

Accidental Deaths Continue To Gain

Raleigh—The number of deaths from preventable accidents in North Carolina continues to gain momentum as the year advances, official figures compiled by the State Board of Health show. Through June there had been 854 such deaths reported to the Bureau of Vital Statistics, as compared with 665 the first half of 1940, representing an increase of 189 for 1941, so far. These do not include suicides and homicides, which are holding their own. During June, 35 people in North Carolina took their lives, which was 15 in excess of the number in the corresponding month last year. There was an increase of one in the number of homicides, the one, 1941, total having been 33, as compared with 32 for the corresponding month last year.

Accidental drownings last month totaled 27, as against only 18 in June, 1940, while 11 were burned to death, compared with 8 in June, 1940. Last month's total number of deaths from preventable accidents was 145, an increase of 23 over the same month in 1940.

June's 7,493 births brought the total number for the first half of 1941 in North Carolina to 41,937, an increase of 2,115 over the corresponding period of 1940, while the 2,635 deaths brought the total for the first half of this year to 17,059, which was 27 fewer than died from January through June, last year.

There was a decided drop in cancer deaths in June, the total for the month having been 169, as compared with 206 for June, 1941, while pneumonia deaths fell from 122 in June, last year, to 99 in June, this year, sustaining the downward trend. An uptrend, however, was reflected in the 69 deaths from diarrhea and enteritis among children under two years of age, compared with 50 reported in June, last year.

In fact, children did not fare so well in June in other ways. With 419 deaths among babies under a year old, the rate jumped from 50.7 in June, last year, to 55.9 in June this year. Measles took 21 lives, against one in June, 1940, while there were 22 fatal cases of whooping cough, an increase of 11 over last June.

Firewood Is Needed For Winter of '41-'42

Indications point to higher coal prices for the winter of 1941-42. R. W. Graeber, extension forester of N. C. State College, suggests to farmers that they prepare now for extensive fuelwood cuttings this winter.

"Even if labor is available to mine sufficient quantities of coal for domestic purpose, it is questionable whether transportation facilities will be available," Graeber declared, and he added, "this situation is bound to create a greater demand for wood as fuel."

The forester pointed out that the expanded fuelwood market should enable many farmers to dispose of low-grade hardwood trees not suited for lumber or other commercial purposes. The earlier the start is made in cutting, the more nearly the wood will be seasoned when the demand becomes active, Graeber stated.

Despite the advantages of increased demand for wood, the Extension specialist offered a note of warning. "The slogan should be 'Don't Strip the Land,'" he said. "A good cutting plan would be: Cut the poorer species, such as scarlet oak, blackjack oak, sourwood, black gum, hornbeam, etc. Cut crippled, crowded, or diseased trees of any species. Make use of tree tops left from recent sawmill operations."

Graeber said it is a good idea not to cut more than one-fourth of the total volume of timber in any one area of average hardwood stands. This will give a profitable harvest, and at the same time maintain an adequate stand of growing stock.

The forester predicted that numerous farm and urban residents will die from tetanus occurred in North Carolina last month, while appendicitis deaths went from 19 to 29. Maternal deaths, however, showed a decrease of 9, bringing the June rate down to 5.3, as compared with 6.7 last year.

There were three typhoid fever and three malaria victims during the month, while tuberculosis deaths showed an increase. No deaths resulted from endemic typhus fever, undulant fever, smallpox or scarlet fever.

A Brief Respite from Affairs of State



In one of his increasingly rare photos, President Roosevelt is shown playing with his favorite Scotty, Falls, as Mrs. Roosevelt knits in their Hyde Park home. There is nothing in this calm scene to indicate the stormy national and international situation with which the Chief Executive has to cope.

In Philippine Post



Named to command the combined U. S. and Philippine troops defending the Philippines was Maj. Gen. Douglas A. MacArthur, former United States Army chief of staff. Since 1935 he had served as military adviser to the Philippine Commonwealth.

Suggest Tests With Homemade Paints

Farmers all over the State are using a homemade paint of mortar coloring and used motor oil on barns and outbuildings. Some are getting good results, but others are dissatisfied, says Howard M. Ellis, extension agricultural engineer. He suggests that some "experimenting" be done.

"Ordinarily," Ellis says, "from three-fourths to one pound of brick red mortar coloring will be required for each gallon of used motor oil. The usual mixture is one pound of coloring to one gallon of oil. However, the blacker the oil, the more coloring it will require."

