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LIVESTOCK TOTAL DROPS IN STATE

Horses, Sheep On Farms Of North Carolina Gradually On Decline

RALEIGH, Feb. 21.—(AP)—A decline in the numbers of livestock of all kinds on North Carolina farms, as compared to the numbers a year ago, was reported today by the federal-state crop reporting service.

The service reported, however, that the value per head of livestock is considerably more than in the previous year.

Less Horses

On Jan. 1, the number of horses on North Carolina farms was estimated at 90,000 a drop of 2,000 below the figure for Jan. 1, 1945. Mules totaled 283,000 head, a two percent decrease.

The number of cattle was estimated by the crop reporting service at 691,000, a decrease of eight percent from the preceding year. Milk cows numbered 386,000, a six percent decline.

Sheep Decline

Sheep continued the long-time downward trend, numbering 48,000, a drop of 2,000. Hogs showed a decline of 17 percent, with slightly more than a million hogs on North Carolina farms as of Jan. 1.

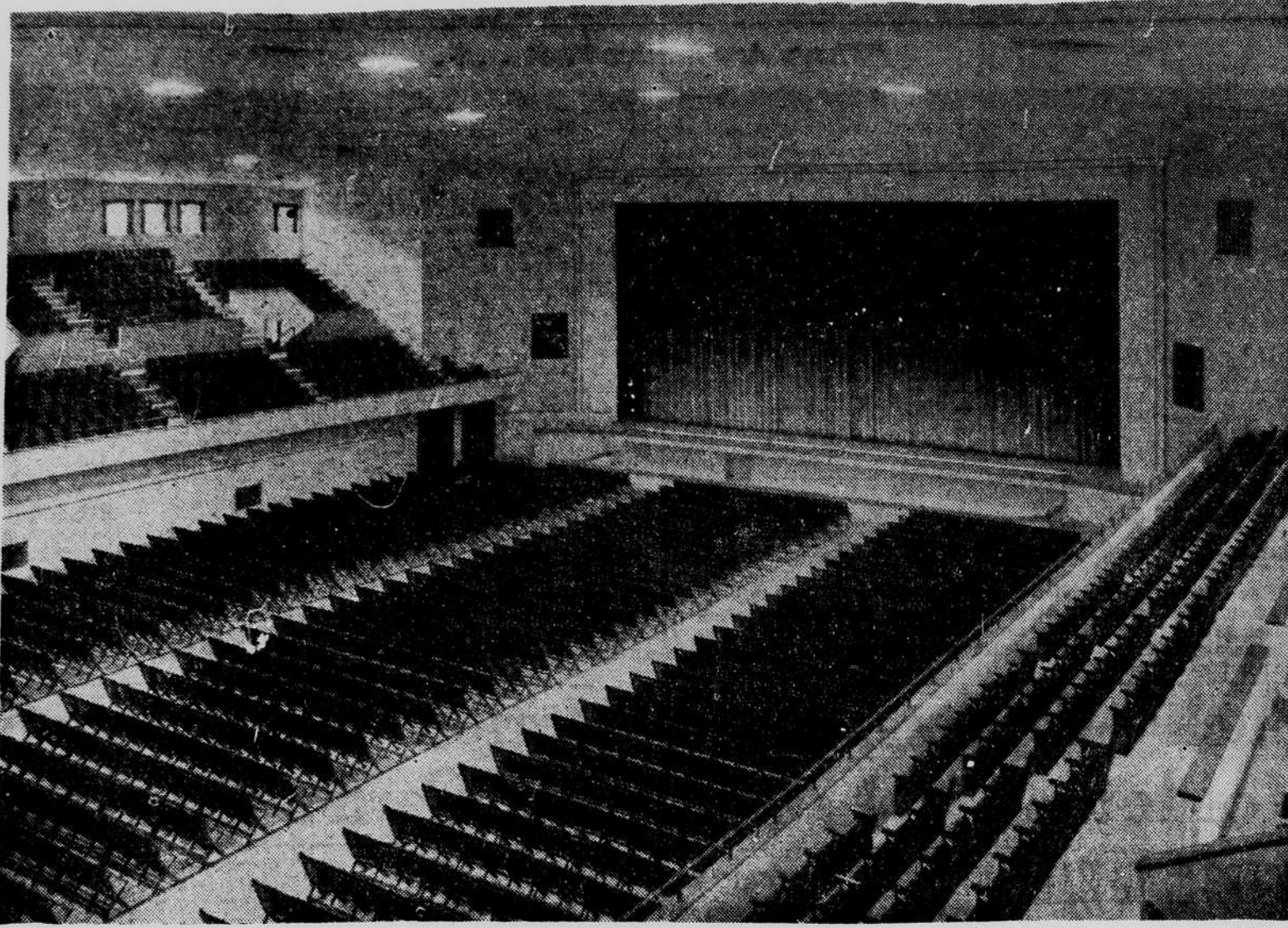
An increase was indicated in chickens and turkeys. The number of chickens was estimated at 15,977,000 a one percent increase, and the number of turkeys was placed at 49,000, a four percent rise over the figure on Jan. 1 of last year.

Values Up

The average value of all North Carolina cattle was placed at \$76.50 a head, making the total value \$46,677,000, or 16 percent above the value on January 1, 1945, when their average worth was placed at \$53.50 each.

Production of natural gasoline has tripled in this country in the last decade.

