

Annual Report Of Hospital Ass'n.

Figures Announced From Central Office Shows Healthy Growth Of Hospital Savings Association

CHAPEL HILL, Jan. 29—One member of Hospital Saving Association of North Carolina, Inc., was admitted to one of North Carolina's general hospitals approximately every 30 minutes during last year.

Executive Director E. B. Crawford of Hospital Saving Association, which has its home office here, pointed out the frequency of Hospital Saving membership admissions today in releasing the annual year-end report of the Association's activities.

Of Hospital Saving's 137,761 members in the state, last year 11,263 were admitted to hospitals a total of 16,127 times. Figuring 366 days for the Leap Year, and 3,784 hours, admissions reached the figure of approximately two per hour, or one every half-hour for the full twelve months.

Hospital Saving registered some startling gains during the year. Membership increased 13,913, averaging well over one thousand new members per month. The members admitted were hospitalized for a total of 128,484 days, and the Association paid \$521,197.74 for the care of these members.

For the full period of operation of the Association 30,957 members have been hospitalized, admissions numbering 40,823 and total days' stay reaching 320,404. The Association has paid to the state's hospitals \$1,315,043.27 for care of its members since it first began operations.

In making his report today, Executive Director Crawford said: "We like to consider the amount of money paid to our hospitals as bills paid by our members through the medium of our service organization. This amount of money represents a distribution of funds that provide more and better care for a greater number of people."

"Our purpose is to provide a means whereby better hospital care can be available to more people at a small cost. . . . Hospital Saving Association was the first state-wide non-profit hospital service association organized in the United States. It actually began operation early in 1936, although its organization had been planned for several months prior to that time."

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Yucca Blooming On Bald Head

The yucca plants, otherwise known as Bear Grass or Spanish Bayonets, are blooming on Bald Head Island, and while over in town Monday night to attend the Chamber of Commerce Directors meeting, Charley Matthews, manager of the property, brought other tales of his island home.

Not the least interesting of his reports was his account of the six acres of garden peas, the seed of which were planted on December 13th. The plants are now thriving and are about four inches tall. He hopes to be picking and shipping garden peas about the middle of next month.

At its annual meeting Monday night, the New Hanover Fishing Club, extended its zone boundaries to go as far as Fort Caswell and Oak Island. This will naturally include all of Bald Head Island. The boundaries formerly reached only to the Quarantine Station, two miles above Southport.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brooks and Mr. and Mrs. James Ridgely, prominent Baltimore people, will arrive here Sunday afternoon for several days of hunting and fishing. Mr. Brooks was here the first part of last week on the same errand. With J. Hammond Brown, outdoor editor of the Baltimore American and other Marylanders he plans another trip here the first of March.

Charleston, Norfolk, and Holly Ridge are drawing a heavy quota of skilled and unskilled workmen from Brunswick county. Marine activities at the two former places drew most of the local boatmen and others. The local representation at Holly Ridge is chiefly made up of carpenters and laborers.

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Concerted Drive Planned Here For Securing Market

Meeting Held On Saturday Night Results In The Resolution To Get U. S. Army Man Down To Explain Plan

BALDWIN IS NAMED COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Representative Group From Other Sections Of The County Also Named; Held As Big Opportunity For People

A concerted drive will be made to have Whiteville designated as a farm produce assembling station for the U. S. Army, it was decided at a meeting of representative Columbus citizens and Rep. J. D. Sikes here on Saturday night.

Columbus and Brunswick are joining in the efforts to have the city made the produce assembling point for two counties. Committees from the two counties appointed here Saturday night to work out plans for trying to get the produce selling station here included the following: Columbus, A. W. Baldwin, chairman; Carl Meares and B. H. Small, of Fair Bluff; H. V. Hammonds, Cerro Gordo, S. C. Oliver secretary, J. K. Powell, W. E. Harrelson, J. D. Sikes, Bill Hooks and B. Gordon Lewis; F. T. Wooten, of Chadbourn, R. C. Harrelson, Tabor City and T. W. Croom, of Freeman, J. M. Byrd, of Evergreen.

The meeting held Saturday night was to give to the committee what facts Mr. Sikes had about the prospects for establishing the assembling station here in Whiteville. He said that he had talked with F. Kerr Scott, Secretary of Agriculture, the day before, and Mr. Scott said that the army wanted to buy as much produce as possible locally.

The purchase of farm commodities would be upon bids. There will be competition among those bidding for the business, but as was pointed out by S. C. Oliver, the county agent, Columbus has a slight edge over other counties of the state in that its seasons are right much earlier than those elsewhere.

