

# Louisburg College Finals Announced

Louisburg, May 21.—Louisburg College will begin its 1941 commencement exercises Friday evening, May 23, under the voice and piano classes, under the direction of Professors I. D. Moon and James E. Byrly, give their annual music recital at 8:00 p. m. in the college auditorium.

The alumni banquet at 7:30 o'clock Saturday, May 24, in the college dining room will feature the return of a host of former Louisburg teachers and administrative officers, among them being Miss Sally Betts of Sanford, the many sons and daughters of the college, and Miss Alice Bizzelle of Goldsboro, former instructor and head of the mathematics department.

Class Day exercises will begin at 8:15 p. m. immediately following the alumni dinner, and will be introduced by a procession of the Senior class, and will feature an address by the class president, Ralph Roe, Suffolk, Virginia, and other members of the senior class. Marshalls for the exercises are selected on the basis of scholarship and include: Sarah Davis, Chief Marshall, Louisburg; Helen Hall, Roxboro; Edward South Fayetteville; Virginia Surrency, Louisburg; and Gene Robinson, Franklin.

The baccalaureate sermon will be delivered at 11 o'clock Sunday morning at the Methodist church by the president of the college, Dr. Walter Patten. At 4:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon Dr. and Mrs. Patton will entertain in honor of the graduating class and their families.

At 7:15 o'clock Sunday night the Y. W. C. A. and Y. M. C. A. groups will hold a combined service at the northwest corner of the former Louisburg prison, where Frank E. Kinnard, leading the service.

Bishop Clark of the Methodist church will deliver the baccalaureate address at the graduation exercises at 10 o'clock Monday morning, May 26, at which time the presentation of diplomas, certificates, awards and honors will bring to a close the academic year.

### TO GUARD DAMS

Albany, May 21.—Guards will be sworn in this week and next to maintain a 24-hour watch on the three dams of the Carolina Aluminum company, this precautionary measure being taken upon the advice of the federal government. The 15 guards that are being sworn in at this time will be on duty in night shifts.

The Mexican tortilla, the universal food in that country, is made of maize.

# Duke Awards Announced

Durham, May 21.—Dean Calvin B. Hoover of the Duke University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences today announced the list of fellows, scholars, and graduate assistants for the 1941-1942 academic year. The awards go to 115 students of graduate rank who hold degrees from 35 American and foreign colleges, universities, and the awards and stipends have a value of approximately \$65,000.

Kenneth Dougall McDougall, of Durham, is announced winner of the Angier Duke Memorial Fellowship which has a \$1,000 stipend. McDougall, a research student in zoology, is the son of the late Dr. William McDougall, noted Duke psychologist.

The Gurney Harriss Kearns fellowship in American Religious Thought has been awarded to J. M. Boyce Bennett of Brevard, a Wolford College and Duke Divinity School graduate. It carries a stipend of \$700.

Other awards include 23 fellowships ranking in value from \$500 to \$850, 17 graduate scholarships valued at \$100 to \$450, and 74 assistantships valued at \$450 to \$650.

## Capital Gossip

By HENRY AVERILL

Raleigh, May 21.—For the week ended May 16 the Highway Safety Division set an all-time high in revocation of driver's licenses. During this period 220 lost their right to operate motor vehicles in the state.

From May 1 to May 9 revocations totalled 135, and so through the middle of this month there had been 405 revocations—enough to indicate that the May total will shatter all existing records.

Coming contemporaneously with ghastly growth in automobile accident deaths on the highways, this revocation record confirms the impression that North Carolina motorists, as a class, are running hog wild on the roads. More of them are driving while drunk. More of them are speeding. More of them are watching the girls alongside the highway when they should be watching the road. More of them, accordingly, are getting business for the graveyard.

The increases in revocations and in arrests made by the highway patrol and other officers indicate that law enforcement hasn't broken down—in fact, these statistics would seem to prove the officers more alert than ever before.

### Young Drunks

Percentage of youngsters under twenty in the list of those losing their driving licenses during May is unusually high. Ages of 344 out of 405 revoctees are given in safety division

statistics, and of this number 39, or almost 10 per cent, were put down as 19 or younger. At the other end of the scale of life, there was just one 60-year-old in the entire group. Of the 39 youths, 38 were deprived of their right to drive because of being drunk under the wheel. The other was a 16-year-old Mecklenburg convict of two offenses of car-stealing.

### Wet and Dry

Of the 39 youngsters under 20 whose permits were revoked by the Highway Safety Division during the first half of May, one was convicted in Virginia, one in South Carolina, four in counties having ABC stores and 32 in counties which prohibitionists call "dry."

