

## RESIDENTS OF NORTH CAROLINA DIE IN 1951 AFTER PASSING CENTURY MARK

### Colored People Lead In Longevity During Year

The Public Health Statistics Section of the North Carolina State Department of Health has announced that 47 per cent of this State died during the year who had passed the one hundred birthday. Of this number, 29 were white males, twelve white females, eleven colored males, and seven colored females. When a tabulation by color only is made, it is seen that 16 white and 38 colored died or passed the century mark during the year.

Used in determining age at death of these aged people were the certificates of death which are filed in the vital statistics office of the State Board of Health. The certificate calls for the following items of information pertinent to ascertaining age at death: date of birth, date of death, and age at death.

What is the explanation for more Negroes than whites living to be a hundred years of age or more before dying? When it is realized that approximately three-fourths of the State's population is white, there is no authentic answer.

Age at death was tabulated on the basis of the date of birth shown on the death certificate, in conjunction with the age and date of death. In every instance, the date of birth was given for the white deaths and when subtracted from the date of death, checked with the age at death. The date of birth was not given for seven of the Negroes—only the age at death.

It has been suggested that the Negro, if he survives the hazards of disease more prevalent in his race in the earlier years of life, has a better chance of living longer than the white person because of the mode of living.

The age-color specific mortality rate is higher for every age group in the Negro than in the white up to the 75-84 age group. The death rate in the group 75 and above is higher in the white race. This lends strong support to the fact that more Negroes reach the century mark before death, statisticians believe.

It is of interest to note, statisticians say, that 47 of the old folks died in

the home, two in a hospital, and five in a county home in 1951. All but one of the people died in the same county in which they resided. Old folks do come home to die.

The marital status of these centenarians who died in 1951 is very interesting. There were no bachelors and three unmarried women. All but three of the 51 married people who died were widowed. The three married people who died left their husbands behind.

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Ash, Guilford, and Mecklenburg Counties had the most centenarians to die—three in each county. The counties had two centenarians to die and twenty-five counties had one.

In summary, it may be stated that proportionately more Negroes live to

be one hundred than do white people; that certain areas of the state are not more conducive to longevity than

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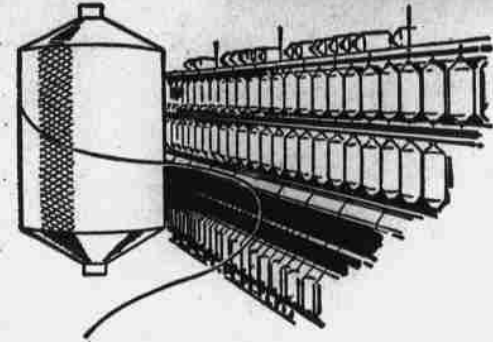
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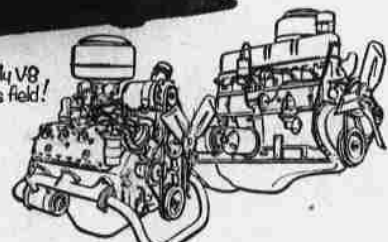
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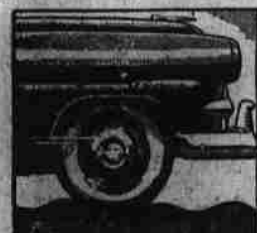
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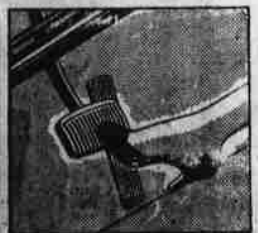
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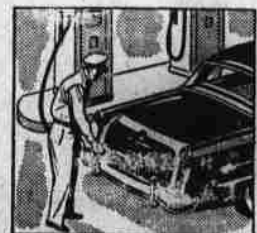
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