

800 Tar Heels Get In Marines

A total of 800 Tar Heels have been accepted for service with the United States Marine Corps, since the opening of the North Carolina District last October, through the District Headquarters located in the Post Office Building at Winston-Salem, and the 3rd-district Recruiting Station located in the Post Office Building at Wilmington. Captain John M. Greer, Officer in Charge of this district, states that North Carolina led all other districts in the United States for number of men accepted for enlistment during the month of June, and again leads all districts for the month of August. This is quite a record for this state as a new district when comparing it with other states of much greater populations.

Quite a large number of these young men who apply for enlistment in the Marine Corps come from rural sections from 20 to 30 miles from the city. They enlist for nearly every reason under the sun: for adventure. Patriotic response dissatisfaction with present employment, or the natural desire of practically every normal youth to travel about a bit and see what is going on elsewhere. The Marine Corps is able to fulfill any of these desires. A well rounded educational system, the opportunity to travel extensively, and a chance to participate in any and all sports gives a marine an outlet for his educational ambitions and energies.

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examined every week day at each of the three recruiting stations of this State. Requirements for enlistment remain unchanged, says Capt. Greer. To be eligible for enlistment a young man must possess the equivalent of an eighth grade education or better, must be of good moral character, of sound physique, white, single, without dependents, and between the ages of 18 and 30.

Dodge Fluid Drive Due to Revolutionize Habits Of Driving

It has been years since the automobile industry has produced an operating improvement approaching in newness and general interest the Fluid Drive which will be featured in 1941 Dodge models.

In consequence there is widespread curiosity regarding the question—how and to what advantage the power of the automobile engine, ordinarily passed to the car's rear wheels through fixed mechanical connections, is now transmitted in an entirely different fashion, namely through a body of oil.

A plain and homespun explanation of the Fluid Drive is one given by the Dodge Company's vice president and director of sales, Forest H. Akers. "Our Fluid Drive," says Mr. Akers, "is mounted between the crankshaft and the clutch, where it takes the place of the conventional fly-wheel. The installation is one of extreme simplicity, for it consists of only two working parts—two bowl-shaped shells of steel into which a series of evenly spaced blades or fins are welded.

"One of these bowl-shaped shells is mounted—its open end facing toward the rear—on the end of the engine crankshaft; it is called the driver or impeller; the other Fluid Drive part, similar in construction to the first one, is mounted on the drive shaft of the car in such a way that its open end faces the impeller—almost, but not quite, touching it.

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To Enlarge Artillery Post At Fort Bragg

A report from Fayetteville says that Fort Bragg, largest military post in the United States for many years, very soon will become one of Uncle Sam's largest military establishments.

One hundred fifty new buildings are under construction at the fort now and contracts will be let soon for the building of 600 others.

The 600 wooden structures will be erected this fall and winter between McKellar's pond and Pope field, on the reservation, to house the ninth division, which is in process of formation at the post.

Contracts will be let for the additional construction at the fourth corps area office in Atlanta, Ga., and it is expected that the work will be completed by spring.

Meanwhile, 1,800 men of the ninth division are camped in a tent city on the eastern end of the reservation. Soldiers comprising the division are principally seasoned men sent there from other outfits to form the nucleus. The division will be built up to full strength of 8,000 from recruits arriving at Fort Bragg daily.

Lime Should Precede Seeding Of Legumes

The best time to apply ground limestone is from three months to one year before seeding legumes. That is the advice that Western North Carolina farm agents are giving growers, and E. C. Blair, State College Extension agronomist, says it is good advice for all parts of the State.

Blair said that C. Y. Tilsoh, Buncombe County farm agent, recently prepared recommendations for correcting soil acidity in the mountain area, as follows: "If lime is applied from three months to one year before seeding legumes, it gives the lime sufficient time to contact acid in the soil particles and counteract it.

"The application of lime to cultivated land should be made after plowing, and the material should be mixed with the topsoil. Little benefit may be expected if lime is plowed under before being properly mixed with the topsoil. On pastures it is only necessary to scatter the lime on top of the sod; however, better results will be obtained if it can be worked in by light harrowing.

"For most soils in the mountain area, the following amounts of lime are needed for various crops: Alfalfa, 3 to 4 tons per acre; red clover, 2 to 3 tons per acre; pastures, 1 1-2 to 2 1-2 tons per acre; the general crops, 1 1-2 to 2 tons per acre.

"The appearance of broom sedge, sheep sorrel, running briars, plantains, and moss in and around the edge of fields is a good sign that the land needs lime. The use of lime, plus phosphate, applied to broom sedge pastures has resulted in blue grass and white Dutch clover gradually taking hold. The lime and phosphate restore the soil fertility where there is broom sedge to the extent that the sedge is made palatable and grazed off or crowded out by blue grass, and not killed by lime as is sometimes thought."

RED TAPE—UNCLE SAM'S ETERNAL ENEMY. An informative article explaining how America—unusually first to develop new defense weapons—yields them to foreigners because of official muddling. One of many illustrated articles in the September 15th issue of The American Weekly the big magazine distributed with the Baltimore Sunday American, on sale at all Newsstands.

274 Beer Dealers Lose License

Raleigh.—The beer industry's "clean up or close up" campaign in North Carolina resulted in disciplinary action against 274 retail dealers during the 12-month period ended August 31.

Edgar H. Bain of Goldsboro, state director of the Brewers and North Carolina Beer Distributors Committee, announced today that the retail licenses of 101 dealers in 38 counties had been revoked, five dealers in four counties placed on probation, and 154 dealers warned to "clean up" before more drastic action was taken against them. Revocation pe-

ditions against 14 dealers in six counties are pending.

The campaign against undesirable beer outlets was begun with the organization of the committee in Charlotte on May 18, 1939, but the first revocation was not obtained until September. Since that time 101 dealers in the following counties have lost their licenses: Buncombe, Haywood, New Hanover, Columbus, Wake, Mecklenburg, Guilford, Henderson, Swain, Clay, Stanly, Yedkin, Cabarrus, Catawba, Iredell, Davie, Brunswick, Craven, Beaufort, Wayne, Jones, Lenoir, Pasquotank, Martin, Alamance, Brunswick, Transylvania, Rutherford, Cleveland, Gaston, Rowan, Wilkes, Rockingham, Richmond, Edgecombe, Randolph, and Davidson. Five dealers in Forsyth, Blad-

en, Surry, and Iredell counties were placed on probation during this period, and revocation petitions are pending against 14 dealers in Beaufort, New Hanover, Wilson, Burke, Iredell and Carter.

Spider Bests Mouse In Fight

San Bernardino, Calif., Aug. 25.—A black widow spider caught a mouse in her web, administered a lethal bite and had her victim almost completely suspended in the air when man intervened.

Virgil F. Fulton, who witnessed the unusual encounter, photographed it for proof. Fulton dis-

covered a rustling beneath a work bench at his home. As he watched, the spider raced down her web and bit into the mouse's back. The spider crawled across the floor to a strip of paper (blanket) with shells, dragged it to the web, secured it to the strands, and fastened one end to the mouse's tail.

Moving swiftly from one anchorage to another, the black widow drew the web taut until within a few minutes the mouse was suspended with its forefeet barely touching the floor. The mouse, consciousness regained, was struggling hopelessly when Fulton mercifully put an end to the contest.

See get attention—see photo

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