

Ball Starts Rolling to Observe Centennial of War Between States

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Raleigh — Plans are in the making for North Carolina to commemorate the approaching centennial of the War Between the States. In so doing, the state will join with the United States government and the other states of the union, both north and south.

The North Carolina Literary and Historical Association has formed a committee of 55 citizens representing every section of the state. At the first meeting of this committee, Col. Hugh Dortch, chairman, presided, and the background and purposes of the centennial observance were given by Dr. Christopher Crittenden, director of the State Department of Archives and History.

Members of the committee were introduced. It was pointed out at this time that the State of Virginia has already enacted a bill authorizing a Centennial Commission and that \$25,000 per year has been appropriated for this purpose.

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Man Discovers Seventh Hole in Playing Pool
Dayton, Ohio (AP)—Police said Elwood Skaggs was concentrating on the six pockets of a pool table until an onlooker nudged him in on a seventh one.

Told to check his rear pocket by a man watching the game, police said Skaggs, 27, told them he found someone had cut it and removed his wallet with \$146.

Suggestions for projects which the state committee could undertake with the help of local committees included the marking of the Confederate forts on Roanoke Island, the restoration of other forts along our coast, the instigating

of a move to have a memorial to Gen. Robert E. Lee placed in the nation's capital, and the promotion of more and better courses of history to be taught in our secondary schools and colleges.

The National Civil War Centennial Commission, serving as a co-operating agency to guide and coordinate the overall program of the more than thirty state Civil War Centennial Committees already functioning, has received an annual appropriation of \$100,000 for the years 1959-60.

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TB Christmas Seals Go on Sale



Gov. Luther Hodges displays the first Christmas Seals or the 1958 Christmas Seal Sale sold to him by irresistible saleslady, Betty Lane Evans, Miss North Carolina of 1958, as Bill Friday of Chapel Hill, state Christmas Seal chairman, stands by. In a joint statement, Governor Hodges and Friday urged all North Carolinians to fight tuberculosis by buying and using Christmas Seals. Letters containing Christmas Seals, sent by 101 local TB associations in the state, have been delivered at the homes of over 500,000 North Carolinians.

Engineers Give Tonnage Reports On Traffic Through State Harbors

Foreign commerce handled by the state's two deep water ports increased by 148,000 tons in 1957 over 1956, but the combined foreign and domestic traffic total was off by 33,000 tons.

Tonnages of the two ports compiled by the Corps of Engineers and announced by Col. H. C. Rowland Jr., engineer of the Wilmington District, show that Wilmington harbor had 719,000 tons of foreign trade in 1957 and 642,000 tons in 1956 for a 77,000-ton increase. Morehead City harbor handled 188,000 tons in 1957 and 117,000 tons in 1956 for an increase of 71,000 tons.

The foreign trade figures, which include imports and exports, show that Wilmington harbor had 382,873 tons of imports in 1957 against 380,611 in 1956. In exports it had 336,308 tons last year and 261,454 tons the year before. Accordingly, imports were up only 2,262 tons but exports rose by 74,854 tons.

Imports at Morehead City totaled 161,552 tons in 1957 and 87,713 tons in 1956 for a 73,839-ton increase. Exports in the same order were 27,201 tons and 29,898 tons for a loss of 2,697 tons.

In total traffic, both foreign and domestic, Wilmington harbor had 4,769,879 tons in 1957 and 4,777,127 tons in 1956 for a loss of 7,248 tons. Morehead City harbor recorded a loss of 25,526 tons with 453,794 tons in 1957 and 479,320 tons in 1956.

A decrease in the movement of petroleum products and fertilizer materials at Wilmington, and a drop in coastwise traffic and menhaden movements through Beaufort Inlet account in great part for the combined deficit at the two ports.

Although the foreign import of petroleum products in Wilmington harbor is up 13,000 tons, the coastwise and internal movement of petroleum products decreased. Consequently, Wilmington harbor handled a total of 2,907,000 tons of petroleum products in 1957 compared with 3,082,000 tons in 1956 — a net loss of 175,000 tons.

