



GARDEN TIME
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Dr. David L. Wray, entomologist with the State Department of Agriculture, has thumbed through his musty records and, gazing into his buggy crystal ball, proclaims for all to hear—"The locusts are coming!"

Wilson, Bladen and Pender. Dr. John Falter, Extension Entomologist, NCSU, has also done some research and has made available some interesting facts concerning the life history and control of the periodical cicada which I am passing on to my readers.

pockets for her eggs. From five to 20 pockets may be made in a straight line along the twig, each pocket containing about 24 eggs.

The adults emerge almost simultaneously in a given area and their presence may be recognized by the shrill, buzzing sound they make. Emergence should have already begun in eastern Carolina (depending upon weather conditions). Emergence should begin in late May in the mountain counties, depending upon elevation.

The female will begin her egg laying in the twigs of her preferred host plants about a week after emergence.

If you have apple trees, especially young trees, you should be alert to the possibility of severe damage unless control measures are employed.

Sevin is very effective and is widely recommended for locust control. It should be used at a rate of two pounds of 50% wettable powder to 100 gals. of water; and applied just before heavy egg laying occurs. A second application should be made in from five to seven days after the first. Sevin is safe and best for home gardeners.

You And Social Security

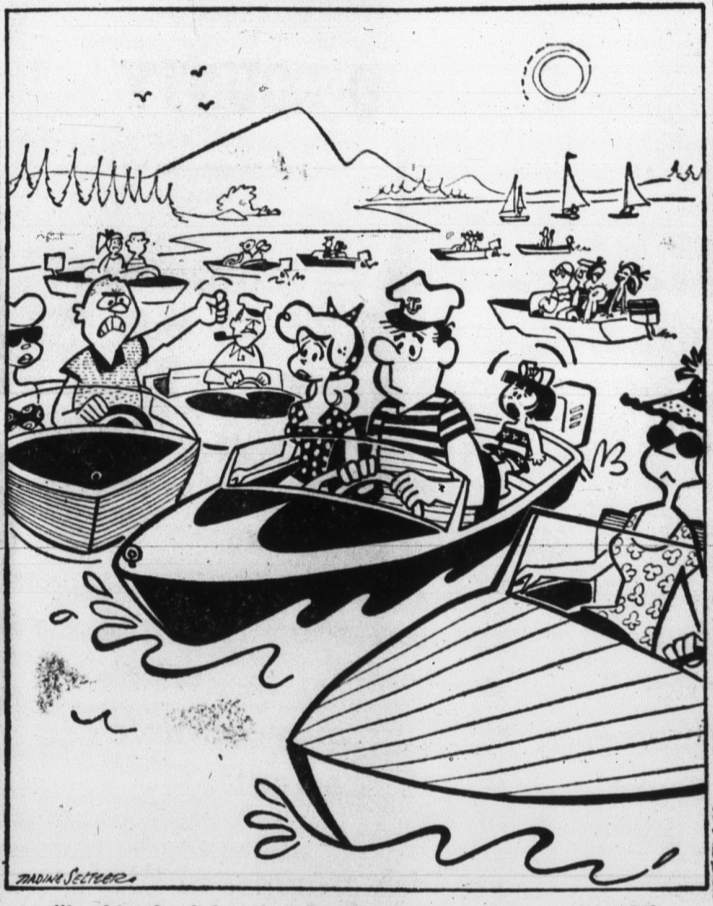
Over 90 percent of the people who are 65 or over living in the four-county area served by the Gastonia Social Security Office are signed up for Medicare, District Manager, Lex G. Barkley, said today.

Barley pointed out that those who have not signed up for voluntary medical insurance—which requires a \$3 monthly premium—may have basic hospital insurance beginning July 1, but will not have this supplementary protection for doctor bills and other medical expenses unless they enroll by May 31. The next opportunity for these people to enroll will not come until October 1967. Men and women now reaching 65 have 3 months before the month of their birthday and 3 months after that month to enroll. Barkley urged enrollment in the 3 months before age 65, however, to insure that medical insurance protection starts with the month in which age 65 is reached.

The original deadline for signing up for voluntary medical insurance was March 31. Nationally, about 90 percent of the 19.1 million people eligible for Medicare had already signed up for medical insurance by March 31, but there were a little more than 1 million who had not made a decision on Medicare.

The deadline was extended to May 31st to give these people time to sign up if they want medical insurance, and to give those who had said "no" to Medicare a chance to reconsider. Barkley said many of the people who have not enrolled for medical insurance are still working. They may think they must retire before they can apply for health insurance. Others may have failed to act in the belief that they must have been employed in work covered by social security to qualify for health insurance. Medicare benefits are payable for persons 65 or over whether or not they have ever worked under social security and whether retired or still working. Most of India's population is rural. Only about 18 percent live in towns.

