

HUNDREDS ENJOY PMA FARM TOUR

Wilkes county farmers and businessmen Monday were shown typical farms which have benefited under the Production Marketing Association program.

Then also studied a report on PMA accomplishments for 1949 and heard Representative E. B. Deane and PMA officials speak that farmers must keep alert to preserve these benefits.

Over 500 persons joined the PMA Field Day tour of the farms of Robert Lockhart and Roby D. Bumgarner, and more than half went to the VFW Hall here for a free lunch supplied by various firms and served by women of the VFW Auxiliary.

H. D. Godfrey, State PMA administrator, appeared on the afternoon program, along with Representative Deane and local PMA officials.

Mr. Godfrey said that "The soil belongs to all, and is owned by one man for only his generation. Past generations," he added, "have been very careless in conserving the soil, and the responsibility is ours to rebuild not only for our own use but for that of future generations."

Because soil conservation is a long-term program, Mr. Godfrey continued, "It may not be the individual farmer's sole responsibility to replace this plant food."

Part of the work of the Production Marketing Association—successor to the old "Triple A"—is to supply to farmers complying with recommended prac-

tices certain minerals and seeds. Lawrence Miller chairman of the Wilkes PMA, cited its 1949 accomplishments—minerals such as limestone, superphosphate and potash supplied to a total of 11,005 acres in the county, and pasture seeds and small grains for a total of 14,188 acres.

He said a total of \$84,573 for such practices was spent by the PMA in Wilkes County last year.

Representative Deane, speaking briefly and informally at the end of the program, said that "farmers must be on the alert to prevent forces from cutting the heart out of their program."

Some people in demanding Federal budget cutting always refer to the farmer's program "as a subsidy," he charged. "But programs in behalf of other groups—such as some \$300 million for airlines—are not called 'subsidies,'" he added.

He likened soil conservation practices to the life-saving use of blood plasma in war time.

The real burden on the American taxpayer today, Representative Deane said, "is national defense. Necessary though it is—none of us would want to see our defense weakened—it nonetheless accounts for 71 per cent of our national budget."

Charles Miles, vice-chairman of the Wilkes PMA, presented Representative Deane. Fred Davis, veterans farm class instructor introducing Mr. Godfrey. Musical entertainment was furnished by "Little Dock Wheeler and his Funmakers."

The other farm agencies of the county also were represented at the field day activities.

SMITH AND GRAHAM SPLIT ON PROPOSED SINGLE PRIMARY

Raleigh, May 24 — Prospects of a "sudden death" primary for the Democratic senatorial nomination folded tonight with rejection of the idea by Wilks Smith's campaign headquarters.

Earlier, Senator Frank Graham had said he was willing to let one primary settle the race when if none of the four candidates won a clear majority in Saturday voting.

The suggestion for a single primary came from former Senator Robert R. Reynolds of Asheville.

Under North Carolina law, the second-highest man in a primary field of more than two candidates is entitled to demand a run-off primary if the top man does not receive a majority of the votes cast. A second primary in this year's senatorial race, if necessary would be held on June 24.

Revival Services At Gordon Baptist

Revival services will begin Sunday, May 29, at Gordon Baptist church west of this city. The pastor, Rev. Gilbert Osborne, will be assisted by Rev. David Day. The public has a cordial invitation to attend the services at 7:30 each evening.

Atomic Energy For Civilians May Not Come

Detroit, May 23 — A top official of the Atomic Energy Commission said tonight it is "entirely conceivable" that atomic energy may never prove practical for civilian use.

The statement was made by Lawrence R. Hafstad, director of the commission's program for developing atomic power, in an address prepared for delivery to the Society of Automobile Engineers.

Hitherto it has been generally assumed that production of atomic power to drive ships, cars, locomotives, and the wheels of industry was just a matter of time.

But Hafstad said that while known atomic raw material reserves are about 10 times the known oil reserves, as measured in terms of energy, the cost of producing atomic power is more than 10 times that of power from coal-fired steam engines.

He also said that the world's known coal reserves contain 100 times as much energy (heat-producing power) as all the uranium estimated to be available.

Nine of Iredell county's twelve cotton ginners met at the Vance Hotel in Statesville recently and formed an Iredell County Ginners Association.

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Traphill Lists Superlatives

Superlatives of the senior class at Traphill high school were elected recently with Billie Abshers and Molland Warren taking honors as best all around girl and boy, respectively. Billie Abshers and Howard Holloway were chosen as the girl and boy most likely to succeed.

