



Ms. Frances LaFerriere, left, and Mrs. Evelyn A. Davis, teachers at Mariam Boyd Elementary School, are pictured with members of their kindergarten classes while en route to a local supermarket. [Staff Photo]

Agent Tells Of Work Of Sam Powell; Lists Demonstrations, Farm Activities

L. C. Cooper gave the monthly report for the Agricultural Extension Service, at the regular meeting of the county commissioners here Monday morning, following by a few brief remarks on cancer and tobacco by L. B. Hardage, Extension Chairman. Hardage's remarks are contained elsewhere in this news-

paper. Cooper presented Sam Powell, Agricultural Technician, who works with selected low income farm families. Cooper said that Powell is working with 32 such families this year, compared with 28 last year. Thirteen of the class of 28 were graduates last year and 17 more were added this

year. These selected farmers, Cooper said, are graduated, or advanced, as their understanding with farm problems increase.

Cooper spoke briefly on the marketing of soybeans before announcing a number of demonstrations which will be carried on in the county this summer. The demonstrations include:

Two corn variety demonstrations; one at the home of Nick Williams in the Snow Hill neighborhood, and the other with Willie Williams in the Pine Grove (Churchill) community.

Chemical weed control in peppers is being used by James Summerville in the Drewry section, and by Curtis Ellis in Macon and Spray Alston in Arcola community.

One soybean variety demonstration by Ernest Brauer in the Ridgeway community; one lime, phosphate and potash demonstration on soybeans by Alan Norwood in Axtelle com-

munity; and one chemical weed control in soybeans by Roger Walker at Norlina.

A. P. Rodwell, Tax Collector, reported 1976 taxes collected in April in the amount of \$29,928.70, making a total collected to date in the amount of \$899,175.35. This represents 92.45 percent of the levy.

Frank Twitty, Dog Warden, reported that during the month of April he picked up 113 dogs, killed 111, and had two left. He answered 112 calls, travelled 2296.6 miles and vaccinated 214 dogs.

Mrs. Lucille Mangum of Camp Willow Run near Littleton appeared before the commissioners to ask that the commissioners request the Wildlife Service to mark with proper buoys and sign a canoe cove used by young campers, and the swimming area marked against motor boats, while children are swimming. The commissioners ordered that the request be made.

Sales Of Savings Bonds Reported

Sales of Series E and H Savings Bonds in Warren County during the first quarter of 1977 were \$33,130, according to Bland W. Worley, state volunteer chairman with the U. S. Savings Bond Division of the U. S. Treasury. This represents 31.2 percent of the county's goal of \$106,020.

Sales of U. S. Savings Bonds in North Carolina during the first quarter of 1977 were the highest on record since the War Loan days of 1945, Worley said. Series E and H sales were \$27,918,142 which is 6.5 percent above a year ago and represents 23.7 percent of the state's 1977 dollar goal of \$117,800,000.

Nationally, total cash sales of E and H Bonds for the first 3 months of 1977 amounted to two billion, 56 million dollars (\$2,056,000,000), almost 4 percent above the first quarter of last year. Interest accumulated during the first quarter of 1977 on bonds outstanding amounted to a little more than \$957,000,000; so cash sales, plus interest accruals, totaled \$3,014,000,000 saved or earned by Americans through Savings Bonds in the past three months.

Jesse Adams, acting National Director of the Savings Bonds Division, called the upswing in sales "a heartening sign. More Americans than ever are saying hello to the good buys that are United States Savings Bonds."

Since 1941, Americans have purchased more than four billion actual Bonds, worth nearly \$241 billion dollars in value. The cash value of Series E and H Savings Bonds currently outstanding totals \$73 billion. This is an average of \$2,900 for each of the 25 million families owning Savings Bonds.

Death Valley

In California's Death Valley, rocks "walk" and leave tracks, National Geographic World says. When rare rains produce mud flats, high winds scrape the rocks across the slick surface.

Elam Tells Congregation About Journey

By HELEN HOWARD James G. Elam was the guest speaker during the morning worship service at the Warrenton Baptist Church on Sunday. Elam showed slides and talked about his activities on the Island of Barbados. He was on the island for 10 days to help build a church, representing the Warrenton Baptist Church on the expedition.

Elam described his trip as "the most rewarding experience" he had ever had and that he was "happy and gratified that I got to go." Several months ago a call for help was issued in building a Baptist church on the island. The members of the church contributed the money for the trip following Elam's decision to represent his church.

Literature Study Is Held At ECU

Approximately 90 persons from 24 North Carolina counties, Virginia and South Carolina attended a conference on children's literature Friday at East Carolina University.

The conference focused on "The Image of the South in Children's Literature," and featured presentations by professors of children's literature from Radford College, Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Clemson University, ECU, Wake Forest University and Longwood College.

Three authors who have published children's books set in the South met with participants for an informal autograph and discussion session.

They were Robert Burch of Fayetteville, Ga., Ellis Credle of Hyde County and Guadalajara, Mexico and Tom Forbes of Greenville.

Those attending from this area were Louise K. Hunter, Northside Elementary School; Edwina Rooper, John Graham High School; Beth Punte and Kate N. Harvey.

RETURNS HOME

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Hull of Vienna, Va., have returned to their home after visiting Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Powell.

Elam left on March 22 for his excursion to the Caribbean. He and nine other men from North Carolina and Virginia were among a group to work on the church. The men stayed in the home of Jerry Harris, the missionary on the Island of Barbados.

They found their work fun and demanding as the island had no power equipment except a small concrete mixer. The group worked on renovating one church and constructing another. "We worked well together and got a lot accomplished," said Elam. He added that the natives were "most receptive" to their efforts and only the dialogue proved any hindrance.

Elam said that three groups had been working on the church before his group and different groups from around the country will be going. He explained that it is hoped that the church can be dedicated in August.

While not working, the group enjoyed the "lovely countryside," Elam explained. The country is tropical with temperatures

ranging from 75 degrees to 85 degrees year round. The sugar cane crop, one of the major agricultural crops, was being harvested and the group toured a sugar cane factory.

Elam returned to Warren-

ton on April 5. He said that his trip "couldn't have been better."

Elam works at the Farmers Home Administration. He is married, has four children and two grandchildren.

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