

# Farm Facts For Chowan County

Preliminary reports by counties in the 1957 farm census summary show the following facts about Chowan County:

Total acres, 87,684; harvested crop land, 34,998 acres; land used only for soil improving crops and crop failures, 125 acres; idle crop land, 356 acres; improved pasture, 2,667 acres; unimproved open pastures excluding wood and swamp pasture, 534 acres; all other land, woods, waste cutover home sites, non-farm, etc., 49,004 acres; corn grown for all purposes, 14,366 acres; cotton harvested, 2,445 acres; tobacco harvested, 690 acres; peanuts grown alone for all purposes, 7,171 acres; wheat

threshed or combined, 37 acres; oats threshed or combined, 76 acres; all other small grain alone or mixed threshed or combined, 9 acres; milo and other sorghums combined for grain, 142 acres; soybeans combined, 5,722 acres; lespedeza harvested for seed, 5 acres; soybeans or cowpeas cut for hay, 34 acres; all other hays cut, 2 acres; Irish potatoes grown for sale, 35 acres; sweet potatoes grown for sale, 349 acres.

Other vegetables grown for sale, 3,641 acres; vegetable gardens grown for home use, 265 acres; all other crops harvested, 80 acres; commercial fertilizers used, 8,903 tons; sows and gilts kept for breeding, 1,975; cows and heifers kept mainly for milk, 119; mainly for beef, 870; all hens and pullets of laying age, 18,679; all telephones on land,

219; number of acres from which saw timber was handled for sale or used on farms, 202 acres; all television sets on land, including those temporarily out of order, 450; people of all ages living on land, 4,996.

## Amended Plan Announced For Auto Insurance

Insurance Commissioner Chas. F. Gold has announced the approval of an amended plan which had been adopted to provide for the assignment of motor vehicle owners to insurance companies when the owners are not able to purchase automobile liability insurance on a voluntary basis. The Commissioner stated that the plan was necessary because of the Vehicle Financial Responsibility Act of 1957, which becomes effective on January 1, 1958, and requires every motor vehicle owner to show proof of financial responsibility at the time of registration.

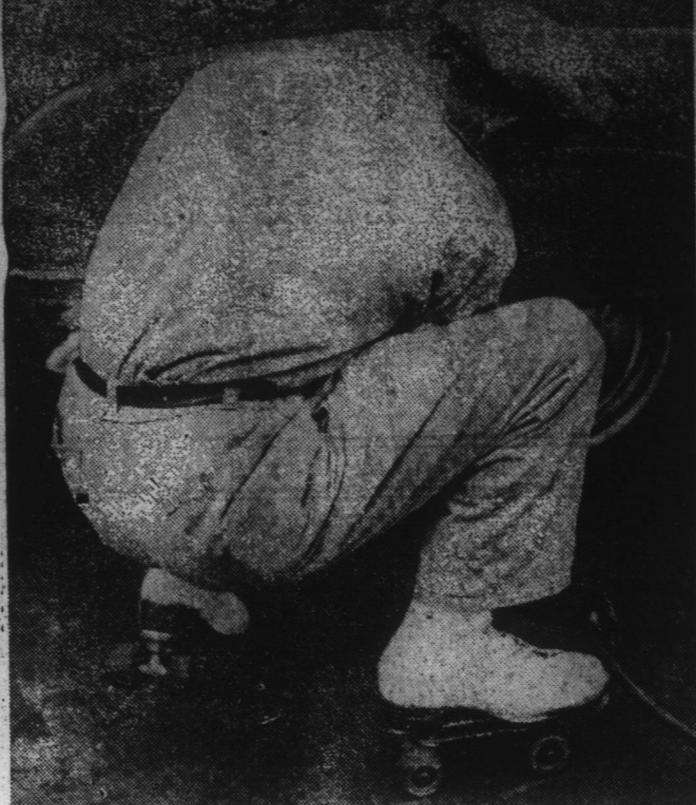
In announcing the reasons behind the plan, the Commissioner stated that the new Financial Responsibility Act does not require motor vehicle owners to purchase insurance. Proof of financial responsibility may be shown by the purchase of a financial security bond or by posting a cash deposit. However, it was noted that the majority of motor vehicle owners would probably use automobile liability insurance to show proof of financial responsibility. For this reason, it was necessary to make the plan applicable to all motor vehicle owners in the State who could not purchase liability insurance from an insurance company in the normal course of trade.

The Commissioner stated that the new assignment plan was made effective as early as possible so that individuals who are unable to obtain automobile liability insurance from a company agent or representative could make application for assignment immediately. It was thought that it would be helpful in avoiding a last minute rush for the purchase of liability insurance and license plates if the plan could be put into effect as early as possible. The deadline for purchasing 1958 automobile license plates is February 15th.

In order to obtain insurance through the Plan, an applicant is required to submit an application form to the North Carolina Automobile Assigned Risk Plan office in Raleigh. All agents and representatives of liability insurance companies have been supplied with copies of these application forms. The application form has been modified and simplified so that it is no longer necessary for the signature of the applicant to be notarized.

When the application for insurance on a private passenger vehicle is submitted under the plan, it must be accompanied by a minimum deposit of \$50.00 or the amount of the annual premium. The applicant will then be assigned to a company licensed to write liability insurance in the State, and he will be allowed thirty days additional time in which to pay the balance of the premium if the total cost is in excess of the deposit.

