

Elections Planned For Vote On ASC Community Committees

Every year farmers throughout the county are given the opportunity of electing ASC county and community committees who will administer their ASC farm programs throughout the coming year. Elections will begin in the county October 8. There are six weeks between now and the date the elections will begin. This seems like a long time, but it is definitely not too early for farmers to start thinking about the persons from among their friends and neighbors who would be best qualified to administer the ASC programs in their county.

ASC Committee elections are divided into two parts—the election of community committees which will be held on October 8 and the county convention will be held on the 23rd of October. This is a mighty important election as far as farmers in ASC county are concerned since ASC county and community committees play a great part in the administration of ASC farm programs in the county. These committees in Watauga county are called upon to operate just about every program assigned to ASC at the national level. These ASC committees do play a big

part in the economy of our agricultural county. It is important to all of us that the committees elected have the best interest of the farmer and our county's agriculture at heart. Our farmers are extremely proud of this democratic method of selecting persons who will administer their farm programs. This pride has been demonstrated by the fact that, in the past, our county has frequently been among the highest counties in the percentage of farmers voting in these elections. ASC Committees are directly responsible to their neighbors who have elected them and they may be reelected or replaced each year.

ASC county committees accept their election to this committee on the basis of service they can perform for their neighbors and for our county's agriculture. Many of these committees serve at considerable personal sacrifice.

Now let's look at the mechanics of how these committees are elected. The Secretary of Agriculture in 1954 set up a board of agricultural workers in each county who would do most of the work of conducting these elections. This board is known as the "County Election Board" and is composed of the county agent who serves as chairman along with county heads of SCS and FFA and representatives of the Farm Bureau and Grange farm organizations. The county election board serves without compensation. This Thursday, August 29, the county election board will meet to name a secretary, to appoint community elections boards, and to designate polling places and the location of the county convention.

By September 12 community election boards are required to meet and arrange election details and select a slate of nominees for the community. This community election board, according to regulations of the secretary, is composed of three farmer members other than present ASC county and community committees. Although the community election board selects the slate of prospec-

tive community committees for the community, any eligible farmer's name may be added to the ballot if requested in a petition signed by ten or more eligible voters provided the petition is presented to the community election board not later than September 20.

From the slate of nominees selected by the community election board or by petition of farmers, an ASC community committee consisting of a chairman, vice-chairman, regular member, and first and second alternates, will be elected October 8 by a secret ballot at designated community polling places. The farmers in the community elected as chairman, and vice-chairman of the committee will also serve as delegate and alternate delegate, respectively, to the county convention.

It is hoped every farmer in the county will realize the importance of these elections and cast his vote when given the opportunity.

Occidental Leaders Meet

NORTH WILKESBORO — Mr. W. H. Trentman, president of the Occidental Life Insurance Company of Raleigh, received congratulations and best wishes from J. Roby McNeil, local manager for the Company at a luncheon meeting of the McNeil agency and were honored with the presentation of an attractive home-made key.

The meeting also featured the presentation of tickets to Horn in the West to members of the agency who qualified by writing a specified amount of insurance during the preceding week. Those present and receiving tickets were: Mr. and Mrs. Roby McNeil, Mr. and Mrs. Kemp Wilson, Boone; Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Wilson, Boone; Mr. and Mrs. Ivon Dameron, North Wilkesboro; Mr. and Mrs. A. Y. Howell, Boone; Mr. J. M. Laxton, Lenoir.

Others attending were Mr. Neil Laxton, Brenda and Linda McNeil, Judy and Janice Dameron and Brenda Wilson.

Marketing is an important step in the over-all process of producing a farm commodity.

A little extra attention at planting time will pay big dividends in alfalfa production.

David Owens, 84, Succumbs Friday

David Owens, summer resident of Blowing Rock, Charlotte merchant, philanthropist and patron of the arts, died Friday.

He was 84.

He came from Kingston, Ontario, Canada, in 1903 and joined the J. B. Ivey Co. in 1904. He was vice chairman of the board of Ivey's, and helped to build the firm into one of the south's leading department stores.

Owens collapsed and died minutes after addressing buyers and managers of the store.

Headed Retail Group

Owens was president of the National Retail Drygoods Assn. in 1934-35 and was named "Mr. Retailer of 1951" by the group, the same year he was named "Man of the South."

As a philanthropist, Owens, in one brief period in 1950, gave away \$500,000. Queens College, Davidson, Duke, Presbyterian Hospital, the Edgar Tufts Memorial Assn. and Taccoa Falls Institute of Georgia were the principal beneficiaries.

The memorial association operates Lees-McRae Junior College, Grace Hospital and the Grandfather Home for Children in Banner Elk.

It was Owens, too, who conceived and headed the Auditorium Committee and devised the plan for the cultural center here which bears his name.