Total fertilizer movements amounted to 144,000 tons in 1957 and 160,000 tons in 1956 for a loss of 16,000 tons. Scrap metal exports were off, too. Only 179,000 tons were shipped last year against 197,000 tons in 1956.

Total sugar movements were up by 4,000 tons, dried milk 5,000 tons, woodpulp 22,000 tons, tobacco 6,000 tons, and other general cargo was up, helping to offset the decrease in petroleum and fertilizer trade and in scrap metal exports.

Although Morehead City recorded an increase of 29,000 tons in the total movement of petroleum products from 352,000 tons in 1956 to 381,000 tons in 1957 and of 4,000 tons in tobacco trade from 10,000 tons in 1956 to 14,000 tons in 1957, a decrease in domestic traffic caused her over-all tonnage to drop.

Domestic traffic went down from 311,000 tons in 1956 to 207,000 tons in 1957. These figures include the menhaden movements through the harbor's Beaufort Inlet portion which dropped from 97,000 tons in 1956 to 77,000 tons last year and the internal shipments of petroleum products which were off 15,000 tons in 1957.

Included in the total tonnage for the Wilmington harbor are 154,000 tons of pulpwood shipments from Elizabethtown in 1957 compared 184,000 tons in 1956.

Also included in Wilmington harbor tonnage is Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway traffic which passes through a portion of the harbor and included 387,000 tons of paper prod-



Nov. 19 — Henry G. Edwards returned home Friday from St. Petersburg, Fla. His uncle, H. W. Hibbs, who went with him, remained for a longer visit.

Mrs. Rena Edwards, Miss Mamie Oglesby, Mrs. R. K. Montague and little son, Peyton, spent Thursday in New Bern.

Mrs. Oscar Kirsch of Swansboro visited Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Mannino and Mrs. C. T. Garner Monday.

Leland F. Garner was a business visitor in Charlotte last week.

Mrs. Sallie Parish of Coats is spending some time here with her son and his family, Mr. and Mrs. Reggie Parish and Emma Lou.

Miss Nicky Mills of Greenville visited her grandmother, Mrs. Ada B. Allen, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Pruitt and family spent the weekend at their home here. They returned to Chinquapin Sunday.

Mrs. L. A. Mann and a nephew, Charles Graham Morris of Atlantic, are spending this week in Columbus, Ohio, with relatives.

Mrs. Lyman Mills of Greenville was here Tuesday to get her mother, Mrs. Ada B. Allen, who will spend some time with her.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lockety, who live in California, have a new addition to their family. Timothy Lee arrived Nov. 5. Howard is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Garland Lockety of Jackson, Miss., and a grandson of Mrs. Sue Willis.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Heath spent Tuesday in New Bern.

Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Bell and children of New Bern spent Sunday here with his mother, Mrs. W. H. Bell.

Bridge Club Meets
Mrs. Parker Guthrie was hostess to the bridge club Friday evening. Mrs. W. J. Kirby was a guest. Mrs. W. D. Roberts won high score, while second high went to Mrs. M. C. Howard. Mrs. Roberts and Mrs. Hazel Fox won slam prizes.

Colas, nuts and candies were enjoyed during play, fruit cake topped with whipped cream, and coffee after the game.

Reception for New Minister
A reception was given Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Temple, honoring the new minister of the Missionary Baptist Church, the Rev. M. O. Sears, and his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Temple greeted the guests, while Mrs. Ned Ratliff and

Improper Curing Methods Cause Heavy Pork Losses

By R. M. WILLIAMS
County Farm Agent

There are heavy losses of the home supply of pork production on the farm due to improper slaughtering and curing methods being used. During the months of November, December, January, and February, most of you people on the farm will be slaughtering hogs for your home supply of meat. Here are a few suggestions on improving the quality of your pork for home use.

