

# HOUSING CENSUS TO START IN APRIL; SUPERVISOR EXPLAINS WHYS AND WHATS

## Purpose Is to Invite Private Capital to Meet the Need For Additional Homes

"The first and only complete statistical record presenting all the facts about the houses in which 33 million American families live will be compiled by the Census enumerators in April," according to D. W. Lupton, District Supervisor of the Census for this district.

"For years it has been the contention of many," declared Mr. Lupton, "that the expansion of home construction was essential to bring about a return of prosperity. But experts have never been able to obtain a composite picture of existing housing facilities, nor obtain even an approximate demand for additional homes. This lack of information has made private capital timid about entering the field with any long-range, systematic development plan. The Government and cities have been making efforts to stimulate home building but the lack of factual data has acted as a deterrent to these efforts."

According to District Supervisor Lupton, Congress decided that an actual, factual survey would be necessary to obtain an exact measurement of housing needs as a preliminary step to the development of a plan which would invite private capital to meet the need. So when the Census enumerator calls on every family in April, he will seek information from each family on the type of structure in which it lives. He will ask how old the building is, what material it is made of; whether

it is located in a city or on a farm, and whether or not it is in need of major repairs.

Concerning each dwelling unit he will ask the number of rooms; the water supply; the toilet facilities—bath tub, shower, or running water; lighting equipment, rental value and sale value.

The information sought will also include whether the home is owned, or rented; number of persons in the household, refrigeration equipment; whether a radio; what kind of heating equipment; fuel used for heating; fuel used for cooking; and annual expenditures for utilities.

In order to obtain a national picture of the home indebtedness situation, the enumerator will see information on the mortgages; the payments thereon; real estate taxes; interest on the mortgage; and the class of the mortgage holder, such as building and loan association, bank, life insurance company, mortgage company, HOLC, individual or other.

The census supervisor contends that every family will benefit directly or indirectly through the compiling of this complete statistical picture of the housing situation. Cities will know for the first time what neighborhoods are lacking in housing capacity and where there is the greatest demand for extension of water mains, electric lighting, sewage, sidewalks, paving and other improvements. Builders and material men should be encouraged to go forward with improvement plans; lending agencies will have a better guide upon which to establish conservative rates, and the possibility of additional employment by reason of new construction should help every community.

## Chewing The Rag With Lucius Blanchard, Jr.

"It's come to pass," Wilbur observed, amazement flashing from his good right eye.

"What has?" we asked, because the statement obviously needed qualifying.

"Somewhere I heard or read a long time ago," he continued, "The last shall be first and the first shall be last."

"So what?" we still wanted to know.

"It's just that I think I've found what they were talking about," he went on.

"All right, so what were they talking about?" we were getting slightly fed up with the whole thing.

"Look here," said Wilbur. "It's a fine spring day, and if I feel like musing, I'll muse. If you want to listen in, it's okay. And if you don't, then it's still okay."

So we listened in . . .

"I'm remembering a Lot of People who back before the depression couldn't gather together two dollars on any given day if their lives depended on it. I mean, they couldn't have earned it; not by the strength of their two good hands or by the force of their collective brain-powers."

"Today I'm watching Those Same People wallowing in the lap of luxury . . . and they still haven't earned it. See what I'm getting at? The last shall be first and the first shall be last."

"What's it all leading up to?" we asked.

Wilbur was still musing. The sun was warm on the courthouse green and Wilbur's place on the bench was comfortable. "I'm wondering what America is leading up to," he finally said.

"First, I've decided this: that America is becoming a nation of softies. Government handouts are making it entirely too easy for us to lose the old-time initiative that made us earn our keep under our own power. See how it is? Where's the sense in scraping along on a poor-paying legitimate job, living from hand to mouth, when the government stands ready to offer us all the comforts of a fine home and a bank president's salary . . . for doing nothing?"

Wilbur was warming up now. This was his favorite subject, and we didn't want to interrupt.

"We're living in a fool's paradise, my friend. It's going to end sometime. And I for one can't blind myself to the inevitable. Then where will we be? What's going to happen to These Americans when we stop getting paid for produce we don't raise and work we don't do? Where will we be when we wake up some cold morning to face the reality of finding a legitimate job and working at it . . . or starving?"

It was too much for us, so we didn't attempt to answer.

"I'll tell you where we'll be," Wilbur said after squinting at the sun. "We'll be back in the ways of Original American Principles. The Firsts will be Last again, and vice versa."

"The man who managed to exist through the Lean Years without losing his self-respect, without making the Government Catch a permanent Artificial Lamb, the man who

paid his ever-increasing tax-demand in order to continue the handout . . . that man will be on top again where he belongs."

