

Increase Appears In Revocation Of Motorist License

RALEIGH—In North Carolina, 15,062 motorists lost their right to drive last year because of traffic law offenses and practices detrimental to safety, the Motor Vehicle Department announced today.

This was an increase of over 5,000 from the 1946 total of 8,035. Department officials stated that the sharp rise in license revocations and suspensions indicated a progressive tightening of control measures to curb the dangerous driver. North Carolina's highway patrol was doubled last year from 213 to 423, so this meant a double force of patrolmen on the roads to apprehend drunken and reckless drivers.

The revocation and suspension report showed that 9,063 of the 1947 revocations were for drunken driving. This was around 70 per cent of all revocations and suspensions. Officials noted that the average of drunken driving revocations for the nation as a whole was around 40 per cent, while for this State is ran to 70 per cent.

The Department pointed out that from 70 to 80 per cent of all highway accidents are caused by the driver himself—his carelessness and sometimes ignorance of

U. S. Soldiers Enjoy Japanese Cuisine



Three American soldiers on occupation duty near Tokyo being served by pretty Japanese waitress. Rest hotels in the Tokyo area offer a wide selection of food, and some, like this one, even provide American dance music.

traffic rules and regulations. In an effort to curb this human element as the cause for accidents, the last legislature passed the Driver Re-Examination Act, which requires that all drivers must be re-examined for a new license. The Department reports that of the drivers already re-licensed, around four out of ten have failed the test on the initial try. This shows that many drivers still do not know the basic rules of the road—the road signs, speed laws, hand signals.

Check Your Car

"To save your life," said Arthur T. Moore, Director of the Mechanical Inspection Division, Department of Motor Vehicles, "you couldn't think of a more logical traffic safety rule than this: Drive a safe car."

Moore, along with the Department of Motor Vehicles, is urging every motorist in the State to "Check your car. . . check accidents." This is the slogan of the May traffic safety program the Department is carrying on as part of a year-round safety educational program.

"When you 'check your car' to 'check accidents,'" Moore said, "make sure that the following parts either are in safe operating condition or that needed repairs or replacements are made at once: headlights, tail and stop lights, brakes, steering assembly, muffler and exhaust system, glass, windshield wipers, rear-view mirror,

tires, and horn."

The Motor Vehicles Department suggests that you take your car or truck, motorcycle, trailer, or motorbike to one of the State's 35 mechanical inspection lanes operating throughout the State. The Department suggests also that you check these questions to check your car's safety score:

1. Are you a one-eyed driver? Is the light cut down by dirty lenses? Do your headlights shoot up in the air to blind oncoming motorists?
2. Are your tail lights clean and bright, and stop lights in good working order?
3. Is your braking power good enough to stop your car in an emergency, for instance, if a child should run into your path? At 20 miles per hour you should be able to stop in 30 feet. Brakes should be balanced so they take hold evenly on all wheels without "grabbing."
4. How is your steering and wheel alignment? Too much play in the wheel is a danger sign, and running against curbs or driving on rutty roads can get wheels out of alignment before you know it.
5. What about your muffler and exhaust system? Even if the muffler is not getting noisy—a sure sign of wear—the system should be checked frequently to be sure no carbon monoxide gas is leaking into the car.
6. Are your windshield and windows clean and clear? They're made to see through, you know. So keep them clear of dirt, discoloration and ornamental stickers.
7. And your windshield wipers? It can't always be fair weather. Don't risk having to "drive blind" should a storm catch you with wipers in need of repair.
8. How about your tires? Are they properly inflated, well matched, with good treads, and without cuts, blisters and exposed fabric?
9. Is your rear-view mirror clean and clear? Don't let dirt, cracks or discoloration blind the "eyes in the back of your head."
10. And your horn? Keep it in good working order, so you'll have

State Scholarship To Be Awarded

Twenty awards of \$100 each will be made to graduates of North Carolina high schools who wish to enter the curricula in either agriculture or vocational agriculture at North Carolina State College in September, 1948. These scholarships are intended for farm boys who need financial aid in beginning their college education, and are made possible by grants from the Sears-Roebuck Foundation.

The scholarships will be awarded primarily on the basis of need, with consideration also being given to scholastic record in high school, participation in 4-H Club or FFA projects, and other community activities. Veterans are eligible, especially those who are married and have children.

One-half of the award will be paid to recipients on October 1, and can be used for the payment of any college expenses, including board and room. The second installment will be paid on January 15, provided the student has made a successful record during the fall term.

Applications must be filed by July 1, 1948, and announcement of awards will be made soon after that date. For application blanks write to Dean of Agriculture, North Carolina State College, Raleigh, N. C.

Blue ribbons were awarded to 22 of the 67 animals exhibited in the fifth annual Wayne County Guernsey Cattle Show held at Goldsboro recently.

it when you need it.

