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# North Carolina: People, Places, & Progress

## Chapter 12: The Great Depression and the Big War

### Section 3: The New Deal Plows through North Carolina

#### Focused Reading

**Instructions:** Read the section and complete each item with words from the passages in this section.

1. When Franklin D. Roosevelt became president in 1933, the \_\_\_\_\_ government immediately began to fight the effects of the \_\_\_\_\_.
2. First, Roosevelt \_\_\_\_\_ all the banks temporarily and sent trusted \_\_\_\_\_ to check the accounts.
3. Second, Roosevelt used federal money to spread more \_\_\_\_\_ for people in every state.
4. Third, Roosevelt and Congress helped the national \_\_\_\_\_ by regulating how much \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ could operate and how much they could make.
5. All of these \_\_\_\_\_ measures had one thing in common: putting \_\_\_\_\_ into the hands of the citizens so they could spend more and \_\_\_\_\_ the economy.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ programs had both a short-term and a long-term impact on North Carolina.
7. The impoverished \_\_\_\_\_ region was particularly helped. A federal construction agency (the \_\_\_\_\_ Administration) hired thousands of Mountains residents to clear, grade, and pave the route of the \_\_\_\_\_ Parkway.
8. Across the state, thousands of young men enlisted in the \_\_\_\_\_ (CCC). They lived in CCC \_\_\_\_\_, where they were fed and housed and given money to share with their families back home.

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9. The major problem attacked by the New Deal was \_\_\_\_\_.
10. In 1933, the \_\_\_\_\_ government set up two programs to do this. The first one was the \_\_\_\_\_ Administration for farms, known as the AAA. The second, the \_\_\_\_\_ Administration, commonly called the NRA, aimed to help factories.
11. It was the \_\_\_\_\_ that ordered the “plow-up” in 1933. The idea was that, by \_\_\_\_\_ the acreage of crops, farmers would make more money by growing \_\_\_\_\_.
12. The \_\_\_\_\_ program did have problems, especially down east. The AAA \_\_\_\_\_ were made to the landowners. \_\_\_\_\_, particularly African Americans, did not always see the rise in \_\_\_\_\_.
13. Each grower held a \_\_\_\_\_, that is, a specific amount of land on which to grow the crop.
14. In return, the \_\_\_\_\_ worked with the federal government to ensure that every farmer received enough cash to live on. This was called \_\_\_\_\_, the amount of money need to make a minimum profit.
15. The \_\_\_\_\_ system had several effects. First, it allowed thousands of farm families to stay on the land and not move to the \_\_\_\_\_ where jobs were scarce.
16. Second, it meant that voters in the east continued to be closely tied to the \_\_\_\_\_ Party, which devised the plan.
17. The \_\_\_\_\_ component of the New Deal had its biggest impact on the industrial \_\_\_\_\_ of the Piedmont.

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18. The NRA essentially allowed manufacturers to \_\_\_\_\_ themselves by cutting production.
19. In North Carolina, the NRA quickly \_\_\_\_\_ the textile industry, in the sense that most of the mills could \_\_\_\_\_ and hire many of their workers back.
20. The \_\_\_\_\_ code limited the work week to \_\_\_\_\_ hours, instead of the average of sixty, and provided a \_\_\_\_\_ wage that, although low, helped everyone. A \_\_\_\_\_ is the least amount an employer can pay a worker for a certain number of hours.
21. The right to \_\_\_\_\_, where a union spoke for all the workers in negotiations with employers, encouraged northern labor unions to try once again to \_\_\_\_\_ the textile workers.
22. The \_\_\_\_\_, as it was called, spread from Danville, Virginia, across the two Carolinas into Georgia. It was the most \_\_\_\_\_ strike by workers in the history of the state.
23. The reaction was \_\_\_\_\_. At some mills, workers \_\_\_\_\_ out and stayed out. At others, mill hands who said they would take any work \_\_\_\_\_ with the strikers. The \_\_\_\_\_ was called out in some towns.
24. The \_\_\_\_\_ meant for its relief and recovery efforts to be \_\_\_\_\_.
25. In addition to the tobacco price support system, the \_\_\_\_\_ Act gave some industrial workers their first retirement pension and helped them when they were \_\_\_\_\_ off from work.

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26. Despite \_\_\_\_\_ about the long-term effects of the \_\_\_\_\_, every North Carolinian knew that it changed the life of the state.