Watauga led with six, followed by Blount with five, Randolph three, Rockingham two, Rowan, Greene and Caswell, two each; Catawba, Bertie, Wilkes, Gaston, Hoke, Haywood, Wayne, Surry, Duplin, Guilford, Lee, Pender and McDowell one apiece.

The statistics are not ample enough of course to warrant any very positive deductions, but they would seem to indicate on their face that boys under 20 have less trouble getting liquor in prohibition than in control counties—though it may be that the liquor from ABC stores doesn't numb and befuddle quite as quickly as the "dry" county popskull.

### Females

The female of the species wasn't so noticeable in the revocations for the first half of May, only five appearing in the list.

Three of them were convicted in Forsyth (Winston-Salem's municipal court), one was from Columbus (Whitsett recorder's) and the other from Randolph.

All lost their licenses for driving drunk. All were convicted in legally "dry" counties.

All were white, as were 33 of the 39 youths similarly deprived of the right to drive.

## Halifax Invited To 'Lost Colony'

Washington, May 21.—(AP)—Lord Halifax, the British ambassador, has been invited to visit the section of the United States where, it is claimed, live Americans "in the purest English blood"—the sand dunes along the North Carolina coast.

Representative Bonner, Democrat, North Carolina, in a personal call on the ambassador, asked him to speak at Ft. Raleigh, on Roanoke Island, N. C., on July 3, on the opening night of "The Lost Colony," famed Paul Green pageant presented annually to commemorate Sir Walter Raleigh's attempt to found an English colony in the new world.

Bonner said Lord Halifax was particularly inquisitive about the arch but was unable to give a final decision on the invitation until about the middle of June.

Bertha Solomon was elected to the Parliament of the Union of South Africa, a year ago, the first Jewess to reach such heights there.

## Four Airmen Killed When Army Planes Collide



Early arrivals look over the wreckage of one of the two light army bombers which collided in mid-air near Rains, S. C., and killed four airmen. Wreckage of this plane, which fell in an open field, still smolders. The planes were flying in formation with four others from the Savannah, Ga., air base to Langley Field, Va.

## Proposed Tax Government On Auto Sales News Agency Is Analyzed

Daily Dispatch Bureau. In the Sir Walter Hotel. By HENRY AVERILL.

Raleigh, May 21.—Imposition by Congress of a twenty per cent tax on sale of automobiles would hit Tar Heel pocketbooks to just about the tune of the state's three per cent sales tax, assuming that such a high tax did not materially reduce the volume of sales.

This is on the basis of new car sales alone, and there is a likelihood that the federal tax, if adopted, would apply to sale of used as well as brand new motor vehicles.

There are no exact figures on total sales of new automobiles last year in North Carolina and no figures at all on total sales of used cars; but from the office of the North Carolina Automobile Dealers Association figures have been obtained which will approximate the new car totals with sufficient accuracy to make a few general statements and comparisons.

These figures show that during 1940 new car sales were 57,673 in number (and this count is accurate because taken from Motor Vehicle Bureau figures on new car registrations) and of a total value of \$53,762,642; this value being carefully worked out from accurate figures on the number of cars of each make sold and on best available estimates of the average sales price of each make.

A twenty per cent levy on that value would exceed \$11,000,000; the price Tar Heels would have to pay if such a tax were to be applied.

By way of comparison, the state's sales tax for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1940, yielded slightly more than \$12,000,000, while the state income tax produced approximately the same revenue.

## Iceland Severs Ties With Denmark

Copenhagen, May 21.—(AP)—Iceland's charge d'affaires formally notified the Danish foreign office yesterday that his country had decided to cancel its union with Denmark and become a republic.

The note said the Icelandic government reached its decision unanimously May 17, and that the republic status will become effective as soon as the tie with Denmark is formally dissolved.

Iceland, the note continued, had the right to cancel a 23-year-old treaty of union before it expired in 1943, because Icelandic affairs formerly conducted by Denmark now are being handled by Iceland. Furthermore, it was pointed out, Denmark no longer was in a position to handle such affairs.

There was no official Danish reaction to the note severing a tie which dates back to 1289, Iceland achieved independence in 1918 but remained united with Denmark to the extent that the Danish king was also king of Iceland.

Stockholm dispatches said the new republic, whose althing (parliament) dates back to 930, will appoint a temporary chief of state (some reports said he had been appointed) pending the introduction of a republican constitution.

Iceland now is under protection of British troops which were landed there in the spring of 1940 following Adolf Hitler's conquest of Denmark and the low countries.

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## OFFICERS ELECTED BY STATE CHAPTER

Raleigh, May 21.—L. C. Williams, Jr., of Salisbury, a rising star in civil engineering, has been elected president of the State College student chapter of the American Society of Civil Engineers.

