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Broader Scale For Assembly

State Lawmakers Have Had Light Work So Far But Hard Week Begins

MANY BILLS OFFERED

Committees of the General Assembly paced by the hard-working joint appropriations group, will swing into ation on a broader scale this week with the House, education committee expected to meet Wednesday for consideration of the Umstead nine-months school bill.

Cutting short the usual long legislative week-end, the joint appropria-tions committee will meet tomorrow afternoon to resume hearings on the biennial budget needs of state de-partment and institutions,

The joint finance committee, with less work before it at present, will meet Tuesday to end a recess started last Thursday.

Thursday.

Both Houses will convene Monday night at 8 o'clock, with comparatively light calendars facing the lawmakers. Neither body is expected to be as busy as on the first Monday night of the session, when Speaker John H. Kerr, I'm any unced committee assignments. announced committee assignments in the House and the Senate passed the \$22,000,000 postwar reserve fund

One of the agencies scheduled to be heard by the appropriations com-mittee tomorrow is the state board of charities and public welfare, which will seek a considerable increase above its ent budget and the budget commiss'on's recommendations for the ensu-

ing blennium.

The board wants more money for salary increases, new field inspectors to examine county homes and jails and the expansion of welfare work in new defense areas, where it is anticipating extra burdens created by transient workers and the mush-rooming of new communities.

The welfare and charities appro-priations for the current biennium were \$151,460 for 1941 and \$206,309 for 1942-43. The board asked the budget commission for \$275,413 for 1943-44 and \$275,563 for 1944-45. The comended \$178,470 and

Outside of the finance and approslightly under 100 bills having introduced in both Houses. New bills are scheduled to hit the hopper with greater speed this week, thus giving the committees proportionately more work

The appropriations committee has worked out a schedule of hearings with the fixing of ration allotments sembly can adjourn sine die nevt month unless an unforeseen snarl de-month unless an unforeseen snarl developes.

PLEASURE DRIVING BAN MAY END IN 10 WEEKS

OPA Officials Think Crisis Has Been Reached In 17 Eastern States.

The possibility that the ban

supplies division of the Office of Price will draw special "ration checks" pay-administration, estimated at a special able to their suppliers when they or-Senate committee hearing that a win-ter fuel oil crisis in the 17-state area a heavy snowstorm impeded fuel oil and gasoline shipments to the East coast. The necessity to bring in fuel oil for heating reduced the gasoline quota in the East and led to the pleasure driving ban, he said.

In the other states, where pleasure plan for handling a lot of the work now done by the 5,500 local ration boards. Collecting, counting

If this mileage limitation is attained, he added, the OPA tire rationing program would be sufficient to keep passenger cars supplied for "many months" without reliance on the synthetic rubber program.

ber program. y Senator Burton, of Ohio, Asked by Senator Burton, of Ohio, how he expected to enforce the Eastern ban on pleasure driving, Phillips said experience had confirmed that "a majority of the public would cooperate when they know how serious the petroleum situation was on the East

administration in the War Production Bon reduced from 390,000 bar mill it now is 322,000 bar passenger and commercial

FRENCH ZOUAVES IN AFRICA



ORAN—A truckload of French Zouaves arrives at American Head-quarters here. They were on their way back to France on leave, when they were captured by American troops moving in.

RATION COUPON BANKING RAF

Extra Banking Duties.

"Ration coupon banking," a nev type of banking service for retailers and wholesalers of rationed commoddesigned to make the nation's ration program work more effectively will be inaugurated here in Monro on January 27, it is announced by th

American Bank and Trust Co. This is a war service that the gov nment has asked the banks to un dertake under which wholesalers and the larger retailers will be required by the Office of Price Administration open "ration bank accounts" in the banks with which they customarily do business. Into these "ration accounts the wholesalers and retailers will de posit the ration coupons received from their customers against which they wil draw special "ration checks" when ordering new supplies. It is expected that only the retailers whose food sales in December, 1942 exceeded \$5000 will be directed by the Office of Price Administration to open "ration accounts." No charges of any kind will be made by the banks for this service.

