

Traffic Death Toll Second Worst In State's History

The Motor Vehicles Department today called the 1955 traffic death toll the second worst in history as agency statisticians closed their books on 1,154 dead and a round-number figure of 15,000 injured.

It was the bloodiest year on the highways since 1941 when 1,289 were killed. Officials said delayed deaths would jack up the toll even higher. According to a ruling by the National Safety Council, accident victims injured last year and who die this year must be included in the 1955 toll.

All figures concerning disastrous '55 are tentative authorities said. However, it's known definitely that Wake County, with 56 fatalities for the year, led the State and established a new blood-letting record. A pedestrian death in Raleigh, two hours before the end of the year, eclipsed the former record of 55 fatalities set by Guilford County in 1946.

The Department said final and official figures listing individual county fatalities would be compiled within 90 days.

Completes Life Insurance Course

George W. Jackson, Special Representative of the Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Company in Hertford, was awarded a Certificate this week for having successfully completed a Life Insurance Sales Training course which he has been studying for the past year.

The study course, nationally recognized by the Life Underwriting Profession, is sponsored by Jefferson Standard and is based on material published by the National Underwriter Company of Cincinnati, Ohio. The course prepares the Life Underwriter to fit life insurance benefits and arrange financial programs which coordinate Social Security benefits with income from life insurance.

26 Observers Took Part In Alert Sunday

The participation of the Perquimans County Ground Observer Corps in "Operation-Skytrain 10" was termed successful by Mrs. Marjor Swindell, post supervisor. This alert was held Sunday, January 8 from 8:00 A. M. until 8:00 P. M. A total of 26 observers braved the cold winds to serve their shift.

Mrs. Swindell wishes to express her appreciation to Charlie Skinner, Jr., Chief Observer, the team captains, Mrs. Joe Towse, Silar Whedbee and Jarvis Henry, and to all the members who served.

Those serving for the first time were Bobby Elliott, Emmett Landing, Hank Christgau, George Fields, F. A. McGoogan, Franklin McGoogan, Jr., Tommy Lane and Moody Matthews, Jr.

Regular members serving were James Divers, Charlie Skinner, Jr., Billy White, Francis Nixon, Mrs. Lawrence Towse, Miss Hulda Wood, Henry Stokes, Jr., Ralph Sasser, Bobby Matthews, Louis Tarkington, J. T. Lane, Talmage Rose, Julian Powell, George White, Dickie Owens, Guy McCracken and Marion Swindell.

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New Employment Tax Laws Became Effective Jan. 1st

Approximately 10,350 additional employers will be taxed and an estimated 60,000 new workers will be covered by the provisions of the amendment to the North Carolina Employment Security Law, effective January 1, 1956 when the amendment became fully operative during the year, Col. Henry E. Kendall, Chairman of the N. C. Employment Security Commission, announces.

The newly covered employers will be those employing four to seven workers, inclusive, except for exempt employment, to be added to the 17,500 employers of eight or more workers, already covered by the law, and the additional covered workers of these firms will be added to almost 1,000,000 workers who have wage credits by virtue of having worked for the already covered employers.

A break-down of most of the additional workers to be covered indicates that an estimated 23,300 will be added in wholesale and retail trade, another 11,350 in the service trades, and about 6,750 in manufacturing, probably about one-third of these in lumbering employment.

Chairman Kendall points out that the General Assembly of North Carolina amended the law at its 1955 session, effective January 1, 1956, after the Congress of the United States had amended the Federal Unemployment Tax Act to extend its provisions to employers of four or more workers. The N. C. amendment was enacted to conform to the federal law. In prior years both laws provided that only employers of eight or more workers were liable.

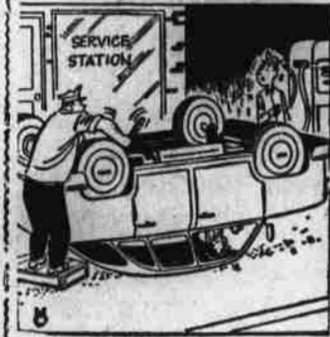
The State's Employment Security Commission, Chairman Kendall reports, is planning to make information available through various media to employers who may be subject to the law in the hope of eliminating any misunderstanding as to what firms are liable (covered) or when the first reports and tax payments are due. However, he stated, the failure of any employer to receive the information or other materials being distributed in no way relieves him of his liability

under the law. It is not compulsory for any employer to become liable until he has had as many as four individuals employed during each of 20 weeks in a calendar year after January 1, 1956—the earliest date is May 20, 1956. The law does provide that an employer may elect voluntarily to come under the law, irrespective of the number of workers or before the expiration of 20 weeks, if he so desires.

Col. Kendall announces that there are some who know they will be liable in 1956 and may wish to elect coverage voluntarily so they may get their records in order and pay the taxes each quarter (tax due on a quarterly basis) as not to have an accumulation of two or more quarters due at one time—since liability is effective for them as of January 1. Once an employer becomes liable, he must remain liable until liability is terminated as provided by law.

Informational material explaining more fully this provision of the law and the Unemployment Insurance Program will be mailed to employers of three or more workers, based on the list of such employers who make reports to the Bureau of Old Age and Survivors' Insurance.

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This material will be available the next 30 days. In the meantime, meetings have been scheduled in 55 cities and towns in North Carolina, to which all employers who may become liable under the amended law, as well as lawyers, accountants, and others who may be interested, are invited to hear the law discussed by representatives of the Commission and to ask questions. One of these meetings will be held in Edenton Court House at 7:30 P. M. on January 15th.

To put the conclusion correctly, the staff of the world is in mind. —A. S. Eddington

Health Department Recommends Use Of Salk Vaccine

Salk polio vaccine has proven its value in reducing the incidence of paralytic poliomyelitis, it was reported this week by Dr. B. B. McGuire, District Health Officer, who urged parents to have the series of three doses started without delay, so that the children may be protected before the polio season. He reported private physicians have the vaccine or can secure it. He also reported the District Health Department has given the first dose to about 1,200 school children whose parents signed a permission slip. The department cannot give the second dose until the

Under the Federal program 400,407 doses have been allocated to North Carolina. Of this, 79% or 317,496 doses were allocated to the

and 142,911 doses were allocated to Health Departments throughout the State. This has in most cases already been given to the

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