

BEER IS RETAILED BY 3,997 PLACES IN STATE, 22 LISTED IN McDOWELL

Raleigh, Aug. 10.—There are 22 places of business in McDowell county licensed by the state to sell beer at retail.

Figures compiled by the brewers and North Carolina beer distributors committee as of August 1, disclose that the state has issued retail beer licenses to 3,997 dealers in North Carolina. The 1940-41 tax year for (beer licenses) began May 1 and it is probable the number will reach last year's total of 4,834 before the year ends next April 30.

The total licensed retail dealers in other western counties are: Ashe 6, Avery 11, Buncombe 155, Burke 52, Caldwell 37, Catawba 56, Cherokee 16, Clay 4, Graham 4, Haywood 23, Henderson 34, Iredell 34, Jackson 7, Macon 15, McDowell 22, Polk 15, Rutherford 42, Swain 9, Transylvania 8, Watauga 12.

Mecklenburg county's 280 easily tops Guilford's 222. Forsyth is third with 175, followed by Buncombe with 155, Durham 145, Wake 139, and New Hanover 134. Rowan has 95, Alamance 82, Robeson 80, Gaston 82, Halifax 73 and Rockingham 73.

The state department of revenue issued 565 retail licenses during the month of July and 3,432 in May and June, the first two months of the 1940-41 tax year.

The beer industry's "clean up or close up" campaign has resulted in the revocation of 100 retail licenses in 37 counties since last September 1. Five retailers in four counties were placed on probation and 140 retailers were warned by the state director to "clean up" or face "close up" proceedings.

In addition, about 75 dealers in various counties of the state were refused renewal of their licenses or denied licenses by local boards because they were unable to meet the requirements of the law. The Brewers and North Carolina Beer Distributors committee last April urged the city and county boards to refuse licenses to persons unable to furnish evidences of good character or who had been convicted of liquor law violations.

TVA POWER

The Tennessee Valley Authority has announced that work has been started on the national defense expansions authorized by Congress to increase the TVA's installed power capacity by 300,000 kilowatts.

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PARK SERVICE ASKING BIDS ON CONCESSIONS

Washington, Aug. 8.—Bids will be received by the National Park Service until November 5 for public concessions on the Blue Ridge parkway area, it was announced today as plans were being pushed forward to complete construction of the skyline route in Western North Carolina.

Bids opened on that date will be preparatory to awarding 10-year contracts for the establishment of filling stations and coffee shops in the Park between the Virginia state line and Blowing Rock, N. C.

It is expected that three such concessions will be contracted for immediately—one at Cumberland Knob Park and two near Bluff Park—with others being added as the need arises and the Parkway nears completion. These will be between Blowing Rock and Asheville and between Asheville and the boundary of the Smoky Mountain Park.

Bid requirements state that all proposals must include a provision for the payment as compensation for privileges granted of \$100 a year, plus a percentage of the net profits, to be named by the bidder, in excess of six per cent of the net profits.

The government has agreed to furnish, as far as practicable, utilities such as electricity, water, and sewer disposals, with charges made not exceeding their cost of operation.

It is also indicated that in making out annual expense reports, concessions may include as an item of expense the salary of the manager, which will not exceed \$2,500 a year.

WEEKLY MEDITATION

By Rev. Paul A. Boriack, B. D., Pastor St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, Marion, N. C.

The power and blessings of the Bible have been stated and restated a billion times. Very few there are left in our country who have not heard of them in one way or another. But in spite of that the Bible is not believed and used. Almost every family has one. But few use it regularly and rightly, believing it to be the very wisdom and power of God itself.

A professor once said: "I know just exactly the composition of this seed." He was professor of Biology and held in his hand a little brown seed, which he showed to his friends. "This seed," he said, "has in it nitrogen, hydrogen, and carbon. I know the exact proportions; I understand perfectly how it is put together and how it works. But still that seed puzzles me; there is something about it which I cannot comprehend. I can make a seed that will look exactly like it. But if I plant that seed, it will come to naught; its elements will be absorbed by the soil. It will perish, decay, be no more. Yet if I plant the seed which God has made, it will become a plant and bear fruit, because it contains the mysterious principle which we call the life principle. God has made the seed a living thing, which I cannot do, which science cannot do."

Just like that seed is the Bible. It looks much like any other book. It is very simple in its narratives and teachings. But can we understand its marvelous power? When the contents of the Bible is read or heard, it proves, at least in some hearts, that it has the divine life principle in itself. It brings forth a spiritual life. It bears fruit. It brings souls to Christ in true faith and holiness.

At one time sixty families in Armenia were compelled to embrace Islamism. One aged woman refused, saying: "I am too old to deny my Lord." They burned her Bible. "You cannot take the Word of God out of my heart," she said; "the only way to destroy my faith is to kill me." St. Peter writes: "Being born again, not of corruptible seed but of incorruptible, by the Word of God, which liveth and abideth forever," 1 Peter 1:23. Truly, the Bible is God's own Word. To encourage that faith, St. Matthew's Lutheran will give to every family next Sunday, August 18th, at the 11:00 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. services the meditation booklet, "Heirs of God."

A little girl had been to church for the first time. When she returned home her mother asked her what she thought of church.

"I like it very much," she said, "but there was one thing I didn't think was fair."

"What was that, dear?" asked her mother.

"Why one man did all the work, and then another man came around and got all the money."

Projectiles used by Britain range from machine gun bullets weighing an ounce and a quarter up to 2,000-pound shells for 15-inch naval guns.

FHA LOANS PROVIDE WORK FOR LOCAL CARPENTERS

Local contractors and carpenters will have the opportunity to submit bids for construction and repair of farm buildings in connection with the tenant-purchase program of the Farm Security Administration, according to a statement by Trueman Westmoreland, county FSA supervisor.

Following the approval of loans to tenant farmers in this county to buy and improve farms, invitations for bids for construction work will be issued from my office," Mr. Westmoreland said.

He pointed out that the individual buying a farm borrows the money to buy the farm and build his own

house or make necessary repairs, but FSA helps the borrower to draw up his house plans, and assists him in letting the contract.

Invitations for bids were issued last week for repairing an eight-room house for W. E. Lonon in the Dysartsville section.


Further information can be secured from Mr. Westmoreland whose office is located in the city hall, in Marion.

U. S. EXPORTS

The exports from the United States in June increased more than 48 per cent over the same month in 1939, rising from \$236,164,000 to \$350,458,000, the jump being caused by movement of war supplies.

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Full pint M31 ANTISEPTIC SOLUTION	84c	\$1.00 size Cara Nome FACE POWDER	BOTH FOR 1.00
35c Rexall Milk of Magnesia TOOTH POWDER	BOTH FOR 59c	Satin back POWDER PUFF	1.00
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