"The proper mix should be determined as follows: Divide one pound of red mortar coloring into four parts. Place one gallon of burnt motor oil into a vessel large enough to permit rapid stirring."

"Mix in two parts (one-half pound) of the coloring, taking care to add the coloring slowly while the oil is being stirred to insure a good mixture. Then paint a small section, about two feet square, on the back of a barn or other building to be painted."

"Add another fourth of the mortar coloring to the original mixture and paint a second section beside the first. Add the remaining fourth and paint a third section."

"After allowing the oil to penetrate the wood for a short time, in-

spect the three sections and decide which mix you desire. You are then ready to mix a sufficient quantity to cover the building.

Ellis says the homemade paint can be applied with an old orchard sprayer or with whitewash brushes. Mortar coloring may be bought at most hardware stores for about six cents per pound. Crank case drainings may be obtained free from most filling stations.

Women Spend Over \$1,000 Every Second

The female of the species is wealthier than the male. Women in the United States control 70 per cent of all private wealth, and they spend more than a thousand dollars every second. They buy 90 per cent of all food, 95 per cent of all furniture, 75 per cent of all clothing. They even purchase 63 per cent of all men's ties. But, as a leading woman's educator points out, "they own the money, they spend the money, and yet they never learn much about money." Since money is so clearly woman's responsibility, declares James Madison Wood, president of Stephens College, "she must be educated for the job." The head of the Columbia, Mo., women's junior college has long been recognized for the "practical-minded" preparation his school gives its girls, teaching them sound budgeting principles, home management, personal finances. But there are 37,000,000 adult able-bodied wo-

Interesting Bits Of Business In the U.S.

Electric output for the nation last week ran 18.5 per cent ahead of a year ago. . . . The nation's machine tool manufacturers are almost doubling their 1940 production rate—shipments for the first six months being \$348,000,000 worth, or 93.3 per cent more than in first half of 1940; almost all workers in that trade are in companies on a two- or three-shift basis. . . . Nation's department stores still doing fine, with sales for week ending June 12 up 19 per cent over corresponding week of year before—the gain for four-week period was 21 per cent. . . . Apparently British housewives are as brand-conscious as Americans—and for American brands; they object to getting specially-packed shipments that don't show the brand names.

Leaves for Georgia
Mr. Wesley Peel left this week for Georgia where he is located on the tobacco market.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE
North Carolina, Martin County. Having qualified as the executor of the estate of George Williams, deceased, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the completion within one year from the completion of this publication of notice or same will be pleaded in bar to any recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement. This the 27th day of June, 1941. RUSSELL WILLIAMS, Executor of the estate of GEORGE WILLIAMS, deceased.

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Clip Lespedeza, Urges Authority

Raleigh—Amendments to the State seed-law limiting the weed content of lespedeza seed offer for sale and federal standards designate "U. S. No. 1" hay as having 10 per cent or less foreign material "make it essential for farmers to clip lespedeza fields to control weeds," W. H. Darst, marketing specialist of the State Department of Agriculture, said today.

Warning that "lespedeza has little ability to suppress weeds," Darst said that "while the crop may grow and survive in competition with weeds, under such conditions the yields will be materially reduced."

"Newly seeded lespedeza yields, intended for seed, hay or pasture should be clipped soon after grain harvesting," he emphasized. "A second or third clipping may be necessary especially in fertile soil or after heavily fertilized crops."

Darst reported that "during the comparatively dry Spring this year, newly seeded lespedeza suffered severely, and for the State as a whole the stand was reduced and in certain localities practically destroyed," adding that "thin stands of lespedeza are usually accompanied by a heavy growth of weeds, especially after summer rains."

"Newly seeded lespedeza in small grains should be clipped not only to control weeds, but to remove the tall stubble and straw after the combine," he said. "This material should be raked off the field if the crop is to be harvested for market hay. It should not be destroyed, but depending on quality, may be baled for litter or it may be piled in the barnyard for cattle to work over and tramp down for manure."

"In second year lespedeza fields, weeds are often even more troublesome than the first year. The clipping of weeds in lespedeza fields will pay well in greater yields of high-quality hay and seed."

install automatic wood-burning stoves or heaters this fall. One city in South Carolina installed 3,000 wood-burning stoves for heating residences, stores and other buildings in one year.

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