

N. Elton Aydlette District Chairman For USO Campaign

Last Drive For Support of USO Scheduled to Begin October 1

Appointment of N. Elton Aydlette of Elizabeth City as district chairman of the 1946-47 USO campaign has been announced by State Campaign Chairman L. Y. Ballentine, Lieutenant Governor of North Carolina.

Eight counties are embraced in the district, USO organization which Mr. Aydlette will head. They are Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Gates, Hertford, Pasquotank and Perquimans. County chairmen will be named for each county in the district prior to opening of the actual drive which is scheduled for October 1st.

The 1946-47 drive will be the last USO campaign. It has been designated by President Truman and other national leaders as the "See It Through" campaign. As the USO directors have announced, USO will complete its war-time, demobilization and reconversion services December 31, 1947.

Last year funds for the operation of USO were raised as a part of the National War Fund. This year the USO campaign is separate and distinct as activities of the United War Fund will terminate at the end of December of this year.

In emphasizing the importance of the work to be done by the USO during 1947, Lieut. Gov. Ballentine pointed out that some 59,000 North Carolina men and women are still in service or in hospitals, "and they need the program carried on by the USO. We cannot let them down. Many of them are serving in foreign lands thousands of miles from home and some are in lonely out-post hospitals. We, I am sure, will not let them down."

OUR DEMOCRACY — by Mat



P.T.A.

THE THOUSANDS OF PARENT-TEACHERS ASSOCIATIONS THROUGHOUT AMERICA HAVE A COMMON GOAL—TO PROMOTE THE WELFARE OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH IN HOME, SCHOOL, CHURCH AND COMMUNITY.

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Soil Conservation Notes

By R. C. Jordan, Soil Conservationist

A seed increase plot of three acres of Suiter grass is planned with J. Bertram Hollowell, Soil Conservation Service Cooperator of the Cross Roads area. Suiter grass, otherwise known as Tall Meadow Fescue is a new grass in this state but has proven to be of much value as a pasture grass in Georgia and Alabama. It offers its greatest adaptation to low heavy soils, similar to many soil types found in Chowan County. In permanent pastures it may be grazed during late winter and early spring before other grasses have produced sufficient growth to be grazed. At the present time this species is being distributed by the Soil Conservation Service in very limited quantities to interested cooperators for seed increase only. In the next two or three years greater quantities of suiter grass seed should be available to the public.

J. A. Wiggins of the Center Hill community likes the V-type or sloped ditches. Says Mr. Wiggins, "I have noted that my sloped ditch carries more water and gets it off faster than my straight-banked cut ditches. I also like them better because of the ease of cleaning them out." The sloped ditch referred to by Mr. Wiggins was sloped out two years ago with a horse-drawn drag pan. He considers that it has served him well during the last two wet years.

Recently J. E. Brabbe, I. R. Blanchard and E. G. Blanchard have set up soil conservation plans on their farms which, among other things, call for cleaning out of lead ditches through their farms. Through cooperation with the Albemarle Soil Conservation District, these ditches will be surveyed and grade stakes set at 50-ft. intervals to facilitate cleaning to proper depth. The District is also assisting R. C. Holland with a lead ditch on one of his farms in the Enterprise community.

Complete Soil Conservation farm plans have been made recently for Henry J. Jordan, T. A. Goodman, C. W. Parker and R. T. Harrell.

16,000 Fewer Cows In North Carolina

The number of milk cows in North Carolina has dropped during the past 12 months from an estimated 379,000 to 363,000—or about four per cent, says Carl Scott, statistician with the State Department of Agriculture.

The decline is not local in character, for in the nation there are approximately 4.3 per cent fewer cows than at this time a year ago. Only two previous major downturns in milk cow numbers have occurred since 1867, according to the Bureau of Agricultural Economics.

These reductions followed the peaks of 1925 and 1934. Each time, numbers declined for four years and then increased for six years.

Scott attributed the reduction in this State to the uncertain feed situation and to the fact that farmers are culling out low-quality animals and concentrating on relatively heavy feeding for the good cows.

In many instances, dairy farmers are obtaining the same figure of production with fewer cows—and, consequently, with less labor.

He found there was a decline in cow numbers in North Carolina from 1934 to 1938, with an increase until 1944, when the present reduction began.

However, the average North Carolina cow produced only 382 pounds of milk in August of last year as against 396 pounds for the same month this season. This is attributed to better attention to fewer animals, improved pasture conditions, and somewhat better feed.

Murriel Byrum Now Home After Discharge

Murriel Byrum, son of Mr. and Mrs. Graham Byrum, returned home Sunday night after being honorably discharged from the U. S. Army. Young Byrum served 18 months overseas, most of which time was spent in Austria and Germany. His wife, whom he married while overseas, arrived a short time ago to await his discharge.

COMPLETES MECHANIC COURSE
Pvt. Murray P. Bond, of Route 3, Edenton, graduated last week from the fuel induction mechanic course at the Ordnance School, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland. He has returned to his regular station with Co. L-10 at Aberdeen Proving Ground.

K. O.

I fell for her; for she was small
And fair, the type that I prefer.
Her jealous spouse was big and tall,
And, as I say—I fell for her.

