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**Tarheel In Washington**

By Lester Baker

When the new Congress gets under-way in January, appointments will be made to more than 800 postmastership positions. Appointments to these jobs were withheld by the Eightieth Congress because the Republicans wanted to leave vacancies to be filled by an incoming GOP President. But now, only a few of the positions, if any, will be filled by Republicans. . . . The Truman Administration is planning an expanded Social Security program that will increase benefit payments 50 per cent. . . .

The Secretaries of Army, Navy, and Air Force have approved proposals to place the National Guard entirely under federal control. There is some doubt, however, that the matter will be placed before Congress. Such a move would certainly involve a bitter intra-service row. Therefore, legislative action probably will be withheld until action is completed on other more vital matters. . . .

More than one million children drop out of school annually before completing high school. . . . President Truman now weighs 173 pounds. He was up to 176 during the election campaign. His top weight has been 179 pounds, but he weighed 167 when he became President. . . .

In a place like Washington, it is very seldom that you happen to meet unexpectedly someone you know. But a few days ago I saw Miss Elsie McNeill in a restaurant across the street from where I live. Miss McNeill is from Raeford (N.C.). She is employed here by National Defense in the Pentagon. . . . While looking at Christmas displays in store windows one night last week, I noticed a sign that read, "Individual Xmas Cards for Every Member of the Family Except Mother-in-Law". . . .

Mr. Truman's celebrated balcony, which caused a great deal of fuss and controversy, will adorn the nation's currency. The \$20 federal reserve note has been modernized so that it now shows the present-day appearance of the White House's south front. . . . Statistics reveal that only 25 per cent of couples under the age of 25 own their own homes. But about two-thirds of those over 65 own theirs. . . .

The Labor Department keeps tabs on how and for what we spend our money. The department recently made the announcement that American men spend more for clothes than do women. In the average city house-hold, the husband's clothing expenses range from \$128 to \$159 a year, the department said, as compared with expenses of \$111 to \$139 for his wife. . . . Maybe it isn't true, but I heard recently of a fellow from one of our southern states who had never seen a Republican until he came to Washington. . . .

Federal authorities have approved a plan for reviving the United Service Organizations (U. S. O.). These organizations did an outstanding service during the war by providing shows for service men. They will provide the same services for men taken into the armed

forces under the new draft act. . . . So far, this has been one of the safest years in history for air travel. Only 97 persons have died in chashes thus far in 1948, against 216 at the same time last year. If one man had done all the flying, he would have covered 76,961,538 miles before meeting with an accident.

**Drunken Driving Shows Decrease During November**

RALEIGH, N. C.—During November, 556 persons lost their driving licenses in North Carolina because of drunken driving, the Motor Vehicle Department announced today.

This compared with 906 persons who lost their licenses for the same offense during November of last year, and brought total drunken driving convictions for 1948 to 7,815.

During the month, 722 licenses were revoked and 181 were suspended.

The monthly revocation and suspension toll, in addition to the 556 persons caught driving drunk in North Carolina, included 54 caught driving outside the State, 37 driving drunk and miscellaneous; 21 driving after license had been revoked; 10 for two offenses of driving drunk; 11 for two offenses of reckless driving; 14 for reckless driving and miscellaneous. Thirty-five others lost their driving rights for speeding over 75 miles per hour and miscellaneous; 10 for larceny of automobile; 11 for transporting liquor; 16 for being habitual violators of the traffic law; 19 for two offenses of speeding over 55 miles per hour; 19 for failure to maintain proof of financial responsibility; five for unsatisfied judgement; and three for incompetency.

In addition, 441 other motorists

were convicted of reckless driving during the month, bringing reckless convictions for the year to 4,519. However, this charge carries no revocation or suspension for the first offense.

A total of 5,378 additional motorists were found guilty of traffic violations which do not constitute revocation or suspension on first offense.

The leading conviction in this class was speeding, with 2,516 offenders, bringing speeding convictions for the year to 28,677.

Other violations: failing to have driver's license, 1,087; driving with faulty equipment, 349; improper lights, 196; running through red lights, 208; leaving car on high-

way unattended, 25; failing to stop at intersection, 33; failing to stop when entering highway, 34; failing to dim lights, 36; and passing school bus, 49.

Of the total violations, 4,772 were North Carolinians, and the remaining 606 were out-of-state drivers.



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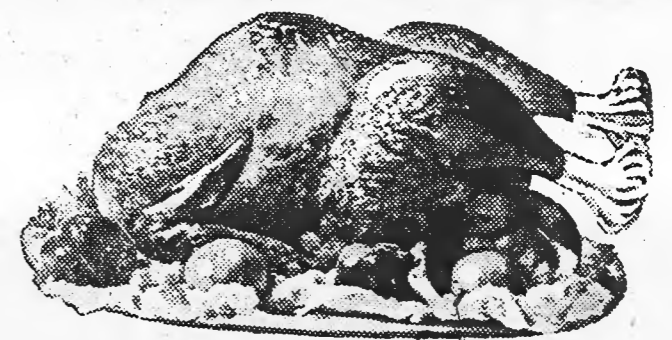
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