

### Committee Studying 20 Wine-Beer Measures

RALEIGH—A house finance subcommittee, headed by Buncombe's Rep. George A. Shuford, will begin consideration this week of 20 measures designed to prohibit or restrict beer-wine sales in 19 counties.

Seven of the local bills would provide for beer-wine referenda in Madison, Avery, Alleghany, Macon, Clay, Cherokee and Cleveland counties on May 10. These are sponsored by Reps. Hutchins of Madison, Fields of Avery, Ervin of Alleghany, McGlamery of Macon, Moore of Clay, West of Cherokee and Mull of Cleveland.

### Phillipine President Misses Hand Grenade

MANILA—(AP)—An attempt to assassinate Philippines President Manuel Roxas was made Monday when a hand grenade was thrown on the platform where he had just finished speaking.

The grenade was thrown by an unidentified person as the president concluded his speech in the grandstand at Plaza Miranda in front of historic Quiapo church.

### Farm Machinery Price Reduction Is Planned

CHICAGO—International Harvester Corp., leading farm equipment maker, announced plans for price reductions designed to save customers an estimated \$20,000,000 annually.

Fowler McCormick, chairman of the board, called the reductions a "policy" move and said they were contemplated "because we believe there is nothing more important to this country than to lower the prices of the goods that people buy."

### Springdale Group Will Visit New Orleans

Six Springdale School students, accompanied by Victor Jacoby and Miss Charlotte Egan of the faculty, will leave Thursday for New Orleans, visiting a number of the points of interest in that part of the South.

Those who will make the 10-day trip are Bobby Weiss, Peter Martin and Bob Kennedy of New York City; Howard Ellis, San Francisco; James Browning, Illinois; and "Tiny" Shapiro, of Chicago.

### Game And Fish Law

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of season a maximum of \$100. Under the present law, there are no maximums set for these offenses.

Dynamiting fish would carry a minimum fine of \$250 and a maximum of \$500. The minimum provided for this violation now is \$100, and the law sets no maximum.

A minimum fine of \$50 and a maximum of \$200 would be provided for buying or selling game fish, an offense whose penalty now is left in the discretion of the court.

All the bills, introduced by Representative J. V. Whitfield of Pender, were referred to the House committee on conservation and development.

### OPEN SOUTH AFRICAN PARLIAMENT



DURING THEIR VISIT to South Africa, King George VI and Queen Elizabeth both attended the opening session of the ninth Parliament of the Union of South Africa at Capetown. Here the Queen addresses the chamber as the King occupies the throne chair. (International Radiophoto)

### Ten States Require 5-Day Waiting Period To Get Marriage License

RALEIGH—(AP)—Ten states now have laws requiring a five-day waiting period between application for and issuance of a marriage license, while another seven states require a three-day waiting period, a recent survey discloses.

Now before the General Assembly is a bill by Rep. O. M. Mull of Cleveland which would require a 48-hour waiting period in North Carolina.

The states now requiring five-day waiting periods are Vermont, Ohio, New Hampshire, Mississippi, Minnesota, Michigan, Massachusetts, Maine, Connecticut and Georgia. The five-day law in Georgia is applicable, however, only in cases where the parties are under 21 years of age.

States now requiring a three-day waiting period are California, Florida, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Washington and West Virginia. A four-day waiting period is in effect in the District of Columbia.

The law in New Jersey and Maryland requires a waiting period of two days.

The 48-hour bill now before the Legislature has been endorsed by the North Carolina Conference of Social Service and the State Federation of Women's Clubs. It was one of the recommendations contained in the report of a special commission authorized by the 1945 General Assembly to study the State's domestic relations laws. The success of South Carolina's

### Charleston To Launch International Routes

CHARLESTON, S. C.—(AP)—Monthly steamship service soon will link Charleston with Africa, the Philippine Islands and China.

George S. Demerell, the state ports authority's Charleston director, said the American South African lines would begin regular sailings this month, and the De La Rama Steamship company would begin schedules to the Philippines and the Far East in April.