Wilmington's New Auditorium May Follow This Pattern



Following inspection of municipal auditoriums in several cities of the South, a delegation of city officials decided upon the Augusta, Ga., auditorium, above, as a general pattern for preliminary plans for a new \$800,000 auditorium building here. The top picture shows the interior of the Augusta auditorium, while underneath is an exterior view of the building which was constructed of brick, steel and reinforced concrete. The main auditorium at Augusta seats 1,842 in the arena, 1,378 in the balcony and 402 in the gallery. The arena seats are removable.

The arena has a common stage with the music hall, which according to the Augusta pattern has a seating capacity of 900, but which, in the Wilmington plans, will accommodate 1,900 persons. The great stage has a main auditorium proscenium opening of 66 feet wide and 32 feet high and a music hall proscenium of 50 feet wide and 28 feet high. The spacious lobby has two ticket offices and check rooms on both the east and west sides of the foyer. The music hall has its own entrances, exits, ticket offices, check rooms, dressing rooms and lounge facilities.

SCHOOL LUNCHES BILL HITS SNAG

Southern Democrats Say Measure Amended To Deny Sounds Of This Area

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—(AP)—The House hit a new snag on the \$65,000,000 school lunch program Thursday as southern Democrats charged that the measure had been amended to deny funds to southern states.

House leaders clung to the hope that the complications could be cleared up in time for a final vote by nightfall.

Rift Develops

The rift began developing late yesterday when the House tentatively approved a racial anti-discrimination amendment offered by Rep. Adam Clayton Powell, Negro Democrat from New York. The amendment, still subject to a roll call vote, would prohibit discrimination in distribution of funds for the lunch program.

Southerners rose up in arms despite claims of some members that the amendment would not bar funds to states which segregated students of different races.

Means Segregation

"Everybody knows, segregation means separation," Rep. Eugene Cox, D., Ga., told the House, "and of course, everybody knows segregation is discrimination."

Rep. W. R. Poage, D., Tex., then began reading a definition of discrimination from a huge dictionary to support Cox.

Would Hit South

Cox and other southern Democrats said the Powell amendment would unquestionably mean that southern states would not be entitled to school lunch funds.

Rep. Jerry Voorhis, D., Calif., ardent school lunch proponent,

Ex-Convict Confesses To Murder Of Negro

SANTA CRUZ, Cal., Feb. 21.—(AP)—Thomas Henry McQuinn, 21-year-old ex-convict of murdering Bobby-soxer Thora Chamberlain, Thursday, confessed he had strangled a San Francisco Negro and thrown her body over Seaside cliffs into the Pacific ocean near where he said he threw Miss Chamberlain's body.

British Government Will Continue Draft

LONDON, Feb. 21.—(AP)—The British government said Thursday it would continue drafting men definitely but that faster demobilization would cut the force to 2,000,000 on June 30 and 1,200,000 by next year.

"Camel's hair," used in making brushes, comes from a species of squirrel.

Inspection Of All Cars Favored By Maj. Hatcher

RALEIGH, Feb. 21.—(AP)—Major H. J. Hatcher, of the state highway patrol, would require that all vehicles in the state pass an inspection test before being allowed to operate on the highways.

"Since we don't have such legislation," Hatcher said, "Many cars, which have been turned down in others states on inspection tests, are winding up in North Carolina. In other words, the state is the dumping ground for worn-out cars."

"And no doubt some of the accidents of today are being caused by such defective automotive equipment. The one way to rid the highways of unsafe cars is to adopt legislation to do so."

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TRUMAN, DOUGLAS DISCUSS VACANCY

President Talks Over Interior Secretaryship With Associate Justice

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—(AP)—President Truman said Thursday that he had discussed with Associate Justice William O. Douglas the position of secretary of interior. But Mr. Truman also said he did not think he should have two cabinet members from the state of Washington.

Douglas is from that state, and so is Secretary of Labor Lewis B. Schwellenbach.

Press Puzzled

Reporters were puzzled at the end of Mr. Truman's news conference over just what Douglas' status is in Mr. Truman's efforts to fill the vacancy left by resignation of Harold L. Ickes.

Mr. Truman said at the outset that he had discussed the post with Douglas. Then he was asked whether he had offered the job to Douglas.

Truman Retreats

Mr. Truman retreated to his previous phraseology, saying he had discussed the matter with the justice.

Information pieced together from other sources indicated that the position had been offered to Douglas, that many democrats were putting pressure on Douglas to take it, but that he was reluctant to leave the Supreme court and probably would not do so.

President Smiles

Mr. Truman was asked whether he would nominate Gov. Mon C. Wallgren of Washington. The president smiled and said that Wallgren would make a fine secretary of interior. But, he said again, he did not think he should have two cabinet members from the same state.

To a reporter's remark that Douglas was a legal resident of Connecticut, the president said, no, Douglas is a legal resident of Walla Walla, Wash.

Excludes Douglas

"That would seem to exclude Justice Douglas?" a reporter said. Draw your own conclusions, the president remarked.

A flurry of questions rang out from reporters asking for a clearer statement of Douglas' position. The president in response to several questions said that his statement did not exclude Douglas.

To Stay

Secretary of Labor Schwellenbach is leaving the cabinet?" he was asked.

The president said that Schwellenbach is going to stay as secretary of labor just as long as he wants to stay. He said the same thing applied to Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson, who has been mentioned for the interior post.

The president offered no clues as to when he will fill the interior vacancy, except to say that he has not made his decision.

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