"And what about the Lasts then?" we wanted to know. We could see the interview was ending.

"The ones who can't swim will sink, and not many of them have been taking swimming lessons while floating around on Government Waterwings. I understand that These Waterwings were loaned just for that purpose . . . to keep them afloat until they learned to swim. But Some People will never learn to swim."

"Gruesome thoughts for such a beautiful Spring Day, Wilbur," we kidded.

"I told you not to listen in if you didn't want to," he ended.

## Irish Potato Growers Consider Two Points

There are two considerations that are absolutely necessary for high yields and good quality potatoes under all conditions. They are certified seed and heavy applications of well-balanced fertilizers. Successful commercial growers of this crop realize that this is true and take no chances on either.

In the potato section of Alabama, for instance, growers have found while there are certified seed available from a number of sources, it pays to grow only those that have been proved by the experiment station as best adapted to Alabama conditions. Likewise on fertilizers, they have discarded analyses which have been found unsuitable for their soil and now use only the grade and amounts recommended for their section. In North Carolina and South Carolina mixtures containing more nitrogen are usually recommended, such as the 5-7-7 or 7-7-7.

Plenty of potash in the potato fertilizer is necessary to get the greatest yield of No. 1 potatoes. Where an insufficient amount is applied, the vines break down prematurely and the tubers stop growing, never reaching the most desirable market size. The quality is inferior also.

For home use, potatoes may be grown under a wide range of conditions, but a light, well-drained sandy loam with a clay subsoil is ideal. They are sometimes grown on very sandy soils, and with a reasonable amount of care and a good application of a high-grade fertilizer, good results may be obtained.

Good drainage is just as important for potatoes as for other crops. It is never advisable to plant this crop on any soil unless it is fairly well drained, and even then it is best to plant on ridges to keep the surface water from standing around the plants.

Father of Folly Ignorance is Folly's father and mother.

## Draw Bridge At Hertford Disabled By Highway Accident

The draw on the Perquimans River Bridge at Hertford was out of operation for several hours last Thursday after the boom of a steam shovel crossing the bridge contacted vital wiring mechanism controlling the electrically-operated draw.

The State Highway and Public Works Commission was notified immediately by J. S. Vick, the bridge-keeper, and workmen were dispatched at once to repair the damage.

The bridge is part of United States Highway 17, the Coastal Highway, and carries a large traffic burden. However, no boats asked for passage through the bridge while the draw was out of commission, and it was not necessary to open the draw by hand, a long and tedious task which ties up both north and south bound highway traffic for half an hour or more.

## ASHLEY BROTHERS AT DURANTS NECK CLUB

The Ashley Brothers, entertainers over Radio Station WQNC, Elizabeth City, will be at the Durants Neck Club House on Friday evening, March 15th. They promise 90 minutes of good entertainment, featuring string music, songs and jokes. After the entertainment, ice cream and hot dogs will be on sale. A small admission fee will be charged and the proceeds will be applied to the debt on the club house.

## CENTER HILL NEWS

Misses Myrtle and Lois Hope Lane, of Fayetteville, spent the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Lane.

Mrs. Ray Carter and son, Olan, of Richmond, Va., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Furry. The condition of R. O. Furry remains about the same.

Miss Lucy Myers White has returned home after spending sometime with Rev. and Mrs. R. E. Walston, at Pink Hill.

Rev. J. T. Stanford called on R. O. Furry Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Carson Coffield, of South Carolina, spent the week-end with his sister, Mrs. J. T. White, and Mr. White.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Ellis visited Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Turner on Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Carson Coffield and Mrs. J. T. White spent Monday at Manteo.

Miss Lennie Wilson visited Mrs. Herman Lane Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Lane and daughter, Mrs. Oscar Boyce, visited Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Asbell, in Edenton on Sunday. Mr. Asbell is very ill with double pneumonia.

Mrs. Cotter B. White and two children, Novella and C. B., Jr., spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wiggins.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Jordan and two children have returned to their home in Norfolk, Va., after visiting Mr. Jordan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Jordan.

Mrs. Elbert Peelle and Mrs. Percy Nixon, of Rocky Hook, visited their sister, Miss Nellie Davis, and their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Boyce, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Dail visited Mr. and Mrs. Ed Byrum and Miss Mamie Byrum Saturday afternoon.

Miss Mamie Byrum, Mrs. T. E. Jernigan and Mrs. C. M. Ward visited Mr. J. S. Turner Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Goodwin and daughter, Mary, of Greenhall; Ed Whiteman and daughters, Misses Zonie and Alma, of Rocky Hook; Mr.

and Mrs. Cameron Boyce and Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Boyce visited Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Furry Sunday.

