

Few Drivers In Person Suffer Revocations

Raleigh, July 6 — Twelve automobile drivers in Person County had their drivers' licenses revoked during the first six months of 1940, according to figures released this week by the Highway Safety Division.

Ronald Hocutt, director of the division, said a total of 2,774 drivers' licenses were revoked in the state from January 1, through June 30. Since the Driver's License Act went into effect November 1, 1935, a total of 28,367 drivers have had their licenses revoked by the State.

Drunken driving, by itself and in combination with other offenses, accounted for 95 percent of the revocations, and the remainder followed convictions on miscellaneous offenses, including manslaughter, larceny of automobile and repeated offenses of reckless driving.

Revocations, under the 1935 Uniform Driver's License Act, are mandatory upon convictions of: (1) Manslaughter or negligent homicide resulting from the operation of a motor vehicle; (2) driving a motor vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a narcotic drug; (3) any felony in the commission of which a motor vehicle is used; (4) failure to stop and render aid in the event of a motor vehicle accident; (5) perjury or the making of a false affidavit or statement under oath under the Driver's License Act or any other law relating to the ownership of motor vehicles; (6) two charges of reckless driving committed within a period of twelve months; and (7) one charge of reckless driving while engaged in the illegal transportation of liquor.

"A driver's license is a privilege granted by the State on the assumption that the licensee is qualified to drive with due regard for the rights and safety of other users of the highway, and when a driver wantonly abuses this privilege, disregarding and jeopardizing the safety of fellow travelers, the state takes away his driving privilege," said Safety Director Hocutt, commenting on the revocations.

"Don't abuse your driving privilege if you don't want to lose it."

Ed. G. Robinson Stars In New Film

Edward G. Robinson is back at his bullet-proof best in "Brother Orchid", the new Warner Bros. film opening Monday at the Dolly Madison theatre. A hilarious satire of the denizens of the underworld, "Brother Orchid" tells the story of a gangster who goes gunning for culture, with side-splitting results.

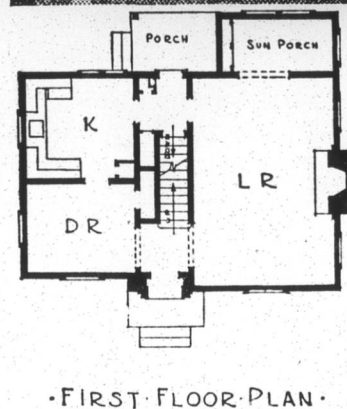
Featured with Robinson are Ann Sothern, as a hat-check girl who takes a good tip; Humphrey Bogart, as a diabolically double-crossing henchman; Ralph Bellamy as the alfalfa grower whose bank-roll isn't hay; and Allen Jenkins as Willie the Knife, a cute little cut-up.

Lloyd Bacon, ace director of action pictures, directed from the screen play by Earl Baldwin, based on the Collier Magazine story by Richard Connell.

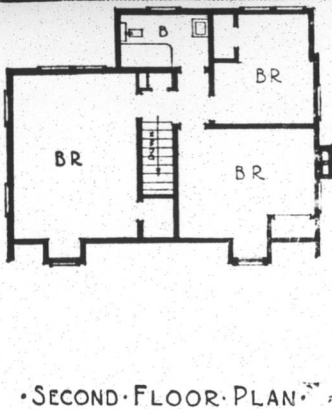


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Picture Features Warner Baxter As Ghost Who Lives

The murdered man in "Earthbound" won't stay dead. He is Warner Baxter, who is co-starred with Andrea Leeds in 20th Century-Fox's surprising film which is coming to the Palace theatre Monday and Tuesday. He remains on after his death, in the form of a ghost-like apparition, through spectacular motion picture magic. Baxter passes through iron doors and stone walls because actually he isn't there. The screen audience is able to see him clearly, however, as he tries to establish contact with his widow, who is portrayed by Andrea Leeds. Baxter virtually is haunted by the living in what is claimed to be his strongest and most amazing role to date.

The supporting cast includes Lynn Bari, Charley Grapewin, Henry Wilcoxon and Elizabeth Patterson. Irving Pichel directed "Earthbound" from a screen play by John Howard Lawson and Samuel C. Engel, which was based on a story by Basil King.

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Liles Summarizes Agricultural Work Done At Helena

The Vocational Agriculture department at Helena high school, which is supported by Federal, State and County funds, submits a condensed summary of the activities accomplished from July 1, 1939, to June 30, 1940.

