

# N. C. Retirement System Most Economically Run

## Benefit for Teachers and Employees Is Now Near \$11 Million; Half Are School Teachers

**Daily Dispatch Bureau.**  
**In the Sir Walter Hotel.**  
**By LYNN NISBET**

Raleigh, Jan. 28.—After two and a half years operation the North Carolina Teachers and State Employees Retirement fund has in its \$4,072,151.53 as of December 31, 1943. The system was established by the 1941 legislature, effective July 1 of that year, but the first payments into it came after the first State payroll and were received on August 1, 1941. This amount was \$42,216.34.

Since that time, according to Charles M. Johnson, State treasurer and chairman of the retirement system, payments have been received as follows: From employees \$4,122,500.62; State contribution, \$6,186,299.39; earnings on investments, \$361,260.32. This first excess of payments by the State was occasioned by the credits for prior services of employees that had not been matched by State contributions.

The North Carolina system now has more members than any other State except Pennsylvania. The reason New York does not lead is that New York City has separate systems for its employees and that recently for about half the State population.

At December 31 the North Carolina system had 52,559 members, comprising 29 thousand in New Jersey, 16 thousand in New York, 44 thousand in Ohio, 45 thousand in Texas and 28 thousand in Pennsylvania.

The North Carolina membership is about half school teachers. The highway commission report estimates the next biggest group, followed by State institutions and other departments. There have been more than 60 thousand in New Jersey, but some have withdrawn to other States, leaving present membership at 52,559.

More significant than these figures on membership is the comparative cost of operating the systems. In that respect North Carolina comes through with flying colors.

According to figures compiled by the State Treasurer, the cost of operating last year was \$36,216, or a little less than 37 1/2 cents per member. In New Jersey the per capita was \$1,877, and in Pennsylvania—the only other big State with less than a dollar per member cost—it was slightly more than 91 cents.

Two reasons are given for this. Some States pay larger salaries, but mainly they employ more high paid officials to do the job. New Jersey has a director and two high paid assistants. Here, Major Baxter, Dur-

ham does the job. Most States have a man paid to do nothing except handle investments. Here Treasurer Johnson does that in connection with his other duties and at no extra pay.

The reserve in the fund is expected to grow rapidly for a good many years. That level, set as retirement benefits are paid in larger amounts to retiring members. The ideal is to have a permanent relative balance, but in the early years there must of necessity be built up a substantial reserve.

## Baseball Players Keep in Shape by Working at Butner

Camp Butner, Jan. 28.—What many baseball players do out of season can be witnessed by two outfields in the Brooklyn Dodgers' stadium, Garden E. Gillette and David Hal Doughty, who are now working as lifelines at the station hospital at Camp Butner, while waiting for the training season to open. This job appealed to them for several reasons. They say it is a constructive work, it pays expenses and it keeps them in good physical condition for the opening of the ball season.

Gillette, who comes from Knoxville, Tenn., has played professional baseball for 18 years. He has played for the St. Louis Cardinals, the Brooklyn Dodgers, and the New Orleans Pelicans, who have a working agreement with the Dodgers. Doughty, who comes from Statesboro, N. C., has played professional baseball for 10 years. He has played for the St. Louis Cardinals, the Brooklyn Dodgers, and the New Orleans Pelicans, who have a working agreement with the Dodgers.

## Tar Heel Cagers, Now Loop Leaders, Fearing Richmond

Chapel Hill, Jan. 28.—Although they are leading the conference with six wins and no losses, North Carolina's White Phantoms will be very wary when they seek their ninth consecutive victory at Richmond Saturday night.

The Tar Heel V-12s won their one previous start this week from N. C. State's civilians, 42 to 27. Coach Bill Lange plans to start the same fast-breaking, close-guarding band of one-and-a-half marksmen. This time Captain Mack and Dorman, forwards; Densell, center; and Fitch and Stevenson, guards.

Splitting time with the starters will be Box, Hayesworth, Poole, and Beach, forwards; Alterson, center; and Croft and Anderson, guards.

