

State's Per Capita Income Now 45th

New Low For Year Reported By Carolina Facts

North Carolina's per capita income dropped a notch last year to a new low of 45th in the nation, ranking only ahead of Alabama, Arkansas and Mississippi.

For the first time the state dropped behind South Carolina. Figures showed the Tar Heel per capita income for 1952 was \$1,049, compared with the national average of \$1,639.

The statistics were presented in this week's issue of "North Carolina Facts," a newsletter issued by the North Carolina Research Institute. The figures were obtained from the U. S. Department of Commerce.

Governor Umstead commenting on the figures, said the low per capita income was one of the chief reasons he has been stressing the importance of attracting new industries to the state.

Felix A. Grisette, editorial director of the Research Institute, said several factors were to blame for the low per capita income. He explained that more than three-fourths of the workers in this state are employees in industries with regular salaries. These include textiles, furniture, and tobacco.

Grisette said that "generally speaking, across the board wages in North Carolina are 70 per cent of what they are nationwide."

George W. Cuthrell Dies At Home Sunday

George W. Cuthrell, 73, died Sunday night at 10 o'clock at his home on Office Street after several years of ill health. He was a native of Hyde County, but lived in Edenton many years, where he was a night watchman at the Edenton Cotton Mills for 24 years.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Isa Cuthrell; two sons, Ottis Cuthrell of Pantego, N. C., and W. Edward Cuthrell of Edenton; three daughters, Mrs. Milton Cohoon of Colerain, Miss Barbara Alice Cuthrell of Edenton and Mrs. Dorothy Hoskins of Richmond, Va.; two brothers, Ben Cuthrell of Englehard and Isaac Cuthrell of Fairfield; one sister, Mrs. Maude Gibbs of Englehard and 14 grandchildren.

He was a member of the First Christian Church of Edenton, where funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock with the pastor, the Rev. E. C. Alexander, officiating. Burial was in Beaver Hill Cemetery.

Public Health Workers To Meet At Nags Head

Public health workers from all sections of North Carolina will gather at Nags Head, September 10, 11, and 12, for the 42nd annual meeting of the North Carolina Public Health Association. Headquarters will be at the Carolinian Hotel, where the registration of members will begin on Thursday morning, September 10. The first general session will be held in the Casino at 10:30 on that date.

The president of the association is Mrs. Louise P. East, nurse consultant with the State Board of Health. The opening session will be taken up largely with formalities including the President's address and announcements.

Throughout the three-day session of the State Public Health Association, there will be various section meetings, representing the public health nurses, laboratory workers, health educators, nutritionists, sanitarians, secretaries, and public health investigators.

Research Center Gets New Cotton Fibers

Successful development of a new family of fibers from cotton, considered potentially significant to the textile industry and America's cotton economy, is announced by L. H. Hance, president of the Institute of Textile Technology at Charlottesville, Va., the textile industry's center for cooperative research and education.

The new fiber series, designated as T-7, is produced by reaction of ordinary cotton fiber, yarn or fabric with a chemical during a basic process called cyanoethylation. By this process, cotton is transformed into a structurally different type of fiber.

The resultant fiber family, T-7, retains the appearance, "feel" and other familiar characteristics of cotton but takes on important added properties:

1. It has permanent resistance to micro-organism attack such as mildew and bacteria. 2. After exposure to wet and dry heat, it retains strength to a greater degree. 3. It is more receptive to all classes of dyes, including acid dyes which normally are unsatisfactory on cotton.

Dr. Jack Compton, technical director of the Institute of Textile Technology, who initiated and supervised the development of the T-7 series over the past three and one-half years, stated that one of the most prominent features is that T-7 products are "very versatile." As a base material, they can be easily altered by subsequent treatments into products having ever more desirable qualities.

"For the first time," Dr. Compton observed, "textile manufacturers can engineer their own fibers from cotton—using their own equipment—to meet the demands of the end product. They can thus build in to a textile product many of the specific properties their customers desire."

First Traffic School At Fuquay Springs

The state's first traffic school, conducted by the State Highway Patrol, met at Fuquay Springs last week where nearly 100 "students" reviewed rules of the road, courtesy at the wheel, and safe driving.

Originated by State Highway Patrolman George Lessard, the traffic school has received the endorsement of Motor Vehicles Commissioner Edward Scheidt and Col. W. B. Lentz, commander of the state troopers.

In the first school, held in Fuquay Springs, traffic law violators and a number of volunteers heard James E. Civils, special representative of the Department of Motor Vehicles give a statistical breakdown of last year's traffic deaths and their causes. He was followed by Patrolman Lessard, who reviewed motor vehicle laws and showed a pedestrian safety film to the group. Sgt. Dick Chadwick, of Wake County, introduced the speakers and commented briefly on the aims and purposes of the school.

