



By Eula Greenwood

GUIDE TO N. C.—Some interesting little facts about Tar Heels in this autumn of 1962 are:

There are 4,556,155 of us (a few more since these are 1960 census figures). One out of four of us is non-white. Our average age is 25 years and five months. By "average" here, we mean "median". In other words, we have about the same number of people over 25 as under 25.

SEX AND AGE

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ANNUAL INCOME

We have a few more women than men, 50.7 to 49.3 per cent for the males. There are 1,204,715 households in North Carolina. Average income per household in North Carolina is nearly \$4,000 per year. Only 6.9 per cent of our households pull in over \$10,000 annually. In Raleigh, this figure jumps to more than 11 per cent of the households.

EDUCATION

In the big cities of the State—Asheville, Charlotte, Durham, Greensboro - High Point, Raleigh, and Winston-Salem—a little better than 10 per cent of the households have total incomes running over \$10,000 per year.

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STATEHOUSE

The new legislative building here is being referred to around Raleigh as "the new Statehouse" to differentiate it from "the old capitol". The Lord only knows exactly the real architecture of the new building. As it nears completion on the outside,

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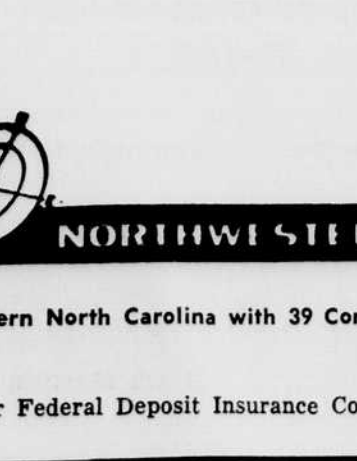
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one is impressed, riding by, as follows:—Its size. It spreads away out and looks very, very imposing in contrast to the old modest little homes on three sides of it.

—The glass. Hundreds and hundreds of square feet of glass all around it—which will call for thousands of square feet of tapestry on the walls of the interior. A nightmarish outing for a rowdy boy with a slingshot. Or, since it is a legislative hall, is the glass bullet-proof? In this day away from windows, etc., because of air-conditioning—we note huge buildings with all windows blocked in, or out—the amount of glass in the Legislative Building is surprising.

—The peculiar, tent-looking porticoes or sort-of-super-structures—some four or five of them—which overlace the building and give it something of an oriental look. Taj Mahalish, we would say.

—Effect on the area. The new building will brighten up old Halifax Street for three blocks north of the Capitol and eventually—as other State buildings are erected—right on northward to Peace Street. This has been the sorriest-looking section in that part of Raleigh. The building is bringing beauty to an area of downtown much in need of it. And, while the State has already acquired most of the property adjacent to the Legislative Building, a lot of it is still privately owned and has gone sky-high in price. Desirable locations for lobbying groups wanting to cozy up to the legislators.

—The glaringly white marble. More white than light-gray. The whitest building in this section of the State. You may not like the new building at first glance. But its over-all appearance becomes more pleasing each time you see it. STANDING AROUND—Linda Wall in the current issue of Reader's Digest tells of what happened to her father in a Winston-Salem department store.

He is rather distinguished looking. While he was waiting for his wife to complete her shopping, an elderly lady came up and asked hurriedly where she could find a certain household item. Mr. Wall explained that he was not the floorwalker and didn't know. Annoyed, the lady said curtly: "Then why are you standing around looking so intelligent?"

MOTOR VEHICLE GOALS?—They aren't saying much about it yet, but a lot of department of motor vehicles across the nation are shooting for most, if not all, of these goals. Will the N. C. Dept. of Motor Vehicles do likewise? 1. Raise to 18 the age limit for new drivers, except possibly youths of 16 who pass

a Certified high school driver education course. N. C. is 16. 2. Set more realistic speed limits—now often too low—but tougher enforcement and penalties. Our speed limits are, generally, 55 and 60. 3. Require State inspection of all cars—something we must come to sooner or later in N. C. it is thought—twice a year to make sure vital parts are in working order. 4. Pass uniform motor laws in all states so that rules of the road signs, and signals are the same all over.

5. Stiffen requirements to get a driver's license—including a Medical Examination. Too much dizziness, blood pressure, and too many heart attacks under the wheel. 6. Lower the level of alcohol a driver must consume before he is legally presumed to be drunk—with severe penalties for those who drive while drunk.

WARS VS AUTOS—Killed in all U. S. wars: 1,125,000. Killed on highways of U. S. through '61: 1,375,000. Auto wrecks: 48 million.



By D. C. Nichols Field Representative

People called mathematicians, who can figure out all sorts of things, probably enjoy estimating how much their social security benefits will be. Some other people, who are very rich, don't care too much. If you are a mathematician—or very rich—or are very, very young—this may not be of great interest to you. But most people aren't mathematicians, or awfully rich, or extremely young. And these people would like to have a close estimate at least of the old-age benefits they will get. So they ask this question quite frequently. If they ask their neighbor on the left, he might say, "Not very much." If they ask their neighbor on the right, he may say, "Since you paid the maximum, you get the maximum." This, to him, makes sense—but it isn't very specific.

