

# AROUND THE FARMS IN CHOWAN COUNTY

By C. W. OVERMAN, Chowan County Agent

**Blueberries You Can Grow:** are Methoxychlor, Malathion, Sevin, Cryolite and Rotonone. For plant lice or aphids Lindane and Malathion are good. This time of year I find a light insecticide application every week to ten days controls the pests. Extension Leaflet No. 88, "Vegetable Insect Control" is available at our office.

We have about ten plants of the Rabbiteye Type. Our varieties are Hombell, Garden Blue, Tifblue and Mendits. The plants were set about eight feet apart in the row four years ago. The plants were purchased from Jack R. Finch Blueberry Nursery, Bailey, N. C. The nice two year old plants were balled in burlap and cost eighty-five cents each in lots of twelve or more.

Now is a good time to start. Soil should be properly prepared for blueberries. Prepare an area large enough to allow eight by eight feet for each plant. Cover the area with about four inches of well rotted woods mold, oak leaves, or peat moss or well rotted sawdust. Spread one pound of 8-8-8 fertilizer evenly around and for each plant. Work into the soil six to eight inches deep. If this is done in November or October, the area will settle nicely by planting time.

Plants may be set any time from November 1 through March. Plants should be set the same depth they were in the nursery. At setting, the tops should be cut back half and not allowed to bear fruit the first year. This will make for stronger plants. Keep blueberries well mulched and water during dry seasons.

Blueberry bushes are very pretty plants to use in the home landscape plan. They are especially adapted for borders and groupings.

**Lawn Care and Management:** The next forty-five days are very important in lawn life. During this period we mostly have warm days, cool nights and heavy dews. These conditions stimulate more lateral growth leading to greener, sturdier grass this fall and a better lawn next year.

Lawns need feeding to grow and be pretty. Right now one pound of 8-8-8 fertilizer evenly spread over each twenty-five square feet is needed. Thin and bare spots should be scarified lightly and reseeded as soon as possible.

**Watch Crops For Insects:** Insects can multiply mighty fast this time of the year. Tuesday I was in a cotton field where the boll worm was working on almost grown bolls and green loopers were feeding heavily on the leaves. A good crop of cotton is on the plants so the grower plans to apply Toxaphen-DDT mixture immediately.

Watch soybean and peanut fields closely. Open up the plants and look inside for bugs and worms. Shake plants briskly and look on the ground below for worms and bugs. Don't waste money but dust or spray when needed.

Fall gardens are most vulnerable to insects. For bugs and worms some good insecticides

## Frankly Speaking

By FRANK ROBERTS

Thoughts of a returning vacationist: It takes two weeks to recuperate from a one week vacation; mountain traveling is a lot of fun, especially those beautiful West Virginia mountains; the various time zones will not only help to drive you crazy, but when you wind up in a state an hour later than you think, it makes getting a motel most difficult; Detroit folk are friendlier than most other city folk. Also, it's easier to find your way around in Detroit compared to most other cities. If and when you do get there, be sure to visit the fabulous Ford Museum—interesting, and what an education; Niagara Falls is getting to resemble Coney Island. The various commercial enterprises aimed at gulping tourist money detracts from a naturally beautiful scene; the province of Ontario, Canada, is the cleanest place you'll see. That goes for homes, farms, cities and towns; Canadian radio is excellent; turnpike driving is great if you're in a hurry, but the monotony of turnpike driving is hypnotically dangerous; motel owners, whether for business reasons or otherwise, are always extremely courteous; Southern restaurants offer better tasting food for regular dishes, but for specialties, northern restaurants are ahead; West Virginia offers excellent scenery, excellent roads, excellent direction signs; North Carolina is still the best place to live.

Very highly recommended reading: Page 58 of the August 19th edition of US News and World Report. Contains views of integration and so on by a highly successful Negro businessman. If you're laboring under the misapprehension that such groups as the NAACP speak for the majority of Negroes in our country, check this article. It's available at the library.


