

Set Of Resolutions Is Offered Farmers

Wilson County Agent Bill Lewis has come up with some New Year's resolutions for Tar Heel farmers to consider:

1. Produce better quality tobacco. "This means planting several varieties, especially some with pointed leaves; spacing plants so that more sunlight can reach the leaves; topping down to let the leaves develop body; priming ripe tobacco; and sorting into grades," says Lewis.
2. Sell corn and small grain for 50 per cent more. "You'll make more money by wrapping them in pigskin, cowhide or egg shells," says Lewis. "The corn and small grain will bring \$1.50 a bushel by marketing it through livestock. And it will employ labor at off seasons."
3. Wean 18 pigs per sow in 1961. "Flush sows with extra feed and get them gaining for two weeks before breeding; feed them a balanced (but control weight during gestation); and practice 'B-2-4-6-8-10,' says Lewis. "That means 'B' prepared at farrowing time: By cleaning and disinfecting the farrowing quarters, by keeping rail guards or farrowing crate in place, by using heat lamps in winter, by being on hand at farrowing time.

"It means start creep feeding when pigs are two weeks old; castrate at four weeks; vaccinate for cholera at six weeks; wean at eight weeks and deworm at 10 weeks."

4. Improve ten acres of woodland in 1961.

"Improvement in the stand of timber is the greatest need," says Lewis. "A stand of timber is 500 living seedlings; 250 trees at ten inches in diameter; 125 trees at 15 inches in diameter; and 65 trees at 20 inches."

Lewis advises dividing woodland into ten-acre tracts, so the units will be large enough to manage profitably.

5. Spend ten minutes a day of real planning.

"Remember what Dean Coivard said: 'The farmer of tomorrow will lean on the pencil instead of the hoe,'" says Lewis.

A farmer cannot plan without records, says Lewis. "Income and cost records are vital for tax purposes," he says. "And the greatest 'tax' is the low yield, the sow with the small number of slow-gaining pigs.

"Ten minutes of planning, keyed to accurate records, will decide whether you farm as a business or a habit."

law. "More and more it seems to be a mark of casual living to have one for the road.

"It is amazing and distressing that so many people try so earnestly to beat laws that were made for their protection."

Mr. Jones suggested that a logical place to start restoring the country's sagging moral and social standards is behind the wheel of an automobile.

"I firmly believe," he said, "that in trying to prevent traffic accidents we are building a far more efficient society, a better way of life and a greater nation. We are, in fact, taking a step forward toward world peace.

"In overcoming the things that cause traffic accidents we are overcoming the things that cause war—things such as greed, selfishness, contempt for the law, disregard for the rights of others, failure to share.

"Nowhere is the need for practical religion greater than behind the wheel in modern traffic. Nowhere is man more literally his brother's-keeper."

"It comes with poor grace, it seems to be, for a nation that proudly proclaims its concern for the welfare of other people to tolerate an accident toll that is a major threat to the welfare of its own people."

End of sermon.

FARM INCOME

(Continued from page one) set 185,000 tree seedlings in the spring of 1960.

Edgar Greene won the "300 Board Footer" award for producing 300 board feet of timber per acre per year on his forest land. Only two farmers in western North Carolina have won this award.

Semazine, the new chemical for weed control in corn, was used on 250 acres in Watauga county in 1960.

Watauga county agents supervised one hundred nineteen result demonstrations on farms in Watauga county and secured and summarized the records on these demonstrations in 1960.

Two hundred nineteen adult farm meetings were held with 6,118 attending.

4-H Club Work

Thirty-five 4-H Clubs were active in 1960. Twenty-nine of these were in the elementary schools and six were in high schools.

Three hundred sixty-four boys completed 517 different 4-H Club projects concerning agriculture or rural programs.

The first strawberry show and sale for Watauga county was held in 1960 with eighteen club mem-

bers participating.

Thirty-three Watauga county club members attended 4-H Camp at Camp Schaub in 1960.

John Lett, Jr., a 4-H Club member from Watauga county, was tapped into the State 4-H Club Honor Society in 1960.

Norman Michael, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Ferd Michael, Route 1, Boone, won the showmanship prize at the Tri-County Lamb Show in 1960.

A Junior Dairy Show was held for the first time in Watauga county in 1960.

Other 4-H Club activities include an active 4-H County Council, County Achievement meeting, and sending representatives to the following district or state-wide events: Leadership Conference, Resource Youth Conference, 4-H Dress Revue, District Demonstration Day, 4-H Talent Contest, State 4-H Club Week, and State 4-H Electric Congress.

Adult County-Wide Programs Or Activities

County Extension Advisory Council was organized in 1960.

Watauga County Day was held with more than 2,000 people attending.

