

Ranks Above Average

SURVEY OF COUNTY'S ECONOMY MADE BY RESEARCH BOARD

Comprehensive information on the elements of Kershaw county's economy as compared with the economy of other counties, and the economy of the state as compared with that of other states and the nation as a whole, is contained in a new publication just issued by the South Carolina Research, Planning and Development Board.

The bulletin shows that Kershaw county ranks slightly above the average of the counties in the state.

The new bulletin, which is entitled "General Statistics on Kershaw County," is available at the Kershaw Lodge No. 28, A. F. M., Regular Communication First Tuesday of Each Month at 8 P. M. Visitors Welcome.

A. C. McKain, W. M. R. Jones, Secretary

South Carolina for the first time in one volume compiles the details of each county's economy, and the economy of the state, including agriculture, industry, general business, transportation, county finances, transportation and rural electrification facilities, education, buying power, and climate.

In regard to agriculture the bulletin reveals that South Carolina ranks first in the nation in shipment of peaches to fresh markets and second in peach production. The state ranks third in the United States in the production of cowpeas and cucumbers.

South Carolina is second among the South Atlantic states in the production of cowpeas, asparagus and cucumbers, and third with tobacco, sweet potatoes, watermelons, lima beans and in the number of acres harvested in the state, which total \$3,750.

The increase in cash income from farm marketing in the state, between 1940 and 1946, was 219.2 per cent. A greater increase than the average of 215.5 per cent for the South Atlantic states and also more than the 183.3 per cent increase in the United States. South Carolina's cash income from farm marketing during 1946 was \$16-million dollars, as compared to \$9-million dollars in 1940.

The bulletin indicates that Kershaw county ranks 21st among the counties of the state in the number of farms, with 2,913 of the 147,745 South Carolina farms situated in Kershaw county according to a compilation of a 1945 census. The average size of a Kershaw county farm is 108.7 acres, while the average size for the state is 74.6 acres. The average value per acre of land and buildings in Kershaw county is \$22.92, or 89th ranking place among the counties. Kershaw county was in 22nd place in the value of crops harvested, which was estimated at \$4,584 for the county. The average value per acre on a statewide basis was \$399.88 and the total value of crops harvested was estimated at \$278,985.

The report lists 2,913 farm operators for Kershaw county, the 21st largest number among the 46 counties of the state. Tenant farmers make up 53.1 per cent of the Kershaw county farm operators, and 47.4 per cent of the operators are white. Of the farm operators, 12.2 per cent work 200 or more days a year off of the farm.

In South Carolina as a whole,

Cassatt News
(Too Late For Last Week)

Mrs. J. R. West was called to Fort Lauderdale, Fla., last Tuesday to be with her son, Arthur Hodge West, who was seriously injured in an automobile accident. Mrs. Sam Ziebler, his aunt, was also injured seriously. Mrs. West returned Sunday night.

Mrs. Thorell of Lancaster is spending some time with her daughter, Mrs. Vernon Robinson and family.

A. A. West is a patient in the Camden hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Corley of Saluda spent a few days last week with their daughter, Mrs. Ford S. Stanton and family.

Misses Elizabeth and Sarah Elliott are patients in the Camden hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Mosier and small daughter, Wanda, are visiting in Florida.

Mrs. L. L. West and son, David West, who has just returned from

Japan and Mrs. Russell Thompson and two children of Charleston visited here last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Mosier (Betty Jane McCaskill) arrived Monday for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. McCaskill and Mrs. C. A. Mosier.

Mrs. C. L. McGuirt spent a week at Myrtle Beach with her son, Milton McGuirt and family recently.

Revival services and Bible school closed at Beaver Dam church Friday night.

Little Caston West, young son of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. West, was painfully burned about his feet and ankles last Tuesday near the tobacco barn in ashes which had not been properly put out by the col-

ored man who helps around the barn.

Mrs. Lewis Cagle returned here with her mother, Mrs. S. L. McLaughlin, who had been with her since she came from the hospital in Rock Hill two weeks ago.

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

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