

**N. C. YOUTHFUL**

**Increases Her Population Over Forty Thousand During the Year 1914.**

North Carolina will have little room for Belgians if the present rate of increase of births over deaths keeps up. In 1914 there were 71,931 births registered in North Carolina, while the total number of deaths registered during the year was only 31,484, which shows an increase to the population of over 40,000. These reports are the finding of the Vital Statistics Department of the State Board of Health and are as nearly correct as the Vital Statistics Law can make them.

The counties leading in births are: Wake, 2186; Guilford, 2158; Mecklenburg, 2036; Johnston, 1656; Forsyth 1633; and Gaston 1428. The counties leading in the number of deaths are: Wake, 1261; Mecklenburg, 1226; Guilford, 1126; and Forsyth 1019. The counties leading in marriages are: Wake, 807; Guilford, 802; Mecklenburg, 797; Forsyth, 772; and Buncombe 653. As it appears, Wake county leads not only in the number of births and marriages, but also in the number of deaths, though her death rate is 20.4, which is the fourth highest in the state. New Hanover county has the highest 28.3 per thousand, while Forsyth has the next of 21.5 and Pasquotank 20.7.

While at first thought these death rates may appear rather high, closer examination of the returns indicate that these rates are due largely to two causes: first, the higher death rate among the negroes, and, second, to excellent registration in these counties.

Another significant fact revealed by the figures compiled by the Vital Statistics Department is that the white death rate is 11.5 per 1000 population while the colored death rate is 16.6 per 1000. On the other hand the white birth rate is 30.2 per 1000 and the colored rate is only 25.0 per 1000.

**Talks Hard Times in the Midst of Plenty**

We get into the habit of saying times are hard and we just say it regardless. A man wrote a letter to his brother, a few days ago, and in that letter he said: "I made last year 400 bushels of corn, 15 bales of cotton and I have saved 2,400 pounds of pork. Times are hard here."

The man to whom that letter was written gives us the privilege of quoting but asks that no names be used. The man who wrote the letter runs a two-horse farm. He has corn, meat and cotton to sell. Has plenty all around him and he unthoughtfully said, "Times are hard." He did not mean it, for times are not hard with him, and he was writing of personal conditions. We have all sinned enough for the past six months hollering hard times to send a world full of people to the devil. The God of the harvests is slow to wrath and is long-suffering and His mercy endureth forever.—Monroe Enquirer.

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**Catch Cold Easily.** Mr. Arthur G. Peterson, R. F. D. 21, Box 21, Omro, Wisconsin. He was in the habit of catching cold easily.

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**Horses On Increase In North Carolina**

The department of agriculture announces that North Carolina has 182,000 horses, valued at \$23,660,000 against 180,000 valued at \$25,020,000 last year, and the average price the head being \$130 and \$139.

The United States has 21,195,000 against 20,737,000 in 1914.

In an elaborate article on the effect of the European war on the exports of horses the department says:

"During the four months, September to December, 1914, inclusive, about 75,000 horses were exported from the United States. In addition to these several thousand more have been purchased for export by the agents of the warring Nations. It has been feared by some that there would be such large numbers expected as to cause an acute shortage of horses in this county. There is, however, no apparent immediate danger of this.

**Colds Are Often Most Serious—Stop Possible Complications**

The disregard of a Cold has often brought many a regret. The fact of Sneezing, Coughing, or a Fever should be warning enough that your system needs immediate attention. Certainly Loss of Sleep is most serious. It is a warning given by Nature. It is man's duty to himself to assist by doing his part. Dr. King's New Discovery is based on a scientific analysis of Colds. 50c. at your Druggist. Buy a bottle to-day.

**WILL OF REV. P. OLIVER**

**The Wife Of Deceased Gets Home Place For Life—Other Property Goes To Children and Niece of Deceased.**

The last will and testament of the late Rev. Pinckney Oliver, who resided near King, Stokes county, was probated the past week in the office of the Clerk of the Superior court.

The home-place, consisting of 282 1-2 acres is left to the widow of the deceased for life, and it is then to go to his son, Mr. Samuel T. Oliver.

To his daughter, Mary R. Gordon, is left a tract of land containing 194 acres.

A tract containing 155 acres is left to his daughter, Martha Oliver.

A bequest of \$100 in cash is left to the niece of the deceased, Susan Alice Wilson; and the residue of the property is to be sold and equally divided.

S. T. Oliver and I. M. Gordon have qualified as executors of the will.

The opportunities for building up the poultry industry throughout the South are well illustrated in what has been accomplished in the territory surrounding Morristown, Tenn., from which 1,350 miles of eggs were shipped last year. The records of the Southern Railway Company show a total of 325 solid car shipped during 1914. These contained a total of 130,000 cases or 46,800,000 eggs. Adding the shipments made in mixed cars and by express and parcel post, it is estimated that the total production from the Morristown district exceeded 50,000,000 eggs, worth, at the average retail price, more than \$1,250,000. The total value of poultry products shipped from the district during 1914 is well over the \$2,000,000 record of 1913.

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**D. S. Watkins Writes Of His Trip West.**

Muskogee, Okla., Feb. 7. Editor Reporter:

I left Walnut Cove at 7:07 a. m. on the 3rd and caught the Memphis Special at Roanoke, Va., and went by way of Bristol, Knoxville, Chattanooga, Memphis, Tenn., and crossed the Mississippi into Arkansas by way of Little Rock to McAlister, Okla. I did not see much of Tennessee, as it was night and did not see very much in Arkansas except swamps and water for it was raining the whole trip and snowing in Virginia. I arrived at McAlister at 1:30 a. m. McAlister is a very nice town, has a nice court house and nice streets, though it is dull there, as that is in the cotton

section. I was told that it is good in the grain section. So this a. m. I checked my baggage for this place. They have several oil wells here. I came over the M. H. K. R. R., crossed the great Canadian river, but it is not much of a river at present, but from the looks of the country its overflows are bad at times.

Say, I haven't found the bread tree or the river that flows milk and honey yet. If this doesn't find the waste basket and I find the good place, I will let you know.

D. S. W.

Messrs William Joyce and John Burton, Jr., of Walnut Cove, spent Sunday here with relatives and friends.

**NEW HARDWARE STORE**

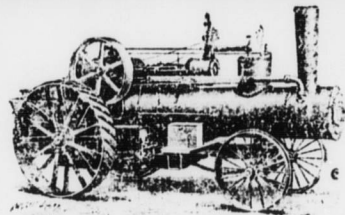
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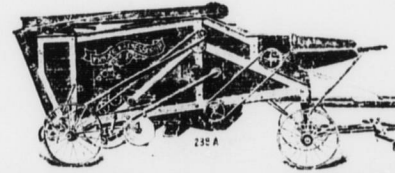


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