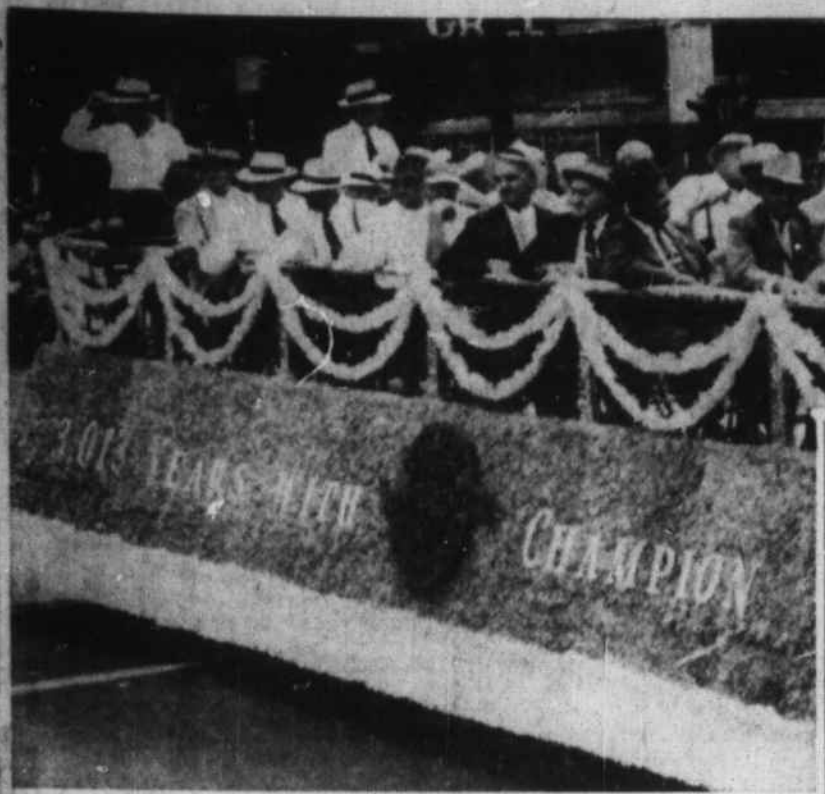


State Per Capita Income Increased 5 Per Cent In '55



ONE OF THE SEVERAL floats for the Champion Old-Timers of Champion which appeared in the parade Monday.

(Mountaineer Photo.)

Per capita income in North Carolina in 1955 increased \$63 or 5 per cent over that of 1954, the Department of Conservation and Development was advised today by the Department of Commerce in Washington.

North Carolina's per capita income gain in 1955 over 1954 was the same per cent as the national average. Per capita income in this state last year was \$1,236 compared with \$1,173 in 1954.

Total personal income in this state in 1955 amounted to \$5,371,000,000 as compared with \$4,939,000,000 in 1954, or a gain of 8

per cent. The nation as a whole gained 7 per cent.

In 1955 North Carolina ranked 14th in the nation in personal income received from manufacturing. This income amounted to \$1,342,000,000, or a gain of 13 per cent over that of 1954. The average gain for the nation as a whole was 9 per cent.

In personal income received from manufacturing last year, North Carolina was outranked only by New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Texas, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Missouri, Ohio, Wisconsin, and California.

Personal farm income in 1955 in North Carolina amounted to \$676,000,000 as compared with \$639,000,000 in 1954. According to the federal figures, North Carolina farm income was 5 per cent over that of 1954. Farm income in the nation as a whole was 5 per cent under that of 1954.

The state retained its rank of 44th among the states in per capita income under revised estimates made by the federal agency.

In per capita income for 1955 the states ranking below North Carolina and per capita income for each was: Alabama, \$1,181; South Carolina, \$1,108; Arkansas, \$1,062; and Mississippi, \$946.

Per capita income in some of the other states for 1955 was: Kentucky, \$1,238; Tennessee, \$1,256;

Louisiana, \$1,333; Georgia, \$1,333; Virginia, \$1,535; Florida, \$1,654;

West Virginia, \$1,288; Maryland, \$1,991; and Texas, \$1,614. Delaware led the nation with \$2,513.

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