

\$38,105,943 in Unemployment Help Is Paid Out to Workers in 35 States

Unemployment benefits amounting to \$38,105,943 were paid to insured jobless workers during May 1938 in the 28 States where benefits are now payable, bringing the total amount paid since the first of the year to approximately \$140,000,000. W. C. Spruill, manager of the Salisbury office of the Social Security Board announced today.

"While more benefits were paid in May than in April, fewer initial claims for benefits were received during May than in the preceding month. General conclusions are difficult, however, because of the wide variation from this general trend occurring in the individual States," Mr. Spruill said.

The total amount of benefits paid in all 35 States during May was more than 3 per cent above the amount paid in April, but 17 States reported decreases, the largest occurring in Pennsylvania, Vermont, Oregon, Connecticut, and Rhode Island. Factors responsible for the decrease in some States were fewer lay-offs in the

preceding weeks, some seasonal reemployment, and exhaustion of wage credits of workers who had been receiving benefits.

The increase in total payments during May was due in part to the larger number of benefit checks issued by Indiana and Mississippi, which began making payments only in the latter part of April. In addition, New York, Maine, Alabama, North Carolina, Louisiana, and Maryland showed substantial increases in payments during the month.

The number of initial claims for unemployment benefits filed during May was 732,696, a decrease of 12,367 from the total reported for the preceding month. In some States, however, the number of initial claims filed increased considerably. These included New Hampshire, Indiana, Rhode Island, Virginia, Wisconsin, New York, Pennsylvania, and Oregon. In the three latter states, the increases were accounted for primarily by claims of workers whose benefit rights were re-determined with the accrual of another quarter of wage credits upon which benefits could be based.

"These figures are summarized from telegraphic reports submitted by the State unemployment compensation agencies, to the Social Security Board," stated Mr. Spruill.

Must Report On Employee's Work

Raleigh.—"Any employing unit or any officer or agent of an employing unit . . . who willfully fails or refuses . . . to furnish any report required hereunder . . . shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$20 nor more than \$200, or by imprisonment for not longer than sixty days, or by both such fine and imprisonment," says Section 16 (b) of the North Carolina Unemployment Compensation Act.

"This provision is to be rigidly enforced against employers who have failed to make the quarterly reports due on the wages earned in each of the four quarters of last year, even if we have to invoke the full penalty provided by law," said Chairman C. G. Powell, of the Unemployment Compensation Commission. "Many unemployed workers are now being deprived of their weekly unemployment benefits because covered employers failed to report these earnings, as required, by the end of the month following the quarter for which the report is due," said Chairman Powell.

A check of the records shows that for the first quarter of 1937, there are 517 delinquent employers; for the second quarter, 201 delinquents; for the third quarter, 184 delinquents, and for the fourth quarter, 199 delinquents. For the first quarter of 1938 for which reports were due April 30, it was found that 639 employers were delinquent.

Ashe Raises Share For Health Office

West Jefferson, June 30.—The campaign for contributions to establish a full-time health department in Ashe county next month came to a close this week and Rev. G. R. Stafford, chairman of the special solicitation committee, stated that enough money had been raised through private subscription and from the county to take care of Ashe county's part of the cost in establishing a district health department in Ashe, Alleghany and Watauga counties.

Alleghany and Watauga have already arranged to raise their proportionate part of the cost and, due to the present financial condition of this county, it was necessary for Ashe's part, which is \$2,400, to be raised largely by private subscription.

PATROL PLANES

The Army and Navy seem to be in a competition to develop the best long-range patrol planes. The Navy plans to let a contract for a 50-ton flying boat this fall and the Army, it is reported, is working on plans for one of 75 tons. The Army already has fourteen of the 16-ton flying fortress bombers, with 26 being constructed. The Navy has 250 flying boats able to carry two tons of bombs a crew of seven to ten men, and cover four thousand miles. More than fifty additional flying boats of this type are under construction.

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SOCIETY

Methodist Circles Held Monthly Meetings Tuesday

The four circles of the North Wilkesboro Methodist church held meetings Tuesday with Circles No. 1 and the Mary Brame meeting in the afternoon and the other two at night. Circle No. 1 met with Mrs. H. B. Dodson with Mrs. J. W. Forester as co-hostess. Mrs. Z. O. Eller presided and the Bible Study which is on "The Life of Christ" was given by Mrs. J. C. Smoot. Fifteen were present.

