

Washington News Letter

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Washington—Before the 1932 election sent him to the House of Representatives where he stayed for six years and then retired. Senator William B. Umstead was Superior Court Solicitor for the Durham district. Mr. Umstead was a good prosecutor, and a recent occasion in Washington gave him the opportunity to do a first class prosecuting job.

Mr. Umstead and several other Tar Heel lawmakers had a hot and heavy session on potato acreage al-

lotments with Department of Agriculture officials in the office of Representative Herbert C. Bonner at the Capitol. Bonner's First District in Northeastern North Carolina is one of the biggest potato producing areas in the country. Several potato growers were in on the show.

Mr. Umstead drew from Sylvester Smith, chief of the Production and Marketing Administration's vegetable section, and A. E. Murker, head of the potato section, the admission that their production control program favors California at the expense of North Carolina and other

South Atlantic States. The two officials did deny charges of unfairness toward North Carolina in the 1946 acreage allotments, but here's what was developed by Umstead's cross-examination with Bonner, Senator Hoey and Rep. Graham A. Barden backing him up:

1. California has been favored over North Carolina in 1946 potato acreage. California's 52,000 acres is equal to the state's five-year, base-period average, while North Carolina 24,000 acres represents a 28 percent cut under the same period.
2. That an additional 8,000 acres allowed California in 1947, after allotments had been set, probably was responsible for the surplus of potatoes produced in North Carolina.
3. By implication, that the department is attempting not only to control the quantity of potatoes produced, but the type and the place of production.
4. That while North Carolina was characterized as the worst problem in the potato production states, actually in 1944 the department purchased under the support price program more California potatoes than the total Tar Heel production.

What will be done about the situation is uncertain. As the meeting ended, Smith said an answer to the potato growers plea for upward adjustment of North Carolina acreage could not be given before the end of the current week.

State Labor Commissioner Forrest H. Shuford was one of the principal speakers at Secretary of Labor Schwellenbach's annual conference on labor legislation in Washington this week.

Full endorsement of President Truman's foreign aid program was voiced by a veteran Tarheel congressman, Rep. A. L. Bulwinkle who has just returned to Washington after meetings in Switzerland of an international aviation conference to

which he was a delegate.

Rep. Charles B. Deane of Rockingham is looking into the possibility for establishment of more Federal game refuges for Canadian geese on their migratory flights to and from winter homes. The Canadian government has forecast greatly reduced migratory geese flights because of a mild winter this year. Deane reported, however, that in his district,

Lockhart Gaddy of Ansonville is furnishing part of his own land as a refuge for the Canadian geese and that several thousand winged visitors have stopped there already.

The N. C. Democratic Club of Washington, founded in 1935, held its annual election meeting last week at the Willard Hotel, elected John H. Lang of Carthage president to succeed Kidd Brewer of Boone and

Winston-Salem, and heard Assistant Secretary of the Army Gordon Gray of Winston-Salem discuss his official duties, his life in Washington and his philosophy of life.

Lang is secretary to Rep. C. B. Deane of Rockingham, is former state NYA administrator and a veteran of World War II. Brewer, administrative assistant to Senator Umstead, is a veteran and a former football star and coach.

Lang promised the club active leadership during the coming year, and he is expected to bring the club back to life in the war period that seems to have extended, as far as the club is concerned, until more than two years after the war.

Other officers elected were: Miss Faith Brewer, first vice president; Charles Walters, second vice president; Betty Claywell, recording secretary. (Continued on page 6)

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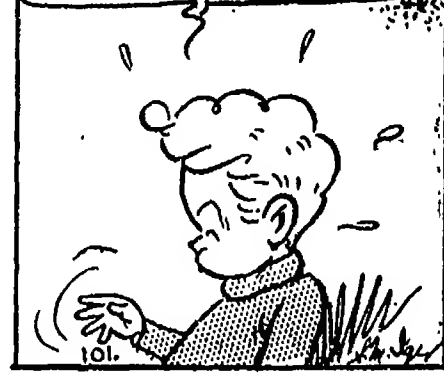
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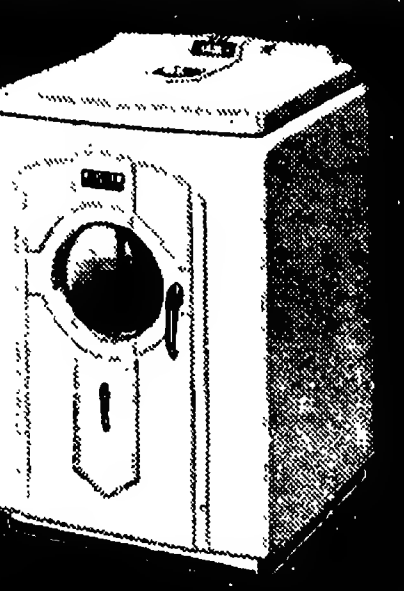
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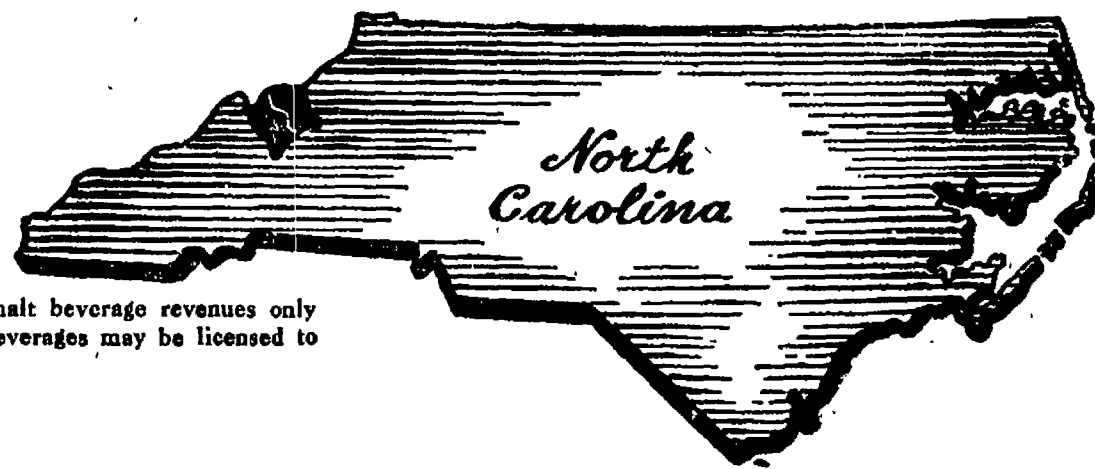
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\$1,784,821 IN BEER TAXES for Counties, Cities and Towns

EVERY county in North Carolina, except two, and nearly all of the state's cities and towns have received checks in this first allocation of beer excise taxes to local government units. Yancey and Mitchell counties (blacked out on map) were excluded because the Revenue Act provides for distribution of malt beverage revenues only to "counties and municipalities wherein such beverages may be licensed to be sold..."



THE 1947 General Assembly doubled the taxes on malt beverages and directed that half of the proceeds be distributed to counties, cities and towns where the sale of these malt beverages is permitted.

The new tax, amounting to two and one-half cents on each twelve-ounce bottle, went into effect July 1, and the first distribution of this money to local government units was made in November on the basis of July, August and September collections. Future payments are to be made annually.

This first allocation to local government units amounted to \$1,784,821.12.

To the participating communities this first payment was a substantial windfall. This was in addition to state, county and city license taxes paid by dealers.

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