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Today's musical biography... Bob Beckham. Like so many others, Bob is based in Nashville. His hometown, though, is Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. An electrician by trade, he sang as a hobby and his hit record called "Just As Much As Ever," propelled him to a full time career singer.

## Mrs. W. F. Hudgins Attends Convention Of VFW Auxiliary

Mrs. W. P. Hudgins of Sunbury left on Friday, August 23, for Seattle, Washington, where she attended the national convention of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Mrs. Hudgins, president of the North Carolina department, was presented to the delegates with other state presidents at the Tuesday morning session.

The convention was opened on Sunday afternoon with a memorial service in the Seattle Center Opera House. A joint meeting with the Veterans of Foreign Wars on Monday morning officially opened the business sessions.

Highlighting the week-long convention was the announcement of awards at the awards luncheon on Monday, the distinguished guest banquet that evening and the Dixie Banquet on Thursday evening.

Climaxing the convention will be the election and installation of officers on Friday. Mrs. Hudgins will attend the post-convention school of instructions for state presidents, where programs for the coming year will be announced by national directors, before returning to her home.

## CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

A Bible Lesson on "Christ Jesus" will be read in all Christian Science churches this Sunday.

Golden Text: "God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life" (John 3:16).

Related readings from "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy will include this "Jesus is the name of the man who, more than all other men, has presented Christ, the true idea of God, healing the sick and the sinning and destroying the power of death" (p. 473).

**Alike**  
 Mrs. Chatterton—I hope you have enjoyed this afternoon as a guest of the Superwomen's Mr. Grimm—I have, indeed! Cliché.  
 It reminds me so much of my camp in the woods. Out there the brooks babble, too.

## Minutes Of Board Of Public Works

Edenton, N. C. August 6, 1963.

The Board of Public Works met this day in regular session at 8 P. M., at the Town Office with the following members present: Ralph E. Parrish, chairman; Jesse L. Harrell, Thomas C. Byrum, Jr., J. H. Conger, Jr., and J. P. Ricks, Jr.

Chairman Parrish called the meeting to order and the minutes of the regular meeting of July 1, 1963, and the special meeting of July 26, 1963 were read and approved.

Mr. Parrish questioned W. B. Gardner relative to the progress of the litigation to assess the work covered by HHA Grant APW-NC-49G. Mr. Parrish is to call Freeman regarding plans and specifications. Messrs. Hines and Gardner were directed to see W. S. Privott regarding the legal work.

Mr. Harrell reported that a sewer pumping station site west of the property formerly under consideration would be adequate and that the Edenton Cotton Mills was offered \$200 for the 50 x 50 ft. area. Motion was made by Thomas C. Byrum, Jr., seconded by J. P. Ricks, Jr., and duly carried that the above mentioned action be approved.

Further discussion was held on the offering of sewer service to the house under construction on North Oakum Street by R. P. Baer. George S. Twiddy stated that they would be willing to pay the assessment on this installation on a 50% basis. Mr. Twiddy also requested that the board consider serving the area from the lines on the west side of Oakum Street. He stated that they would pay up to \$1,000 for the installation and would still be responsible for any assessments against the property for any further extensions. It was decided to investigate further to see if the sewer lines can be extended through Oakum Street, or any storm sewer line located therein.

A request from U. S. Lumber Co. for relocation of the 3500 KVA transformers to the East side of Midway was discussed. Mr. Parrish suggested that a

complete figure be compiled on the cost of the new installation and if and when U. S. Lumber Co. wishes to buy primary power they pay this cost less depreciation. Also U. S. Lumber Co. is to pay the demand charge on the load specified by L. L. Lester's letter, 30 days after the installation is made. The board unanimously approved the chairman's recommendation.

The proposed sewer charge was discussed as to the best time to apply same. Motion was made by Jesse L. Harrell, seconded by Thomas C. Byrum, Jr., that a letter be written to sewer users to the effect that the sewer charge will be applied on the December 1 billing and a progress report on the plant construction be included.

