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Rural Welfare Chief Purpose

Reports Show 73,140 Families Growing Gardens; Can 7,000,000 Containers

Although home demonstration work in North Carolina was modified somewhat last year to meet the emergency situation, the long time objective of the program remained essentially the same.

Thus, while the county home agents were given latitude to cope with current problems, they were encouraged not to lose sight of the fundamental aspect of home demonstration work, said Dr. Jane S. McKimmon, state home agent at State College.

The long time program looks to the development of a comfortable, livable home where farm life may bring satisfaction and where the child may find security, and the development of a vitalized rural community where men, women and children come together for planned work, recreation, and community development.

During the past year, said Dr. McKimmon in her annual report the home demonstration program faced a number of serious problems—such as, low average farm incomes, inadequate food and feed production, the fact that only 53 of the counties have full time home agents, and insufficient funds to carry on the work adequately over the entire State.

A special effort was made to encourage the production of adequate foods to supply an attractive variety of dishes for the menu and to protect the family health with a balanced diet. Farm and home agents urged more gardens, poultry, cows and meat animals.

Food Supply Budgeted.

The food requirements of each family were ascertained on a budget plan. Each family was then urged to produce at least enough food to meet this budget and, if possible, to grow a surplus for conserving and marketing. Sales of home grown food added to the family cash income in many cases.

Gardens supplied the bulk of the home produced food. Reports listed 73,140 families growing gardens from which they got fresh vegetables for immediate consumption and for canning. However, the number of containers filled with fruits and vegetables last year was only 7,124,000 as compared with 11,500,000 in 1933.

Dr. McKimmon remarked that as times grow better, there is usually a downward swing in the canning curve. Women have money to buy part of their canned goods, she said, and hence feel less need to spend much of their summer time in the conservation of home grown foods.

The time thus released from

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE
Having qualified as Administrator of the estate of Arthur F. Jones, deceased, late of Brunswick County, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the said estate to exhibit them to the undersigned at Bolivia, N. C., or to C. Ed. Taylor, Attorney, Southport, N. C., on or before the 1st day of May, 1935, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of recovery. All persons indebted will please make immediate payment.
This April 29th, 1935.
C. W. KNOX, Administrator of Arthur F. Jones.

COMMISSIONER'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE
In accordance with the judgment rendered in re: Southport Building and Loan Association vs. Maud McKeithan, et al., the undersigned Commissioner, having been appointed to make sale in said cause, will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the court house door in the City of Southport, North Carolina, on
Sat., 1st day of June, 1935,
at 12 o'clock noon, as per directions in the above named judgment, the following described lot, tract, piece or parcel of land, lying and being in the County of Brunswick, Town Creek Township, State of North Carolina, bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a two inch iron pipe lettered "McK." same being on the East side of State Highway No. 30, in the Town of Bolivia, and being the North corner of B. R. Page's adjoining tract of land, and runs thence south 58 degrees 45' east 195 feet and four and one-half inches to another iron pipe lettered "McK."; thence northward 32 degrees 30' east 210 feet to another iron pipe lettered "McK." same being the east corner of J. W. Brooks' adjoining tract of land, thence north 58 degrees 45' east 185 feet and 7 inches to another iron pipe lettered "McK." in the aforesaid Highway No. 30, thence South 35 degrees west with said Highway 210 feet to the beginning point, same being the North corner of B. R. Page's land aforesaid, and being the same land conveyed to Maud McKeithan by J. W. Brooks as appears in Book 38, at page 8, Records of Brunswick County, to which reference is hereby especially made.
Dated and posted, this 1st day of May, 1935.
ROBERT W. DAVIS, Commissioner.

NOTICE

All accounts due the undersigned prior to April 15th 1935 are given to Mr. R. W. Davis, Attorney, for settlement.

Watson's Pharmacy Co.

food conservation is available for more agreeable work, recreation, or for cooperation projects with the family or the community, she added. "It is better for the women not to spend too much time canning."

The economic situation also stimulated the production of poultry. Dr. McKimmon pointed out, both to provide a balanced diet and to increase the family income. Poultry sales through the curb markets and special shipments amounted to over \$145,000 last year.

The family cow also furnished a big part of the family's nutritional needs, and the aim of the home demonstration program is to see each rural family with at least one cow. As a result of the program last year, 650 families were assisted in butter and cheese making, and 4,450 families were reported feeding their children according to the recommendations, which include a quart of milk per day to each child.