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## AROUND CAPITOL SQUARE

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### EXPANDING

One result of the present war is expansion of activities on part of the Veterans Bureau division of the State Department of Labor. Commissioner of Labor Forest Shuford reports that during December the division handled 653 cases, obtained hospitalization for 17 veterans and pensions for 20 others. Through efforts of State Service Officer Frank Sasser and his associates, the division secured pensions, compensation and other benefits for 100 veterans and their families amounting to \$15,175.93 during the month. Still further expansion of the service is contemplated as veterans begin coming home from the war zone.

### DEER

Game Commissioner Hunt reports that 761 deer were killed in North Carolina during 1943 by private hunters. Figures for private hunters are available, but possibly are not true, according to game wardens. That 901 figures were the total at all times, when compared with the number of persons participating in the organization of a total of 2,500 permits, one issued and 2,500 portions set out in other counties. It is thought that a quarter of the permits were issued, which is not such a bad record.

### SRK

Senator Wood, representative of the State, and other members of the State Senate, are expected to be in Raleigh for the opening of the session of the General Assembly on Monday, Feb. 13.

### SPORTSMANSHIP

Maryon L. Rife, a candidate for the United States Senate, has been elected to the position of president of the Raleigh-Washington club and has been elected to the position of president of the club. She is a member of the club and has been elected to the position of president of the club. She is a member of the club and has been elected to the position of president of the club.

### TRIPLE SLAYER DIES

Raleigh, Jan. 28.—(AP)—Alex H. 1937, self-confessed triple slayer, died in the State's lethal chamber today for the shooting death of Mrs. E. A. Bill at a killing station near Raeford in August 1942.

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London, Jan. 28.—Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden told the House of Commons that thousands of British troops had died as prisoners of the Japanese after being compelled to live "under tropical jungle conditions without adequate shelter, clothing, food or medical attention."

### WOOD WASTE

One of the high spots of the meeting of the Board of Conservation and Development this week was the luncheon address Wednesday by Dr. Egon Glesinger on wood waste. Dr. Glesinger is an international authority on the subject and he pointed out that North Carolina is wasting entirely too much wood at sawmills and elsewhere largely because of inefficient methods. Echo of the log measurement fight in the last legislature was heard when he said that "proper measuring would save 35 percent on small logs and up to 60 percent on some others."

### SCUTTLEBUTT OPENS FOR NAVY-ARMY MEN AT UNC

Chapel Hill, Jan. 28.—The Scuttlebutt, a small white-columned Colonial-type building between the west campus gate and the Infirmary, has been opened as a canteen for service men at the University of North Carolina.

# Draft-Age Farm Workers May Find Going Rougher

**By Central Press**  
Washington, Jan. 28.—Thousands of draft-age farm workers are due for a rude awakening within the next few months.

Heretofore considered essential to the war effort under blanket occupational deferment regulations, the personal records of these thousands of eligible farm workers are going to be subjected to close scrutiny by local draft boards.

Now every farm worker must prove that his contribution is necessary and unobtainable vital to the war effort.

The reason for this, according to draft officials, is that numerous farm workers are being called into military service only for members of the family.

The overall output, they say, is of doubtful value to the national war effort and eligible male workers who would normally be called for only remain in service under occupational deferment rules.

Draft officials point out that this new policy, which applies with equal force to factory workers, is the result of increased demands by the Army and Navy for more manpower.

Major Gen. Lewis D. Hershey, selective service director, revealed that within the next six months the draft boards will be asked to reserve 400,000 men to man the Army and Navy to peak strength by July 1.

After that, however, the average monthly call of 200,000 men will drop off to levels necessary to replace men who are killed, wounded, captured or discharged.

Draft officials have announced that when local board plans of exemptions are abolished Feb. 1, 1944, the draft boards will set a list of 100,000 men to be called into the Army and Navy.

A number of local draft boards will count on an extra 100,000 men already because the 21-day period will not start until the conscription process under his local board that he has passed the examination.

The 21-day period is expected to be extended once a pool of physicians will be able to buy sandwiches, coffee, soft drinks, candies, tobacco, shaving materials, stationery, souveniers and a miscellaneous assortment of novelties and conveniences from now on.

### Punishment of Criminals Is Planned

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of effecting such exchanges in the future.