As a music lover he headed the Charlotte Community Concert Association and brought here the world's leading artists including the great Enrico Caruso.

He also brought these artists to his summer home, Pineacres, in Blowing Rock, for benefits for the Blowing Rock Hospital and Grandfather Orphanage.

Owens headed Charlotte's first Community Chest Drive, its immensely successful Red Cross campaigns in World War II.

He organized and headed the building committee for Presbyterian Hospital and directed its campaign for \$800,000 to make possible its completion in 1940.

He was a trustee of the hospital and of Queens College and until recent years taught a men's

Bible class at Myers Park Presbyterian church.

Survivors include a sister, Miss Sara Owens of Kingston, Ontario, Canada, and a brother, Henry Owens of Bruce, Ontario. His wife, the former Margaret Allen of Kingston, died four months ago.

Mrs. Moody, 61, Taken By Death

Mrs. Bertie Mae Moody, 61, died Thursday at her home, Banner Elk, Route 1.

Funeral services were held Friday at 2:30 at the Watauga Baptist Church by Rev. Calvin Helton and Rev. Jack Hollen. Burial was in the Foscoe cemetery.

Survivors include two sons, Charles Moody, College Park, Md.; William Moody, Beltsville, Md.; a daughter, Mrs. Thomas Davis, Johnson City, Tenn.; three brothers, Robert D. Fox, Banner Elk; Haden Fox, Oak Ridge, Tenn.; Paul W. Fox, Elizabethton, Tenn.; three sisters, Mrs. L. B. Gragg, Oak Ridge, Tenn.; Mrs. B. W. Koester, Johnson City, Tenn.; and Mrs. Russell Vance of Boone. There are four grandchildren.

World production of steel in 1956 is called a record.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks to our friends for their many kindnesses to us during the illness and death of our husband and father.—MRS. GEORGE EGGERS and FAMILY.

The first session of the Eighty-fifth Congress reclaimed for the legislative branch vast powers that earlier had been ceded to President Eisenhower.

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WATAUGA COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AS OF JUNE 30, 1957

ASSETS

Cash in Bank	\$ 62,256.71
Uncollected Taxes—1946 to 1956 Inclusive	143,897.59
Notes Receivable—I. J. Bingham	750.00
Undistributed 1957 Prepaid Taxes	4,150.96
Fixed Properties (Estimated)	55,000.00

Total Assets \$266,055.26

LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS

Undistributed 1957 Prepaid Taxes	\$ 4,150.96
Accounts Payable	4,155.28
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	106,575.49
Bonded Indebtedness	55,000.00
Surplus	96,173.53

Total Liabilities and Surplus \$266,055.26

The Statement of Financial Condition of Watauga County, North Carolina, as of June 30, 1957, and the Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the year then ended have been consolidated from an audit report prepared by Smith & Grissett, CPAs, Lenoir, North Carolina.

The statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. Any taxpayer interested in more detail information may obtain it from the office of the County Accountant, whose books and records are open for inspection at any time during regular office hours.

Respectfully submitted,
CLINT W. CANNON
County Accountant

WATAUGA COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS JULY 1, 1956 TO JUNE 30, 1957

Cash in Bank July 1, 1956 \$84,861.72

RECEIPTS:

Net Taxes Collected	\$183,424.81
Tax Penalties	2,808.03
Cost on Tax Sales	420.40
Court Costs	8,232.95
Insolvent Taxes Collected	69.41
Schedule B License	1,325.00
Marriage License	760.00
State Intangible Tax	5,949.92
Interest	656.00
Sale of County Home Property	4,000.00
State Aid—Farm Census	680.60
State Aid—Election Expense	1,413.99
Miscellaneous Receipts	6,981.51
State Aid—Veterans' Service Officer	1,250.00
State Aid—Welfare Administration	6,912.00
State Aid—Child Care	669.20
Fines and Forfeitures	19,344.67
State and Federal Grants—Schools	52,836.88
State and Federal Grants—O.A.A.	118,438.67
State and Federal Grants—A.D.C.	95,359.55
State and Federal Grants	—A.P.T.D. 23,944.77
State and Federal Aid	—Health Center 13,168.72
Other Receivables—Net	950.00
Total Receipts and Beginning Balance	\$634,258.80

DISBURSEMENTS:

General Fund Expenses	\$ 78,938.57
Health and Welfare Fund Expenses	36,690.72
School Expenses	166,646.67
Bonds Retired	16,000.00
Bond Interest and Exchange	1,729.28
Old Age Assistance	128,679.00
Aid to Dependent Children	103,620.00
Aid to Permanently and Totally Disabled	27,118.00
Accounts Payable—Net	5,110.80
Tax Collector's Commission	7,469.05

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