

### Martin's Ace Producer Growing "VICTORIOUS" Victory Garden . . .



Always on the alert to branch out into new fields of endeavor, yours truly grasped the Victory Garden idea with a great interest. Upon arriving at the decision to "farm" on a minor scale, I selected a fine plot in the backyard—full of stubborn wire grass that persists in living where everything else dies.

Upon having the tract plowed up and fertilized in proper manner by a veteran, I went to work sowing the seed. Right then my trouble began, for I had a helper, in fact several, who followed along the row behind me. As I would drop the seed in the hole, these kind sparrows would swoop down and gobble it up before I could cover it up.

After the sowing was finished in a crude fashion, I called in a number of "experts"—you know, office workers, electrical salesmen, and others who didn't know anything about gardening either—and some said I had the rows too high while others said the rows were too low; several voiced the opinion that I should have sown the pre-mature vegetables in exactly the opposite manner, although the directions were plainly printed on each package.

Now, despite the fact that the product has come out of the ground although the stray dogs have romped and played on top of the rows, I entertain great doubt that the stalks will bear as the large wharf rats stage a rally and feast every night at my expense nibbling off what leaves have appeared and keeping the growth from advancing too rapidly. Great friends, those rodents!

Have you ever tried to raise a garden in your backyard? By all means, you should do so before you die. You learn so much about the weather. Until I undertook my latest venture, I never knew what okra looked like when it was growing—and still don't. I'm waiting for the

rats to get filled up so I can see what I planted where, but it looks like a lost cause. And rain, I don't think we'll ever have any more. My deepest sympathy to the tillers of the soil—they have to pray for rain to keep their crops from drying up and then when it does rain they wash away—so I was told.

You know, I tried all last year to get the grass growing on the same spot that I am "farming" this year. Well, last year, nothing would come up, and this year nothing but grass is coming up. I hardly know what to do about it. Maybe I am Martin County's Ace Producer after all! Anybody who can plant beans and corn and get grass is nothing short of a magician.

### Highway Group Ships Much Junk

Raleigh—Almost five million pounds of unclassified junk including worn out autos and road equipment had already been shipped to steel mills, April 15th, N. C. State Highway and Public Works engineers report.

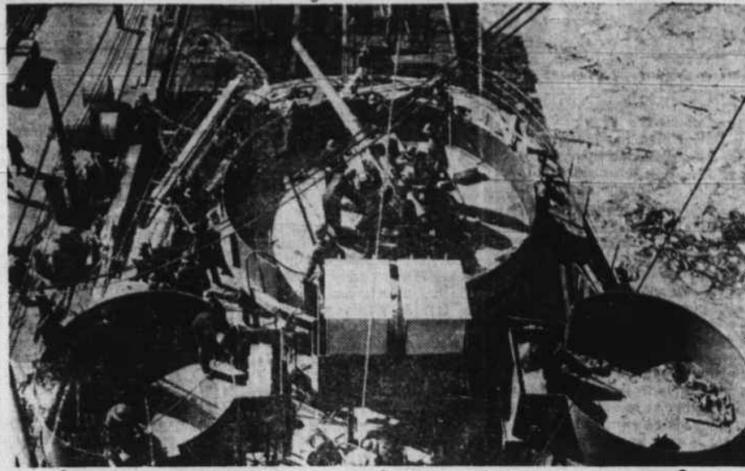
Equipment engineer, S. C. Austin, reports that 3,552,756 pounds of old equipment has already been shipped to northern mills and estimates that 500,000 more pounds is on hand awaiting shipment.

Bridge maintenance engineer, C. B. Taylor, says he has shipped 15 carloads of junk steel estimated to weigh around one million pounds. Some of this latter steel was that recovered from bridges washed out during the 1940 flood.

### Demonstration Farmer Increases His Income

Since becoming a demonstration farmer in 1936, Wiley Perry of the Beaver Dam township in Watauga County has increased his income by \$800 annually while expenses have increased only about \$300.

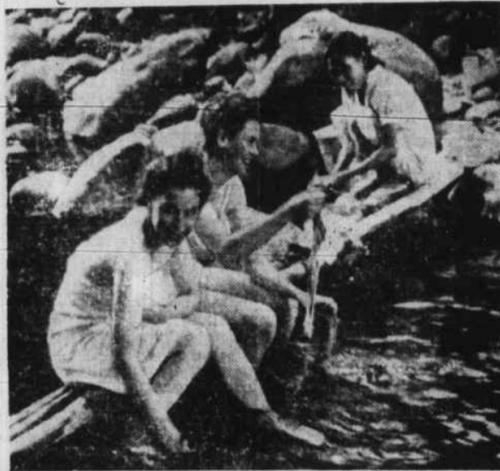
### Self Defense for a U. S. Merchant Ship



Offical U. S. Navy Photo

A merchant vessel in a U. S. port undergoes some repairs—repairs that mean trouble for Axis subs. Workmen put finishing touches on a big gun and carefully check it, for the lives of many men may be lost if the gun does not work at its efficient best. (Central Press)

### Time Out for a Swim



This small river, flowing near Hospital No. 2 on Bataan Peninsula, provided bathing and laundry facilities for the entire hospital staff. U. S. Army nurses are shown bathing in late afternoon. Hospital No. 2, hacked out of the jungle, was completely open air, with accommodations for more than 2,000. (Central Press)

### Rules of the Road . . .

#### RIGHT OF WAY

Section 117, Motor Vehicle Laws of North Carolina:—(a) When two vehicles approach or enter an intersection or junction at approximately the same time, the driver of the vehicle on the left shall yield the right of way to the vehicle on the right except as otherwise provided in section 118.

