
C. B. ROEBUCK,  
Sheriff.

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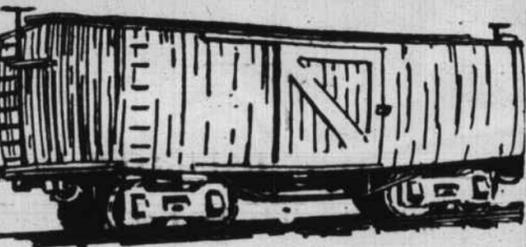
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# MARTIN County Commissioners



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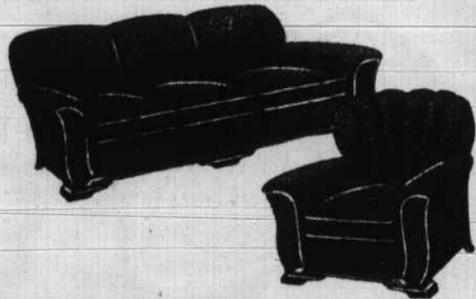
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