SWEETIE PIE



"Is this the lake that hardly anybody knows about?"

Record Toll In Road Deaths

CHARLOTTE — North Carolina's record toll of 1,631 persons killed on the state's streets and highways last year terminated the traffic safety records of 12 of the 18 cities and towns with fatality-free periods of one year or more, the N. C. State Motor Club said today.

The 12 included Chapel Hill, which had the fourth best record in the state for all municipalities over 5,000 population, and Thomasville, which had the fifth best. Chapel Hill's string of deathless days dated back to October 9, 1961, and Thomasville's to December 7, 1961.

Others were Graham, Wilson, and Hendersonville, two years each, and Sanford, Williamston, Concord, Tarboro, Elizabeth City, Lenoir and Asheboro, one year each.

Morehead City now holds the state's best record of more than five years dating back to May 21, 1960. It is followed by Canton and Mooresville, four years, and Mount Airy, Belmont and Southern Pines, two years.

Mr. Humphries' Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for William M. Humphries, 85, were held Saturday at 3 p.m. from Dixon Presbyterian church of which he was a member.

Mr. Humphries succumbed at his home in the Dixon community early Friday morning after several months illness. He was a native of South Carolina and a retired farmer.

He is survived by his wife, the former Bessie Hamrick, to whom he was married 48 years ago; his son, Thomas Humphries of Kings Mountain; his daughter-in-law; six grandchildren and one great-grandson, Thomas Phillip Humphries, Jr.

Rev. James S. Mann officiated at the final rites and interment was in Mountain Rest cemetery. Grandsons of Mr. Humphries were pallbearers.

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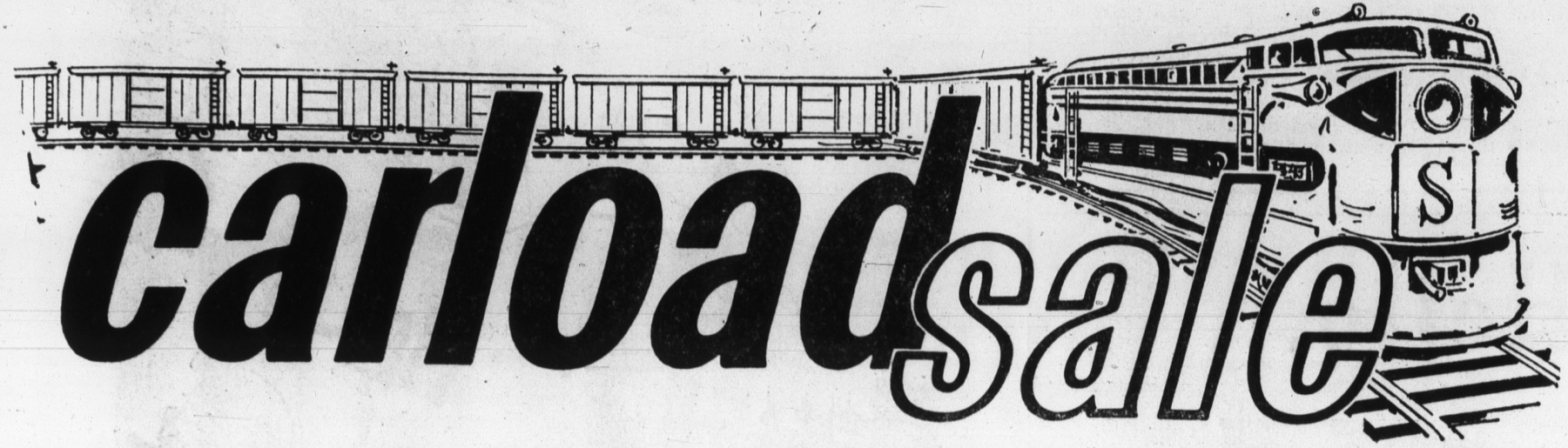
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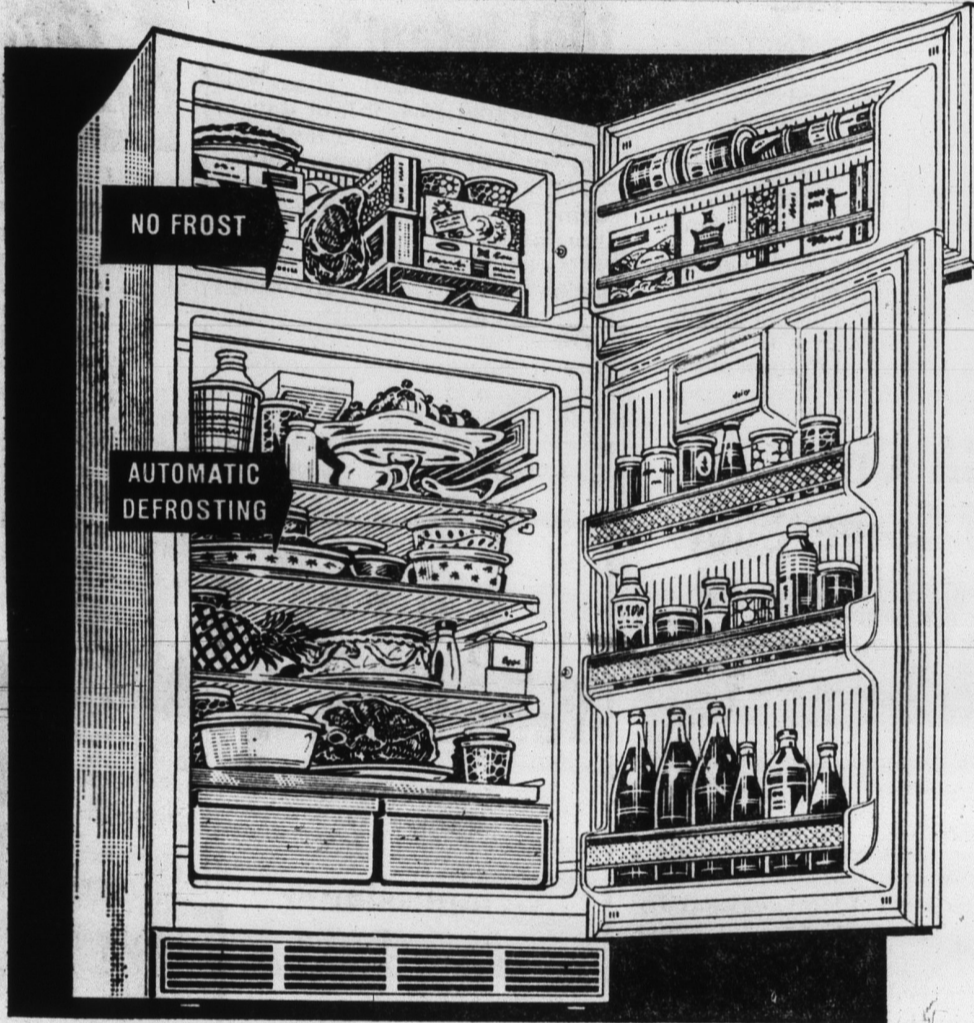