Hogs that are approximately six months old and weighing around 210 pounds are ideal for your family supply. Your hogs should be of the good meat type. Your hogs should be killed when the temperature is in the low 30's.

I would like to emphasize the importance of slaughtering your hogs in the late afternoon and allowing the animal heat to escape by hanging overnight before cutting and processing. This is a very important point to remember.

It has been observed that many of you swine producers slaughter the animals in the early part of the day, cut out the meat and salt it down before the animal heat has had time to escape. At the time you kill the hogs they should not be over-excited. Be sure to get a good stick and good bleed on these hogs for better keeping qualities.

The temperature of the scalding water should be approximately 145 degrees for good scalding. Over scalding sets the hair. If you have a large number of hogs to kill for family use, divide this so that you will kill 1/3 in December, 1/3 in January, and 1/3 in February in order to give a better distribution of fresh meat supply.

Follow a recommended curing schedule to prevent over-salty meats. Your meat should be hung out to cure to prevent slime growth and souring.

Be sure and keep all meat protected and away from rodents and insects at all times. Those of you who store your meat supply in your home freezer should not put in more than 10 per cent of the total capacity of your freezer in any one 24-hour period.

For more detailed information on curing your home supply of meat we will furnish you upon request the bulletin entitled "Farm Pork Supply."

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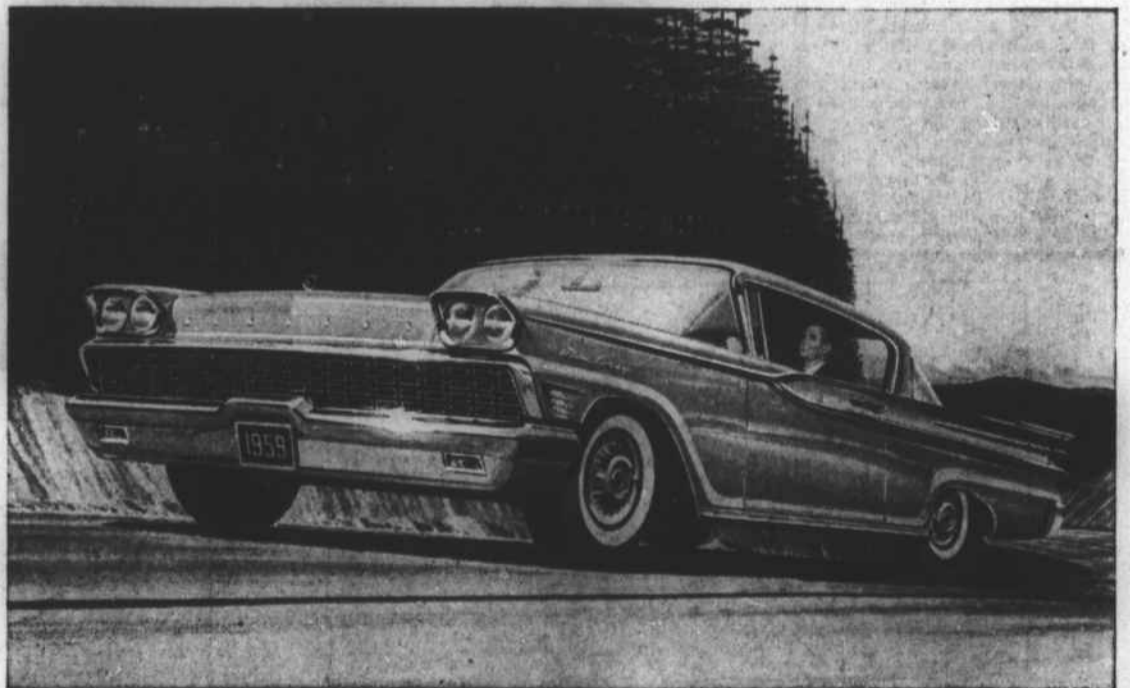
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