Misses Myrtle and Lois Hope Lane, Mrs. H. E. Lane, Mrs. W. H. Lane and Mrs. E. B. White visited Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Asbell, in Edenton, Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Jones, of Norfolk, Va., spent the week-end as guests of Mrs. Ida Reed.

Mrs. Buck Dowdy and Mrs. Jarvis, of Norfolk, Va., spent Tuesday with Mrs. N. Bunch.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bunch and children, of Edenton, visited Mr. Bunch's mother, Mrs. Mollie Bunch, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. J. M. Turner and daughter, Miss Lillian, visited Mrs. J. T. Stanford Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Raymond Goodwin and two children visited Mrs. Cotter B. White on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Byrum and daughter, Shirley, were visitors in the J. P. Byrum home on Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. White and two children visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. White, Friday evening.

Mrs. Rufus Smithson and Mrs. J. P. Byrum visited Mrs. J. S. Turner Friday afternoon.

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## NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Having qualified as Administratrix C. T. A., of the estate of B. S. Hoskins, Sr., deceased, late of Perquimans County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Hertford, N. C., on or before the 4th day of March, 1941, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 4th day of March, 1940.  
NELLIE H. PIERCE,  
Administratrix C. T. A. of B. S. Hoskins, Sr.  
mar.8,15,22,29,apr.5,12

## NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Having qualified as Executrix of the estate of Joseph S. Overman, deceased, late of Perquimans County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Winfall, N. C., on or before the 4th day of March, 1941, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 4th day of March, 1940.  
BESSIE O. WARD,  
Executrix of Joseph S. Overman.  
mar.8,15,22,29,apr.5,12

North Carolina, Perquimans County Superior Court  
Claude Perry  
Vs.  
Lucy H. Perry  
NOTICE

The defendant Lucy H. Perry will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Perquimans County, North Carolina, to secure an absolute divorce from the bonds of matrimony on the grounds of two years separation; and said defendant will

further take notice that she is required to appear at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court in said county in the courthouse in Hertford, N. C., on or before the 10th day of April, 1940, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the court in Term Time for the relief demanded in the complaint.

This 19th day of February, 1940.  
W. H. PITT,  
Deputy Clerk Superior Court.  
feb.23,mar.1,8,1F

## NOTICE!

### Sale of Valuable Property

By virtue of a Mortgage Deed executed to me by Raymond E. Daughtry and wife, Camille Daughtry, for certain purposes therein mentioned which said Mortgage Deed bears date March 1st, 1937, and is registered in the office of the Register of Deeds of Perquimans County in Book 19, page 306, I shall on Thursday, March 28, 1940, at 11:30 o'clock, A. M., offer for sale at Public Auction, for cash, at the Court House door in Hertford, N. C., the property conveyed to me in said Mortgage Deed:

Beginning on the road running from Winfall to Elizabeth City, at Daniel Welch's line, thence along road seventy-five feet to line of Armacy Myers, thence along her line to Horace Baker's line, thence along his line to Welch line, thence to first station. For further description see Deeds Book 14, page 532, Register of Deeds, Perquimans County.

Dated and posted February 28, 1940.  
HENRY CLAY STOKES,  
Trustee.  
mar.1,8,15,22

## NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Having qualified as Administrator of the estate of W. P. Long, deceased, late of Perquimans County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of the said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Hertford, N. C., on or before the 28th day of February, 1941, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 28th day of February, 1940.  
MARY C. LONG,  
Administratrix of W. P. Long.  
mar.1,8,15,22,29,apr.5

## NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of that certain Mortgage Deed executed by Rayfield Newby to J. R. Edwards, Trustee, which Mortgage Deed is duly recorded in Book 19, page 185, in the Public Registry of Perquimans County, default having been made in the indebtedness secured by the said Mortgage Deed, the undersigned trustee, under the power of sale conferred by said Mortgage Deed, will, on the 25th day of March, 1940, at 12 o'clock noon at the courthouse door of Perquimans County, sell to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate, to wit: Beginning on Kings Street in the town of Winfall, at the Northeast corner of lot of W. F. C. Edwards; thence in a Southerly course along said W. F. C. Edwards line to his Southeast corner; thence in an Easterly course to line of H. A. White heirs; thence a Northerly course along the said H. A. White heirs line to said King Street; thence Westerly along said King Street to the point of beginning.

Dated and posted this 22nd day of February, 1940.  
J. R. EDWARDS, Trustee.  
By WALTER G. EDWARDS  
Attorney.  
mar.1,8,15,22.

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