(Section 119 makes an exception to the right of way rule in the case of police and fire department vehicles, and to ambulances when the latter are operated on official business and the drivers thereof sound by audible signal by bell, siren, or exhaust whistle.)

(b) The driver of a vehicle approaching but not having entered an intersection and/or junction shall yield the right of way to a vehicle within such intersection and turning therein to the left across the line of travel of such first mentioned vehicle: Provided, the driver of the vehicle turning left has given a plainly visible signal of intention to turn as required in section 116.

(c) The driver of any vehicle upon a highway within a business or residence district shall yield the right of way to a pedestrian crossing such highway within any clearly marked cross walk or any regular pedestrian crossing included in the prolongation of the lateral boundary lines of the adjacent sidewalk at the end of a block, except at intersections where the movement of traffic is being regulated by traffic officers or traffic direction devices.

In other words, drivers are required by law to yield the right of way to the man on the right except in the case of (1) drivers already in the intersection and properly signalling for a left turn, (2) pedestrians making a proper crossing, and (3) fire and police department vehicles and ambulances on official business.

### Traffic Volume In This State Declines

Raleigh, N. C.—"Magic-eye" traffic counters placed at strategic points along North Carolina's highways by the statistics and planning division of the State Highway and Public Works Commission are showing that motor travel is dropping off considerably as compared with the same spot of road a year ago.

Averaging findings of locations on 25 state system highways shows a decrease in traffic for this past March of 16.1 per cent over the same month in 1941. During February the decrease was only 9.3 per cent as compared with February, 1941.

These traffic counts are for the rural area and James S. Burch, Statistics and Planning Engineer for the Highway Commission, believes urban traffic decrease is slightly higher. Burch also said that "from information we have it is believed county roads are off more than main highways." However, Burch pointed out no actual count had been made on the secondary roads.

Some highways in defense areas show an increase in travel such as US 301 south of Halifax, US 70 west of New Bern which showed a 23.2 per cent increase and 56.7 per cent increase respectively during February which is according to Burch indicative of the construction of new camps and army convoys.

One of the largest decreases in traffic is on US 1 north of Raleigh where a 20.6 per cent decrease was registered in February and a 21.4 per cent decrease in March over the same months of 1941. Burch suggests that this decrease is caused primarily by the decrease in tourist travel.

Estimating just how much more travel will decrease by 1943 is about like estimating when the present war will end.

### Commission Enlists In Defense Effort

Raleigh—Highway Commission Chairman Ben Prince has pledged cooperation of 7500 highway employees and approximately 6,000 pieces of construction equipment, automobiles and trucks to aid in demolition and evacuation work should a war emergency arise.

"It will be the policy of the N. C. State Highway Commission that its employees shall assist in any way possible in demolition, evacuation or any other emergency work caused by bombardment or other overt acts of the enemy," Prince said.

Division engineers have been instructed to report to their local defense committees in the various counties and cities in their respective districts and offer cooperation of men and equipment available. Engineers have been urged to place their organizations on a war time basis so that men and equipment will be ready at moment's notice should an emergency arise.

Distinction has been drawn between ordinary emergencies and emergencies caused by acts of war by the enemy.

### Saw Mother Die



Little Miriam Etter, 3, plays with a doll at Lewes, Del., after arrival there aboard a navy rescue boat. She was adrift in an open boat for thirteen days. The child saw her mother die in the lifeboat just one hour before a U. S. patrol plane sighted the eleven castaways.

#### IN MEMORY

In memory of our dear mother, who was called away April 24, 1941, and was buried on her 80th birthday.

Just one year ago today Dearest mother, as the sun was sinking low,

I looked in your darling face And saw that you must go.

You were so kind looking and true And always lent a helping hand to everyone you knew;

So I am sure that I am not the only one

That will always miss you since you're gone.

I miss you at church, dear mother, I miss you at home

But still I know you are so happy with loved ones gone on before;

In that heavenly home where parting will be no more.

I don't know when the Lord will call But I hope I will be ready to go

And join you and all The loved ones gone on before.

So sleep on dear mother, I still can see your sweet face

When you crossed over the river In that happy, happy place.

She died in the arms of Jesus, And the Lord does what is right,

And I hope to meet you dear mother, Who left us one year ago tonight.

Written by a loving daughter, Mrs. W. A. Manning.

