

# 22,576 Teachers Employed In North Carolina

**INCREASE OF 333  
OVER THE NUMBER  
EMPLOYED IN '31**

**Allotment Of Funds To  
Schools Increased Over  
30 Thousand Dollars In  
North Carolina.**

An increase of 333 in number of teachers for the public schools in North Carolina for next year, to a total of 22,576 teachers, has been made by the State Board of Equalization, which increased the allotment of funds \$30,106.68, or from the original allotment of \$15,482,279.18 for the past year to \$15,512,385.86 for next year, a tabulation issued by LeRoy Martin, secretary of the board, shows.

The table shows the allotments for the four main items, general control, instructional service, operation of plant and auxiliary agencies, in the 100 county school systems and 94 charter schools, the allotments for three smaller items, attendance, audit and rural supervision, to be made later.

While the increased attendance of 39,639 pupils in the schools the past year would require about 800 additional teachers under present provisions, the board found it necessary to strike a compromise, since the schools have to operate next year on the same funds provided for the past year, except that small savings were made the past year which may be used for next year. Reductions have been made in the various items of cost in order to provide funds for the additional teachers allotted, but the reductions in those items would have been to great to provide funds for all the additional teachers needed.

Three of these main items were reduced for next year: general control by \$34,979, or from \$526,055 to \$491,076; operation of plant by \$59,292, or from \$810,010 to \$810,713, and auxiliary agencies by \$78,714.54, or from \$1,615,912.18 to \$1,537,137.64, which reductions account for \$172,985.54 of the total increase of \$203,092.22 in instructional service. This last item was increased from \$12,470,302 the past year to \$12,673,394.22 for next year.

**CONVICT 'LOST'  
IN DEATH ROW  
NOW HAS HOPE**

**North Carolina Youth,  
Forgotten In Prison 9  
Months, May Get A Re-  
prieve From Chair.**

Raleigh, N. C.—A new ray of hope for relief from almost a year of mental anguish, brought optimism to the man whom the State of North Carolina "forgot to electrocute."

Looking through iron bars from "death row" in State's prison, Willie Rector, a youth from the hills of Burke county, declared "it wouldn't have been so hard if I'd have known I was going to the chair." Willie isn't sure whether he's 20 or 21 years of age.

He looks forward to early action by the State Supreme Court, and later possibly by Gov. O. Max Gardner, which will determine whether he lives

President's Son



Richard F. Cleveland, whose father, Grover Cleveland, was twice President of the United States, will make the speech in Democratic National Convention nominating Governor Albert C. Ritchie for the Presidency.

or dies.

Rector was convicted of criminal assault in August, 1931, and condemned to be executed on October 2 of the same year.

The clerk of Burke County Superior Court was supposed to have certified the boy's conviction to the State Supreme Court last fall.

Assistant Attorney General A. A. F. Sewell has just received a transcript of the judgment.

Seawell went before the Supreme Court and moved that Rector's appeal be docketed and dismissed. So far, the appeal has never been filed.

This combination of events' failure of the clerk to certify the conviction and the understanding at the prison that an appeal would be taken, made Rector the "forgotten man" and saved him from electrocution.

Governor O. Max Gardner, before he departed for Washington, said he knew nothing about the case but would take it up upon his return.

Rector is married, his wife is 19 years old, and they have a baby. He was convicted of assaulting his young sister-in-law. Since his conviction the sister-in-law was one of those who signed a petition asking clemency.

**Jobless; Gives Life  
Trying To Save Boy**

Eau Claire, Wis.—A jobless Chicagoan sacrificed his life in a heroic effort to save a 10-year-old boy from drowning in Half Moon Lake. The man was Herman Gries, 36, former mail clerk.

Chester Mattison, 10, fell in while fishing. Gries, despite the fact that he could not swim, jumped in and both drowned in 18 feet of water.

**Tombstone Stolen  
From Baby's Grave**

Harrisburg—A small tombstone found in a city street, here was stolen from the grave of an infant son of Charles Nace, in a Williamstown cemetery, police reported.

**AIDS WAR AGAINST CANCER**

Two millions of dollars have been placed at the disposal of a foundation that has been created for world-wide cancer research by Wm. H. Donnor, a retired Pittsburgh steel manufacturer. The death of a son three years ago has led to this action, it is stated.