The 27 home demonstration curb markets operated last year sold a total of \$484,465 worth of produce, a gain of \$79,912 over the preceding year. The bulk of the goods consisted of vegetables, fruits, butter, meats, cakes, flowers.

Rural women were also helped to market their surplus foods in cooperative shipments to hotels, colleges, and other institutions, and in carlot shipments to distant markets. Cooperative shipments, for example, may be stimulated in a certain community by encouraging the women to raise one type of poultry and to use a standardized method of killing, dressing, and packing.

Some phases of clothing work was carried on in all the counties which were organized for home demonstration work, and 17 counties had clothing for their major club projects. Demonstrations in clothing projects were especially popular at a time when families had to economize, Dr. McKimmon pointed out.

The work with clothing includes studies of how to adapt patterns and clothes to the individual, remodeling old clothes, making attractive garments from inexpensive material, selecting colors and materials to harmonize well together.

The ultimate goal of the home management and furnishing program is that the farm home shall be managed upon a sound business basis, cooperatively with the farm enterprise; that the home shall be convenient, efficient, and attractive; and that relationships within the family group shall be correspondingly improved.

Dr. McKimmon reported that 8,427 farm families were satisfied last year in making adjustments to gain a more satisfactory standard of living; 2,907 families followed the recommendations given for economical and efficient buying for the home.

Work toward better homes also included the making and caring for home-made supplies and household equipment. Families were assisted not only to make things for their own use, but to make various articles for sale. Little nick-nacks, easily made in spare time, added to the family cash income.

Rural Housing Survey

The rural housing survey conducted early last year brought out the need for sweeping improvements on most of the rural homes. Facts gathered in the survey were useful in planning the Federal Housing Administration program for rural communities.

Most of the homes were in need of repairs, painting, adequate lighting, water systems, heating systems, better sanitation and in many cases more rooms.

In addition to the work contemplated through the FHA, the home demonstration club women secured some aid from the ERA and also urged the improvement of homes wherever possible without outside financial assistance.

The beautification of the home and its grounds and the development of recreational facilities for rural families is another phase of the home demonstration program which is considered important to the ultimate well-being of farm people.

"Instead of less emphasis being placed on the home beautification program in times of stress," said Dr. McKimmon. "The increased number of calls for aid in this work shows that beautification projects help to relieve the tension."

Many of the club women made

use of their leisure time to bring in trees and shrubs from the woods, to exchange plants with their neighbors, and to set out plants in the yards of community buildings and centers. The 4H club girls also worked hard on beautification projects.

Recreation

Although there is no extension specialist in recreation, Miss Ruth Current, specialist with 4H club girls, carried on a great deal of recreational work, such as holding for the development of recreational leaders and supervising organized play at various gatherings of young people.

The home demonstration clubs are also encouraged to play at various gatherings of young people.

The home demonstration clubs are also encouraged to find a place for light entertainment and recreation in their monthly meetings. Rural people, especially, are in need of more social gatherings and neighborhood activities, Dr. McKimmon said.

Summing up the status of the home demonstration work, Dr. McKimmon reported that 53 of the counties were organized for the work with whole time white agents and eight counties had whole time Negro agents.

In addition, 38 part time white agents and seven part time Negro agents served from four to six months of the year. This made a total of 90 counties which were reached by home demonstration work during the year.

The home demonstration club is the unit through which the work is carried on. The home agents in the counties supervise the work, organize new clubs, and give their help in any way possible, but local club leaders are encouraged to carry on many of the local activities.

OPEN FORUM

A column dedicated to opinions of the public. A mouthpiece for the views and observations of our friends and readers, for which we accept no responsibility. Contributions to this column must not exceed three hundred words.

To the Editor:—

In the Field Day exercises on April 30th there was much to touch and thrill the hearts of thoughtful spectators, especially in the marching of the pupils of the various schools.

This grouping of the youth of the county not only represented the men and women of the future but it showed the responsibility for training these young minds and spirits for the work which will come to them.

A special need is vision, for by vision they may receive important messages from the Master of life and Destiny. This Divine spark should therefore be encouraged to the utmost degree by everyone having the child's interest at heart. These blithe young spirits will have to battle at times with devils and demons, so to speak, for both their temporal and spiritual welfare.

The training and preparation they receive, especially along spiritual lines, will largely determine whether they will rise victorious over their foes or go down in ruinous defeat. They will only pass once through life and as someone expresses it, "We may be ship wrecked but we cannot be delayed." Life's river flows just as swiftly for the wrecks drifting on its bosom as for the fair and stately crafts serenely pursuing their way.