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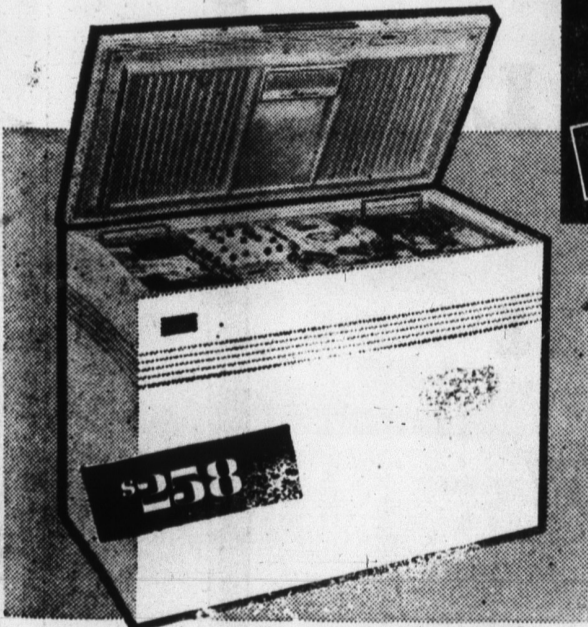
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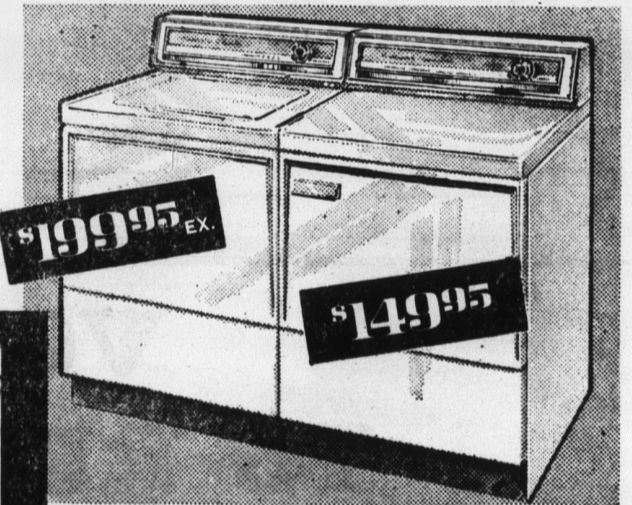
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