

## Payments For Life Insurance Increase In North Carolina

53% Greater Than Same Period Eight Years Ago

North Carolina families received \$15,130,000 in life insurance death benefits in the first half of this year, compared with \$15,209,000 in the corresponding period of last year, it is reported by the Institute of Life Insurance. This year's payments were 53 per cent greater than those in the corresponding period eight years ago, when the six-month total was \$9,866,000.

The number of policies paid off because of death in the first six months of 1953 was 12,690, which compared with 14,386 in the first half of 1952 and 10,626 in the first half of 1945.

Of the aggregate payments in this state during the first half of 1953, \$9,830,000 was under 8,448 ordinary policies; \$2,748,000 was under 1,512 group life insurance policies; and \$2,552,000 was under 7,730 industrial or weekly premium policies.

For the nation as a whole, \$1,002,769,000 was paid as death claims under 803,685 policies in the corresponding period of last year and \$662,617,000 under 704,258 policies in the first six months of 1945. Of this year's payments \$650,881,000 was under 273,501 ordinary policies; \$221,203,000 was under 98,577 group policies; and \$130,685,000 was under 467,607 industrial policies.

Total payments to American families by their life insurance companies were \$2,256,765,000 in the first six months of this year, \$894,262,000 more than similar payments in the first half of 1945.

## Native Of Chowan Dies At Windsor, Virginia

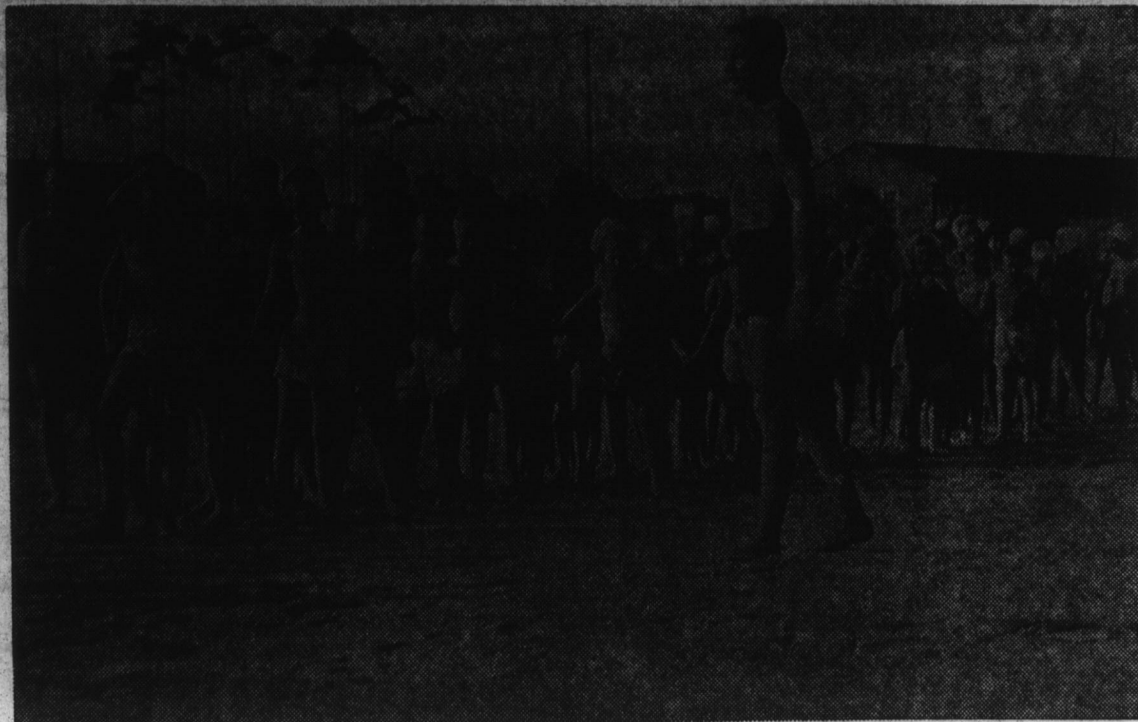
James Richard Nixon, 63, died at his home near Windsor, Va., Thursday afternoon at 5:20 o'clock. Deceased was a native of Chowan County and up until about 15 years ago was a member of the Henderson school faculty. He moved to a farm near Windsor when his health began to fail.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Mary Nixon; two sons, Ralph Nixon of Windsor and Julian Nixon of Suffolk; a granddaughter, Joan Nixon of Suffolk; three sisters, Mrs. Harry Barber of Winfall and Mrs. R. C. Lane and Mrs. Alvin Olney of London Bridge, Va.; and three brothers, Henderson M. Nixon, John T. Nixon and Gus Nixon, all of Edenton.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Hall Funeral Home in Suffolk with burial following in the family cemetery in the Rocky Hock section.

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## 4-H CLUB MEMBERS AT MANTEO CAMP



Pictured above is a group of 4-H Club members while at camp last week at Manteo. Thirteen Chowan 4-H Club boys and girls and one local leader attended. Most of the club members pictured are from Pasquotank and Currituck Counties. The camp was broken up Friday due to the severe storm which struck this area. The Chowan group arrived home Friday afternoon.