Both lines will handle textiles from southeastern mills as well as general cargo from the Charleston area, Demerell said.

### MARSHALL WANTS 40-YEAR GERMAN PEACE PACT

MOSCOW—(AP)—Secretary of State George C. Marshall renewed the American bid for a four-power 40-year treaty to keep Germany disarmed and demilitarized when he conferred with Foreign Minister V. Y. Molotov at the opening of the Big Four conference here Monday.

### CLOSE RACE FOR OSCARS

HOLLYWOOD—(AP)—Closest race in the history of the academy of motion picture arts and sciences ends March 13 when the 19th annual presentation of awards for "bests" in 25 fields of endeavor, from acting through to writing.

### U. S. TO RETURN MINE

WHEELING, W. Va.—(AP)—The U. S. coal mines administration was under orders today to return a small West Virginia mine to its owner after a federal judge ruled the government's war emergency power to seize it had lapsed even before the formal end of hostilities.

In 1905 the United States drilled new oil wells at the rate of 45 daily. In 1946 a new oil well was started every 23 minutes on the average.

24-hour law is attested to in a recent letter to Dr. Ellen Winston, State commissioner of public welfare, from officials of the South Carolina welfare department.

"Our 24-hour waiting period is working within South Carolina," the letter states. "No license is issued prior to the expiration of the 24-hour waiting period."

"It is our feeling, however, that we need something more than just a 24-hour waiting period. In fact, there is a recommendation to the General Assembly that a marriage bill be enacted requiring a three-day waiting period and also providing for blood tests. We feel, however, that it should go even further than this, and that a physical examination should be required along with the blood test if such an act is to accomplish the desired end."

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## Motor Rocks Girl's Bed To Test Polio Theories

AP Newsfeatures

NEW YORK — Ruth Van Kirk, pretty 19-year-old infantile paralysis victim, spends most of her waking and sleeping hours in a bed hooked up with an electric motor so it oscillates like a slow-motion playground teeter-totter.

"I'm so used to it now," she says. "I hardly ever notice the motion."

The bed moves 18 hours a day, tipping first down at the foot and up at the head, then down slightly at the head and up at the foot. At one end of the cycle, the foot of Ruth's bed is five feet above the floor. A minute and a half later, half-way through the cycle, Ruth's feet are about two feet off the floor.

A relatively slight girl, Ruth didn't stand much taller than five feet in stocking feet before she got sick 18 months ago.

Now, because of her own nearly constant teetering in the see-saw bed, doctors will uncover new clues in the search for ways to reduce the ravages of infantile paralysis in others who may contract it.

This particular clue is being pursued at the New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center as a result of studies made during the war. Those studies, made with conscientious objectors who volunteered to spend months at a time in plaster casts, showed that immobilization of even completely well people for several weeks resulted in nitrogen and calcium losses and in harmful changes in blood circulation.

But the evidences of physical deterioration affecting muscle and bone, the research men found, were less pronounced when the same cast-bound subjects were in a teeter-totter bed.

In 1946 the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis stepped into the picture, and it was arranged that the March of Dimes would support further studies in which New York Hospital and Cornell University Medical College doctors would see if some of the harmful effects resulting from immobilization following severe poliomyelitis might be reduced by use of the rocking bed.

Ruth, then a patient in another hospital, heard about the project and volunteered. She has now completed a month in the bed.

"Before the study started, I tried to imagine what a rocking bed would be like," Ruth says. "It never occurred to me it would seem like being in any other bed."

"But the only thing the rocking really interferes with is writing."

At regular intervals, doctors and nurses come in to the room and make tests. At other times, Ruth goes in a wheel chair to another part of the hospital to continue the muscle re-education and physical therapy program she started before the rocking bed experiment got underway.

"The only thing I ever noticed," she says, "is a slight shifting in weight. I've never slept better in

### HURT IN COMMUTER BUS CRASH



ONE OF FOURTEEN persons injured when a Maywood, N. J., bus crashed into an Eighth Avenue line bus in mid-New York, an unidentified woman is carried from the wrecked vehicle. Icy streets and storm-damaged signal lights caused the accident. Occupants of the local bus were trapped for more than an hour in the vehicle. (International)

my life. It's only when a nurse turns it off that I realize the bed was moving."

