

Increase In Number, Cost Of Claims Causes Insurance Rate Increase

RALEIGH, N. C. — Increases in the number and in the cost of claims paid on behalf of North Carolina motorists have made it necessary for insurance companies to ask higher liability insurance rates for private passenger cars an insurance spokesman testified today.

At a public hearing before Insurance Commissioner Edwin S. Lanier, a representative of the North Carolina Automobile Rate Administrative Office explained why the companies need higher rates.

Paul L. Mize, assistant manager of the rate administrative office, said that premiums are not sufficient to cover the cost of claims and the operating expenses of the insurance companies.

The proposed rate adjustments,

he pointed out, are based upon the latest loss experience of insured motorists in North Carolina.

The rate administrative office has asked approval of rate adjustments which would result in an average statewide auto liability insurance increase of 8.1 per cent for private passenger cars. The proposal was filed July 1 under a new law requiring such a filing on or before July 1 each year.

The rate changes vary by car classification, Mize explained. For most North Carolina motorists the requested rate changes would mean an increase of \$4 per year for limits of coverage specified in the state financial responsibility law. For other drivers the rate increases would range from \$3 to \$13 or more

WEEKLY CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Reptile

Here's the Answer

HORIZONTAL

1.6 Depicted serpent
 7 Christmas
 8 Boy's nickname
 9 Untanned skin
 11 Kind of limestone
 10 Musical studies
 11 It exudes
 13 Short jackets
 17 Place
 18 We
 19 Dye
 20 compounds
 21 Accompish
 22 German ruler
 23 Dances
 24 Of the car
 27 Demolish
 38 Nevada city
 39 Pronoun
 40 Light shoes
 42 Repeat
 46 Deciliter (ab.)
 47 Procure
 48 Intrepidity
 50 Michigan town
 51 Printing mistakes
 53 Make loved
 54 Rule

VERTICAL

1 Ointment
 2 Unit
 3 Oriental measure
 4 Song
 5 Eyeglass part

35 Native American
 36 It is brilliant in
 41 Poker stake
 42 Close
 43 Doctor (ab.)
 44 State
 45 Unaspirated
 46 Age
 50 Girl's name
 52 Silver (symbol)
 54 Two (prefix)

Trinity Sets Bible School

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ized but not required" to establish higher rates for assigned risk policies.

Mr. Mize stated that the present average auto liability rate in North Carolina is among the lowest in the country. "If the proposed increase is granted," he said, "North Carolina's average rate would still be nearly 25% below the country-wide average."

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF CLEVELAND IN THE SUPERIOR COURT Harold Lee Alexander, Plaintiff, vs. Judith Ann Alexander, Defendant.

NOTICE SERVING SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

The defendant, Judith Ann Alexander will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Cleveland County, North Carolina, to obtain a divorce absolute from the defendant and the said defendant will further take notice that she is required to appear at the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Cleveland County, in the courthouse in Shelby, North Carolina, within thirty-seven (37) days after the 25th day of August, 1966, and answer or demur to the complaint of the plaintiff, and notifying her that if she fails to do so the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

This the 2nd day of August, 1966.

Ruth S. Dedmon Ass't. Clerk Superior Court 8:4-25

GROVER NEWS

Susan and Rachel Wright of Raleigh spent the week with Mr. and Mrs. Grady Ross and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Wright and daughter were visitors of Grady Ross, the Stowe T. Wrights and Mr. and Mrs. Otis Wright and family.

Vicky Turner and a group of Cleveland County girls and boys attended the annual 4-H Club week, July 25-29 in Raleigh.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Byrd attended the Klecky reunion on Sunday in Lexington County.

They left Monday for a trip to Gainesville, Florida for a five day visit with Professor and Mrs. Sheldon J. Pager and family. The Pager's plan to return to Illinois. Mrs. Pager is the former Frankie Byrd.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bell of Belmont spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Shuford.

Mrs. Lula Peeler of Atlanta is guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Montgomery.

A drop-in shower for Mrs. Jerry Hamby was held at the home

of Mrs. Frank Hopper, of Patterson Springs Thursday night. Mrs. Hamby is the former Jane Evans.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Norman of Gaffney and Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Montgomery returned from a seven day fishing and vacation trip to Fort Pierce, Florida.

Gary Collins and roommates at Wake Forest were in Atlanta on Saturday attending a ballgame.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Howell and Billy, Mrs. Billy Montgomery, Eva Jane, and Beth of Kannapolis, were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Montgomery, Wednesday.

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