## "I Like The Depression"

I like the depression. No more prosperity for me.

I have had more fun since the depression started than I ever had in my life; I had forgotten how to live, what it meant to have real friends, what it was like to eat common everyday food. Fact is, I was getting just a little high hat.

Three years ago, only one man of the News-Globe organization could be out of town at a time and he had to leave at the last minute and get back as soon as possible. Many times I have driven 100 miles to a banquet, sat through three hours of bunk in order to make a five-minute speech, then drive the 100 miles back so as to be ready for work the next morning.

Nowadays, as many News-Globe employees as are invited make those trips and we stay as long as we want to. The whole outfit could leave the office now and it wouldn't make any difference.

I like the depression. I have time to visit my friends, to make new ones. Two years ago when I went to a neighboring town, I always stayed at the hotel. Now I go home with my friends, stay all night and enjoy home cooking. I have even spent the week end with some of the boys who have been kind enough to invite me.

It's great to drop into a store and feel that you can spend an hour or two or three or a half day just visiting and not feel that you are wasting valuable time. I like depression.

I am getting acquainted with my neighbors. In the last six months I have become acquainted with folks who have been living next door to me for three years. I am following the Biblical, "Love your neighbors". One of my neighbors has one of the best-looking wives I have ever seen. She is a dandy. I am getting acquainted with my neighbors and learning to love them.

Three years ago, I ordered my clothes from a merchant tailor—two or three suits at a time. All my clothes were good ones. I was always dressed up. But now, I haven't bought a suit in two years. I am mighty proud of my Sunday-go-meeting clothes. When I dress up, I am dressed up and I don't mean maybe. I like the depression.

Three years ago I was so busy and my wife was so busy that we didn't see much of each other, consequently we sort of lost interest in each other. I never went home to lunch. About

twice a week I went home for dinner—at 6:30 o'clock. I never had time to go anywhere with her. If I did go on a party, I could never locate her, since there was always a "blonde" or a "red-head" available I didn't much worry about it.

My wife belonged to all the clubs in town. She even joined the young mothers' club. We do not have any children, but she was studying—and between playing bridge and going to clubs, she was never at home.

We got stuck up and hifalutin. We even took down the old family bed and bought a set of twin beds—on the installment plan.

When I would come home at night, if my wife was at home she would already be in her bed and I would crawl in mine. If she came in first, it was vice versa.

We like the depression. We have come down off our pedestal and are really living at my house now. The twin beds are stored in the garage and the old family affair is being used. We are enjoying life. Instead of taking a hot-water bottle to bed these cold nights, she sticks her heels in my back just like she did before Hoover was elected.

I haven't been out on a party in 18 months. I have lost my book of telephone numbers. My wife has dropped all the clubs. I believe we are falling in love all over again. I am pretty well satisfied with my wife. Think I will keep her, at least until she is 40 and then if I feel like I do now, I may trade her for two twenties.

I am feeling better since the depression. I take more exercise. I walk to town and a lot of folks who used to drive Cadillacs are walking with me. I like the depression.

My digestion is better. I have not been to see a doctor in a year. I can eat anything I want to.

I am getting real, honest-to-goodness food. Three years ago we had fillet mignon once a week, now we have round steak and flour gravy. Then, we had roast breast of guinea hen, now we are glad to get sow-bosom with the buttons on it.

I like the depression. My salary has been cut to where I can't afford to buy lettuce and spinach and parsley and we can't afford to have sandwiches and frozen desserts and all that dam-foolishness which has killed more good men than the World War.

I like the depression. Three years ago, I never had time to go to church.

I played golf all day Sunday and besides I was so darned smart that there wasn't a preacher in West Texas who could tell me anything.

Now I am going to church regularly, never miss a Sunday.

And if this depression keeps on I will be going to prayer meetings before long.

I like the depression.

Say, "I Saw It in  
THE WATCHMAN."  
Thank You!

**Transporting Whisky  
By Camels Unlawful**

Carson City, Nev.—Transporting a load of whisky by automobile over Nevada's highways is not contrary to any state law, but transporting whisky in the State by camel is a law violation.

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