Visitors must attend three consecutive classes and pass a written examination at the conclusion of the last class. In return they will receive an attractively designed certificate authorized by the Highway Patrol.

Tentative plans call for the establishment of similar traffic schools throughout the state, according to Sgt. Chadwick.

Cotton Research Saves Five Million Dollars

A new type of cotton bandage developed at the Southern Regional Research Laboratory last year saved the Federal Treasury more than \$5 million—enough to pay for all research on cotton done in the big New Orleans laboratory in the past five years.

The armed services thus far have bought more than 13 million bandages. They cost about 25 cents each,

OUR DEMOCRACY—by Mat C

GROWING PAINS

NEVER HAS AMERICA HAD SO MANY CHILDREN OR SO MANY OLDER PEOPLE AS TODAY. SO WE ARE EXPERIENCING CERTAIN "GROWING PAINS," SUCH AS THE NEED FOR MORE SCHOOLS AND BETTER PLANNING FOR RETIREMENT, THAT WE HAVE GOT TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT.



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compared to 62.5 cents for conventional elastic bandages. The new cotton bandage does a better job. It can be used on elbows and knees without hindering movement or stopping blood circulation. It does not work loose as the bandaged arm or leg is used. The improved bandage is made from chemically treated cotton fabric. Its development took three years and cost about \$75,000.

Fish Story
Mess Sergeant: "You're not eating your fish. What's wrong with it?"
Soldier: "Long time, no sea."

What Will Children Recall About Home?

Each of us hates to think about our children growing up and leaving home, but as long as our children are living at home, we should try to make their living as pleasant and harmonious as possible.

"Just what will our children remember about home when they leave?" asks Corinne Justice Grimsley, State College Extension specialist in family relations.

"Will they remember helping to

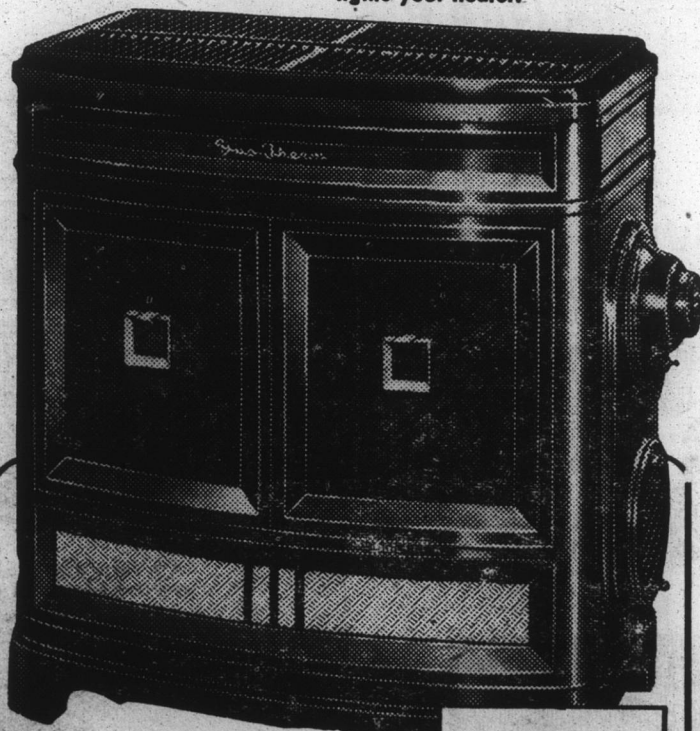
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plan the work that needed to be done? Will they remember that we often confided in them and asked their advice on family matters? Or will they remember that they weren't actually a contributing member of the family—decisions were made without their participation?

"What will your children remember about the good times they've had at home?" continues Mrs. Grimsley. "Will Thanksgiving and Christmas bring memories of family reunions and good times together? Will they remember mealtime as a happy time when the whole family sat down together? Or will they remember it as a run-and-go affair?"

"What will they remember about family worship? Will they remember that the blessing was always asked before meals? And will they think of Sunday when the whole family went to Church and worshipped together? Is Sunday a kind of 'family day' to them?"

"What will your children remember about you? Will they remember that you praised them for the things they did well and thanked them for their help? Will they remember that when they were discouraged that they could turn to you for encouragement?"

KITCHEN COMMENT

Make the skin of baked sweet potatoes soft by rubbing a little margarine in them before baking.

When buying terry towels, look at the underweave. The underweave is the strength and backbone and gives the best indication of how well the towel will wear. Formed by the lengthwise and crosswise threads, the underweave should be firm, close, and tight to hold the loops securely and to give the towel strength. The underweave can be seen most readily in the plain portion of the towel, usual-

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