

Rowan County Ranks 17th In Trade Valuation

FEDERAL TRADE CENSUS REVEALS INTERESTING DATA

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The 1930 census included for the first time a survey of wholesale and retail trade in the United States by states and counties.

North Carolina's total amount of retail trade was \$744,140,000 or \$234.21 per inhabitant as compared to the United States retail trade per inhabitant of \$407.53.

Rowan county ranked 17th among the counties of North Carolina with a retail trade per inhabitant of \$232.06.

At the beginning of 1930 there were nearly thirty thousand retail stores in North Carolina. They did a total business in 1929 amounting to slightly more than 744 million dollars. Sales per store averaged nearly twenty-six thousand dollars. Retail purchases per inhabitant averaged two hundred and thirty-five dollars. North Carolina ranked forty-first in retail purchases per inhabitant. The average North Carolinian spends about six-tenths as much at retail stores as the average person in the United States, the national average being four hundred and seven dollars that year.

Pasquotank county leads the state with a retail trade averaging \$437.23 per inhabitant.

The 744 million dollars of retail trade in the state in 1929 was distributed as follows:

Group	Percent of total
General merchandise	25.96
Automotive group	18.40
Food group	17.93
Apparel group	5.13
Lumber and building	4.60
Furniture and household	3.86
Restaurants, etc.	2.37
Country general stores	10.88
All others	10.71
Secondhand stores	.16
Total	100.00

The sales at country general stores include much food and general merchandise, so that the percents spent on the first four groups above actually are larger than shown. "All other" stores include radio, hardware, drug, cigar, coal, wood and ice, and jewelry.

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CITY and COUNTY NEWS BRIEFS

MRS. C. A. EDDLEMAN

Mrs. C. A. Eddleman, aged 63, died at her home near Salisbury Thursday night, after an illness extending over several weeks. The funeral took place from Ebenezer church Saturday morning at 11 o'clock. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Surviving is the husband, three sons and four daughters. Her mother, Mrs. A. W. Klutz, one brother and two sisters also survive.

RE-ELECTED PRESIDENT

At a recent meeting of the Salisbury-Spencer Merchants Association Edwin Earle, Jr., was re-elected president.

Other officers are: S. Holmes Plexico, re-elected first vice-president, Herman Kennerly, second vice-president, Victor Yost, re-elected treasurer and Mrs. W. F. Rattz, who was again chosen as secretary.

FIGHTS TONIGHT

Little Boy Safrin, of Kannapolis, will meet Billy Burkett, of Roanoke, Va., in the main bout tonight at the Strand theatre. The card calls for these fighters to mix it up for 10 rounds. Both boys have fought Baby Stribling in recent bouts and have given good accounts of themselves.

In addition to the main event several snappy preliminaries have been arranged.

RECEIVES DIPLOMA

C. L. Burkett, assistant chief of the Salisbury Fire department, received his diploma at the state fire school held at Asheville the past week. Mr. Burkett attended the 1929-30 and 1931-32 fire schools.

GRADUATES

Miss Mavis Fricks, of Salisbury, who is a senior at the Appalachian State Teachers College, will receive her degree at the commencement exercises of that institution today.

Dr. N. W. Walker, dean of the school of education at the University of North Carolina, will be the commencement speaker.

FLOUR TO ARRIVE SOON

The county's quota of Red Cross flour will be shipped within a few days, according to R. E. L. Niel, secretary of the Salisbury Chamber of Commerce.

Mrs. Mary O. Linton will have charge of the distribution of the flour to the needy families of the city and county. The Red Cross, Associated Charities and the Salvation Army will co-operate in the distribution in order to see that those actually in need of flour will be supplied.

FATALLY INJURED

Fred Overcash, of Landis, was fatally injured Saturday when struck by a Southern passenger train.

He was immediately brought to the Salisbury hospital where it was learned that he was badly crushed about the face and chest.

The deceased was a young man of only 18 years of age. He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Overcash, of Landis, and three sisters.

NEW TAXI SERVICE

The Shaw Transfer company, for the past 15 years engaged in the transfer business, announced the operation of a new taxi service for Salisbury and vicinity.

The new company will use modern closed cars.