Consumers such as housewives, mt-torists, and other individuals who purchase rationed commodities for conpriations committees, the work of legislative committees thus far in the session has been comparatively light, will continue to obtain their ration coupons from local ration boards and they wil continue to "spend" their wil have to open "ration bank accounts.

The banks will have nothing to do Observers agree that the As- or allowances, or with the issuing of

The new "ration banking" system will not affect the regular money or check accounts of the public at all. The public will continue to use their bank accounts in the customary way. The "ration bank accounts" will be

new accounts for the handling of ration coupons only and will be entirely separate from all other accounts in on the banks. By depositing coupons in pleasure driving in the East might be relaxed some 10 weeks hence is seen by Charles S. Phillips, OPA rationing official.

The possibility that the ban on the banks. By deposing coupons in the banks. By deposing coupons in the banks. By deposing retailers their "ration bank accounts" retailers and wholesalers will build up credits seen by Charles S. Phillips, OPA rationing official. tioning official.

Phillips, chief of the automotive modities. Against these balances they multi-draw special "ration checks" payder inew stocks or supplies to sell

to the public.

"Ration coupon banking" is a new plan for handling a lot of the work now done by the 5,500 local ration boards. Collecting, counting, record-ing, controlling, and safe-guarding of ration coupons and exchanging them for certificates by means of which dealers order new supplies of com-modities for sale to the public has threatened to over-hunden the ration threatened to over-burden the ration boards and possibly jeapardize the flow of commodities to the public as additional commodities are rationed. The government has therefore asked the banks to undertake these accounting activities in order to assure the smooth running and success of the ra-

by Senator Burton, of Ohio, expected to enforce the Easton pleasure driving, Phillips arience had confirmed that "a fatr share of scarce commodities for of the public would cooperon they know how serious the designed to help bring that about. In m situation was on the East tion coupon banking" system the banks will perform a nonprofit war to oher service for the government. In doing this, the banks are simply adding another service to the numerous of public is nessed, he added, but "it jobs they are already performing.

The public has responded very banks will perform a nonprofit war other service to the numerous of the summer of 1941.

New British antiraid devices were in action for the first time as heavy guns anchored in the middle of the city sprang into action, their salvoes is arring the ground and ratiling windows.

AS AIRPLANE CRASHES

and Dunn of Mon

Smashes Local Bank Preparing To Care For Heart Of Berlin

Mighty Shower Of British **Block Busters**

GREAT FIRES IN CITY

Hundreds of heavy British bombers four-ton "block buster55 bombs and set ing a training school for community great fires in the Nazi citadel, and service members and chairmen of ack at London in a feeble but spec- vened this morning at 10:30 in Characular retaliation.

The smash on Berlin cost the RAF cer, opened the program in a discussion only one bomber—an unusually low of OPA functions.

The meeting is one of a series being price for such a huge operation that

fenses have been weakened to bolster other battered cities in western Germany.

Unofficial estimates were that 300 RAF bombers unloaded the four-ton bombs and "tens of thousands of incendiaries," and returning airmen who had participated in previous raids on Rerlin—which "used to be the hottest office in Raleigh having the floor. fenses have been weakened to bolster

said. were seen mushrooming in the heart combers unloaded their huge cargoes. The contrast with the raid on London was sharp. Here the Nazi raid-

ers met the strongest defenses they ever had encounterd. Brlin announced that 31 were known to have been killed and approximately 150 injured, but said the toll might increase "as salvage work has not been completed yet." Swiss newspaper dispatch was quoted still was proceeding Sunday night amid wrecked buildings, and the cas-

ualty list was mounting. Even while London's antiaircraft guns were putting up the most tremendous barrage ever heard there, the RAF again was striking at the Ger CBS said many German stations had closed down in the afternoon and early evening, indicating widespread

English coastal residents last night heard the rumble of explosions coming from the direction of Calais and Boulogne and the afternoon skies were filled with RAF fighter planes darting acros sthee hannel to the Nazi-held coast. Four RAF planes were reported missing in the daylight operations five German aircraft were reported deing in the daylight operations stroyed over Europe and four more shot down in attacks on Britain. No casualties were reported in London more than an hour after the Ger-

man night attack. The alert continued for about an hour, and most of the bombs dropped were understood to have hit the suburbs. Traffic had to

diately but the roar of the planes over the city was persistent.