The Commissioner expressed the belief that most motor vehicle owners who desired to purchase liability insurance in order to show proof of financial responsibility would be able to obtain their insurance from a local insurance company agent or representative. In the event a motor



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vehicle owner finds it necessary to use the assignment plan, he will be able to obtain a liability policy within a few days after submitting the application and deposit.

### Weekly Devotional Column By JAMES MACKENZIE

Whither atheism? In recent months long-suffering Americans have been subjected to a good deal of premature whoop-de-do by religious leaders over the apparent decline of organized atheism in this country. "Church membership is up," we are told, "and membership in anti-religious societies is down. Therefore the devil is on the run, if there is a devil."

But the millennium is not yet. In a recent Associated Press interview, Joseph Lewis, president of "The Free-Thinkers of America," an atheistic organization, said that organized interest in atheism has lagged because "the opposition isn't as strong as it used to be. There's been a considerable liberalizing (watering-down) of religion. The lines of conflict

aren't as clearly drawn. But from the standpoint of intellectual growth, atheism is increasing."

Charles Smith, president of the American Association for the Advancement of Atheism agrees. He feels that the churches "go in for this 'cheer 'em up' stuff" now. This new sort of religion is not so bad."

New atheists, like pompous religious stuff-shirts, can be guilty of talking through their hats; and I daresay that Mr. Lewis and Mr. Smith, feeling themselves on the defensive, have offered excuses rather than reasons. But there is a certain amount of truth in what they say, and it does not reflect credit on our churches.

In effect, they charge that atheism no longer fights the churches because the churches have abandoned the historic Christian position for the position of atheism, or, at least, agnosticism. Is the charge justified? Have compromise and collaboration with the world, the flesh, and the devil (and there is a devil) become the distinguishing marks of religion? Is it true that some of our churches no longer accept the Bible as the only infallible, inerrant Word of God? Is it true that some ministers disbelieve, or at least play down, the teachings of the Bible concerning sin, hell, and the judgment? Do some of our seminary professors deliberately seek to undermine the faith of their students in the supernatural elements of Christianity? In the Virgin Birth? The miracles of Christ? His bodily Resurrection? His Substitutionary Atonement? Can it be that so-called evangelical Christians knowingly and willingly fellowship with those who deny the deity of Christ in inter-church organizations like, say, The National Council of Churches? Can it be that our churches have sunk to the level of the world instead of lifting up the world to the level of Christ?

Perhaps the time has come for a little less back-slapping and yakety-yak, and a good deal more of self-examination, repentance, and a return to the faith of our fathers.

Some people can stay longer in an hour than others can in a week. —Wm. Dean Howells.



# Bank Notice

Application of Peoples Bank and Trust Company, Rocky Mount, N. C., for Authority to Merge with The Bank of Edenton, Edenton, N. C., and to Establish a Branch at Edenton, N. C., has been filed with the State Banking Commission. This application will be heard by the Commission at its regular quarterly meeting on Wednesday, January 22, 1958, at 11:00 A. M. in Room 316, Motor Vehicles Building, 1100 New Bern Avenue, Raleigh, N. C.

Any and all persons interested will be heard.

**BEN R. ROBERTS**  
Commissioner of Banks

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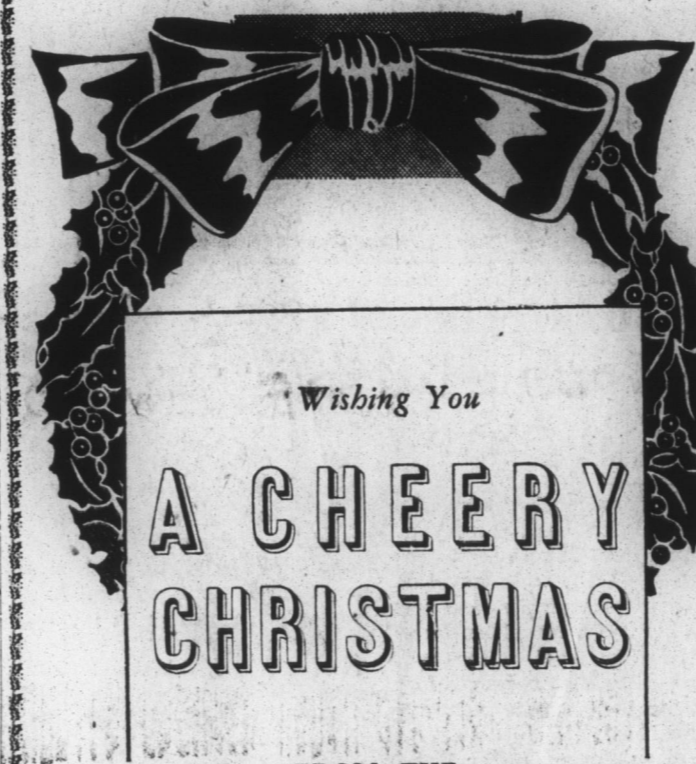
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## SALE OF THE GEO. V. ASHLEY LANDS

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**THIRD TRACT:** Known as the "Bunch Place" containing 54 acres, more or less. 17.7 acres cleared. ALLOTMENTS: Corn 3.4 acres, cotton 1.7 acres, peanuts 3.1 acres, tobacco .44 acre. Ideal land for truck crops.

ALLOTMENTS for all tracts: Corn 19.5 acres, cotton 9.6 acres, peanuts 17.6 acres, tobacco 2.51 acres. Total cleared acres 100. Some timber on all tracts.

TERMS OF SALE: Sealed bids with the right of refusal reserved. Bids may be made on each tract separately and on all tracts combined. Bids must be post marked before midnight December 31, 1957.

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