

Daily Absences From Schools in North Carolina Total 11,124,000 During 1951-52

According to the January issue of State School Facts, the 877,906 children in average daily membership during the school year 1951-52 were absent from schools, 11,124,000 days. The average daily absences for the year totaled 61,800. An average of seven per cent of all boys and girls were absent daily.

Absenteeism was greatest among Negro schools, the percentage being 8.8 or a total of 23,000 daily. For whites the percentage of absenteeism was 6.3 or an average of 38,800 daily.

This 1951-52 record was better than a number of preceding years during the past twenty, but not as good as it was in 1950-51, which was the best considering both races. The percentage for the white race, however, was best in 1941-42 when it stood at 5.3.

City vs. Rural

Absenteeism among city children is less than it is among children attending county or rural schools. Total daily absences, white and Negro, among county units was 47,226. This represented 7.5 per cent of the average daily membership.

Among the 72 city units, on the other hand, the percentage of daily absenteeism was 5.8, representing a total average daily absence of 14,574 boys and girls.

Considered in terms of days absent the entire school year of 180 days, there were 8,500,890 absences by children enrolled in county schools and 2,623,320 absences by those enrolled in city schools. Or another way, the 250,689 children in average daily membership in city schools, constituting 28.6 per cent of the total State average daily membership, were responsible for 23.6 per cent of the total State absences.

Some units had a lower percentage of absences than others. Among county units the range among white children was from 3.8 per cent in Dare County to 10.8 in Robeson (which includes Indians), or to Graham with 10.6 per cent. An average of 29,142 white children from county units were absent each day.

Among Negro schools absenteeism ranged from 1.0 per cent in Jackson (only 105 pupils in average daily membership) to 20.0 per cent in Nash. A 10 per cent average is noted for Negro schools in the county units. An average of 18,084 Negro pupils were absent each day.

Absenteeism among city school children, as stated, was not as great as among those from county units. Percentage of absences ranged among the 72 units from 3.7 in Burlington to 9.4 in Murphy in the case of white children. Average in these units for white children was 5.6 per cent, or an average of 9,658 daily.

Absenteeism for Negro children attending school in city units ranged from 1.7 per cent in Thomasville to 18.5 per cent in Laurinburg. And the average for all 71 units in which there are Negro schools was 6.2 per cent, an average of 4,916 absences per day.

Twenty-eight county and 34 city units had the services of attendance workers during the year for which this discussion is concerned. The attainment of regular school attendance is one of the duties of such workers.

In the 62 units having attendance workers the per cent of absences was 6.2; in the 110 units not having attendance workers the per cent of absences was 7.7. Thus there were 1.5 per cent fewer absences in units employing attendance workers than in those not employing such workers. In terms of totals this means that there would have been 7,227 fewer daily absences, yearly total of 1,200,860, if units not having attendance workers had the same percentage of absences as those units which employed attendance workers. Among the units the percentages were as follows:

- 28 county units employing attendance workers 6.9%
- 72 county units not employing attendance workers 8.1%
- 34 city units employing attendance workers 5.7%
- 36 city units not employing attendance workers 8.0%

Negro Home Nursing Started Last Monday

A home nursing school for Negroes started in Perquimans County Monday, January 25. Schedules for the schools are as follows:

Hertford Elementary School—1:20-3:30 P. M. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Bay Branch—Community Building, Tuesday and Thursday at 1:30-3:30. Mrs. E. Lilly's home, Helvidere—Wednesday and Friday at 1:30-3:30 P. M.

The instructors for the schools are Mrs. Della Harvey, Mrs. Marion Frierson, assisting by Mrs. William Mac Riddick and Mrs. Eva Hurdle, assisting by Mrs. Emily Lilly, Mrs. Catherine Muse, State Representative for the American Red Cross, is assisting the instructors with the schools. The enrollment for the schools consists of 35 members. The members will be given instructions on the following information on caring for the sick in the home.

Causes and symptoms of illness, the patient in the bed, home nursing procedure, making a newspaper bag, taking the temperature, pulse and respiration, changing bed, and feeding.