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There were more than 650,000 fires in the United States in 1945, taking a total of 11,000 lives and causing damage estimated at a million dollars a day.

### Lard, Soap Will Remain Shortage

RALEIGH—Prices of lard and oilseeds are expected to continue high in the near future but may decline when the 1947 oilseed crop is harvested.

Prices for soybeans and this spring will be high with grain prices and soybeans and flaxseed. An increase in the price of lard and oil is also in prospect. The put of lard and oil is larger in 1947-48 than in 1946-47.

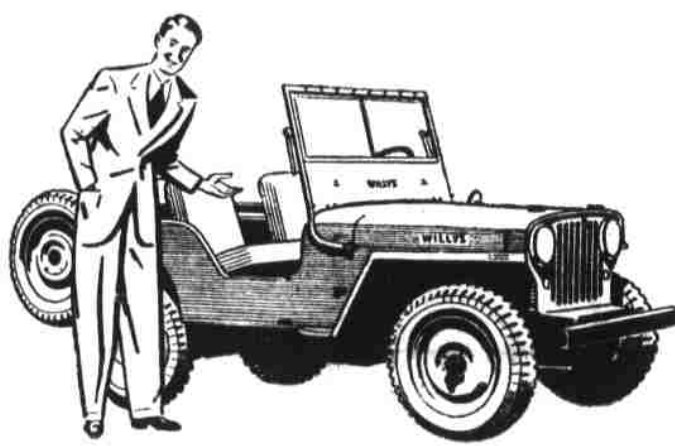
Factory and war surplus of fats and oils totaling 900 pounds on January 1. This is 462,000 pounds a year earlier and about 100 pounds under the 1946 for January 1.

Total supplies of lard will be smaller in the 1947 than in the first 1947. Domestic output and expected to increase but not enough to make up for the loss in inventories. Supplying oils and edible oils will be smaller than in 1946. There will be about 100 million pounds of lard and oil for soap. On the other hand, supplies will be larger than in the first 1947.

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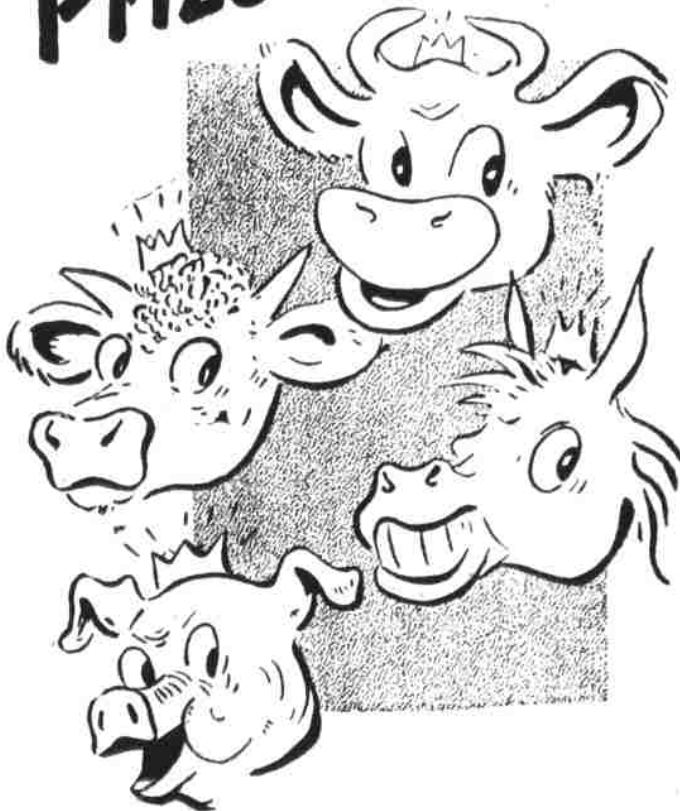
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