Subway shelters were jammed in the west end of the city where they are deepest. It was almost impossible to move in those cavers.

Hundreds of persons carried their way home from Apex at the time of the crash. The bodies of the parents were thrown a hundred yards and those of the children, jammed in, were thrown a hundred yards and those of the children, jammed in, were carried with the rear of the car for a local board to consider a registrant for classification in class 2-C mile from the crash. The bodies of the parents way home from Apex at the time of the crash. The bodies of the parents were thrown a hundred yards and those of the children, jammed in, were carried with the rear of the car for a local board to consider a registrant for classification in class 2-C miles his own personal and direct corts result in the production of at least eight war units of essential farm products."

Federal Bebt

The fiscal year ending June 30, 1834 about a mile.

Part of the car wreckage was so entimated with the front of the Diesel to the car with the front of the Diesel to withingtant attacks than in those days. The intense anti-aircraft fire was removed with considerable difficulty.

THE WAR IN BRIEF

Russians, within 125 miles of Kharkov, make further advances in six winter offensives; trapped Germans at Stalingrad reduced to 50,000 as they yield west bank of Volga; violent battre rages west of osh, Capture of Millerovo, 130

British bombers blast Berlin with with block busters in most destruc tive raid on German capital; only one plane from "streng force" lost. German planes loose heavy explosives on London in retaliation.

British army advances 40 miles toward Tripoli; renewed drive knocks Axis out of Buerat el Hsun positions and contacts Rommel's retreating rearguard in Sedala-Bir

Axis assaulted from air in Tu nisia as land operations remained quiet because of bad weather. Japanese planes inflict minor damage on U. S. positions on Guadalcanal; American ground forces continue slow advance; Munda Japs bombed.

Chile reported ready to break diplomatic relations with Axis on

Allies consinue pressure by land and air on Japanese holdings in New Guinea and New Britain.

Nazi Capital Reels Under LOCAL RATIONING OFFI-CIALS ATTEND SCHOOL

Workers Meet To Learn Point Ration ing System.

rocked Berlin Saturday night with Price Administration are today attend-Sunday night German planes struck Civilian Defense Councils which conlotte.

Each capital was experiencing its

L. W. Driscoll, Chariotte district that period, War Rationing Book No. first raid of any consequence in more manager of the OPA, and George O. 2 will be issued for every man woman, than a year.

Fulenwider, district organaization offi-

The meeting is one of a series being held throughout North Carolina to in Russia. The Nazis either were caught off guard because of 14 months' respite from attack or Particle. Charlottle OPA price division will dis-

Berlin—which "used to be the hottest office in Raleigh having the floor. spot in Germany"—noted the lack of Gordon McCloskey of the regional office in Atlanta, will lead a discussion of the control of 'I saw only one searchlight," one flyer on "Information Methods and Sources." The school will close with a series of compared with previous experiences."

Great fires, visible 100 miles away, OPA" by B. S. Dekle, information officer of the Charlotte Office of War

The Charlotte V-Homes committee of the Office of Civilian Defense will meet at 1 p. m. at Thacker's with Chairman Mrs. C. T. Wanzer presiding.

WARTIME RATIONING

SUGAR-Stamp No. 10 good for three pounds until January 31. COFFEE-Stamp No. 28 good for one pound until February 7.

FUEL OIL-Period 3 coupons good for 9 gallons and valid through February 5. No. 2 coupens d December 26.

