

Farm Review & Forecast

ASCS Newsletter

Tobacco Acreage-Poundage Program

Congress has passed a bill authorizing an acreage-poundage program for flue-cured tobacco beginning with the 1965 crop. The program is subject to the approval of flue-cured tobacco growers who will vote in a referendum, probably in early May. The county office is working preliminary farm yields for all tobacco farms. These yields will be the average of the three highest years during the period of 1959-1963, adjusted within the range of 80 to 120 per cent of the community average yield. This community average yield is also determined from the three highest weighted average yields for the same five-year period.

All tobacco farmers have already been notified of what their new 1965 tobacco allotment will be if the referendum is approved by a two-thirds majority. Before the referendum all producers will receive an official notice carrying both this allotment and their poundage quota for the new program.

Advantages of Acreage-Poundage Program

Sponsors of the acreage-poundage marketing quota program will have the following advantages:

1. A larger 1965 acreage allotment with poundage quotas provided to protect against excessive marketing.
2. Encourage farmers to produce high quality tobacco that will be more acceptable for domestic and foreign trade.
3. Farmers would have a new element of flexibility since they could carry over unused quota.

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the County Development Association.

A community action convention is called after several proposals are submitted. The proposals are sent to the chairman of the area Economic Development Committee to be drawn up into formal applications. They are then sent to Washington. These steps are necessary for coordination and to use the money as equally as possible.

Jackson stressed that the money was available for such needs, but that the Federal government will not send this money out unless it is asked for.

He said, "The people of Northampton County must organize, the people must ask for it." He explained to the group that one of these programs had already been asked for by the superintendents of the area - Project Head Start. It is an eight-week summer program for children who will enter school for the first time in September. EOA, under this plan, will provide funds on the basis of \$170 per child. There is an estimated 400 children in the county eligible to attend, making Northampton's share \$68,000. If the proposal is approved in Washington,

Jackson said that the key to the success of the program is volunteer workers. Otherwise, the full benefit of the program can not be realized. As a challenge to the efforts of the group, Jackson said that any program that improved the educational level of its people, would improve the economic level of an area. "Training people in self-sufficiency will repay the area," he said.

An active question and answer period followed Jackson's remarks which resulted in placing the responsibility of county development on its people. Questions posed by County Manager Melvin Holmes revealed that the EOA program was separate and apart from the industrial development and travel and recreational programs of the Choanoke Development Association.

When Choanoke Area Development Association was organized it was suggested that money be appropriated for an area industrial engineer to be employed. However, it was revealed that Halifax, Hertford and Bertie Counties have employed or are appropriating the money for the employment of a local industrial specialist. Northampton County was advised to see the wisdom of such action.

Angus McKellar, a member of the airport authority and a vice-president of Choanoke Development said that the four-county association was good only for multi-county problems. He said, "We can't expect action in industry, recreation, travel or volunteer help alone, it will take professional help. That is what will pay off."

"Why hasn't Choanoke done anything - Choanoke is you!" he continued. "Volunteer help is slow. Show me a community that has located industry and you will show me that they had professional help."

McKellar continued his remarks with an appeal to the people to see the wisdom of supporting the Tri-County Airport because its very existence had already resulted in the location

from one year to the next.

4. Producer income would be increased by decreased sales and improved quality and lower production costs; and,

5. Supplies of tobacco would be kept in better balance with demand at less cost to the Government.

Premeasurement Progress Premeasurement work has increased considerably during the past two weeks but we still have quite a lot of work that remains to be done. With continued good weather we do plan to complete our original requests within the next two weeks. Any farmer that did request premeasurement and has now changed his mind and does not want the work done can obtain a refund by notifying the county office.

Employment

The Northampton ASCS office will employ non-white personnel beginning in 1965. These employees will fill temporary positions in both the office and field as there are no vacancies in the regular staff at this time. Interested persons should contact the county office for application forms.

Northampton County Soil Conservation Notes
By JOHN B. LITCHFIELD
Soil Conservation Service

John W. Boone, of Rich Square, is building parallel terraces on his farm at Asheton this week. Several years ago he built old style terraces as part of the conservation plan he worked out in cooperation with the Northampton Soil and Water Conservation District.

Last week Soil Conservation Service technicians H. R. Bryant and F. E. Holloman helped him lay out an entirely new system. The old terraces are being built to replace them. They are designed to be worked with four-row equipment. Grassed waterways are also being constructed to provide protected outlets for the terraces.

S. Y. Daniel of Seaboard, is installing drain tile this week on two farms. One of these jobs is a group job that involves his farm and that of his brother, Philip Daniel.

Parallel terraces were staked and built last week on the farm of Vinson Deloatch, of Seaboard.

of a new industry in the Roanoke-Chowan section. He pointed out that the airport is nearer to Seaboard than it is to Ahoskie and that the airport is there to serve the entire area, not just the towns in Hertford because it happens to be located in that county.

The meeting came to a close with the fact that EOA was reaching a segment that ordinarily can not be reached and that it was up to the people of Northampton County as whether EOA overshadowed the Choanoke Development Association.

Revelle said, "It is time that division was stopped in the county and that the people unify and work for the whole of Northampton."

