

Clinton To Get \$2,952 From State Motor Fund

Columbia, July 26.—(Special to The Chronicle)—The incorporated municipalities of South Carolina will receive a total of \$212,779 this month from the motor transportation fund, according to State Treasurer Jeff Bates. The fund is collected by the South Carolina Public Service Commission, and is apportioned among the municipalities twice a year on the basis of population. The distribution being made this month to cover the six months period from January 1 through June 30, 1949.

According to Treasurer Bates Clinton, with a population of 5,704, will receive \$2,952 from the fund. Laurens, with a 6,894 population, will receive \$3,568; Cross Hill, with 525 population, will receive \$272, and Gray Court with 401 population, will receive \$207.

Senator Long Returns \$700 Extra Pay

Columbia, July 26.—(Special to The Chronicle)—Former Senator O. Langdon Long of Laurens county, returned his \$700 "extra pay" to the state last week, according to Attorney General John M. Daniel. The at-

torney general has called on all 1947 legislators to return the \$700 bonus issued in that year.

Representative C. L. Milam of Laurens county has informed Attorney General Daniel that he will repay the money, but will be a little late until his crops are sold, as he is a farmer.

Addition Made To County's Road Construction Program

Columbia, July 26.—(Special to The Chronicle)—The South Carolina Highway Commission at its monthly meeting held in Columbia last week authorized an addition to the miscellaneous construction program in Laurens county and an addition to the farm-to-market program in the county.

Added to the "B," or miscellaneous construction program in the county was an additional \$25,000 to a \$4,000 appropriation for Roads Nos. 88 and 91 from Route 39 southwesterly for a distance of three miles.

Added to the "C," or farm-to-market program was Road No. 2 from U. S. route 2 at Waterloo southwesterly to Road No. 33, a distance of 3.2 miles.

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National Farm Safety Week Is Being Observed

Clemson, July 23.—Governor J. Strom Thurmond has proclaimed the week of July 24-30 as Farm Safety Week in South Carolina. This period is being observed as National Farm Safety Week by the National Safety Council, and Governor Thurmond in his proclamation urges farm people in this state to cooperate in its observance.

He points out that rapidly increasing farm mechanization brings additional accident hazards to farm operators; that more accidents occur on South Carolina farms than in South Carolina industry; and that many needless hazards can be prevented by each farm adopting an annual safety program.

"I request all persons and organizations engaged in agriculture to do everything in their power to educate farm people in the proper precautions for eliminating farm hazards and to stimulate a state-wide determination to stop needless waste of farm manpower and property," Governor Thurmond says.

"I further urgently request that all farm people observe National Farm Safety Week in South Carolina by making a safety check of all hazards in their homes and on their farms and each accept the responsibility for eliminating at least one possible source of accidents during the period," he adds.

G. H. Stewart, leader, Clemson Agricultural Engineering Extension Work and chairman of the South Carolina Farm Safety Program committee, points out that farm mechanization, while a large contributing factor, is by no means responsible for all the farm accidents.

He says that more farm people are injured in accidents in the home than anywhere else on the farm; that animals account for one out of four farm work accidents; and that folks in the home and around the farmstead lead in the list of mishaps.

"During Farm Safety Week, farm people should review all phases of accident prevention as a means of encouraging safe practices on the farm 52 weeks a year," he declares.

Sam Sawdust And Mr. Secretary

By AGRICOLA

In The News and Courier.

If Mr. Brannan, secretary of agriculture, were addressing a meeting of farmers in South Carolina I believe the following is about what would take place:

Mr. Secretary: My friends the department of agriculture, of which I have the honor to be secretary, after much thought has developed a plan whereby the income of the farmer will be stabilized and guaranteed and at the same time the consumer may enjoy a falling commodity market.

The plan is at once so safe, sane and satisfactory that the wonder to me is that it has never been thought of before. The plan is based on subsidy; and they have been kind enough to call it the "Brannan Plan," and I am here to explain it to you.

Before me in the audience I see my old friend Sam Sawdust. Now Sam, I know, is a poultryman and among the products he sells are eggs; so I will use this commodity—eggs—to explain to you how the plan works.

Sam has been getting 50 cents a dozen for his eggs, and under the plan this is considered to be a fair price, and Sam must continue to get 50 cents a dozen; so we will peg that as the minimum price Sam shall receive for his eggs.

But in the meantime the market price for eggs falls so that the consumer is now paying only 40 cents a dozen for them. So look at how the plan works; Sam is still getting 50 cents a dozen and the consumer is only paying 40 cents a dozen, so everybody is happy.

Sam Sawdust: Mr. Secretary, let me ask a question. Won't I have to do a lot of bookkeeping, fill out a lot of forms and make affidavits, etc?

Mr. Secretary: Well Sam there will be a little paper work no doubt, but look at your subsidy.

Sam Sawdust: But won't it cost a lot to operate this plan?

Mr. Secretary: Of course the plan will have to be implemented and administered, but consider your subsidy.

Sam Sawdust: Tell us what a subsidy is.

Mr. Secretary: In your case it is the difference between the amount you receive—50 cents,—and the amount the consumer pays—40 cents—making 10 cents a dozen as your part of the subsidy.

Sam Sawdust: Who pays this 10 cents?

Mr. Secretary: It comes out of the subsidy.

Sam Sawdust: I see; well where does the subsidy come from?

Mr. Secretary: Why out of the U. S. treasury, of course.

Sam Sawdust: And where does the U. S. treasury get it from?

Mr. Secretary: Sam, you ought to know; it comes from you and the consumer.

Sam Sawdust: Well, well.

Mr. Secretary: If this plan is adopted the department will immediately set up a widespread system of surveys and clinics manned by experts who will tell you not only what to do in order to come under the plan, but how and when to do it. The department will also have an adequate number of fieldmen, for your convenience of course, to check and in-

spect your records and reports.

Sam Sawdust: All this expense will come out of the U. S. treasury too, I suppose.

Mr. Secretary: Yes, of course.

Sam Sawdust: Now suppose the plan is not adopted, then we would have no paper work, no bookkeeping, no affidavits, no surveys, no clinics, no experts, no fieldmen, no fussin', no cussin', no headache, and of course—no subsidy. Is that right?

Mr. Secretary: Yes, if you want to use that kind of language.

Sam Sawdust: That's not the kind I would like to use, but it is the best I can do on short notice.

Meeting adjourned.

Wants Information On Registrants

Selective Service Board No. 30, of which J. B. Lewis is chairman, has announced that it is seeking information concerning the following registrants: Grover Junior Cornwell, James Cecil McKensie and William Rufus Henson, all of Clinton; Stanley Lullen Boular and Charles Walter Davenport, both of Ware Shoals or vicinity; Walter S. McMahan and George William Shirey, both of Cross Hill or vicinity; J. T. Bolden, Fountain Inn, Rt. 2; and Edwin L. Vierera, Moultrieville; also, Amos Hill of Laurens and James Cromer of Clinton. The last two are listed as colored.

Anyone having information as to these registrants is requested to notify Chairman J. B. Lewis, City Hall, Laurens, S. C.

Licenses Suspended Twelve Drunken Drivers In County

Columbia, July 26.—(Special to The Chronicle)—Twelve Laurens county drivers had their driving privileges withdrawn last month, according to a report of H. E. Quarles, Jr., director of the motor vehicle division of the South Carolina Highway department.

The licenses of twelve of the Laurens county drivers were suspended. All of the drivers involved were male, and all were charged with driving under the influence of liquor. Five of the Laurens county drivers whose licenses were withdrawn are between the ages of 17 and 30, four are between 30 and 40, and three are forty years of age or older.

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