GASOLINE—Coupon No. 3 in A book good for thee gallons until January 21. No. 4 coupons become valid January 22. Temporary T coupons will be issued directly until February 1, when thereafter until February I, when thereafter they will be issued on basis of ODT certificates of war necessity.

TIRES—Holders of ration A coupons must have tires inspected by OPA on or before March 31. Holders of B and C must get first inspections by end of February. Trucks and other commercial vertices and other commercial vertices. rucks and other commercial ve-cles still have January 15 dead-

WAR RATION BOOKS-Ration WAR RATION BOOKS—Ration Book No. I is being currently used for purchase of sugar and coffee. It will be necessary to possess Book No. 1 before the householder can obtain ration book No. 2 for point rationing of various commodities, soon to be issued. To those not helding Book No. 1 the deadline for obtaining same is January 15.

SEVEN DIE IN TRAIN AUTOMOBILE CRASH

Aper, N. C.

Marvin Tunstall, 43, his wife, Cuba, 35, and their five children were killed late Sunday night when their automobile and a southbound Seaboard train collided two miles south of Apex.

The parents apparently occupied the front seat and the children, Ellen, 15, Roy, 8, Ray, 6, Billy, 5, and an infant, were on the back seat.

The Tunstalls, who lived about a mile from the crossing, were on their

41,000 Ration **Books Received**

Book No. 2 Expected To Be Distributed In Near **Future**

BOARD AWAITS ORDERS

Forty-one thousand War Rationing Books No. 2 have arrived in Monroe and are stored under armed guard, pending their distribution which will take place some time during the early part of February. Although 41,000 books have been received it was stated at the Board today that the number will not be sufficient to care for the needs in the county and an additional number is expected to arrive shortly. before these are distributed, thus glv ing every one their proper rationing

During the past several days, nu-nerous requests have been made for the new books, it was stated. These books are not available now and will not be until the proper orders have been received at the local board and the books are issued on a nation-wide scale. Citizens are requested to not apply for them until they are notified through the press or otherwise.

The local board as well as the OPA warns earnestly against hoarding of any rationed items. All rationed food except home canned that they own will have to be declared by the registrants before a book can tained, and stamps will be deducted by the boards. It should be remember Local rationing officials along with ed that home canned fruits and vegerepresentatives of 37 other counties in tables are not on the rationed list. This the Charlotte district of the Office of fact should lend increased impetus to tables are not on the rationed list. This nome canning this year in both rural and urban homes.

Rationing will be preceded by a short 'freeze" so that retailers can stock up and make ready for their participation in the progaram. During or before

and child in the country.

The blue stamps in Book 2 are for processed food. The letter of the alphabet on the stamp indicates when it is good. The number on the stamp indicates its point value. Every man, woman and child will receive the same number of points, les deductions for excess stocks on hand.

It will take both money and points to buy rationed foods. The housewife can choose what she wants to buy with her points, as the scarcer foods will be worth more points, and the more plentiful ones will require less

LIBERALIZE DEFERMENTS

16 Unit Formula Sets Standard For Determining Status Of Farmers

ential farm workers was agreed

senators. Senator Bankhead, Democrat of Aladraft boards immediately. It will make the "16-unit" formula an objective. rather than a requirement, and the boards will be granted broad power to deviate from this objective, even to the extent of deferring a producer of

only eight units.

The 16-unit formula sets a standard for determining whether a farm work-er should be deferred. It stipulates that an essential worker is one who tends 16 milk cows or does a compara- MARSHVILLE MAN MAKES duction of livestock, poultry, grain RECORD RAISING CHICKS ble amount of work toward the proand other products deemed essential. The conference, in Bankhead's office, was attended by Chairman Paul V. McNutt of the War Man-power ommission. Major General Lewis B. Hershey, director of selective service, Dr. Sherman E. Johnson of the War addition to Bankhead, were Tydings, Democrat, of Maryland, Wheeler, homas, Democrat of Oklahoma and \$0.3787.

iken, Republican of Vermont.