#### Progress

Because of advances in poultry research, commercial hatchery developments, better management, and improvement programs, seven hens now lay as many eggs as nine did in 1909.

### WPB Ruling Affects Highway Building

Raleigh—Blanket ruling by the War Production Board limiting construction of any type above \$5,000 applies to building of roads and structures by the State Highway and Public Works Commission.

Though specific ruling on the highway problem has not as yet been received by Chairman L. B. Price of the Highway Commission letter of the blanket order is being adhered to.

"Under the War Production ruling no project can be started costing \$5,000 or more unless it has a preference rating or we receive permission for its construction," Prince said.

The order says a project cannot be considered started unless "ground had been broken."

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain Deed of Trust executed to the undersigned Trustee by Mingo E. Rogers and wife, dated the 8th day of March, 1941, of record in the Register of Deeds Office Martin County in Book B-4, page 69, to secure certain notes of even date therewith, and the stipulations in said Deed of Trust not have been complied with, and at the request of the holder of said bonds, the undersigned Trustee will, on the 11th day of May, 1942, at 12 o'clock, Noon, in front of the Courthouse

door Martin County, offer for sale to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described real estate:

Bounded on the North by the lands of B. F. Perry, on the East by the lands of Noah Slade, on the South by the Wild Cat Road, and on the West by the G. W. Blount lands, being the same land described in a conveyance from W. H. Rogers and wife to the Farmers & Merchants Bank, registered in Book DD, page 14 of the Martin County Registry, known as the "Askew Place", containing 180 acres, more or less. This 8th day of April, 1942.  
HERBERT O. PEELE, Trustee.  
B. A. Critecher, Atty. a10-4t

#### EXECUTOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as Executor of the Estate of F. L. Haislip, late of Martin County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased, to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 26th day of March, 1942, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to the said estate will please make immediate payment.

This the 26th day of March, 1942.  
Wachovia Bank & Trust Co., Executor, Estate of F. L. Haislip, m31-6t. Deceased, Hamilton, N. C. E. S. Pool, Atty.

**NEURALGIA**  
Capudine acts fast because it's liquid; relieving pains of neuralgia quickly, pleasantly. Soothes upset nerves. Use only as directed. All drug stores. 10c, 30c, 60c bottles.  
**Liquid CAPUDINE**

#### AVOID TAX PENALTY

## INCREASE!

### Beginning May 1 A 4% Tax Penalty

Will Be Added To All Tax Accounts Due

Town of Williamston

PAY YOUR TAXES NOW AND SAVE THE  
ADDITIONAL 1 PER CENT PENALTY  
ADDED ON MAY 1st.

## THE TOWN OF WILLIAMSTON

#### STATEMENT OF CONDITION

## Guaranty Bank & Trust Co.

WILLIAMSTON, NORTH CAROLINA

April 4, 1942.

#### RESOURCES

Cash and In Banks	\$ 5,348,664.05
U. S. Bonds	730,577.37
N. C. Bonds	202,374.95
Municipal Bonds	824,828.58

Total Cash and Marketable Bonds	\$ 7,106,444.95
Other Bonds and Stocks	40,630.00
Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures (Net)	161,741.58
Other Real Estate	1.00
Bond Income Earned But Not Collected	11,214.77
Loans and Discounts	3,295,770.61

Total Resources \$10,615,802.91

#### LIABILITIES

Capital Stock—Common	\$ 300,000.00
Capital Stock—Preferred	160,000.00
Surplus	250,000.00
Undivided Profits	46,727.36
Unearned Interest	33,906.23
Reserve—Interest, Taxes, Insurance, etc.	87,809.80
Reserve—Preferred Stock Retirement Fund	30,000.00
Reserve—Dividends Payable in Com. or Pfd. Stock	68,000.00
Deposits	9,639,359.52

\$10,615,802.91

Total Resources Call Report April 4, 1941	\$ 8,413,777.53
Total Resources Call Report April 4, 1942	\$10,615,802.91
Increase	\$ 2,202,024.38

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## Absentee Voting BY MEMBERS OF THE U. S. Armed Forces

In accordance with Chapter 346, North Carolina Public Laws for 1941, notice is hereby given that, "Any qualified voter entitled to vote in the primary of any political party, who, on the date of such primary, is in the military, naval or other armed forces of the United States may vote in the primary of the party of his affiliation . . ."

Notice is also given that the absentee voter may apply direct or through his wife, brother, sister, parent or child to the chairman of the county board of elections for an official primary ballot, the application to show the precinct in which the applicant is registered and entitled to vote and the company or other armed unit of which the applicant is a member.

As soon as possible after application is received, official ballots will be mailed to the designated parties. It is pointed out that applications should be made immediately so as to provide ample time for the ballots to clear the mail before the primary on May 30, 1942.

Application blanks may be had from the undersigned or at the office of County Tax Collector in the Martin County Courthouse, Williamston, North Carolina.

## Sylvester Peel,

Chairman, Martin County Board of Elections  
R. F. D. 1, WILLIAMSTON, N. C.