"It will take the people of Northampton to do it. That is the source of true results." That was Jackson's final challenge. Others attending were: Billy Howell, assistant to Roger Jackson; Dr. W. G. Andrews, extension agent for the northeastern district of North Carolina; Tom Hobgood, extension development specialist of Raleigh; Mrs. Janet Brown, Mrs. Audrey Jenkins, Miss Reba Long, Gay Wells, John Litchfield, Julian Edwards, Dr. W. R. Parker, L. E. Pope, Henry Bennett, John Boone, H. C. Guthrie, David Gay, Mr. and Mrs. John Henry Liverman, Mr. and Mrs. John Vaughan, Roy Lowry, Angus McKellar, Merrell Gay, Sam Walker, Jasper Eley, B. H. Harrell, Frank Outland, Mrs. E. J. Burgess, Vernon Taylor, Mrs. Julian Porter, Marshall Grant and Robert L. Shaw.

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der the new program, which the referendum will approve, the tobacco men were told by N. C. Senator F. S. Royster of Henderson, managing director of the Bright Belt Warehouse Association.

Also speaking in favor were James Graham, N. C. Commissioner of Agriculture, Mrs. Harriet Caldwell, Master of the N. C. State Grange, and B. C. Mangum, president of the N. C. Farm Bureau.

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Fat Stock Sales Total \$6,833.75 At Cattle Show

RICH SQUARE - Sales totaled \$6,833.76 at the second annual Choanoke Area 4-H Fat Cattle Show here Tuesday night in the Remco pole barn.

Twenty-four steers, 12 choice, eight good, three standard and one stocker, averaged \$31.29 per 100 pounds. The average sale price per steer \$284.74.

The highest price paid was \$517.62 for the grand champion owned by John A. McComas of Scotland Neck. Shell Dickens of Rt. 2, Littleton, had the reserve champion and it sold for \$290.50.

Mike Hamm of the Greenleaf Club of Hollister won the showmanship award at the sale. Judson Reveille, of Creeksville, received the feed and management award sponsored by Northampton County Livestock Development Association.

Awards for record book went to three Northampton 4-H'ers. Judson Reveille won first place, Debbie Fisher, second and Becky Fisher, third. The Fisher sisters are from Pendleton.

The only 4-H'er among the Northampton County 4-H Clubs

to place an animal was Taylor Ward of Conway. His steer placed fifth in the lightweight division. It weighed 880 pounds and sold for \$261.80, to Barnes and Gay of Severn.

Annual Sale Of Angus

ROCKY MOUNT - The annual Farmers Opportunity Sale, sponsored by the North Carolina Angus Association, will be held on April 29, at the Lancaster Livestock Yard in Rocky Mount beginning at 11 a.m.

Registered Angus, including 109 females and 8 bulls, are consigned by leading breeders from North Carolina. Many cows have a calf at side and are bred. There will also be bred cows, an exceptional good group of 40 bred heifers, about 15 open heifers, and several bulls of breeding age. All these cattle are exceptionally well bred, are sound and sell fully guaranteed.



RECORD WINNERS—All three places in the records book competition in the 4-H Fat Cattle Show were taken by 4-H members of Northampton County. From left to right they are: Judson Reveille, Creeksville, first place; Debbie Fisher, second place, and Becky Fisher, third place. The girls are sisters from Pendleton.

Deadline Set

JACKSON - The Northampton County office of the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation has announced that April 30 is the deadline for farmers to make application for crop insurance on their crops for 1965. Those who are interested should contact the office on or before this date, according to Emma Doris Edwards, clerk.

Almost three-fourths of the insured farmers in the county have given their acreage reports for 1965. Farmers are requested to give a report of their insured acre to the county office representative as soon as possible.

Chair Caning Brings Results

JACKSON - Home demonstration leaders in Northampton County recently conducted workshops in chair caning. Mrs. Blannie Bobbitt of Rich Square completed work on a chair over 100 years old, during the workshop.

Mrs. Audrey Jenkins, home economics agent, says Mrs. Marshall Grant has refinished and caned three, of a set of 10, dining room chairs for her home. Mrs. Jenkins says the women are saving many dollars by doing the work themselves.

Say, "I saw it in The Times-News," please.



AWARD WINNER - Judson Reveille, of Creeksville, is the winner of the Feed and Management award at the Second Annual Choanoke Area 4-H Fat Cattle Show in Rich Square Tuesday night. The award was sponsored by Northampton County Livestock Development Association.

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In North Carolina the peanut is attacked by a number of different insects. Some of these cause occasional damage while others such as thrips, leafhoppers and Southern corn rootworms are present in damaging number in most fields annually.

Control measures for the insect pests of peanuts are summarized in the following table:

Please note one major change from 1964. DDT and other chlorinated hydrocarbons are no longer recommended.

Seasonal Control of Thrips, Leafhoppers, and Wireworms

Time to Apply	Insecticide	Amount Per Acre	Remarks
At planting	DiSystem or Phorate (Thimet)	10 lbs. of 10% Granules	Use a row applicator to apply in furrow at planting. Taken up by plants and translocated to kill thrips and leafhoppers. Decrease dosage of Thimet to 7½ lbs. on light, sandy soil, especially with runner varieties to reduce phytotoxicity.

HERBICIDES SUGGESTED FOR PEANUTS - 1965

Treatment	Herbicides Common Name	Trade Name	Rate/Acre (active)	Approximate Cost/Acre
Preplant or Preemergence	R-1607	Vernam	2-2½ lbs.	\$7 - 8
Cracking Stage	Diphenamid + DNBP	Dymid or Enide	2-3 lbs. + 1½ lbs.	\$12 - 17
	NPA + DNBP	Dynap	3 lbs. + 1½ lbs.	\$7 - 8
	DNBP		6 lbs.	\$8 - 9
Early Postemergence	DNBP	Premerge, Dinitro or Sinox PE	1 - 2½ lbs.	\$1 - 2

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