Your family, wanting to go to a drive-in movie, may argue that the amount of your social security is not important as the movie. They may accuse you of getting old—regardless of your age. Still the question remains, "How much will my social security be?" And here is the answer: If you earned \$4200 or more in 1955-1958 and \$4800 or more each year thereafter, and are 65 this year, you will get about \$123 monthly. Men or women who are 65 this year and continue to work and earn more than \$4800 in 1963 and 1964 may get \$127 monthly (more if members of their family are eligible, of course—in fact the total benefits may be as much as \$254).

Now that was easy wasn't it? Some people, of course, don't make as much as \$4200 or \$4800 in a year. How much will their benefits be? To find the answer you should ask, phone, or write the Asheville Social Security Office for Booklet 825.



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September 18, 1952 OFFICIAL REPORTS SHOW THAT BLACK MOUNTAIN HAS THE MOST STUDENTS BUT SWANNANOVA IS A HEAD IN TAXABLE PROPERTY—More than half the township of Black Mountain is owned by the City of Asheville or U. S. Forest service and is not taxable for school purposes, according to the information furnished with the above map which shows the Black Mountain, Swannanoa and Fairview school districts. The location shown of the new Black Mountain-Swannanoa high school, now in the planning stage. The site is in Black Mountain township one-fourth mile from the Swannanoa township line. MORE THAN 1000 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS IN NEWS CIRCULATION DRIVE—A series of campaigns designed to increase the readership of the Black Mountain NEWS in the Swannanoa Valley to 100 percent are in progress. LIONS CLUB ENDS DRIVE WITH 1500 NAMES—Final tabulation showed that the Lions sold more than 1500 listings on the calendars which will be printed later this year, committee chairman, an-Jones Earl Corwin, finance announced at the meeting last week.

15 YEARS AGO September 18, 1947 RICE'S QUALITY STORE TO MOVE—Rice's Quality Store, which has occupied the building next to Knight's Pharmacy, will move within the next few days to its new location in the G-land building. John H. Rice, owner and manager announced today. With one of the largest floor spaces in town, the new location will provide adequate room for an increase in stock and ample display.

H. W. SANDERS SPECIAL GUEST OF STATESVILLE LIONS CLUB—Senator Clyde R. Hoey was principal speaker at the Lions club regional conference held Tuesday at the country club in Statesville. Special guests were Herbert W. Sanders, District Governor of 31-A and W. W. White, secretary. Mr. Sanders was presented with a gift in honor of his visit to the club.



THE TALL WOMAN, by Wilma Dykeman, is a novel of our mountain country a hundred years ago. The idea that a tall woman casts a long shadow, focuses the tale on Lydia McQueen, whose overflowing determination to get a school at Thickety Creek, reached far into the lives of all its people. The background of the story is the Civil War that came soon after her marriage. Her husband joined the Union troops, and her father and brother, the Southern. All the pent-up bitterness, hatred, and suffering eventually reached her and her family, along this rather loose line of plot, and strung many dramatic incidents. The characters involved are vivid and individual, even to the children. They speak consistently such a quaint dialect that one finds himself listening for it at every turn. In, and around thru it all, are the high mountains, the deep valleys, and the woody smell of earth, and ferns and herbs, and the sound of cool springs of sweet water. Miss Edith Chatterton

Tariff Ruling Deals Blow To Textile Group

By Sen. B. Everett Jordan WASHINGTON—The Tariff Commission has dealt a very serious blow to the efforts being made to prevent the further destruction of the textile industry in the United States. The Commission announced that it would not eliminate the export subsidy on cotton sold to foreign textile mills means that the textile industry in the United States must continue to pay 8.5 per pound more for American cotton than foreign competitors. The American textile mills are at a serious disadvantage in trying to compete with foreign mills when they are forced to pay 8.5 cents a pound more for cotton than their foreign competitors. It is impossible for me to see anything fair about such an arrangement, but the Tariff Commission has refused to correct it. Immediately after the Commission announced its decision, President Kennedy issued a statement in which he said he plans to ask Con-

gress to pass legislation to correct the problem. Under the present program, a foreign manufacturer gets cotton at about 8.5 cents a pound below what domestic mills are required to pay. In effect, the U. S. government picks up the tab between world market prices and domestic prices on overseas shipments. Under the proposal the Tariff Commission rejected, foreign mills shipping cotton textiles into the United States would have been required to pay a fee representing the 8.5 cents per pound differential. To me, this was a simple and fair proposition that would have corrected a distinct disadvantage that domestic mills are now forced to work under. It is impossible to tell at this time what President Kennedy has in mind about corrective legislation. There is no doubt that a "correction" is long overdue. However, in working out a solution we must avoid forcing farmers who produce cotton to carry the burden the textile mills are now carrying. I think it is wrong to expect our mills to carry the unfair burden, and it is just as wrong to shift this burden to the cotton farmers. If it is the policy of this government to continue to give preferential price treatment to foreign

Veterans News

Here are authoritative answers by the Veterans Administration to questions from former servicemen and their families: Q—If the beneficiary of a GI insurance policy dies before the payment of the face value of the insurance is completed, who receives the balance of the payment on the claim? A—The balance may be paid to the contingent beneficiary, to the estate of the beneficiary, or in some cases to the estate of the insured. Q—What is being done for

the so-called "veterans of war flareups"? A—There are several pieces of legislation pending in Congress to provide additional benefits for these servicemen. Q—What is the average age and the average yearly income of WWI veterans? A—The average age is 68.1 and the average annual income according to most recent Veterans Administration figures available is \$3,034.

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