Durnig July, August and September the instructor spent about two-thirds of the time in the community visiting seventy projects carried on by all-day students and observing and recommending practices to farmers in the community. The other one-third of the time was spent in the office making preparation for the coming year's work, working in the shop, personal service calls, and professional improvement.

Instruction was given 44 students enrolled in agriculture, which is offered only to high school students, based on a four-year course of study adapted to the community needs. During January, February and March, 26 adult farmers were enrolled in evening classes. Speakers from the department of Agriculture, Soil Conservation and Extension

Service helped in these meetings.

Each all-day student works in the school shop three hours per week. Eighty-eight shop jobs were completed during the year. This does not include articles made for the shop and school. A band saw was added to the shop equipment.

The FFA chapter, a fraternal organization, membership of which is limited to students enrolled in Vocational Agriculture, won fourth prize of twenty-five dollars at the Mebane Six-County Fair. One student for the second consecutive year won first prize on corn exhibited at the same fair. The FFA banquet was held in November, over one hundred were present from the community. The chapter entered all other state contests winning third place in livestock judging. Wilson Crabtree won the FFA medal award

annually to the best all-around Agricultural student. He has also qualified for the Carolina Farmer degree, which is the highest award the State organization can confer. The chapter also attended the Y. T. H. F. camp at White Lake.

Community activities, which does not include project visitations, were as follows: tobacco seed cleaned for 29 farmers, rendered first aid to 19 sick animals, soils tested for five farms, terraced 66 acres of land, measured 120 acres, signed 56 farms for R. E. A. service (part of line has been approved), traveled 6,315 miles during the year.

Beer Sales Made During Past Year Bring In Cash

Raleigh, July 7 — North Carolina's beer industry contributed \$3,087,559.59 in taxes to the Federal, State and Local governments during the 1939-40 fiscal year ended June 30, according to an analysis by the Brewers and North Carolina Beer Distributors committee.

The state and local units collected \$1,559,489.59 in license and excise taxes; the federal government \$1,528,070. The federal government's tax is based on \$5 a barrel; the new defense act increased this to \$6 a barrel beginning July 1.

The State collected \$1,380,614.59 in all farms of beer taxes for the 12-month period ended June 30, as compared with \$1,123,350 for the 1938-39 fiscal year.

The tax on beer has become an important source of revenue for the state. Only \$183,102.37 was collected in beer taxes by the state for the calendar year of 1933, the first year beer was permitted to be sold under the 1933 act.

The collections for the 1939-40 fiscal year were greater than the combined collections for the calendar years of 1933, 1934 and 1935; the state's share of beer collections for these three years was \$1,024,471.28.

The annual business volume estimated at \$10,400,000 has been

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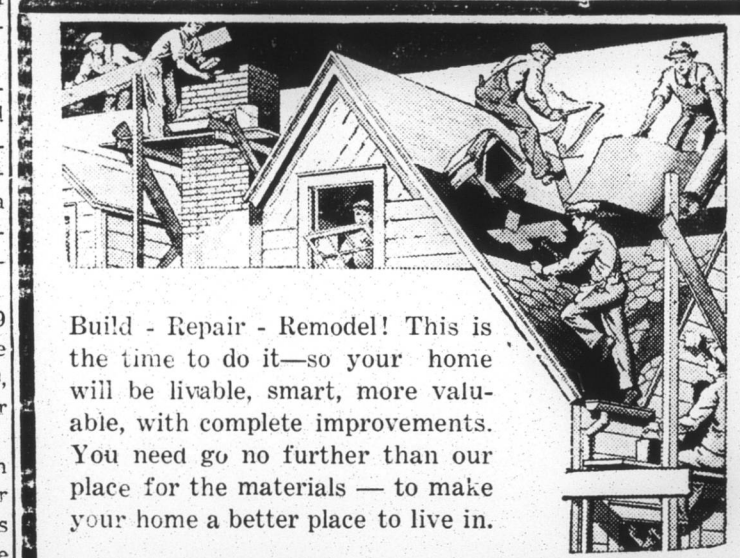
developed and maintained in North Carolina by the legal beer industry and most of this volume is reflected directly in the state by employment, payrolls and taxes, it was explained.

Production of the 1939 consumption used 335,000 bushels of premium malting barley, 51,500

bushels of corn, 30,900 bushels of rice, and 187,050 bushels of hops, based on national averages for farm materials necessary for brewing. An acre of 15,250 acres was utilized to grow these materials with full-time employment for 522 farm workers.

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