



Processor Washes Eggs, Saves Farmers Labor, Money

like washing eggs could make much difference in the egg business. But look what's happening in a sevencounty area of Central North Carolina.

Central Carolina Farmers Exchange is washing eggs for its egg producers who ask for the service. The new system cuts 40 per cent or more of the labor in producing eggs on the farm. And it cuts the farmer's cost of washing eggs.

"In-plant egg washing can enable the farmer to handle twice as many hens with no more labor," says Tom Morris, Extension poultry specialist at North Carolina State College.

Morris estimates that most egg producers spend about 75 per cent of their time handling eggs. The in-plant washing cuts out about 75 per cent of this labor.

"Usually the farmer, his wife and their children pitch in to help with the egg chores," says Morris. "This amounts to a third of a cent per dozen, compared to two or three, cents cost on the farm.

In the Central Carolina egg processing plant at Durham, machines do most of the work: Washing, spraying, candling, grading and packaging. One gadget even packs the eggs small end down in the cartons. Another stamps the packaging date on them.



You wouldn't think a "little thing" "We're using less labor, on a ke washing eggs could make much per-case basis, than before we put in the new machinery," says John Hamby, manager of the egg plant. "We get a uniform quality of egg, and there's almost no breakage."

> Breakage on the farm is cut to a minimum, too, since the farmer handles the eggs only one time. "Eventually, we hope to have it worked out so that no human hands touch the eggs until the homemaker gets them," says Hamby.

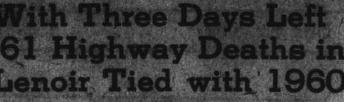
> Central Carolina handles about 1,000 cases of eggs a week with the new system. They come from about 15 producers, principally in Durham and Orange counties, but from Chatham, Alamance, Granville, Moore and Person counties, too.

"'Our goal is about 6,000 cases a week," says Hamby.

In-plant egg washing has been in use for years in California, and a few other states. It's just beginning to take hold in the Southeast.

"Only one other egg packing plant in the state is using the system-Chick Haven at North Wilkesboro," says Morris.

is to keep the price of eggs at a er and the homemaker. It's one rising costs on the farm.



With just three days left in 1961 the highway death toll for Lenoir County stands in a bloody tie with 960, with 14 traffic deaths for each. Lengir's first auto death for '61 came January 18th at the inter-section of Cunningham Road and the Snow Hill highway, when brakes failed on a lumber laden truck dri-ven by Isom Warm Strickland, 24, of Dover route 1. The truck shot through the intersection, into an open field and the lumber crushed the truck cab, killing Strickland instantly.

The next death by traffic acci-dent didn't come until March 19 when 60 year-old Clarence Edmundson of 815 Oak Street was killed by a hit-and-run driver, who struck his bicycle down on the 100 block of east Shine Street early on that cold morning. The driver of the car has not yet been apprehended, April saw two traffic deaths' in Lenoir — the first a pedestrian, Margaret Dallas Jackson, 23, of Jacksonville, who was instantly killed at about 6:30 p.m. on April 3rd about three miles south of Kinston on US 258 when she stepped into the path of a passing car.

On April 25th William Charles White, 8, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley White of the Albritton Crossroad section south of Kinston, was instanly killed when he rode his bicycle into the path of a northbound vehicle at about 5:15 p.m. Lenoir County's only double traffic death came at 7.20 p.m. May 18th on a rural paved road north of Pink Hill which connects NC 11 and US 258. Mrs. Josephine Tyndall, 48, of Pink Hill route 1, driving east toward her home less than a half mile away, swung too wide in a curve and met the westbound car of Lester Lee Britt Jr. of Albertson route 1 headon. Both were killed instantly.

In July death struck three times on the streets and roads of Lenoir County. On the 8th of July four year-old Jacqueline Davis of the Old Asphalt plant Road darted into the path of, a passing car and was instantly killed.

Later that same day, William C. Thompson, 81, of Pink Hill route 1, walked into the path of another

more in a long line of improvements The real aim of the new method in the business of eggs - which now are at about the same price satisfactory level for both the farm- level as in 1940, despite constantly

car just north of Pink Hill and was also instantly killed. On July 29th near the corner of Adkin and Shine streets in Kins-ton eight year-old Wanda Kennedy

ton eight year-old Wanda Kennedy of 14-D Simon Bright Homes ran into the path of a car and became the third pedestrian to die in that single month in Lenoir. The only August highway death of Lenoir County was another pe-destrian nine, year-old Dennis Ray Taylor of 909 Pink Hill Road, who also ran into the path of a car.

November along with July claime ed three traffic deaths in Lenoir County, and each of these came from a single car accident. Albert Williams, 56, of Jackson-

ville was killed early on the morn-ing of November 5th south of Kins-ton on US 258 from too much

William B. Malyszka, a 19 year- ther assaults.

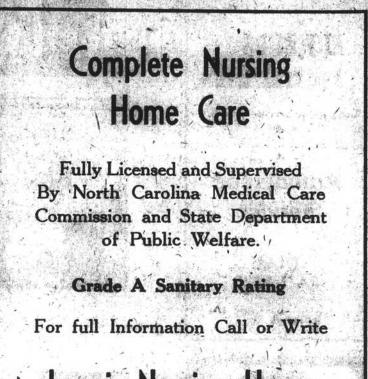
old Marine from Camp. Les suffered injuries that proved fatal on the morning of November 6th when the car in which he was riding failed to stop at the intersec-tion of US 258 with US 70 in front of the Kinstonian Motel and crashed into a culvert on the south side of 70.

On November 30th another Camp Lejenne Marine, George J. Woll-man, 21, was killed in the same pot and in the same manner. The last auto death recorded at

this writing in '61 came from an accident on December 17th in La Grange, in which Mrs. Rosa Lee Radford, 53, suffered injuries from which she died on the 21st in a Goldsboro hospital.

POOR WIFE!

In the past two weeks Charlie Frank Holland has been indicted twice for beating his wife, and most recently he was booked for the forgery of three checks against her back account. He is also under a \$1,000 peace bond 'issue for the protection of his wife against fur-



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