Surely all who realize the importance of these children will be glad to do whatever they can to encourage vision and right ideals and to provide the necessary training for enabling them to secure the utmost out of life. This will not only make their lives more valuable to themselves but also to their fellow beings as well, which should pay big dividends for all efforts made in their behalf.

One great fact which should be impressed upon them is that the vast issues of eternity are waiting beyond the limits of time. They who live right before God and man can look forward to a reward beyond human ability to fully comprehend.

Then shall we not pledge our best efforts and influence to guide these young lives along the right channels to avoid disaster and the many snares and pitfalls which lie in wait for unwary feet?

F. H. WILLARD.

SUPPLY NEWS

(By Miss Lottie Jane Frink)
MR. CLEMMONS HURT

Friends of Roger Clemmons will regret to hear that he was badly injured last Thursday, May 2nd, while unloading lumber at a lumber yard in Wilmington. The load of lumber slipped from the trailer and truck as the chain which held it was being unfastened. Mr. Clemmons did not have time to get out of the way and part of the load caught his head and arm and jammed them between the boards. A colored boy who was working with him managed to release his head and was trying to pull his arm out when help came.

Mr. Clemmons was immediately taken to the James Walker Hospital where he received medi-

cal attention. The Doctors said there were no fractures, only skins and bruises. According to the reports from the hospital today he is getting along nicely.

Mrs. Rhoda Lewis and little son, Jerry, of Wilmington, are visiting Mrs. Lewis' brother and sister, Mr. J. J. Hawes and Miss Mildred Hawes at Supply.

CHURCH NOTICES

Southport Baptist Church

T. H. Biles, Pastor

Sunday, May 12th, 1935
Sunday School at 1:00, L. J. Dawkins, Association Superintendent.

Morning worship at 11 o'clock with sermon by the pastor. A Mother's Day program will be observed at this service at which time mothers and motherhood will be honored. Husbands, sons and daughters are urged to be present and are urged to see that their mother's, if they are living, have a chance to attend the service.

B. Y. P. U. service at 7:00 o'clock.

There will be a special Mother's Day play presented by the children of the church during the evening hour.

MR. ELMORE ILL

John Elmore, proprietor of the Elmore Motor Company of Bolivia, was confined to his home for several days recently with an attack of influenza.

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that the amount paid in pensions by the United States government would have to be matched by the state, or no money from the national pension fund would be available.

This means that should the current session of the North Carolina General Assembly fail to pass the old age pension bill in some form, in the event the national social security program be approved by this Congress, funds would not be available for North Carolina.

There has been a constant clamor during the past few months for an old age pension bill. We believe the pension program proposed by Senators Frink and Browning is as practical a plan as can be

worked out. These men gave the matter thoughtful attention and spent some time in studying similar measures that have been passed in other states. It was their purpose to include the best features of these bills into their own.

It is understood that the old age securities bill has the approval of Governor Ehringhaus and Mrs. W. T. Bost, North Carolina Commissioner of Public Welfare. The chief problem that proponents of the bill face is the possible source of the \$10,000,000 annual appropriation which the bill calls for.

We are inclined to favor the measure in that it, together with the enactment of legislation providing for unemployment insurance, promises an end to relief spending.

USING Nature's GIFTS

The Carolinas' storehouses of valuable minerals have been almost overlooked. These states have the largest variety of minerals in the nation. Approximately 300 species and sub species have been identified in the Carolinas.

More thorough research to determine the extent and value of minerals is needed. Possibilities of utilization of these products in manufacturing enterprises in the two states are almost limitless. To fail to exploit these opportunities permits other states to reap the major benefits from our resources.

DEVELOPMENT POSSIBILITIES INCLUDE:

Clays:

The United States imports from 250,000 to 300,000 tons annually. Recent tests reveal that Carolina Clay meet the highest standards. North Carolina has residual and South Carolina, sedimentary clays.

Mica:

New uses developed during last several years have created a greater demand for this mineral. The Carolinas have produced more than half of the nation's output for the last several years.

Chinaware, Refractories

Electric Porcelain and Glass:

Principal raw materials necessary for the manufacture of these products (clays, feldspar, kyanite and quartz or silica) are produced in great quantities in the Carolinas. With their large power developments and the development of a new type of heat unit, these States should become the center of these industries.

Alloys:

Rare alloys present a new field of expansion for the Carolinas' mineral industry. Many of these, such as nickel, beryllium, titanium, tungsten, molybdenum, columbium and tantalum have not been prospected.

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