"The regulation should be helpful halting the continuous drain on The record made by Mr. Smith was a liken. Republican of Vermont. in halting the continuous drain on "How muc hit helps depends altogether upon its administra-

nt states, the proposed regulation "It would appear unreasonable

MIDWEST FARMER NEW CORN CHAMP,

BLOOMINGTON, ILL. - Paul H BLOOMINGTON, ILL. — Paul H. Peabody, Christian County farmer has set a new world's corn yield record of 191.64 bushels per acre in the Illinois state-sponsored annual 10-acre yield contest. The new corn king did it with a combination of good farming, Funk's "G" Hybrids and "some darn good luck." Dr. J. R. Holbert, nationally known corn breeder, stated that Peabody's feat would have been utterly impossible with the Hybrid seed generally in use no longer than five years ago.

CITIZENS URGED TO HELP IN FIGHT AGAINST POLIO

Per Cent Of Money Raised In County Will Remain Here.

The National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis was established as a Frst division entered its first sector he non-profit membership organization on served a month each with a French January 3, 1938, sponsored by President Roosevelt, to lead, direct and unify from the first course, Army General the fight against this disease.

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The funds necessary to fight Infantile Paralysis are made up of the
ed the Croix de Guerre, dimes and dollars contributed by school He has the Mexican Border medal, children, bankers, secretaries, housewives—you and your neighbors—in every American village, town and city. This is the People's fight, and through the Committee for the Celebration of the President's Birthday the Foundation goes to the People for help nce each year.

Each year 50 per cent of the money raised through the Committee for the Celebration of the President's Birthday s left in the area in which it was contributed. There it is used to fi-nance the services of the local chapter. The remainder is used by the National Foundation to forward the national program of study, research and educa-

The hopes for future victory in the fight against Infantile Paralysis are LIBERALIZE DEFERMENTS

BY INTERPOLATION TO THE PARTY HANDS

BY Unit Formula Sets Standard For They depend upon you and all of your They depend upon you and all of your In 1940 he commanded the shore

against infantile paralysis.

The campaign is now under way. bama, spokesman for the group, announced that selective service officials nounced that selective to local immediate attention and return to At different times during to county headquarters.

for his local community. "Tomorrow's America will be as

strong as today's children.' E. H. BROOME, Chairman for Union County.

MRS. W. C. SANDERS,

Gets Profit Of 27 Cents Each On 1500 Broilers; Good Example

Fred O. Smith, R2, Marshville, put in 1600 baby chicks on November 4, Sam B. Bledsoe, assistant to Secretary 1942. These chicks were sold this week of Agriculture Claude Wickard, and out of the 1600 chicks started, 1542 Or. Sherman E. Johnson of the War were sold at ten weeks old. The total Food administration. The senators, in cost of chicks and feed was \$607.05. The rboilers were sold for \$1041.30. The Democrat, of Maryland, Wheeler, labor return or profit was \$434.25.
Democrat, of Montana, Russell, Demo-Each chick consumed 9.17 pounds of crat of Georgia, Gillette, Democrat of feed for the ten weeks. The total cost Iowa, McNary, Republican of Oregon, of each chick and feed consumed was The average price received

farm labor that is imperilling our food and fire record made by Mr. Smith was farm labor that is imperilling our food and fibre production," Bankhead told which he has. Mrs. Smith has been shortly after 6 o'clock. When the reporters. "How muc hit helps deconfined to the house for several years and has not been able to do any say, she salmly work. Caring for 1600 chicks required am ready to die."