Other superlatives named were: handsomest boy, Jack Holcomb; prettiest girl, Betty Hemric; friendliest, Dorothy Billings and Paul Pruitt; wittiest, Nola Holbrook and Hadley Cothorn; best dressed, Dorothy Billings and Jack Holcomb; biggest flirt, Nola Holbrook and Bubby Smith; most in love, Marie Ingool and J. W. Bryan, Jr.; most ambitious, Billie Abshers and Howard Holloway; laziest, Sybil Cheek and Bill Crabbe; most athletic, Vera Cothorn and Buddy Smith; quietest, Sybil Cheek and Edward Bowers; loudest, Mazie Hutchinson and Elmer Billings; boy most likely to wed, Holland Warren and J. W. Bryan, Jr.; most intellectual, Billie Absher and Holland Warren; most henpecked boy, Holland Warren; teacher's pets, Bill Absher and Holland Warren and most loyal, Dorothy Billings and Jack Holcomb. James Rayburn is class sponsor.

Social Calendar

Wilkesboro Woman's Club will meet Monday, eight p. m., at the home of Mrs. C. H. Hulcher. Hostesses will be Mrs. C. H. Hulcher, Mrs. Albert Garwood, Mrs. Edison Norman and Miss Blanche Ferguson. Program will be in charge of Mrs. R. E. Prevette, music chairman. Every member is urged to attend.

Decoration Service At Bethany Baptist

Annual decoration service will be held Sunday, May 28, at Bethany Baptist church. It will be an all-day service and those attending are asked to carry baskets of dinner. Singers and ministers have a special invitation to attend and take part.

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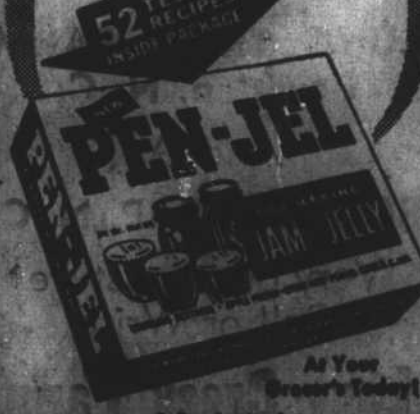
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OPEN LETTER

-TO-

MRS. JOHN R. JONES

IN REPLY TO HER LETTER OF MAY 16, 1950

Mrs. John R. Jones,
North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Dear Mrs. Jones:

I take this opportunity to reply to your open letter to me of the 16th in which you criticize me for my support of Claude Billings, Jr., in his race for candidate for the office of sheriff of Wilkes county on the Republican ticket.

It is true that I was selected to be president of the Young Republican Club of Wilkes county and ever since that date I have been actively organizing these clubs all over Wilkes County, but I want to state to you most emphatically that I have never at any time or place asked for or tried to get the support of any club for Mr. Billings or any other candidate. In the organization of these clubs the question of candidates has never been mentioned in any meeting that I have attended, but rather on the other hand I have taken pains to stress that these clubs were being organized for the purpose of working in the fall election for the Republican ticket. If this has been done then I am asking you to name the club where I have attempted to get its support for Mr. Billings or any other candidate. You may be disgusted but I feel that you are very much alone in your opinion for we are organizing these clubs right along and I contact many young Republicans daily, but I have yet not had any one of them to say I have been using my position in the wrong way or in any way that is harmful to the Republican party. In fact I have had much praise by many of the leaders for the work that I and my associates have done in getting these clubs started.

Now I have actively and openly supported Mr. Billings for sheriff, but I have done it on my own initiatives and not through any club or any other organization. I am sure that all will agree that it is my privilege to support whomever I wanted to as long as I do it open and above board. I have supported Mr. Billings; first because he is a candidate with first class qualifications for the office. I have supported him because I was anxious to have some veterans on the Republican ticket. Mr. Billings was the first veteran to file, which he did only after his only veteran opponent stated that he would not be a candidate; therefore, my support was already pledged to him.

Now Mrs. Jones I feel sure that you are entirely mistaken about any acts of mine being embarrassing or hurting the party in any way because none of the candidates have ever expressed any criticism of me because of my stand.

I have only the best interests of the party at heart. I do not choose to have any ill feeling with you or any other person, but it strikes me that your questions and implications and accusations would lead to the downfall of the party if one was to take issue with them.

I have done the very best I could for the Republican party and I do not believe you or anyone else can say whether my leadership is good or bad until we see the results of the Young Republican Club in the fall election.

Yours very truly,
ISAAC ELLER
President of the Wilkes County (Fall) Club