Motion was made by Thomas C. Byrum, Jr., seconded by J. P. Ricks, Jr., and duly carried requesting the Council to approve the VEPCO request for 100,000 volt power line right-of-way down the Norfolk-Southern railway.

Messrs. Ricks and Conger were directed to investigate the possibility of purchasing a back-hoe and front-end loader and report back to the next meeting with their recommendations.

A request to blind street lights by George Tillett and Fate Forehand was discussed and referred to the Street Lighting Committee. A request for a street light for Vernon Austin on East Carteret Street was also referred to the Street Lighting Committee.

Mr. Harrell gave a report on the proposed change order for billings under the force main at Belvidere and Cherry Point Swamps. Motion was made by Jesse L. Harrell, seconded by Thomas C. Byrum, Jr., and duly carried that the above mentioned change order be approved and accepted in the amount of \$6,735.00.

Mr. Ricks reported that all residents of the Paradise Road area but three have signed a petition for water extension and are looking for private financing of this work.

Mr. Ricks was directed to have the wells and well flows checked and all of the town's deep wells.

Motion was made by Jesse L. Harrell, seconded by J. H. Conger and duly carried approving bills for payment in the amount of \$41,599.00 as follows: Pitney-Bower, \$9.27; Simpson Sinclair Service, \$29.05; Virginia Electric & Power Co., \$12,964.00; Fairbanks Morse & Co., \$204.61; Gulf Oil Corp., \$56.44; Addressograph-Multigraph Corp., \$1.57; Badger Meter Mfg. Co., \$370.18; Broad & Church Texaco Service, \$11.10; Electrical Equipment Co., \$526.27; Hollowell's Drug Store, \$1.03; Hughes-Parker Hardware Co., \$7.72; Economy Typewriter

Co., Inc., \$5.41; Norfolk-Southern Railway Co., \$336.00; James Gramby, \$32.00; Ralph E. Parrish, Inc., \$42.61; Jackson Radio & TV Service, \$7.52; Motorola Co. & E. Inc., \$46.71; Ashby Welding & Machine Co., \$3.25; Howerton Gowen Co., Inc., \$88.99; Diamond Crystal Salt Co., \$207.87; Baker Equipment Engineering Co., \$21.26; The Norfolk & Carolina Tel. & Tel. Co., \$33.61; Graybar Electric Co., \$224.27; Sinclair Refining Co., \$114.89; East Carolina Supply Co., \$69.45; Byrum Hardware Co., \$3.37; Williamston Office Supply Co., \$13.13; Bunch's Garage, \$42.33; H. & S., Inc., \$50.81; Ricks Laundry & Cleaners, \$1.86; Jordan Company, \$98.88; Tom Goodman, \$75.00; Transfer to Bond Account, \$255,000.00; Postmaster, \$74.28; Administrative Dept. salaries, \$622.92; total, \$41,599.00.

**Bond Fund Account**  
 Wm. F. Freeman, Inc., \$3,691.80; Howard Construction Co., \$99,285.21; Crain & Deabo, Inc., \$23,774.85; total, \$128,751.86.

Total materials expenditures, \$41,599.00; salaries paid in July, \$3,111.21; total expenditures, \$44,710.21.

Revenue sale of current, water and merchandise, \$28,115.59; interest Saving & Loan, \$200.00; interest certificate of deposits, \$1,875.00; matured certificate of deposits, \$25,000.00; bond fund revenue, \$623.76.

Receipts in excess of disbursements, \$11,104.32.

Messrs. Harrell and Conger gave a report on the financial status of the Electric and Water Dept. The report was accepted with thanks by the board.

Mr. Harrell suggested that the \$25,000 certificate of deposit maturing on August 2, 1963 be renewed for 4 months and the \$20,000 certificate of deposit maturing on August 28, 1963 be renewed for 5 months.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.  
 W. B. GARDNER,  
 Clerk.

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