

AROUND THE FARMS IN CHOWAN

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ASC Committeemen Nominated
Community election committees met and selected slates of nominees for the coming community committee election on October 8. For ASC administration, the county is divided into three communities namely Numbers 1, 2, and 3. Number one comprises Yeopim, Edenton, Advance and Enterprise communities. Number 2 comprises Rocky Hock, Cross Roads and Center Hill communities. Number 3 comprises Ryland and Gliden communities.

For No. 1 community the slate of nominees is L. C. Bunch, Edward Goodwin, Woodrow Lowe, C. O. Forehand, Elton Boswell, Everett Ashley, W. W. Small, Frank V. White, Jr., L. J. Bass and C. F. Boyce. The election committee is C. E. Small, Jr., Sidney White and Talbert Jackson.

The Number 2 community slate of nominees is J. B. Hollowell, Jack Leary, Alvin Evans, Wallace Reid Peele, Charlie Ashbell, M. L. Evans, W. J. Privott, Thomas Glenn Rogerson, B. P. Monds and Norman Hollowell. The election committee is S. J. Bunch, Preston Monds and Elbert Peele.

In Number 3 community the slate of nominees is McCoy Spivey, Willie Joyner, Ernest E. Boyce, Jr., F. A. Ward, Melyin Copeland, J. B. Ward, E. M. Howgill, Percy Chappell, T. E. Corprew and Carson Chappell. The community election committee is composed of Radolph C. Ward, Marcel Ward and J. Cyril Winslow.

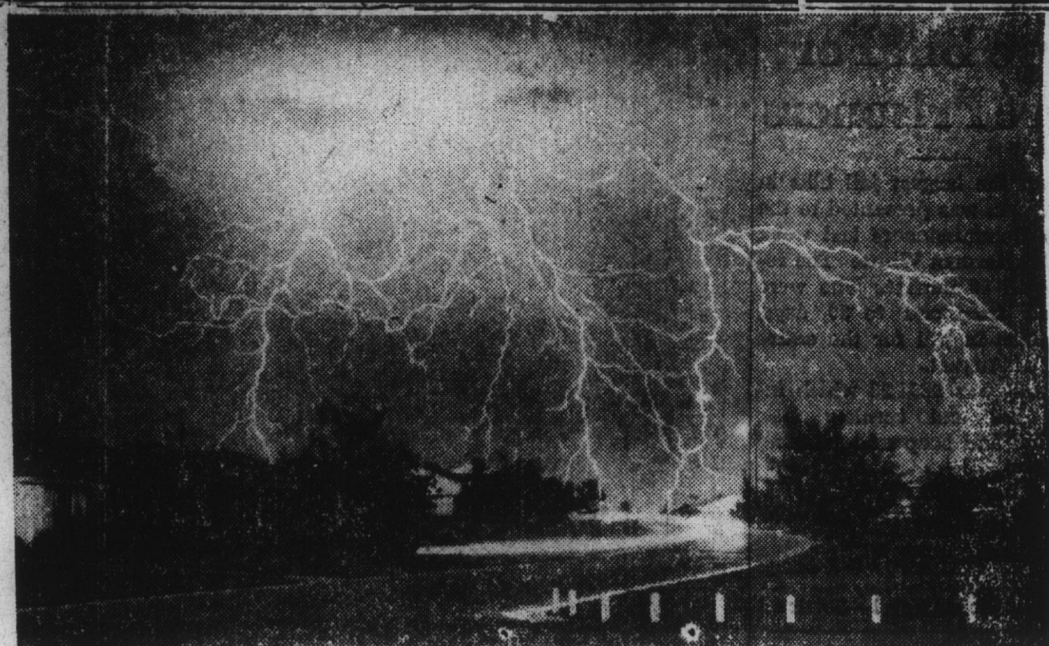
Farmers who wish to make other nominations may do so by the following procedure: List the name of the nominee and have ten farmers sign the sheet. Present this to the county ASC office not later than September 20. The nominee's name will then be

placed on the ballot.
County Farm Bureau Drive
The County Farm Bureau membership drive is scheduled for the week of September 16, 21. According to the schedule the drive will start off with the workers' dinner meeting on Monday night. Tuesday morning membership solicitations will start into action. Bristoe Perry is serving as county membership drive chairman. The plan is to complete the county drive within three days. Farmers should give careful consideration to the work this great organization is doing and the accomplishments it has helped obtain for them in determining their membership.