NEW ICE CREAM PLANT

Dan Nicholas has begun operation of his new ice cream plant for Salisbury. The concern has its plant at 839 South Main street and its retail stores in the downtown section.

The most modern of equipment has been installed and production is going forward daily under the new manager, H. T. Ott, of Spartanburg, S. C. The capacity of the new concern is 500 gallons of ice cream per day and a number of people are employed in its operation.

WILL NOT ENTER CAMPAIGN

Clyde E. Gooch, judge of the Rowan court, has declined to enter the race for state senate on the Democratic ticket.

By Mr. Gooch not entering the race, only two candidates are active in the Democratic nomination. These are E. W. G. Huffman and Hayden Clement.

MRS. ELLA CAUBLE

Mrs. Ella Cauble, aged 57, died Sunday morning in the Lowery hos-

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon from the Summeret Funeral home. Dr. Arch Cree, of the First Baptist church, officiated. Interment followed in the Chestnut Hill cemetery.

No immediate members of the family survive the deceased.

TO OPEN SATURDAY

Brookdale, the new 9 hole golf course, located at the old country club, will open Saturday, May 7.

For the past week workmen have been engaged in putting the course in shape. It is now ready for use and the public is invited to attend the opening tomorrow.

The course is to be public and anyone may play for the payment of a small green fee.

JUDGE CARLTON SPEAKS TO WARSAW SCHOOLS

Hon. Pritchard S. Carlton, a native son of Duplin county, will deliver the annual address at the closing of the Warsaw High and Graded Schools, Tuesday night, May 3, at 8:00 o'clock.

Mr. Carlton is a native of Duplin county, a graduate of Warsaw High School and Wake Forest College, and is now a distinguished member of the North Carolina Bar and is located in Salisbury. Many honors including service in the State Legislature and service in the judiciary have come to him since he left his native county; but we dare say few greater pleasures have come than he will experience when he delivers the annual address in his old high school. At least it will be a genuine pleasure to his many friends and relatives to have him on this occasion. The Journal joins with the community in extending a cordial invitation to the return of this distinguished native son.—The Duplin Journal, Warsaw, N. C.

MRS. J. M. WALTON

Mrs. J. M. Walton, aged 74, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. S. F. Kesler, of route 7, this county, Sunday morning, after an illness of some weeks.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at Calvary Baptist church. Rev. Percy Bloxman officiated, and interment followed in the Bethel cemetery.

Surviving Mrs. Walton is five children and two brothers.

TO INVESTIGATE DEATH

A jury composed of J. Lee McCarn, Charles Hoover, Jr., H. F. Hulm, A. L. Curry, Joe Cecil, and B. C. Philpott, all of Lexington, has been ordered to investigate the death of Dr. Jake Sowers, prominent Lexington physician, who was killed in a Sunday auto crash.

COMMITTS SUICIDE

John W. Linker, aged 65, committed suicide Sunday morning at his home on the old Gold Hill road, two miles below Rockwell.

He placed a 12 gauge double barreled shotgun in his mouth and pulled the trigger. The shot tore away the top of his head and death was instantaneous.

Sheriff Cal Miller and Coroner Dr. W. L. Tatum were called to the scene of the tragedy and after viewing the body no inquest was deemed necessary. No reason for the tragedy could be assigned by the members of the family.

MRS. R. L. RAMSEY

Funeral services for Mrs. Lena Thompson Ramsey, who died in Salisbury hospital were conducted from the First Presbyterian church Monday afternoon. The services were in charge of the pastor, Rev. Marshall Woodson and interment followed in the Chestnut Hill cemetery.

Mrs. Ramsey had been in ill health for some weeks and during the past two weeks had been confined to the Salisbury hospital for treatment.

Mrs. Ramsey is the wife of Dr. Robert L. Ramsey of this city. Surviving is a husband, a mother, Mrs. W. C. Costner and a brother, Emmett G. Thompson, all of this city.

HEADS NAZARETH HOME

Ray P. Lyerly, former sheriff of Rowan county, will succeed Rev. W. H. McNairy as superintendent of the Nazareth Orphans home at Crescent. The change to become effective September 1st.

Mr. Lyerly has long been active in the work of the home and is thoroughly familiar with its numerous problems and duties.

The new superintendent will be in-

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