Check Cotton Grade When Marketing It

Farmers cannot afford to sell their cotton this year without knowing its grade and staple, because of the great differences in price for cotton of varying grades.

Dan F. Holler of State College, Extension cotton marketing specialist, says that farmers in one-variety sections, whose cotton is graded at the Government classing office in Raleigh under the terms of the Smith-Doxey Act, should by all means wait for the "green" card before they market any of their cotton.

The card will be returned by the classing office in a few days, and it will carry information as to the length of the staple, grade of the cotton, and also its lean value.

Because of the large differences in price between grades, Holler suggests that farmers pick their cotton only when dry, just as free of trash as possible, and before weather damage has occurred in the field.

He also calls attention to the need for getting the cotton in the best possible condition before it is carried to the gin. About one bale in every five that was ginned in North Carolina last year was damaged because of rough preparation and this cost the farmers many hundreds of thousands of dollars loss.

And here's another suggestion from Holler: "Don't ask the ginner to speed up his operations and gin your cotton closely. You may think that you will gain a few pounds of cotton, but facts show that you will lose several times as much as you gain. The extra two or three pounds of short-fibered cotton brings down the value of the entire bale."

Town Council Proceedings

Edenton, N. C., Sept. 10, 1946. The Town Council met this day in the Town office at 7 o'clock P. M. in regular monthly session. Present, L. H. Haskett, Mayor, W. M. Wilkins, J. C. Leary, J. E. Bullap and W. J. Yates.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

On motion of J. E. Bullap, seconded by J. C. Leary, it is ordered that the Town accept a temporary lease from the Navy Dept., for the Edenton Naval Air Station, as presented.

On motion of J. C. Leary seconded by J. E. Bullap, it is ordered that the resolution as presented by the Highway Commission be adopted with exception of the paragraph, placing the responsibility for damage done the sidewalk, caused by removing the trees, on the Town.

The following resolution was introduced by J. C. Leary, seconded by J. E. Bullap, and unanimously adopted: Resolved, that the budget for the year 1946-47, now on file with the Town Clerk, a summary of which was published in accordance with law on the 5th day of August, 1946, is

hereby adopted and the appropriations and tax levies set out therein are hereby made and levied, discounts and penalties to be given, collected in accordance with the law.

On motion duly carried, A. R. Chappell and Ronald Ambrose are granted permission to operate taxicabs in the Town of Edenton.

On motion of W. M. Wilkins, seconded by W. J. Yates, E. & W. Department bills amounting to \$6,752.80 are ordered paid.

On motion of W. M. Wilkins, seconded by J. C. Leary, Town bills amounting to \$1,080.11 are ordered paid as follows:

A. T. Allen & Co., \$100.00, The Texas Co., \$12.20, Leggett & Davis, \$1.80, Wood & Gardner, \$50.00, Standard Oil Co., \$45.03, Sinclair Refining Co., \$283.83, The J. F. W. Dorman Co., \$90.00, N. C. Equipment Co., \$3.04, E. F. Craven Co., \$29.20, Municipal Supply Co., \$76.84, B. B. H. Motor Co., \$60.26, Perry's Texaco Service Station, \$7.79, W. H. Bunch's Garage, \$53.41, Byrum Hdwe. Co., \$6.12, Hughes-Holton Hdwe. Co., \$45.41, Quinn Furniture Co., \$13.50, A. S. Smith Machine Co., \$26.44, M. G. Brown Co., \$5.54, The Chowan Herald, \$51.00, Edenton Laundry, \$3.00, Paul Holoman, \$1.25, Elliott Co., \$39.00, Brown's Texaco Service, \$8.00, S. Hobowsky, \$7.00, Post Master, \$10.00, Railway Express Agency, \$3.22, R. K. Hall (salary firemen), \$34.00, N. C. Tel. & Tel. Co., \$22.23.

On motion duly carried, the Police Department is granted permission to hold a carnival in the Spring of 1947 for one week.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned.

R. E. LEARY, Clerk.

Edenton, N. C., Sept. 4, 1946.

The Board of Public Works met this day in the Town Office at eight o'clock P. M. in regular monthly session. Present: J. H. Conger, Chairman, and G. P. Porter.

The following bills were examined and approved for payment for the month of August, 1946:

The Portable Light Co., \$33.45; Tower-Binford Elec. & Mfg. Co.,

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\$70.31; Sanders Co., \$1.92; Thurston Motor Lines, \$3.71; Electrical Equipment Co., \$617.41; N. S. Bus Corp., \$1.70; Mueller Co., \$140.19; Tide-water Supply Co., \$73.94; Graybar Elec. Co., \$288.70; R. C. Holland, \$16.20; W. D. Holmes Co., \$5.30; N. S. Railway Co., \$1.48; Railway Express Agency, \$7.68; Gates Co. Ice Co., \$142.58; Standard Oil Co., \$8.20; N. C. Tel. & Tel. Co., \$18.62; Va. Elec. & Power Co., \$2,970.76; general salaries paid for month of August, 1946, \$2,350.65; total, \$6,752.80.

Received from Collector for current and merchandise, \$8,265.86.

Amount of receipts in excess of disbursements, \$1,513.06.

R. E. LEARY, Clerk.

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