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### Personal Income High

The Department of Commerce reported a few days ago that the total personal income in the United States for the first seven months of 1964 was slightly higher than that in the same period of 1963. Government figures showed the annual rate averaged \$285,600,000,000 in the first seven months of this year compared with \$285,400,000,000 in the same seven months of 1963.

Economy experts who are convinced that a business pickup is in the cards this fall look to a 1964 personal income that the figure could top the 1963 figure record. It is estimated by some experts by over \$1,000,000,000, if business does improve in the late months of this year.

The personal income total in the United States is an important gauge of the economic trend and cannot be discounted as insignificant. The latest Government study is encouraging even though the total personal income for July this year was lower than that of July, 1963. Income is still relatively high, and prosperity in the nation is still high. If the majority of experts is right, and business improves this fall, there is no doubt but that a new personal income record will be set in 1964.

### Wars On Moonshiners

Internal Revenue agents are now conducting a wide spread campaign against the financiers of the moonshine industry. It is understood that Virginia is the test area for the current drive.

The idea behind the Internal Revenue offensive is to nab those who usually realize most of the profits from moonshining but who take a few risks in the actual operations. The State of Virginia was chosen because it is one of fourteen Southern states in which Internal Revenue agents estimate ninety per cent of Federal alcohol tax violations occur.

If successful, the current drive will be extended throughout the South, and into New York, Pennsylvania and New Jersey—where the biggest illegal stills on record have cropped up in recent years. Internal Revenue agents are tackling the job as a "conspiracy" in which financiers are operating quietly, but very profitably, behind the scenes to keep the moonshine industry going.

We applaud the effort—the first major effort of its kind we know of—in view of the obvious fact that the financiers have gotten off too lightly in their moonshining deals in past years. This should be a warning to all those engaged in the moonshining business.

### New Look At Stockpile

A subcommittee of the Senate Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs reported recently that the United States' system of stockpiling critical raw materials might be the wrong approach to preparedness. The 415-page report represents an intensive study of the problem, and includes letters from such experts as former President Herbert Hoover.

The hearings were carried on over a ten-month period, and at least 350 witnesses were heard, mostly distinguished engineers, military authorities and other experts. One of the main contentions of the study is that the United States—by building up stockpiles of critical raw materials—tends to retard the development of synthetic industries and new industries which could produce these materials. The report concludes that if this country is caught in a major war without facilities to produce critical materials in the Western Hemisphere, the result might be as bad as not having an adequate stockpile.

The new theory on national defense and critical materials is sound. As we have pointed out in the case of decentralization of U. S. industry (little of which is being done), we believe this Government should take quick action to develop facilities to synthetically produce critical materials which must be brought from distant lands, and to explore fully the raw material resources of this hemisphere.

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT NICKELS FOR KNOW HOW ELECTION

Question: What is Nickels for Know-How?

Answer: It is a program by which farm people contribute to agricultural research and education a nickel per ton of feed and fertilizer they buy.

Question: Why is there such a program?

Answer: By the fall of 1960, North Carolina farm leaders recognized that state, federal and private contributions were not adequate to support agricultural research and educational needs of the state. It was accepted as fact that an increased research and educational program was the way to improve the state's low per capita farm income and solve many mounting farm problems. These leaders asked the 1961 Legislature for an enabling act to hold a referendum in which farm people would decide whether or not to participate in the Nickels program. The Legislature gave the State Board of Agriculture authority to call for such a vote every three years upon petition of the governing boards of the N. C. Agricultural Foundation, the N. C. Farm Bureau and the State Grange, which was accomplished in 1961 and again earlier this year.

Question: When was the first vote held?

Answer: November 3, 1951.

Question: What was the question put before the voters?

Answer: Are you for or against "adding 5 cents to the price of feed and fertilizer for a period of three years for supplementing an expanding agricultural research and educational program in North Carolina?" This is substantially the same question that will be asked again this year.

Question: What was the result of the first vote?

Answer: 68,283 in favor of Nickels for Know-How; 7,088 against.

Question: Will a simple majority continue the Nickels' program?

Answer: No, two-thirds of those voting must approve, or Nickels for Know-How will end.

Question: When is this year's Nickels for Know-How referendum?

Answer: Friday, October 15, 1964.

Question: Who can vote?

Answer: Any person engaged in the production of farm commodities who uses feed or fertilizer, including husbands or wives of such individuals.

Question: Can Future Farmers, 4-H Club members and other farm youths vote?

Answer: Yes, if they are engaged in the production of farm commodities and use feed or fertilizer.

Question: How much will Nickels for Know-How cost me?

Answer: Most farmers pay about 30 cents a year. Larger users of feed and fertilizer, of course, pay more. Actually, the money is an investment that shows every chance of returning incredible dividends.

Question: Is it true that I can get a refund on money I pay into Nickels for Know-How?

Answer: Yes. One of the reasons for Nickels for Know-How is to give the farmer a more active participation in the research and education that is of the most benefit to him. There is no desire to force anyone into unwilling participation. Anyone dissatisfied with his assessment can de-

mand of and receive from the treasurer of the N. C. Agricultural Foundation a refund within 30 days after the assessment is collected.

Question: How much money has been collected under Nickels for Know-How?

Answer: \$342,472.10, through the first quarter of 1964, the most recent figure available. All of the money has been allocated for Nickels for Know-How projects, plus a normal contingency fund.

Question: How much are the Nickels for Know-How projects costing?

Answer: The 38 projects now in progress require yearly allocations of \$143,940, the approximate amount of annual Nickels' contributions.

Question: Who collects Nickels for Know-How funds?

Answer: The assessment is added to the wholesale price of fertilizer and feed. The manufacturer turns the assessment over to the State Commissioner of Agriculture, who remits the money to the treasurer of the North Carolina Agricultural Foundation. The Department of Agriculture handles audit and other collection matters without charge.

Question: Who decides how the money will be used?

Answer: The Agricultural Foundation, whose membership includes leading farmers, legislators and representatives of farm organizations. The Foundation was organized in 1944 at State College to solicit and administer private funds for the support of research and education.

Question: Who will conduct the election October 15, 1964?

Answer: The State Farm Bureau, Agricultural Foundation and local farm leadership. Local committees will hold the polling places.



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### To Prepare Now For Next Summer's Heat

Forewarned is forearmed, so the saying goes. And homeowners can get ready this fall to beat next summer's heat before it begins.

Now is the time to take down canvas awnings and store them away for the winter, the National Cotton Council advises. Smart homeowners, who want to save time and trouble later on, will see that their awnings are put away in tip top shape.

If awnings have weathered several seasons, the frames may need recovering with bright new canvas. There is no need to wait until next spring to have this job done, the Council points out.

Homeowners can order canvas now from a wide selection of patterns and colors and have their awnings fabricated this fall. Then they can sit back and relax, confident that they can beat Old Sol to the draw when summer returns.

**Proper Storage and Care**  
With proper storage and care, canvas will last about five years and can be replaced on old frames for half the original installation cost. This means homeowners can enjoy a colorful change at regular intervals and at no greater expense than maintaining so-called permanent awnings, according to the Council.

Awnings in good condition should receive careful attention before storage to insure a well-dressed comfortable home for the next sunny season. Dirt helps mildew form, so cleaning the canvas will give it a longer life. A hose, or soft broom and clear water, may be used to wash the fabric on the frames.

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