

MATERNAL MORTALITY RATE LOW IN COUNTY

McDowell county has the lowest maternal mortality per 1,000 live births of any of the 100 counties in the state, according to figures released this month by the State Board of Health for the year 1938.

There are only 1.8 maternal deaths in the county per 1,000 live births, the figures reveal, as compared to a state average of 5.6 and a national average of 4.4. The county ranking second lowest in the state is Ashe with 1.9 maternal deaths per 1,000 live births.

According to the State Board of Health, there were 556 live births in McDowell county in 1938. In these 556 births maternal deaths resulted in only 10 cases.

In infant deaths under one year of age McDowell county ranked 36th lowest among the 100 counties with 61.2 deaths per 1,000 live births. This compares with a 68.2 average for the state per 1,000 live births.

YOUTH CONFERENCE SET FOR JUNE 4-8

The first of State College's summer conventions for farm people will be held June 4-8, when rural boys and girls between the ages of 18 and 25 will gather on the campus for the fourth annual Older Youth Conference.

Begun in 1937 to provide a brief educational and inspirational period for young men and women, the conference has attracted an increasing number of delegates each year.

While most of those attending are members of older youth or service clubs, any boy or girl within this age group may attend, according to L.R. Harrill, 4-H club leader of the State College Extension Service, who is directing the event.

Each day's program will consist of a discussion period, a lecture period, and a conference summary. The theme of this year's conference is, "Rural Youth Faces Life's Situations."

The lighter side of the program will include one and one-half hours of organized recreation each evening, tours of Raleigh, a picnic program, an organ recital, the annual banquet, and other special features.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

The Harmony Grove Baptist church will observe Memorial Day with an all-day service next Sunday, June 2. The Glenwood Baptist and Methodist churches will have an all-day memorial service at the Methodist church at Glenwood on the second Sunday in June.

WEAVER'S MAJORITY IN CONGRESS RACE GROWS

Representative Zebulon Weaver's majority, in his race against two opponents for the Democratic nomination for congress in the 11th district continued to increase as additional returns were reported yesterday from Saturday's primary.

With 239 of the 256 precincts in the 13-county district reporting, Mr. Weaver's vote now stands at 31,206 as compared to 17,622 for Judge Sam Cathey and 6,128 for M. Earle Donnahoe.

Mr. Weaver's two opponents, on the basis of the returns from the 239 precincts, received a combined total of 23,750 votes. His majority over this figure is 7,456 votes.

Additional returns reported yesterday from Western North Carolina counties are as follows: Congress, 11th district: Weaver, 4,177, Cathey 1,381, Donnahoe, 487.—Asheville Citizen.

MORGANTON REPORTS POPULATION OF 7,747

Morganton, May 25.—Preliminary census reports show Morganton 1940 population is 7,747, an increase of 29 per cent in the past 10 years.

District supervisor D. M. Robinson of Gastonia, Friday announced the results which show a gain of 1,746 over the 1930 population of 6,001 without any change in the city's boundaries.

MUDDY CREEK NEWS

Nebo, Rt. 1, May 27.—Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Dysart, of Asheville, were visitors here Monday.

Mrs. C. W. Sigmon and daughter, Lorraine, of Bryson City, were visitors here last week.

William Plemmons of Marion spent the week-end with homefolks here.

Christine Raines is spending some time with her grandmother, Mrs. Raines, in Landrum, S. C.

Archie Patton is recovering from an attack of pneumonia at the Marion Hospital.

Mrs. J. S. Crawley and two children, Louis and Faye, were visitors at the home of Mrs. E. L. Pruett in Morganton last Saturday.

C. B. Patton of Jonesboro spent last week with homefolks here.

Mrs. J. S. Bowers, of Whiteville, is spending some time with homefolks here.

Mrs. Alfred Laughridge and her daughter, Reba, spent some time with M. S. Laughridge in Dysartsville, Thursday.

Mrs. Floy Queen is recovering from an operation at Grace Hospital in Morganton.

D. F. Pruett is ill at his home here. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Burns, Luther and Mrs. Mary Raines, of Landrum, S. C., spent the week-end here with Mr. and Mrs. Will Raines.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Crawley of Drexel, were visitors at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Crawley, Sunday.