Officers chosen to serve with Williams during the next school year are: E. I. Winfrey, Jr., of Winston-Salem, vice president; I. D. Parker of Hampton, Va., secretary; R. C. Thurmond of Rocky Mount, treasurer; J. F. Kelly of Maxton, representative to the Engineers' Council; J. G. Foushee of Greensboro, reporter; and J. P. G. Davis of Brooklyn, N. Y., sergeant-at-arms.

### GRAY IS TRANSFERRED

Oxt rd, May 21.—Robert S. Gray, Jr., manager of the Oxford district of Carolina Power and Light company for the past 20 years is being transferred to Sanford as manager of the power utility there and will be succeeded here by F. A. Woodcock, formerly manager of the Zebulon district.

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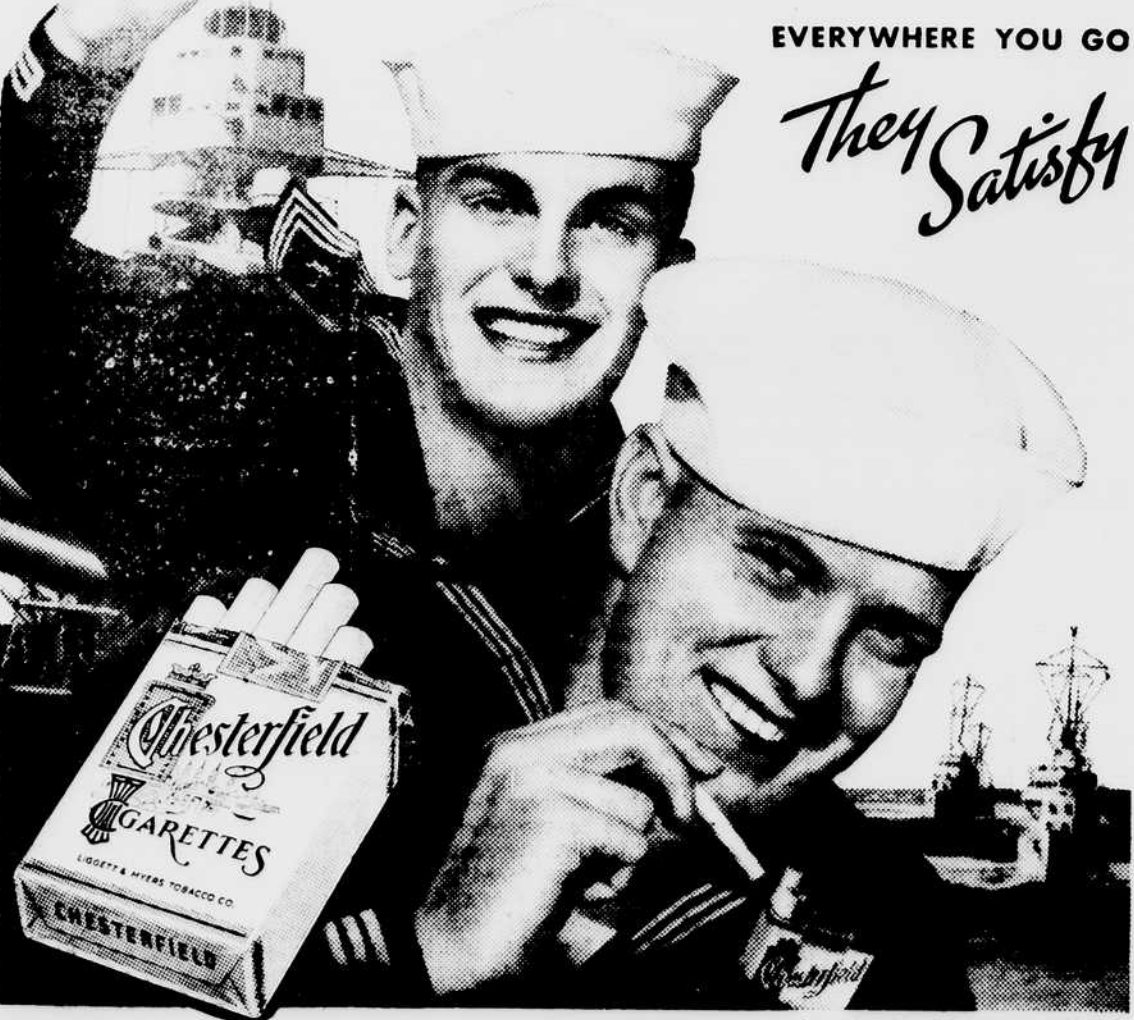
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