

### Motor Association Urges Motorists To Observe School Zones

Careful driving by motorists in school zones immediately before and after school hours and at lunch time was urged this week by the North Carolina Motor Carriers Association. NCMCA Executive Secretary, J. T. Outlaw, stated that drivers should slow down and look sharp at these times, whether or not a school patrolman or crossing officer was on duty. Open playgrounds need special watching because a youngster absorbed in play is not easily distracted by anything—even an onrushing vehicle.

"Most cities have special speed limits for school zones," Outlaw continued, "which a resident should learn and obey."

All speed zones in rural areas are not the same, as general statute No. 20-141.1 provides that the State Highway and Public Works Commission shall determine the need, establish and declare a reasonable speed limit on public highways near school zones.

R. A. Burch, SH&PWC Traffic Engineer, has recently stated that all rural schools should have appropriate school warning signs at either end of the highway approach to the school property.

"The life you save may be that of a future President," Mr. Outlaw concluded.

### Farm - Home Week Proves Worthwhile

According to County Agent I. C. Yagel, the annual Farm and Home Week program at N. C. State College last week was a very interesting one. Nearly 2,500 were registered and it was estimated that the total attendance amounted to well over 3,000 farm people. Said Mr. Yagel, "Farm men and women who failed to attend certainly missed a great opportunity for enlarging their scope of experience, information and enjoyment."

The variety of classes offered for study and discussion of farm and home problems enabled a person to select the class most suited to his needs. From observation practically all of these classes were well attended, and the interest was high. These classes included such things as clothing selection, insect control in the home, attitudes and living together in the home, making clothes and other things more suited for the homemaker. Classes principally for men were: Placement of fertilizers and how fertilizers act in the soil, adding livestock to the farm, saving labor and other things pertinent to the farm operation today.

The evenings were devoted to group singing led by C. W. Overman. Amateur talent contests were most interesting and in many cases provided much fun. The quiz program, sponsored by the N. C. Farm Bureau and the N. C. State Grange, provided entertainment and fun. On each evening a very inspiring address was brought by some outstanding speaker.

stands are exceptionally good. The dry summer season has aided in producing one of the cleanest crops of record.

As of August 1 prospects were for an average yield of 1,250 pounds per acre compared to 1,330 pounds last year and the average of 1,086 pounds. It is estimated that 199,000 acres are being grown for picking and threshing this season. This is 16 per cent fewer acres than in 1951 and the smallest picked and threshed acreage since the 190,000 acres harvested in 1933.

### Hatcheries Of Chicks In N. C. Show Decline

Commercial hatcheries in North Carolina produced a total of 4,063,000 chicks during July, according to a report released by the State-Federal Crop Reporting Service. This was a drop of 13 per cent from June hatchings. The decline in July was seasonal in nature but was a much sharper seasonal drop than occurred at the same time in 1951. Scarcity of hatching eggs is limiting the output of chicks at the present time.

The demand for broiler chicks during July was fair with weekly placements showing a seasonal decline during the month.

Chicks produced in North Carolina during the first seven months of this year totaled 43,046,000 compared with 39,947,000 during the same period last year. This was a gain of 8 per cent.

Prices received for both straight-run chicks of heavy and cross breeds by North Carolina hatcheries on August 1 showed gains from a month earlier. An average price of \$14.50 per hundred was being received on August 1 for both of these classes, compared with \$14.00 a month earlier. Straight-run chicks of light breeds, at \$15.00 per hundred, were off \$1.00 from a month earlier.

United States Commercial hatcheries produced 83,650,000 chicks during July. This number is 20 per cent less than was produced during July last year but 53 per cent above the 1946-50 average production for the month. The production of chicks for broiler production and flock replacement were both below that of a year ago. Approximately 9 per cent fewer chicks were placed in the 11 principal broiler areas than in July last year. The number of chicks hatched during July for flock replacement is indicated to be down 48 per cent. Chicks produced during the first seven months of this year totaled 1,308,990,000, compared with 1,363,286,000 during the same period last year—a decrease of 4 per cent.

### GI Insurance For Veterans Of Korea

Veterans of the Korean conflict who were disabled in active service are eligible for two types of GI insurance, according to the Veterans Administration. The same applies to veterans of active service in the military forces anywhere in the world since June 27, 1950.

There are deadlines for applying that must be observed in all cases via added.

Disabled Korean veterans may take out Government term insurance up to a total of \$10,000. It is renewable every five years, at premium rates that increase with each renewal. This type of insurance does not pay dividends.

Application must be made for the term insurance within 120 days from the date of discharge and one month's premium must be paid. Applications and premiums from veterans living in this area should be sent to the Veterans Administration District Office, P. O. Box 8079, Philadelphia 1, Pennsylvania. Any Veterans Administration office can supply information with regard to the applications and policies, including premium rates.

This same type of term insurance is available to veterans of active service since June 27, 1950 who were not disabled.

Permanent GI insurance policies similar to those available to World War II veterans also may be taken by disabled Korean veterans who have service connected disabilities that entitle them to compensation payments from the VA.

Applications for the permanent-type insurance must be made by disabled veterans within one year from the date that VA determined they had service-connected disabilities.

To qualify for such permanent insurance plans, a veteran cannot have some other non-service-connected disability which makes him uninsurable.

### Physicians Invited To Opening Of Hospital

Physicians in this county have been notified that the University of North Carolina's 400-bed teaching hospital in Chapel Hill will open Tuesday, September 2.

Notification of the opening date and other information relating to the hospital, including members of the staff and rates, has been received by local physicians from Dean W. Reece Berryhill of the University's School of Medicine and Dr. Robert R. Cadmus, director of the hospital.

There will be no ceremony in connection with the informal opening on September 2. Formal dedication cere-

monies are to be held late this fall or not later than next spring.

The letter received by local physicians said "We anticipate an impressive dedication ceremony at which time there will be special programs for the physicians in North Carolina as well as a formal opportunity to see the completed and fully-equipped institution."


### Use Of Margarine In Nation Boosted

Margarine production has increased 24.2 per cent in the period January-May, 1952, compared with the same period last year, the Bureau of Census reported.

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Prospects Bright For Peanut Crop

According to reports received from North Carolina's peanut growers by the State-Federal Crop Reporting Service, the indicated August 1 condition of peanuts is above average. In spite of the dry, hot weather experienced over most of the State this summer, the weather pattern to date in the important peanut producing area has been mostly favorable for peanuts. Planting was done under ideal conditions and weather immediately following was especially favorable for good germination of seed. Therefore

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