Foods purchased locally would be for consumption at Fort Bragg, and Camp Davis, and probably other military centers. The committee from Brunswick county included: J. B. Ward, of Ash, J. M. Roach, of Supply, and C. A. Russ, of Shallotte—all named by Rep. Sikes.

Mr. Oliver pointed out to the group that commodities available from Columbus would be strawberries, sweet potatoes, market beans, Irish potatoes, roasting ear corn, cucumbers, poultry, a large quantity of mustard greens, collards, and turnips.

It was emphasized at the meeting that this produce assembling point would not be designed to offer competition to the already established produce markets, but rather would take off the surplus of produce which was now going to waste, or offer markets for new production.

"We want to sell Uncle Sam on the idea of feeding the soldiers Columbus county strawberries instead of California peaches", said Mr. Sikes.

It was decided at the conclusion of a wide discussion of various aspects of the plan, to invite a representative of the U. S. Army to come down and look over the prospects for establishment of the produce center here.

Lint Stamp Plan Interest Locally

Cotton Farmers Of Brunswick Will Be Highly Interested In Announcement Of Agriculture Secretary

Cotton farmers of Brunswick County will be interested in the announcement of the Cotton Stamp Plan by Secretary of Agriculture, Claude Wickard.

Powell And All Members Highway Commission Quit

Entire Commission Is Requested To Serve For 60 To 90 Days Longer Until New Members Named

CHAIRMAN IS OFF ON SICK LEAVE

Powell's Term Of Office Did Not Expire In Four More Years, Having Been Supposed To End In 1945

A. F. Powell, Jr., of Whiteville, Friday joined the rest of the members of the North Carolina state highway and public works commission, including Chairman Frank L. Dunlap, in resigning in a body.

Governor J. M. Broughton in announcing the resignations, said now was "instigated or requested by me", and added that he had asked the commissioners to continue to serve for 60 to 90 days, to which the members had each agreed.

The chief executive's announcement was made a few minutes after he had conferred in executive session with the commission in Raleigh. Chairman Dunlap has secured 90 days leave for reasons of health, and D. B. McCrary, of Asheboro, highway commissioner of the sixth division, was appointed temporary chairman to serve during Dunlap's sick leave, which begins Feb. 1.

Commissioner Powell, who has represented the 3rd division for the past several years, was appointed to serve until 1945. Members of the commission and the dates on which their terms expire are: D. C. Barnes of Murfreesboro, first division, 1943; E. V. Webb of Kinston, second division, 1941; A. F. Powell, Jr., of Whiteville, third division, 1945; T. B. Ward of Wilson, fourth division, 1945; S. M. Bason, of Yanceyville, fifth division, 1941; D. B. McCrary of Asheboro, sixth division, 1943; T. R. Wolfe of Albemarle, seventh division, 1945; J. Gordon Hackett of North Wilkesboro, eighth division, 1941; T. Max Watson of Spindale, ninth division, 1943; E. L. McKee of Sylva, tenth division, 1945; Chairman Frank L. Dunlap of Wadesboro, 1943.

The specific date of expiration in each case is May 1. POWELL NOT PRESENT AT EXECUTIVE MEETING

Commissioner Powell, who for the past month has been confined to his home here by illness was not able to be present at the executive session of the highway commission Friday at which the group bodily tendered a letter of resignation to Governor Broughton.

The condition of Mr. Powell, while somewhat improved at the present time, still does not permit him to return to his business duties and it will be sometime yet before he will be able to be back at his desk here.

For planting less than the acreage allotment in 1941 or the measured acreage of 1940, whichever is less, stamps will be issued at the rate of 10 cents a pound time the normal yield of the underplanted acreage in 1941, but not to exceed \$25 per family in the case of sharecroppers, tenants and owner-operators. Owners of farms operated by tenants may qualify for a maximum of \$50 worth of stamps. Where a landlord received one-fourth of the crop, he will be eligible to receive one fourth of the stamps, but not to exceed \$50 worth of stamps. For farms where the landlord received one-half of the crop, he is eligible to receive one-half of the stamps but not to exceed \$50 worth of stamps.

The agricultural extension service will carry on an intensive educational program in order that cotton producers may obtain the greatest benefits under the program.

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tolerant of those who differ with me and give appropriate consideration to their representations. My decision, as above set out, has been reached not suddenly, but after prolonged consideration.

