

# \$156,033.42 Distributed In Watauga County Under Social Security Act

## Approximate Figures on Distribution of Social Security Funds Under Different Classifications Are Released by Compensation Commission

Approximately \$156,033.42 has been distributed in Watauga county through operation of eight of the ten divisions of the social security act, from its beginning and through June 30, 1941, it was estimated, on a basis of official figures, compiled by M. R. Dunnagan, informational service representative, and announced by A. L. Fletcher, chairman of the N. C. Unemployment Compensation Commission.

Normally, unemployment compensation, or benefits to workers temporarily out of jobs, is the largest item in the program, except in agricultural counties. The more and larger industries a county has, the more jobs benefits it gets. In the 3 1/2 years of benefit payments, through June 30, these benefits reached \$23,728.71, included in 4,002 checks issued to residents of Watauga county.

Chairman Fletcher reports that state agencies handling phases of the social security act co-operate with him in supplying figures of their activities, which gives him an accurate picture of distributions in counties of the state. These include the state welfare department, Mrs. W. T. Bost, superintendent; Dr. Roma S. Cheek, secretary of the state commission for the blind; Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, state health officer, and the department of public instruction, particularly T. E. Browne, director of vocational education.

Old age assistance, help for needy residents past 65 years of age, in the four years of distribution, through last June 30, amounted to \$54,911.50 in this county.

Aid to dependent children, help for those deprived of their normal breadwinners, amounted to \$26,413.50 in the same period in this county.

Aid to the blind, in the same 48 months, amounted to \$12,333.76 in the county.

In these three divisions of the social security act, the federal government provides one-half of the funds and the state and counties one-fourth each, with a state equalizing fund to help the smaller counties. Prior to January 1, 1940, these three governmental units furnished one-third each for aid to dependent children.

With practically accurate figures, it is evident, Chairman Fletcher points out, that \$117,437.47 was distributed in this county to last July 1, in four of the five major divisions of the act, exclusive of old age and survivors insurance.

The other five divisions, classed as

"services," are handled by state departments. Three of them maternal and child health services, services for crippled children and public health services, are administered by the state board of health; one, vocational rehabilitation, by the state department of public instruction, and the other, child welfare services, by the state department of public welfare.

Distribution of funds in the three "services" relating to health is made through district, county, or city health departments, and only 80 of the 100 counties operating such department June 30, 1941, participated in the distribution.

Watauga county, with a health department, received \$7,007.50 for maternal and child health services; \$5,744.32 for services to crippled children, and \$22,975.78 in public health work, from the beginning of the program, or since organized health work started in the county, all approximate.

In vocational rehabilitation approximately \$2,867.85 has been distributed in the county. In case of child welfare services, county funds are not available.

The county figures for the four "service" divisions above are approximate, and not absolute. They are arrived at by prorating the funds made up of federal allotments, most of which is matched by the state and counties, on the basis of state and county populations, 1940 census, and the length of time the counties have had health departments and this participated in the three "services" relating to health, Chairman Fletcher said.

### SMALLER

Early October information indicates some decrease in lamb feeding during the 1941-42 season as compared with record high numbers fed last year, reports the U. S. bureau of agricultural economics.

## State Traffic Deaths 36% Above Last Year

Ninety-five of the 100 North Carolina counties were charged with one or more traffic fatalities the first nine months of this year, and 66 of these showed increases over the same period last year, the highway safety division reported this week. Watauga county was charged with three traffic deaths through last month.

The only counties with clean records at the close of September were Alexander, Avery, Cherokee, Dare and Polk.

For the state as a whole, there were recorded 857 fatalities during the first nine months of this year, an increase of 37 per cent above the 622 listed through September of last year. This was about double the national increase.

The counties with the worst records in comparison with last year are: Wake, 39 against 16; Davidson, 21 against 6; Pender, 16 against 6; Onslow, 13 against 2; Halifax, 16 against 6; Durham, 20 against 8; and Cumberland, 34 against 13.

An even 100 of the 857 fatalities occurred in the 28 cities of the state, against 94 in the same period last year. Those included 18 in Charlotte, 12 in Durham, 8 each in Raleigh, Greensboro and Wilmington, and 7 in Asheville and Fayetteville.

Ronald Hocutt, director of the highway safety division, said indications are that the October toll will be high and may bring the 10-month total for this year up to the 1940 12-month total of 989.

### A RECORD LITTER

Mr. Grady Tugman of R. F. D. 2, tells The Democrat that an O. I. C. sow on his farm is the mama to a record litter of 18 normal pigs. Grady says the sow is proving herself to be one hundred per cent behind the program of national defense.

### NO DANGER

Although there are increasing calls for food from abroad, there is no danger of food rationing in this county, according to the U. S. department of agriculture.

## REP. FISH'S AID INDICTED BY FEDERAL GRAND JURY

A secretary of Representative Hamilton Fish, Republican, of New York, was indicted for perjury Friday in Washington and a federal prosecutor labelled the accused man a key figure in the distribution, under government frank, of propaganda "master-minded by foreign agents."

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