Miss Lane Sets Feb. 14th As Wedding Day

Miss Nonie Lou Lane, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Lane, has chosen Sunday, February 14, as the date of her marriage to Sgt. Elmer J. Roberson, USA. The ceremony will take place at five o'clock in the afternoon at Epworth Methodist Church, in Winfall.

Miss Lane will have as her matron of honor Mrs. Joe Busik of Point Pleasant, Pa., and the bridesmaids will be Mrs. Emmett Eason of Newport News, Va., and Miss Geraldine Gregory of Hampton, Va. Sgt. Roberson will have as his best man, Sgt. Joseph Bobby of New York. Ushers will be Carlis Roberson and Jack Robertson, both of Hertford.

No invitations are being sent. The public is invited to attend the ceremony.

port for the bed patient, making substitute equipment, giving bath in bed and urinal for the bed patient, giving care to the mouth, hair, food and nutrition, home emergencies, feeding the helpless patient, giving medicine, giving an enema, hot applications, cold applications, inhalations and throat irritations.

Any person interested in the home nursing school is requested to see the Home Demonstration Agent, Mrs. M. B. Taylor.

Do You Remember?

BY J. P. PERRY

Good morning, Mr. and Mrs. White! How about taking a trip with me this morning, December 16, 1953. We are leaving Shell Lake Motor Court for a visit with Gene in Coronado, Calif. Leaving early before sunrise so as to go as far as we can today—We stop for breakfast at Brinkley, Ark., the next town is Devil's Bluff at 7:45 and 3 or 4 more towns before we reach Little Rock (Route 72); on this trip we pass several big rice elevators—shipping many carloads of rice; and then cotton fields—just a few days before Christmas, but we saw quite a few people picking cotton. Arrive in Little Rock at 9:20 and stop for coffee. On the outskirts of the city we begin to see liquor store advertising. Pretty sunshine and mild weather. Red Clay farms, and wide open country, rolling and sparsely settled. Reach Conway 10:10—Here we see the Rock Island and Frisco Railroad—Russellville 11:20 (mountain passage); cross the Arkansas River and Boston Mountains come into view; Paris, Arkansas 11:55 and then several more towns—Arrive in Fort Smith 12:45—Population 47,942. This is an important livestock market, one of the largest in the Southwest, erected in 1923 to protect settlers from the Indians. The Arkansas-Oklahoma Rodeo is held here annually. We enter the State of Oklahoma at 1 o'clock and pass through these towns: Sasilaw, Cheenotah, Henrietta, Okemah, Prague, Meeker, Harrah, Choctaw and reach Oklahoma City at 5:00. We drove to the "Huckins" Hotel where I stopped in 1908. Visited there for a few minutes and met Mr. Huckins the owner. He told me he was there just two years earlier (1906)—It was then (1908) a city of 40,000 and now it has a population of 240,000. (So Mr. Huckins said)—we leave the hotel, continue for a short while and stop for the night at Boyer Hotel Court. This is the center of two of the largest oil fields in the world—2,000 in and near the city. Hope to see you next week.

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LIBRARY NEWS

The Perquimans County Library has recently received as gifts, valuable additions to the religious reference shelf in the form of "The Dictionary of Christ and the Gospels" in two volumes and a translation of the "New Testament from the Aramaic." These are gifts that any religious library would prize and the Perquimans County Library is very fortunate in having them.

New novels in the library this week are "The Swift Seasons," a novel that has been very favorably reviewed by critics and should be well received. The other is "The Spare Room" by Nella Gardner White, one of this library's most popular fiction writers, and this is reputedly one of her best stories.

Two new juveniles are by Haywood, the author of the popular "Betty Books." These two are "The Mixed Up Twins" and "Eddie and Gardenia."