DR. FERGUS IS HEALTH OFFICER

On the second Monday in the month J. M. Roach, Miss Annie May Woodside and Mayor John D. Erickson, statutory members, and Dr. L. C. Fergus, Dr. M. M. Rosenbaum and Dr. Roy C. Daniel, elected members, met and elected Dr. Fergus Health Officer.

WEED PRODUCTION IS JOB FOR ALL

Brunswick Citizens To Make Own Bedclothing

SENATOR BAILEY MAKES STATEMENT ABOUT PROGRAM

RECORD BOOKS

SEES PROSPECT FOR CRAB MEAT

Both Tarheel State Congressmen asked the commission to accord to the American crab packing industry the relief requested in a raise in the tariff from fifteen percent to twenty-two and one-half percent of declared value of imported canned crabmeat.

Dr. Carl R. Fellers, of the Massachusetts State College Department of Chemistry, testified before the Tariff Commission that the imported Japanese product analyzed by him contained a total of .024 grains of arsenic per pound, while the "tolerance level" for foods set by the Food and Drug Administration is .025. Of three American specimens of crab products analyzed, he found the highest arsenic content to be eight points below the "tolerance level", Dr. Fellers declared.

An interesting argument over nativity of the giant king crab marked the proceedings, with importers claiming it to be a "Japanese sea monster" and American contending it "is an much American as Japanese."

The position of the Crab Packers Committee was fortified by Dr. Waldemar Schmitt, curator of the Smithsonian Institute Museum. In answer to the argument of F. E. Riote, of New York, chief of counsel for the Japanese, that the technical name for the king crab is "Paralithodes Camtschaticus," indicating oriental nativity, Dr. Schmitt pointed out that "the first specimen of any species of sea life is usually given a name in conformance with location of its discovery."

The species also abounds in Alaskan waters, he said, and thus "is as much American as Japanese."

The following is an example of how the new program would operate in the case of a farmer with a 10-acre allotment in 1941, and who planted 10 acres in 1940, and a normal yield of 250 pounds per acre. This farmer, if he planted with in his acreage allotment of 10 acres, would receive full conservation and parity payments available under the program.

However, if he wished to participate in the supplementary program, he could reduce his plantings by one acre, or have a total of 9 acres. For the acre reduced he would receive cotton stamps at the rate of 10 cents per pound for the 250 pound normal yield, or \$25 worth. If a farm with a ten-acre allotment had only 8 acres planted in 1940, reduction to 7 acres for the 1941 crop would be necessary to earn \$25 worth of cotton stamps, if the yield were 250 pounds of lint per acre. He would then exchange the stamps at his local retail store for cotton goods. The merchant would redeem the stamps, at face value, from the Surplus Marketing Administration.

FSA SPONSORED CANNING CONTEST WINNERS NAMED

of the year, a canning contest was started among the 1940 Farm Security Administration Rural Rehabilitation families. A prize was to be given to each FSA family who canned its quota for the year, namely 50 quarts for each member of the family, and a grand prize was to be given to the family who canned the largest number of quarts in the county. The contest was conducted and progress records kept by the Home Management Supervisor of the Farm Security Administration, Mildred M. McDonald.

The 1939 canning average for Brunswick county FSA families was 65 quarts per family. In 1940 this average was raised to 249 quarts per family.

The canning contest officially ended December 31, 1940. On Friday January 17, prizes were given to the following winners: The grand prize went to Mrs. J. J. Parker of Winnabow who

has a family of six and canned 643 1/2 quarts in 1940. She was awarded a prize for canning 643 1/2 quarts for the year.

Eleven other FSA families placed below received prizes for canning their quota for 1940: Mrs. G. A. Brown, Supply; Mrs. Dennis Hewett, Supply; Mrs. Thomas B. Edge, Leland; Mrs. Lennell Hewett, Supply; Mrs. Bion Hewett, Shallotte; Mrs. George H. Lanier, Leland; Mrs. Gertrude Ludlum, Shallotte; Mrs. Meekins, Winnabow; Mrs. O. Stanley, Ash; Mrs. Cora Bernard, Livia; Annie Bryant, Supply.

Honorable mention goes to Mrs. Cecil Hewett, Shallotte; Mrs. Aaron McLamb, Shallotte; Mrs. Mott O. Smith, Ash; Mrs. Marie Bardon, Ash; Rachel Bolivar, Bolivia, for almost reaching their quota.

The canning quota for 1941 will be seventy quarts per person. We believe that every Farm Security Administration family can reach this by:

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