

## Census Army Makes Ready For Barrage Of Questions

Washington—Uncle Sam is going to ask you a lot of questions next April, but what you say will be confidential.

Beginning April 1, an army of 140,000 census enumerators will start calling on people in every city, town and farm community to find out the nation's 1950 population and obtain housing and agricultural information.

The Census bureau already has prepared the basic questions for the 17th 10-year census. Agricultural census forms will be mailed to farmers in most states in advance of the population enumeration, and the completed forms will be picked up when the enumerators come around.

Hundreds of high speed tabulation machines will sum up the millions of facts collected by the census field forces.

### BASIC QUESTIONS

Basic population questions which will be asked each person include name, relation to head of household, race, sex, marital status, state or country of birth, citizenship status, and employment status the preceding week of every person over 14 years old, and the occupation, industry and class of worker.

Every fifth person the government will ask what state and country he lived in a year earlier and whether he lived on a farm. It will ask country of birth of father and mother, highest grade of school attended and school attendance.

Every fifth person 14 or over will be asked the duration of employment and number of weeks worked in 1949, income received in 1949 from various sources, income received by relatives in the same household and whether men are war veterans.

Every 30th person 14 or over Uncle Sam will ask occupation, industry and class of work of persons who worked the previous year but were not working or looking for work the previous week. It will also ask whether he was ever married or married more than once, years in present marital status and number of children born.

### ABOUT DWELLINGS

For every dwelling unit the enumerators will ask type of structure, condition, number of persons in unit, number of rooms, water supply, toilet facilities, bathing equipment and whether it is occupied by owner or tenant. They will note if the house or apartment is vacant.

Value of non-farm owner-occupied units will be asked, number of dwelling units in the property and whether mortgaged. Non-farm renters will be asked their monthly rent, any amount paid in addition for electricity, fuel and water and whether the rented units is furnished.

For every fifth dwelling unit the enumerators will get information on the year it was built, heating equipment, heating fuel, cooking fuel, refrigeration equipment, kitchen sink and whether there is electric lighting, radio and television set.

The basic questions to be answered by farmers will include name, address, race, age, acres in farm, acres owned, acres rented by farmer, acres rented to others, name and address of landlords and acres operated by hired managers.

Farmers also will be asked the number of acres irrigated, when the farmer began to operate the farm, number of days worked off the farm, whether farmer has other income, value of sale from nursery and greenhouse products, production and sales of each field vegetable and berry crop, receipts from grazing privileges, number of fruit and nut trees and income from sales of fruit and nuts.

Farmers will be asked the value of forest products cut or obtained, number of livestock and poultry, number and value of livestock sold, production and value of wool, number of cows and milk produced, number of sows and gilts farrowing.

Number of livestock butchered on farm, quantity sold and amounts received from milk, eggs and poultry, whether bees are kept and honey produced, whether the farm has electricity, telephone and running water, type of farm equipment, number of persons employed, farm expenditures . . .

Distance to trading center, kind of road on which farm is located, value of farm, mortgage on farm and amount of real estate and personal tax paid by farmer.

The first county in North Carolina to employ a supervisor of libraries was Wayne county.

## Cook Pot-Roast, Swiss Steak, Pork Chops All Same Way—Braise

Swiss steak, pot-roast, fricasee—these terms suggest different meat dishes, but they are all prepared by the same moist heat method—braising, according to Reba Staggs, widely-known food expert.

Best cooked by braising are the less tender cuts of beef, pork chops and steaks which must be slowly cooked to bring out their rich flavor; and veal steaks and chops because of their lack of fat. Whether cooked on top of the range or in the oven, this slow moist heat cooking results in tender, juicy meat that is richly browned with a well developed flavor and aroma.

The first step in braising is browning the meat in its own or a small amount of added fat. For a richer color and added flavor, the meat may be dredged in seasoned flour before browning. When completely browned, a small amount of liquid is added if desired, the pan is covered and the meat allowed to cook slowly until done. The liquid may be water, milk, cream, diluted vinegar, meat stock, fruit or vegetable juice. Herbs, spices and vegetables may be cooked with the meat to add flavor and variety.

In serving, the meat sauce is an important part because it not only contains the good meat flavor, but contains meat food value as well. The rich drippings are often served over the meat or they may be made into a delicious gravy to be served separately.

## Home Demonstration Club Schedule

The program theme of Home Demonstration clubs during the month of December will be "Recreation," Miss Elsie Garrett, county agent, said in announcing the schedule.

Meetings arranged to date are as follows:

White Pine, 7:00, December 15, home Mrs. Fred Searcy.

Bethlehem, two o'clock, December 15, lodge hall.

Turkey Cove, two o'clock, December 19, home Mrs. H. G. Washburn.

Chapel Hill, 7:30, December 19, club house. Husbands of members will be invited.

North Cove, 7:30, December 20, Mrs. Guy Lonon's.

Old Fort, 2 o'clock, December 29, home of Mrs. Cody Porter.

## State Farm News

North Carolina will produce about 41 million pounds of lespedeza seed this year, compared with 36 million in 1948 and about 38 million for the 1948-47 average. About 75 per cent of the seed crop is Korean lespedeza, and about 20 per cent Kobe.

North Carolina hatcheries produced about 3,291,000 chicks during October. This is the largest October output on record.

Now is the time to plan your poultry enterprise for 1950, say extension poultry specialists at State College.

About 268,000 acres of soybeans for beans were grown in North Carolina this year. Total production is estimated at 3,618,000 bushels.

The Tar Heel pear crop was estimated at 130,000 bushels as of November 1. This compares with a crop of 209,000 bushels in 1948.

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## Smokey Says:



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## Lewis Arrested On Two Charges

Roosevelt Lewis was arrested last Wednesday and later released under bonds of \$1,000 and \$500 pending the next term of court.

Sheriff C. M. Pool said this week. The \$1,000 bond was for a charge he will face in connection with the burning of a barn in Crooked Creek township. The barn was the property of Ed Clontz, Pool said, and the \$500 bond was set for a charge of manufacturing illegal liquor.

## TAR HEEL TIDBITS

The Andrews Geyser, near Old Fort, is a popular scene attraction with tourists and may be seen several times as the train winds through the mountains. The geyser was named for Col. A. B. Andrews, of the Southern Railroad, pioneer railroad builder in the western part of the state.

Four-fifths of the land area of North Carolina is in forests or potential forest land.

## THE ANSWERS

1. Celebrate the 150th anniversary of Washington's establishment as the National Capital.
2. In Washington, D. C., during 1950.
3. John Adams.
4. City proper; 870,000.
5. 15,000,000.
6. July 4th and run through November 22nd.
7. The man who killed Mahatma Gandhi.
8. Grover Cleveland and Woodrow Wilson.
9. About \$1,000,000.
10. 628,000 square miles (three times the area of France) and 10,000,000 people.

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