CAROLINA ODDITIES

The "Little Beans," midgits of Randolph county, North Carolina, operate a back-road general store, and live normal country lives, always refusing to exploit their distinctive size.

One of the longest inland water routes is from Plymouth, North Carolina, near the Atlantic coast, to Detroit, Michigan. Barges go via the Atlantic coastal inland waterway, then up the Hudson, through the Erie Canal, and into the Great Lakes.

Bechtler, only man ever to mint gold privately for the United States Government, died penniless. During the period when North Carolina was producing more gold than any other state in the Union, Aug. Bechtler and his father, goldsmiths of Rutherfordton, North Carolina, were commissioned to mint one, two and one-half, and five dollar gold-pieces for the government.

The coins are odd in their design, bearing the name of their manufacturer, Aug. Bechtler. Also on the coins is the legend "North Carolina gold" or in some cases merely "Carolina gold." The ore for the coins was mined within a few miles of the private mint and its quality was indicated on the coin.

TO OBSERVE MEMORIAL DAY AT PINNACLE SUNDAY

The annual Memorial and Home Coming day will be observed at Pinnacle Sunday, June 2. There will be all-day services and dinner on the ground. Everybody invited to attend.

JUST HUMANS

By GENE GARR



"Don't Go Near Him, Teacher Says He's Got th' Temperment!"

MEETING BEING HELD BY OLD FORT CHURCH

Old Fort, May 27.—A series of meetings which began Sunday evening at the Old Fort Baptist church will continue through the week with services each night at 7:30 o'clock, according to the pastor, the Rev. W. E. Pettit, who is conducting the services. Preceding the sermon each night, a 20 minute song service will be led by S. A. McDuffie.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

There will be Memorial Services at Clear Creek church Sunday, June 2. All who attend are asked to bring a lunch and spend the day. There will be singing in the afternoon.

Drinking drivers are dangerous drivers. If you drink, don't drive, for safety's sake.

PARKER TO CONDUCT REVIVAL AT GLENWOOD

Rev. Paul Reese, pastor of the Harmony Grove and Glenwood Baptist churches, announces that Rev. C. C. Parker, pastor of the Second Baptist church of Kings Mountain, will conduct a revival meeting at the Glenwood Baptist church beginning at the evening service on the second Sunday in June. Mr. Hovis of East Marion will have charge of the music.

Read the advertisements. It pays.

MANHATTAN SHIRTS
Just received a new shipment of summer weight Shirts.
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Note of Appreciation

I wish to thank each and every one who supported me for the State Senate in the Primary held last Saturday; and to hereby express my deep appreciation of the fine vote given me. There have been no hard feelings on my part toward anyone, and there are none now.

It will be my endeavor, if elected, to work for the best interests of the County, District, and State, and to serve honestly and conscientiously, and to the best of my ability.

I thank you one and all.

L. J. P. CUTLAR

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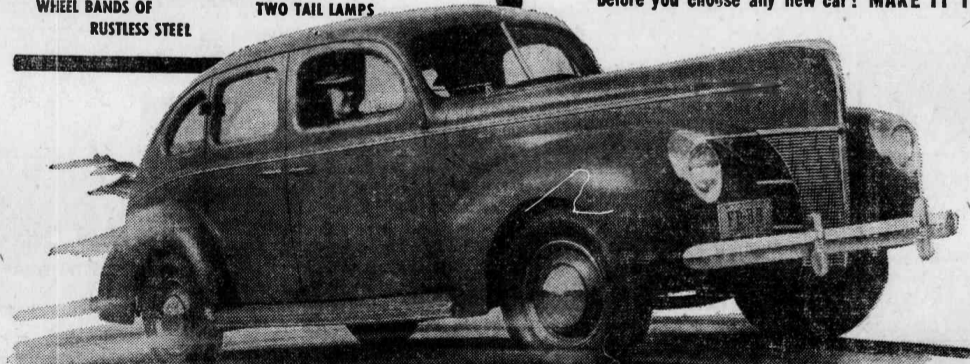
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