The Farmorama Was A Big Affair
The county agent took three days of his annual leave to join the group from Chowan County in attending the John Deere Company Farmorama held at their John Deere Acres Farm near Monroe, Ga., on Wednesday of last week. It was my privilege to travel with dealer Guy Hobbs and A. C. Boyce. Mr. Hobbs informed me that around 30 or 35 farmers from Chowan County attended this event.

The occasion was composed of demonstrations of the various types of farming and industrial equipment manufactured by the John Deere Company. The demonstrations were divided into some 20 or 25 stations scattered over the big farm. Light, medium, and heavy equipment was demonstrated at most stations.

Visitors could start in any area along the line that they wished. Some of the stations were located close enough together for walking. And there was a continuous train of tractors pulling two wagons each circulating over the area to trans-



SUMMER, 1957—Lightning rips the skies over Denver, Colo., in this time exposure of a brilliant display of celestial fireworks. The picture typifies the conditions that will sear the stormy summer of 1957 into the memories of millions of Americans.

port visitors. We started off first with the grain drying and storage demonstrations. Next was the land preparation demonstration and the planting of row crops. Preparing land and seeding alfalfa, pastures and small grain was our next stop. Then we walked over to the hay making demonstration where we saw modern type mowers cutting alfalfa and side delivery racks and crushers putting the hay in windrows. Following this a pick-up hay baler using a wagon hook on behind picked up the hay, baled it, and tied it automatically and tossed it on the wagon mechanically. When the wagon was loaded it was detached and hauled to the barn with another tractor where the

bales were rolled out into an elevating shoot and moved on into the barn. We observed the logging and brush controlling equipment in operation. The mechanical cotton picker was in operation. Harvesting corn with a small and large combine was our next stop. They explained that in a matter of less than one hour these machines could be converted for harvesting soybeans and small grain. Forage harvesters ensilage equipment was observed. The small and large type irrigation equipment was in operation. Subsoilers for breaking hardpans was demonstrated. Two, four, and six row planting and cultivating equipment was demonstrated.

In the industrial equipment area, we observed land leveling and forming equipment, trench digging equipment, fire-lane ploughing equipment, mechanical tree planters, and many other pieces of equipment suitable for both industrial use and farm use. It was truly a revelation to see all of the different types of equipment in action here. Some items were just off the assembly lines and so new that they had not been offered for sale, but will be very shortly. The day was hot and dry, but the sprinkler wagons kept the driveways sprinkled so that the dust hazard was held to a minimum. It was estimated that approximately 50,000 people attended this event. I want to congratulate the group from Chowan County for taking out time

to attend because occasions of this kind enlarge our vision and broaden our knowledge of this mechanical age of agriculture.

"Sew-It-Yourself" Fashion Show At HD Council Meet

A "Sew-It-Yourself" Fashion Show will highlight the Home Demonstration County Council program on Wednesday, September 18. The event is to be staged at the Advance Community Building at 2:30 P. M.

The fashion show has been planned as a follow-up of demonstrations given previously on clothing. Home Demonstration Club women will model their own garments which they have made themselves. Any type of garment can be shown, as housedress, suit, dressy or party dress, etc. The Advance Club will decorate for the show, and the Enterprise Club will be the hostess. Miss Mairred Morris, home agent, will be narrator.

Following the show, Mrs. H. T. Hollowell, council president, will be in charge of the business session. Mrs. Hollowell urges all Home Demonstration Club members to attend the fashion show and council meeting. Visitors are invited.

Club members who plan to participate in the fashion show are asked to contact the home agent's office immediately, if they have not already done so.

Always behave as if nothing had happened no matter what has happened. —Arnold Bennett.

Timely Advice For Peanut Growers

Peanut harvesting for most growers is approximately four weeks away and at this stage of the game there is very little that a writer could say to tell the peanut grower what to do. However, a few timely reminders should be of material value in urging that things get done which might be overlooked.

It is getting rather late to haul the old pea picker to the blacksmith shop for repairs; however, if that has not been done, only about sixty days remain for the job to be done, and remember that your picker will probably not be the only one in the blacksmith shop. If you do not think repairs are needed, now is a good time to get the picker out, grease it up, put the power to it and let it run for a few minutes and see if there are unknown repairs which are needed. A little effort now will save a considerable amount of time, worry and loss of picking activity at a later date.

Another thing at this time which should be checked into is digging equipment. Whether you dig with a horse-drawn plow, a tractor-drawn plow, or mechanical digger-shakers, they all should be checked and gotten into ready-



ness for the important job of harvesting the crop. One or two days delay due to a mechanical failure could mean the difference in the utilization of good digging and stacking weather as it did last fall. Also, don't overlook the fact that now is a good time to be shopping for peanut bags. Quite often early purchases can be more advantageous than purchases made during a rush period.

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