## Pennies For Peanuts

By COUNTY AGENT C. W. OVERMAN

In order to ride the Peanut Promotion Train it is necessary to pay the fare, says W. A. Harrell, County Publicity Chairman. In other words, No Fund, No Run. On Saturday, August 29th, peanut growers will vote to determine whether they are willing to assess themselves one cent per 100 pounds of peanuts sold to support the Peanut Promotion Program. The Board of Directors of the North Carolina Peanut Growers Association has listed some of the things they will work on to help promote peanuts.

1. Promote farm practices which will increase yields and lower costs of production, keep farmers informed of all new developments in production techniques (seed improvement, disease control, harvesting practices, etc.), and encourage research programs in these directions.

2. Keep producers informed on support prices and help farmers make full use of the loan program.

3. Keep producers informed on prices, demand and supply, and other market factors in order to aid in more orderly marketing. Help and encourage research programs which are directed towards solving marketing problems.

4. Help to expand the use of Virginia type peanuts by emphasizing the superior quality of the Virginia Type for edible purposes. Develop new uses as well as expanding outlets for present uses and increasing per capita consumption of peanuts and peanut products. In this, the Association will cooperate wholeheartedly with the processors and dis-

tributors of peanut products.

5. Emphasize the good qualities of peanut oil with the view of expanding its use. Although a minor part of N. C. peanuts are crushed, the competition of this part of the crop with that of other areas has a depressing influence on all peanut prices.

6. Work on transportation and storage problems in order to reduce marketing costs and promote orderly marketing. For the same purpose, study grading, weighing and moisture problems and help work out their solutions.

7. Promote consumption through controlling quality. Quality control must begin with Farmers' Stock peanuts and be maintained through all the stages of marketing and processing, until peanuts reach the final consumer.

8. Examine present support programs, and work out more equitable programs for the Virginia-North Carolina peanut industry. We will be in a good position to do so after we can show that the expansion in the use of peanuts will insure prosperity to the industry, and minimize the cost to the

Government of price supports.

9. Promote a better understanding among producers, shellers, manufacturers, and consumers in order that the North Carolina peanut industry will withstand the growing competition, from other producing areas and products. For this purpose, we want to help private industry market and process peanuts efficiently so that a fair profit will result, and fair prices can be paid to farmers.

How the Funds Will be Used

If the referendum carries, the funds to be collected will be used to employ a competent full-time Director and such other help as necessary. This Director will represent the peanut producers on all occasions where the interests of producers are being discussed, and decisions made. He shall be in charge of all projects which will be undertaken in furtherance of the goals described above. The Director will represent the Board of Directors of the Peanut Growers Association at all times, and will keep the directors, and the membership fully informed about his work and accomplishments.

We emphasize again the importance of a large turn-out at the polls. Other farm producer groups have blazed the trail we want to follow. The Tobacco Associates have returned \$250 for each ten cents per acre invested in that organization. The Washington apple growers have realized a net of \$1.50 for each three cents expended for the promotion of their products. The peanut growers

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will be left behind unless they move in the same direction.

## N. J. George Finishes Two Weeks Training

Nicholas J. George, who teaches science at the Edenton High School, practices what he teaches—science.

From a personal standpoint, however, the subject is slightly different from that which Mr. George teaches his pupils. It's the science of flying military aircraft.

Two weeks each summer Teacher George reports to the Norfolk Naval Air Station as Major George, United States Marine Corps Reserve, to fly Marine planes. He finished two weeks of such duty Friday, August 14.

As a graduate of Waynesburg College, Waynesburg, Pa., in 1942, Mr. George enlisted for pilot training in March of that year. After training at Pensacola, Florida, where he earned his wings as a pilot, he flew with the Marines until April, 1946. During World War II he served overseas in the Solomon Islands, Philippines and China.

In 1951 Mr. George entered the University of North Carolina. He graduated from there with a Master of Arts degree in 1953.

Mr. George is married and has two children, Mary Suzanne, age 5 and Barbara Jean, age 1.

## Distinction In Blooms

"Jack Huggins said at the dance last night that I reminded him of a dainty flower."

"A number of others spoke of you as a wall-flower."

## Negro Dairy Cattle Show Held Saturday

The third annual Negro Dairy Cattle Show was held at the Scott-Halstead Warehouse near Elizabeth City on the Weeksville Road Thursday, August 13. The Danish system of judging was used. The following counties were represented: Chowan, Currituck, Pasquotank, Perquimans and Tyrrell.

The NFA boys and 4-H Club boys and girls of Chowan made a good showing. The following are the placings: Thomas Bemby and Ellis Wiggins, third; John Granby, Earl Hall and Alberta Hall, second; Angus Small and Carl Hall, first. Angus Small also won first place for having the best fitted animal with LeRoy Wills of Perquimans County placing second.

LeRoy Wills and William Wills of Perquimans County were first and second place winners, respectively in showmanship.

## TURKEYS IN GOOD SHAPE

County Agent C. W. Overman, accompanied by Bill Mills, Extension specialist, visited 18 turkey producers Wednesday and Thursday of last week.

Generally, the turkeys are growing very nicely and no severe losses have occurred, although some disease was found in a few flocks. Specimens were collected and sent to the poultry laboratory at N. C. State College for diagnosing the trouble.

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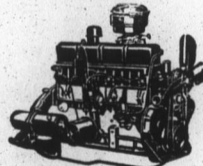
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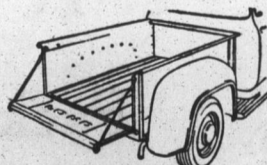
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