Farm-City Week chicken barbecue was held at Cove Creek school with 400 attending. This event was sponsored by Chamber of Commerce and Rural Development program in cooperation with Watauga County organizations.

Eleven Rural Community improvement groups were active in 1960.

Timbered Ridge Community Club won first prize for new communities in the Northwest North Carolina Development Association in competition with newly organized communities in the eleven county area.

Bethel community won third prize in the "Farming Community" division in competition with other farming communities in Northwest North Carolina Development Association.

Watauga County Agents were hosts to four groups of students from foreign countries here to study agriculture and the Rural Development Program.

Cove Creek community won a prize for Rural Non-farm Communities in the Northwest North Carolina Development Association.

Watauga County Agents were awarded a diploma by the National Radio Institute of Washington, D. C.

Finishes TV Course

Mr. Marvin S. Hartley, P. O. Box 473, Blowing Rock has completed a course in Radio and Television Servicing and has been awarded a diploma by the National Radio Institute of Washington, D. C.

Development Body

(Continued from page one) program work for agriculture probably "will focus attention on processing and marketing as our present most-needed development."

Edwin Duncan, industry chairman, said, "Every merit and asset our section possesses must be stressed and made attractive if we are to draw new industry. Other sections also are out for more industry. Competition is stiffening, and more inducements are being offered."

Ted Wills, co-chairman with Mr. Duncan, said full details concerning shell buildings will be presented at the planning session of the industry division. The term is applied to the masonry shell of a building erected ahead of time to assure an industrial prospect that a site and main section of the building are ready.

"Other sections of the country are making effective use of this plan," Wills told the directors. "It is one way of 'greasing the skids' to make the prospect's decision favorable."

Cecil Lee Porter, youth chair-

man, said his division's work will be to develop activities for all youth groups and to encourage a greater participation by adults.

For the travel division, Bob Ellett, chairman, and Herman Wilcox of Boone, vice chairman, will work with the full committee in developing a year's program.

Neil Bolton announced a goal of 150 participating communities in that division's improvement work. He said January 31 is the deadline for enrollment of new communities.

Prior to the board meeting, a tour was made of the construction sites of the Wilkesboro Dam and Reservoir, the two-year, \$6.6-million project aimed at controlling flood conditions of the Yadkin River.

Besides Dr. Plemmons, Dr. Decker, and Mr. Wilcox, those attending the meeting from Watauga county included:

Bob Allen, public relations department at Appalachian; Stanley Harris and W. C. Richardson, directors of the association.

Joe Maples, member of county travel and recreation committee.

Congressional leaders are working quietly on a plan to restore President Eisenhower to his five-star general rank after he leaves the White House.

A special act of Congress would be required to restore the rank because Eisenhower resigned his permanent five-star commission in 1952 when he was first nominated by the Republicans.

PENTAGON'S NEW ROLE

A more creative and direct role in disarmament negotiations with the Soviet Union appears to be a prospect for the Pentagon.

The Pentagon is now expected to become actively engaged in disarmament planning. It will make direct use of its military experts and civilian specialists in the Office of International Affairs.

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Visualizes Swarm Of 100 Million Cars In 10 Years

By BILL CROWELL

Paul Jones isn't a preacher but he preached a sermon recently.

He wondered what things will be like out on the nation's highways in another ten years. Will there



be room to park your car, much less to drive it? How fast and how far will your drive? And what about the traffic toll?

Mr. Jones had some pretty good answers since he is the recently retired chief of public information for the National Safety Council.

He visualized a swarm of 100 million cars, trucks, buses and whatnot thronging the highways in 1970—half again as many as are out there now.

They will be driven a trillion miles a year by 120 million drivers. Placed end to end, they would form a solid line of traffic 385,400 miles long—15 times the distance around the world and equivalent to a traffic jam along US 66, for example of 190 cars abreast every foot of the way from Chicago to Los Angeles.

Mr. Jones' sermon continued: "And what is the price in human life and cold cash that we may have to pay for all this?"

"Well unless we do better in the next 10 years than we are doing now, there will be a traffic toll in 1970 of 55,000 deaths and two million injuries. And the cost will

be about nine billion dollars!

"It is obvious, therefore, that the traffic situation is one of the great unsolved problems of our times. And we either go a long way in solving it in the next ten years or we had better take to the hills in self-defense."

Mr. Jones pointed out that payola, rigging and the fix that seem to prevail in many areas of modern life have invaded the safety field, impeding efforts to reduce the traffic toll.

"More and more," he commented, "it seems to be the sophisticated procedure to clip a five dollar bill to your driver's license when you are stopped by a traffic officer."

"More and more it seems to be a point of pride for the head of the family to brag to his children that he outsmarted a traffic officer who stopped him for speeding. And then he wonders why youngsters grow up with no respect for the

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