Mrs. C. L. Sockwell and Mrs. Rom H. Pearson entertained the Mary Brame Circle at the home of Mrs. Sockwell. Mrs. A. B. Johnston was in charge and Mrs. Genie Cardwell was devotional leader.

Hostesses for the Franklin circle were Mrs. W. F. Gaddy, Misses Ruth Colvard and Mamie Sockwell at the home of the latter. In the absence of the chairman the meeting was presided over by Miss Colvard. Mrs. Frank Johnson gave the devotionals and Miss Sockwell gave some items of interest from the World Outlook.

The Gardner circle met at the home of Mrs. J. D. Moore, Jr., with Mrs. Melvin Kenerly as associate hostess. Mrs. William Marlow, program leader, had the assistance of Misses Beatrice and Lucy Pearson and Miss Frances Cranor in presenting the topic. Mrs. Ed F. Gardner occupied the chair during the business session. Refreshments were served during the social hour following each of the meetings.

Mrs. Crawford, Mrs. Johnston Entertained Wednesday

A delightful party of the week was given Wednesday when Mrs. J. M. Crawford and Mrs. A. B. Johnston were hostesses at room at the Crawford home on E Street entertaining for a number of their friends. Four tables were arranged for room in a setting of mixed garden flowers. The count of scores gave Mrs. C. E. Jenkins the award for most points in the game. Refreshments in two courses followed play.

Miss Kiter Bower Is Missionary Society Hostess

Miss Kiter Bower was hostess to the members of the Wilkesboro Methodist Auxillary at her home Tuesday afternoon. To open the meeting Miss Bower led the devotionals after which the program was given by Mrs. N. B. Smithy, Mrs. A. R. Gray, and Mrs. Lou Hubbard.

The usual business session was presided over by Mrs. B. S. Call, the president. A social hour and refreshments were enjoyed at the close of the meeting.

First Baptist Missionary Society Met Tuesday

Twenty-three members were present for the monthly meeting of the First Baptist Missionary Society which met at the church Tuesday afternoon with the president, Mrs. Tip McNeil, in charge. Members of Mrs. Tal Barnes circle gave the program with the following assisting Mrs. Barnes: Mrs. C. S. Sink, Mrs. A. F. Kilby, Mrs. John Hall, and Mrs. C. H. Smithy as devotional leader. A study of the Argentine Republic made up the program.

A quartette "Whisper of Prayer" was rendered by Mrs. Sink, Mrs. Kilby, Mrs. Barnes, and Mrs. Tip McNeil. Special prayers were offered by Mrs. Barnes and Mrs. N. H. Waugh. Mrs. Shockey read a letter from Miss Pearl Johnson, who sails for China this week.

Presbyterian Circles In Monthly Meetings

Circles 3 and 4 of the Presbyterian Auxillary met in their regular monthly meetings Tuesday afternoon while Circles 1 and 2 met at the church hut at 6:30 for their annual picnic supper.

Circle No. 3 with the chairman, Miss Jeannie Ogilvie, in charge met at the home of Mrs. T. B. Finley having an attendance of thirteen. Miss Frances McNeil presented the Bible study and Mrs. Gordon Finley gave the program.

Fourteen members and two visitors were present for Circle No. 4 which met at the home of Mrs. Ruth Holder and Miss Rhetta Forester at Goshen. The Bible study was taught by Mrs. M. A. Vickery with Mrs. A. R. Ogilvie giving the program. Mrs. C. D. Coffey, Jr., the president, was present. A social hour and refreshments followed both meetings.

CCC Seeking Total Of 1,575 In State

Raleigh, June 30.—The C C C will enroll 1,575 North Carolina youths in July, Thomas L. Grier, C C C supervisor said today. Dates and places of enrollment follow:

Wilmington, July 5; Washington, N. C., July 6; Raleigh, July 7 and 8; Greensboro, July 9; Charlotte, July 11; North Wilkesboro, July 12; and Asheville, July 14 and 15.

In addition the veterans bureau will enroll in Charlotte approximately 185 world war veterans.