Don't take your car for granted. Check it for safety's sake—and drive carefully at all times. "Moore said, "You'd never forget it, nor forgive yourself if neglected repairs to your car caused a traffic accident or death. CHECK YOUR CAR AND CHECK ACCIDENTS by taking your car to one of the State's mechanical inspection lanes right away."

FHA Officers Approve Farms

A. E. Romar, Chief Production Loan Division, Paul Laughrun, State Field Representative, George W. Smith, FO Specialist, Mrs. Lenna G. Wagoner, Ass't Home Management Specialist, from the State Office, Raleigh, have just completed a conference with the Farmers Home Administration, county office, in Murphy. While here, a number of farms were inspected and appraisals made for the purchase, enlargement and farm development of four farms. The four farms were all for veterans of World War II, and have been approved for immediate closing.

The Farmers Home Administration is giving special attention to assisting veterans who are eligible and desire to purchase farms. In

handling this type of work, full cooperation is given to other departments of agriculture, including the County Agent's and Veteran's Training officers.

In addition to these loan four other loans of this type has been closed, since July 1, 1947, the date the present County Supervisor was transferred to this territory.

In addition to the Tenant purchase loans, the Farmers Home Administration also handles loans for general farming purposes, such as seed, fertilizer, live stock and equipment. Farmers who borrow through the Farmers Home Administration are eligible for low cost hospital and surgical insurance. This type of insurance includes the borrower and entire family. The cost of this type of insurance may be included in the loan if necessary.

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To set forth a perfect picnic spread on the Fourth, be sure to take along all the little treats that make picnics such big treats! They'll be easy to make if you follow the recipes below . . . and the cost will be easy to take if you buy the ingredients at your thrifty A&P. It's a picnic-makers' paradise!

MAYONNAISE YOU'LL LOVE

For a patriotic picnic salad, combine fresh strawberries, pineapple and blueberries. And for a bang-up dressing to go with it, add 1/2 cup heavy cream, whipped, to 1/2 cup A&P's creamy-smooth ANN PAGE MAYONNAISE. This salad is delicious as a dessert, too, served with the brownies or spice drops I'm going to give you the recipes for now.

WHITE HOUSE BROWNIES

Melt 2 sqs. unsweetened chocolate over hot water, remove from heat and add 1 cup sugar, 2 unbeaten eggs, 1/2 cup A&P's double-rich WHITE HOUSE EVAPORATED MILK (undiluted), 1/2 cup sifted flour, 1/2 cup chopped nut meats, 1/2 tsp. salt and 1/2 tsp. vanilla. Stir well, pour into greased 8-in. sq. pan, and bake in moderate oven, 350° F., 35 mins. Makes sixteen 2-in. squares.

TOPS IN SPICE DROPS

Melt 1/2 cup shortening, add 1 cup molasses and 2 beaten eggs. Stir well. Sift 2 1/2 cups of A&P's fine SUNNYFIELD FAMILY FLOUR with 4 tps. baking powder, 1 tsp. salt, 1/2 tsp. soda, 1/4 tsp. cloves, 1 tsp. cinnamon and 1/2 tsp. ginger. Add half these dry ingredients and beat well. Add other half and 1/2 cup milk alternately, beating well after each addition. Add 1/2 tsp. lemon extract. Drop by teaspoonfuls on ungreased cookie sheet and bake in moderate oven, 375° F., 8 to 10 minutes. Makes about 5 dozen.

FIRST FOR THIRST

Parched picnicers always go for grape juice . . . especially rich, tangy A&P GRAPE JUICE. So pack plenty of this thrifty thirst-quencher in your picnic basket. It's a grand mixed with ginger ale . . . and a grand A&P value!

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Word's going 'round—and fast, too—that Hudson gives you a "sweet," smooth, safe ride that is a new high in motor-car performance!

Perhaps you've heard pleased and proud Hudson owners talking about this exciting new experience, but here's something you may have missed hearing:

The key to this amazing new ride lies in that area just under the floor of the average car, which in the New Hudson becomes the "step-down" zone—as illustrated in the sketches at the right.

This "step-down" zone is all-important, because experience has shown that the lower to the ground a car can be built, the better it will handle, the more stability it will have, the safer it will be, and thus the more enjoyable and comfortable will be your ride.

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in any American stock car—yet road clearance is ample!

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*Trade-mark and patents pending.

OTHER CARS—Here you can see that any car fails to utilize that all-important space between frame members (heretofore wasted by placing floor on top of the frame). This results in a high center of gravity, and either a high roof line or insufficient head room.

NEW HUDSON—Here the important space between frame members, shown above, becomes the "step-down" zone—a highly useful addition to interior passenger roominess that creates a new, lower center of gravity, which in turn permits greater safety, improved roadability and ride, a low, streamlined silhouette.

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