HOSTESS TO BRIDGE CLUB

Miss Mae Wood Winslow was hostess to her bridge club Thursday night at her home on Market Street. Those enjoying the evening were Mesdames W. H. Hardcastle, S. P. Jessup, C. A. Davenport, J. R. Futrell, H. A. Whitely, Trim Wilson, J. H. Newbold, and Clyde McCallum. The high score prize went to Mrs. Newbold. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

BRIDGE CLUB MEETS

Mrs. T. L. Jessup was hostess to

her bridge club Tuesday night at the home of Mrs. H. C. Stokes. Those playing were Mesdames C. M. Williford, C. R. Holmes, W. G. Barbee, J. T. Biggers, C. E. Johnson, H. C. Stokes, T. L. Jessup and M. R. Campbell. The high score prize went to Mrs. Williford. A sweet course was served.

Farm Bureau Views

By Joshua Sutton
Farmers of Perquimans County had opportunity to hear Farm Bureau leaders and enjoy good entertainment. In the past few months many farm

ers of the county have expressed the desire that the county Farm Bureau hold countywide meetings so that the membership might become better informed as to what their organization is doing. Such a meeting was held at the Perquimans County High School on Thursday, January 21st at which time Will Rogers, Director of Organization for the North Carolina Farm Bureau and John E. Jones, manager of the North Carolina Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company urged the farmers of the Albemarle to enlarge their membership and above all give the members of the Farm Bureau a chance to become better informed.

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LEGS Lb. 73¢
WINGS Lb. 39¢
BACKS and NECKS ... Lb. 15¢

Fancy Seafood
BREADED FANTAIL SHRIMP 10-oz. Pkg. 65¢
FANCY SHRIMP Lb. 79¢
DRESSED WHITING .. Lb. 15¢
PERCH FILLETS Lb. 39¢

Chef's Pride Salads
DEVELOPED CRABS 3 For 55¢
BAKED BEANS with BACON 16-oz. Pkg. 29¢
BAKED MACARONI with CHEESE 16-oz. Pkg. 29¢
POTATO SALAD 16-oz. Pkg. 33¢

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LB. 85¢ REGULAR OR DRIP

SPECIAL LOW PRICE—REDGATE CUT
GREEN BEANS . . . 2 No. 303 Cans 25¢
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TOILET TISSUE . . . 2 Rolls 23¢

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TENDER DELICIOUS—BRANDYWINE
Mushroom Buttons . . . 1-oz. Can 23¢
PURE FRESHLY GROUND
McCormick Cinnamon 1 1/2-oz. Pkg. 13¢
READY TO COOK—GORTON'S
Flounder Fillets Lb. 59¢
MINUTE MAID FROZEN CONCENTRATED
Orange Juice 2 1/2-oz. Cans 35¢
SEABROOK FARMS FROZEN
Green Lima Beans 16-oz. Pkg. 25¢
DELICIOUS DESSERT TOPPING
Riches Whip Topping 1-oz. Can 45¢

EVAPORATED
PET MILK
4 Tall Cans 57¢

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ALL PRICES IN THIS AD EFFECTIVE THRU SATURDAY NIGHT, JANUARY 30th.

OVEN BARBECUED CHICKEN

1 3/4-2 1/4 lb. Natur-Tender frying chicken, disjointed
2/3 cup CB catsup
Seasoned flour
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon pepper
1 1/2 teaspoons paprika
1 1/2 teaspoons sugar
1/2 cup water
2 tablespoons finely chopped onion
2 tablespoons lemon juice or vinegar
1 1/2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce
2 tablespoons butter or margarine

Coat chicken with the seasoned flour. Brown the pieces in at least 1/4 inch layer of shortening in a heavy skillet. Place golden brown chicken one layer deep in a shallow baking pan. To make the sauce, combine salt, pepper, paprika and sugar. Add garlic, catsup, onion and water. Heat to boiling. Remove from heat, add remaining ingredients; mix well. Spoon sauce over chicken. Bake, uncovered, in a moderate oven, 350 degrees, until chicken is tender, 80 to 40 minutes. Turn once so pieces are well coated with the sauce.

For specific recipes, home-making or feeding information, contact Nancy Carter, Director of Home Economics, Colonial Stores, Inc., P. O. Box 1822, Atlanta, Ga.