The relief supplies for Allied prisoners held by the Japanese which were delivered by the Grigoli of a Japanese vessel on the last repatriation exchange about two months ago have not been heard from since that time and Washington has been unable to find out whether they actually were delivered to the prisoners.

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Eden's statement came in the wake of a United States army dispatch in Washington that the Japanese had tortured, starved and wantonly murdered many of the 26,000 American and Filipino soldiers captured at Batuan and Corregidor.

Pointing out that the Japanese government had refused permission for neutral inspection of their prison camps, Eden said "for some time past information has been reaching the conditions under which prisoners of the Japanese government regarding some of these areas, and as it was of so grave a character as likely to distress relatives. His Majesty's government felt bound to satisfy themselves that it was authentic before making it public."

Assailing the "barbarous nature of our Japanese enemies, Eden declared Japan violated not only the principles of international law but all canons of decent civilized conduct."

# Three Men In Hospital For Auto Injury

Three men were treated at Maria Parham hospital here today for injuries received about 1:15 a. m. when several motor trucks were involved in a wreck a few miles north of Roanoke river in Virginia, and some 25 miles north of Henderson. Some were hurt critically.

The three men were listed at the hospital as Jim Marsh, 22, of High Point, and W. A. Pendegraph, 19, and Harold Denning, 20, both of Durham. Marsh was understood to have been driver of riding on an R. D. Fowler Motor Lines truck.

State highway patrolmen here were called out about three o'clock to proceed to the State line to direct traffic, as the highway at the scene of the pile-up was reportedly blocked. Three trucks other than the Fowler van were reported to have been involved.

No direct information was immediately available as to how the smash-up occurred, and officers here were unable to give complete information.

### Birth of Son

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Twilade announce the birth of a son, Michael Douglas, at Maria Parham hospital, January 26.

### Ann Page Tender Cooked

BOSTON STYLE 16-oz. 10c  
WITH PORK Glass  
PLUS 10 GREEN POINTS

Kingdon's, Armour's or Wilson  
**CURED HAMS**  
(5) Vitamins B1-G 35c

Dressed & Drawn  
**FRYERS**  
Vitamins B1-G 53c  
Not Rationed

Shoulder  
**PORK ROAST**  
(2) Vitamins B1-G 29c

**FISH**  
PORGIES AND FLOUNDERS  
Vitamins B1-G 20c  
Not Rationed

**NECK BONES**  
Vitamins B1-G 9c  
Not Rationed

Dressed and Drawn  
**HENS**  
Vitamins B1-G 46c  
Not Rationed

**IONA PINEAPPLE-APPLE** 8 GREEN POINTS PER LB. 1-lb. Jar 15c

**Green Beans** No. 2 Can 11c

**EVAP. MILK** 4 Tall Cans 35c

**8 O'CLOCK** 3 1-lb. Bag 59c

**Marvel Bread** Large 1-lb. Loaf 11c

**Pure Lard** 1-lb. Pkg. 18c

**TOMATOES** No. 2 Can 11c

**FLAKES** 3-Oz. Pkg. 5c

# Recoveries On Stock Market

New York, Jan. 28.—(AP)—Stocks generally turned around in today's market and pinned on recoveries of fractions to a point or so.

Front liners included U. S. Steel, Chrysler, Southern Railway and U. S. Rubber.

Secondary rail bonds improved. Commodities were steady.

# Cotton Values Are Higher

New York, Jan. 28.—(AP)—Cotton futures opened five to 15 cents a bale higher. Noon values were 35 to 45 cents a bale higher. March 20.22, May 19.90, July 19.57.

Previous Open Close  
March ..... 29.14 29.14  
May ..... 19.32 19.31  
July ..... 19.43 19.51  
October (new) ..... 19.09 19.14  
December (new) ..... 18.93 18.93

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**FRESH CRISP CARROTS** Vitamins A-B1-C bunch 11c  
**FRESH TENDER GREEN MUSTARD Salad 2** Vitamins A-B1-C-G 25c  
**TURNIP** 1-lb. 25c  
**BEETS - - -** Vitamin C bunch 10c  
**NEW RED BLISS POTATOES 5** Vitamins B1-C 29c  
**SWEET JUICY Sweet Potatoes 3** Vitamins A-B1-C 25c