

Back to Nature for

Serve Coeds

Births And Deaths  
Decrease in Month



To demonstrate to young college women some of the processes of nature on a farm and to supply university cafeterias with fruit and vegetables, a program of general farming is being carried on by students of Flora Stone Mather college of Western Reserve university, Cleveland, Ohio. Here the college coeds store farm products which supply the university's five cafeterias. The girls milk cows, care for horses, pitch hay and perform many other farm chores.

Raleigh.—There was a decrease in both births and deaths in North Carolina in November, 1938, according to figures just released for publication by the State Board of Health's Division of Vital Statistics, of which Dr. R. T. Stimpson is the Director. Last month, 2,462 North Carolinians died, as compared with 2,762 in November, 1937, while births last month totaled 6,053, as against 6,423 the corresponding month a year ago.

There was a drop in the number of deaths of infants under one year of age and in maternal deaths, the total for the former being 407, as compared with 431 a year ago, while only 24 mothers died last month, as compared with 44 a year ago—a sharp decline.

Deaths from preventable accidents dropped from 144 in November, 1937, to 121 last month. Fatalities from automobile accidents reported to the State Board of Health last month totaled 81, while the total in November, 1937, was 96.

Fifteen people died of burns in November, this year, against 23 last year, while homicides dropped from 37 to 23, but there was one more suicide, the 1938 November total being 27, as compared with 26 last year. A drop of 24 occurred in cancer deaths, while pneumonia deaths were up only 2, but 42 died of influenza, as compared with only 27 in November, 1937. There were no other outstanding increases or decreases. Dr. Stimpson's figures show.

Johnston county terraces that were sown to lespedeza or lespedeza and grass held well against the heavy rains this past season, but where row crops were growing, and the terraces did not have proper outlets, some of them overflowed in the heaviest rains.

to get its money back. Law, trembling in terror, fled from France leaving all his treasures behind. His gorgeous estates, worth millions of dollars, were confiscated. His books and furniture and silverware were sold. His wife and daughters became paupers. And nine years later, "Handsome John" Law, the man who had once been mightier and richer than kings, died in Venice, without friends and without money.

Ads. get attention—and results!

# Dale Carnegie

Author of "How to Win Friends and Influence People."



## 5 Minute Biographies

JOHN LAW

### He Made Thousands of Millionaires And Died With Holes in His Shoes

Two hundred years ago, a forger in France, a Scotsman called "Handsome John" Law, came to Paris—friendly and unknown, and made himself financial dictator of France and the most powerful man in Europe. Twelve years later, he fled in disgrace with an infuriated mob hawling for his blood and longing to tear him limb from limb.

At the age of twelve, John Law was a precocious and brilliant mathematician who astonished the professors of Edinburg. At

seventeen, he was a dandy and a fop.

At twenty, he was a notorious gambler, addicted to the shuffle of cards and the rattle of dice. At twenty-six, he fell in love with an old man's darling; and the old man, consumed with jealous rage, challenged the young Scotsman to a duel. They fought in a thick London fog and John Law killed his adversary with a sword.

Law was arrested, tried for murder, and sentenced to be hanged. But two days before he

### HAPPY CITIZEN



It was a happy day for Luise Bailer, film actress, when she became an American citizen recently. After naturalization proceedings in Los Angeles she wrapped the flag around her and exclaimed, "This is the happiest moment of my life."

was to mount the gallows, he drugged his guards, slipped out of his chains, scaled the prison walls, and escaped to France.

These were terrible times. French mobs, driven to desperation by hate and hunger, boiled through the streets of Paris, smashing statues of their dead king, Louis the Fourteenth, and demanding that the new government do something at once to save the country from starvation and disaster.

And presto! John Law appeared with his glib tongue and his radical ideas. He persuaded the Government to print a little paper money. Prices rose. Business hummed. Happy days were there again and "Handsome John" Law was regarded as a miracle man. So he started doing a bit of promoting. He organized a great monopoly, an industrial octopus which had the exclusive rights to trade with China, India, the South Seas, Canada, and all the French colonies in America.

John Law ballyhooed his new project in glamorous terms. Louisiana was a modern Eldorado, rich with gold and sparkling with emeralds. With a lordly touch of magnificence, John Law guaranteed to pay dividends of one hundred and twenty per cent a year on his project. Prices leaped and skyrocketed, and the public went mad.

Dukes and dishwashers, counts and cut-throats, all fought with one another in a desperate effort to get inside Law's house and buy more stock.

The Government kept the printing presses busy turning out more money, and John Law kept issuing more stock. The boom swept over France like a tornado. Everybody was getting rich. Servants and stable boys speculated in the stocks and woke up in the morning to find themselves millionaires.

The streets of Paris resembled a Mardi Gras. Side shows and refreshment booths crowded the highways; roulette wheels whirled and clicked, and pickpockets from the gutters of Europe fattened on the infatuated mobs.

Then came the first, faint rumble of impending disaster. The powerful Prince of Conti, in a moment of anger, filled three wagons with paper money, and driving to the bank, spitefully demanded gold.

The Mississippi Bubble burst. Confidence was gone—gone as quickly and dramatically as it had come. The bank stopped payment. John Law was dismissed in disgrace. The crowd that had once elbowed and gouged one another in a frantic scramble to buy stock, now trampled to their people to death in a mad effort

# Greetings Of the Season!

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## JOY AND GOOD FORTUNE

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### Happy and Prosperous NEW YEAR

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## THANK YOU

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North Wilkesboro, N. C.

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# GREETINGS

## To Customers and Friends

EACH ONE CONNECTED WITH OUR STORE WISHES EACH ONE OF YOU—OUR PATRONS AND FRIENDS—THE BEST OF LUCK AND THE BEST OF HEALTH DURING THE NEW YEAR 1939. IT IS ALWAYS A PLEASURE TO SERVE THOSE PAYING OUR STORE A VISIT, AND IT WILL BE OUR FOREMOST AIM TO PLEASE YOU THROUGHOUT THE COMING YEARS. AGAIN ALL OF US WISH ALL OF YOU A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR!

W. G. GABRIEL, Manager

# Belk's Department Store

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