Beautyicians Must Take Blood Test

Raleigh.—All new applicants for licenses to work as beautyicians who file for the examination to be held in October, this year, must present certificates showing they have taken the Wassermann blood test, it was announced following a conference between representatives of the North Carolina State Board of Cosmetic Arts Examiners and officials of the State Board of Health, which, under the law, must approve rules of sanitation and beauty shops and among the personnel.

Where such tests are positive, the Board of Examiners may, in its discretion, before issuing a license to practice cosmetic arts, give special consideration to the applicant by requiring treatment until they become non-infectious and, finally, cured. The Board also has the right to require individuals to have blood tests made between examinations, whenever it is deemed expedient for the protection of the public and the information of the beautician.

It was also announced that before any worker can have their license renewed on June 30, 1939, they must take the test, thus making the rule, which will be strictly enforced, applicable to those already engaged in work, as well as those who in the future make application for licenses. The personnel of beauty shops now doing business in North Carolina numbers approximately 5,000.

The purpose of the Wassermann Test requirement is not only to protect the public but also for the protection of the workers, as well, it was explained following the conference. This forward attitude on the part of the Board of Cosmetic Arts Examiners is in line with the program for the control of venereal diseases being conducted by the State Board of Health.

The present board members are: Mrs. Annie L. Williamson,

State Will Have Additional Loans

Virgil Baker, of Wilkesboro, route 1, was last Thursday the recipient of the first check to be delivered in Wilkes county under the Bankhead-Jones Tenant Purchase Act, according to W. B. Oliver, Rural Rehabilitation Supervisor of the Farm Security Administration.

The check for the purchase of a 157 acre tract in Somers township, was delivered June 30, for the purchase price of the farm and additional funds for placing the farm and its buildings in first class condition. The loan was made for a term of 40 years, at three per cent interest, with no down payment. Subsequent payments are to be made annually, or semi-annually.

Baker has a wife and five children, a native Wilkes citizen, but had never before owned a farm until the present system of government lending made it possible. Seven other loans have been made in Wilkes county up to the end of the fiscal year which ended July first, Mr. Oliver said. Approval of applicants for loans and farms to be purchased must be made by a county committee, the Wilkes county committee being composed of J. M. German, of Boomer, chairman, Tom Ferguson, of Ferguson, and Lonnie G. Billings, of Dockery. The man and his family must pass a rigid physical examination, in addition to other requirements, to determine their fitness as a financial risk.

Loans the last year have been limited to 17 counties in the state where it was considered good farms could be had at fair cost. Mr. Oliver said, and where a high degree of tenancy was found. North Carolina is a unit of the five-state region which has

of Fayetteville, chairman; Mrs. Gertrude Hutchison, of Durham, secretary, and Mrs. Ethel Sinclair, of Hickory.

been approved for the distribution of \$4,000,000 from the \$65,000,000 appropriated by Congress for the purpose. The distribution by regions and by state was determined by the Secretary of Agriculture on the basis of farm population and prevalence of tenancy. Mr. Oliver said. Virginia, West Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee and North Carolina comprise region four.

Loans through the Farm Security Administration may also be made for the purchase of stock, feed, fertilizer, etc., these loans to run for five years at five per cent interest, Mr. Oliver said. Credit is coupled with regular advice about managing the farm and the home, from practical farmers, trained in farm management, who help him raise his earning power. The money is loaned only to thrifty, reliable farm people who cannot get credit from banks or other sources. No loan is made unless the farmer agrees to work in cooperation with the county supervisors.

Group loans are made to enable small groups of farmers to buy heavy farm machinery, pure-bred stock and other services which the individual farmer could not otherwise buy. As in the case of Mr. Baker, tenant purchase loans help farm tenants to become owners. "Money to buy farms is limited at present to a few counties in each state," Mr. Oliver said, "and not to more than 10 tenants in any one county, but the appropriation by Congress of additional money will probably permit considerable expansion."

CHIEF IS FIRED

Hickory, July 6.—With Mayor Johnson Suttlemyre casting the deciding vote, the newly installed Hickory city council climaxed a heated political fight here today by appointing P. P. (Pleas) Jones, 72-year-old former United States deputy marshal, as police chief to succeed Eugene W. Lentz, who had held the post for approximately 21 years.

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PREDICTION

Senator Charles L. McNary, of Oregon, party leader of the Republicans in the Senate, predicts that his party will gain "at least five" Senate seats this year in the elections this fall.

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