Assistant County Agent Mayfield brought to eight the who furnishes the above facts, is highly elated over what Mr. Smith has done. Handicapped as he was, Mr. Mayfield thinks he has done a wonderful job and set a great example. The government has asked Union county to produce 800,000 broilers this year and Mr. Mayfield feels sure that it will be easily done if others follows: it will be easily done if others follow

Something new in the way of a

Col. Wheeler Is At Camp Sutton

Veteran Of First World War Arrives To Succeed Col. Faris

HAS EXCELLENT RECORD

Col. Walter Raymond Wheeler, Infantry, A. E. F. veteran and holder of the Croix de Guerre, arrived here Saturday to take over the command of Camp Sutton, succeeeding Colon Melvin G. Faris, who left for duty at an undisclosed destination. The new and old commanding officers met at the Monroe railway station as the one was arriving and the other leaving, exchanged greetings and wishes each other good luck. They were class-

mates at West Point.

Colonel Wheeler's army service, beginning with his graduation from the Military academy in 1907, had already taken him fairly far afield before the first world war began. He had served two years in the Philippines, com-manded the mounted scout detachment of the 15th Infantry in North China during the troubles there in 1913 and 1914, and served on the Mexican border prior to the opening of hostili-ties against the Central Powers.

He went overseas in 1917 as adju-tant of the 26th infantry, first division served as aide-de-camp to Maj. Gen. Robert Lee Bullard, and commanded the first battalion, 26th infantry in the Bois le Pretre sector and during the Saint Mihiel offensive. Before the and a British division, and graduated Staff college. He was cited in general orders of the First division and awardthe Victory medal with five clasps, the Army of Occupation of Germany and the American Defense

medal. After the Armistice he attended the University of Toulouse, and graduated from the Ecole Superieure de Guerre in the Class of 1919-1921. Since then he has graduated at the Infantry school, advanced course, the Command and General Staff school and the School of Military Government.

Colonel Wheeler's commands since the war, interspersed among staff as-signments and intervals at school, have includeed battalions of the Ninth infantry at Fort Sam Houston, the Fourth infantry, from 1938 to 1940 at Fort George Wright, Washington, and the CCC district of Fort George Wright

In 1940 he commanded the shore neighbors who realize that this, truly, forces in landing maneuvers at Mon-A liberalization of draft deferments

A liberalization of draft deferments

Or essential farm workers was agreed or essential farm workers was agreed president's Birthday you have your division in two tactical exercises also upon Friday at a conference of administrative officials with farm state this cause—to help win the fight Commander's tactical inspection. From March, 1941 to January, 1942, he commanded the Second Replacement group Hundreds of blank checks will soon Infantry Replacement Training center

> At different times during his military ounty headquarters.
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> The principal of each school in the instructor at the Command and General Staff school, twice a member of the Infantry board, and a member of the Historical Section of the Army War college. He has travelled widely in Western Europe, Asia and Mexico. He has translated many military texts by officers of the French army, and is the author of "The Infantry Bat-talion In War."

FIRST SOUTH CAROLINA WOMAN ELECTROCUTED

Pays With Life For Murder She Helped Plan

Tangled threads of an Edgefield county vendetta feud causing five vio-lent deaths were cut Friday as the State took the lives of three in the electric chair. For the first time a woman has been ele in South Carolina.

Mrs. Sue Logue, 43 years old former school teacher, was the first to die. She was convicted along brother, George Logue, and Clarence Blackwell, as planning the murder neighbor, David W. Timmerman.

boards will be directed to classify in Class 2-C or Class 3-C all registrants who are considered essential on the farm under the new standards. In 2-C will be included essential farm workers without dependents and in 3-C those with dependents.

In authorizing local boards to defer workers with less than 16 units of production by reason of variations in production conditions and methods in direct states, the proposed regulation of the class of time but this second shows that Mr. Smith did an ex-ellent job of care and management, for was the last to go. He was pronounced dead in the chair at 6:10, she was pronounced dead in the chair at 6:21. Bagwell was the last to go. He was pronounced dead in the chair at 6:22. A last hour production be received approximately \$5.00 for executive elemency before Gov. Jeffries was denied, after a plea to the State Supreme Court and requirements to the State Supreme Court and requirements to the U. Supreme Court had failed.

The three deaths by execution to eight the number of persons dying as a result of the murder of Strapped in the chair at 6:10, she