



## Agriculturally Speaking

By L. B. HARDAGE  
County Extension Chairman

Many areas of the state have been stricken by drought, and cattlemen are trying to determine how to increase their feed supplies. Some are completely out of stored feed with pasture and hay production being very low due to dry weather.

There are several things farmers can do to alleviate these feed shortages. Some of these practices will apply to all cattlemen.

### Drought-Stricken Row Crops

Much of the corn, sorghum and, if dry weather continues—even soybeans are not worth harvesting for the grain. Do not waste this; stalks and leaves from these crops may be cut for greenchop, silage or hay. Considerable corn is already being cut for hay or silage.

### Fertilize Native Summer Grasses

Many pastures in Warren County contain considerable amounts of common bermudagrass, dallisgrass and crabgrass. These are warm season grasses and respond well to fertilizer. If farmers have pastures containing these species, 50-60 pounds of nitrogen applied now will produce appreciable forage once rain comes.

### Fall Fertilization of Cool Season Perennial Grasses

The prime species for fall fertilization is tall fescue, but the other cool season perennials such as orchardgrass and bluegrass also respond well. It has been shown that the sugar content of tall fescue increases 2-3 fold when fertilized and allowed to grow under cool fall conditions. This growth can be used for grazing, hay, stock-

pling or even silage, if needed. Many farmers depend on this as a standard practice.

Apply 60-80 pounds of nitrogen as follows:

Piedmont: mid-late August to early September.

If pastures need additional phosphate, potash or lime, it may also be added at this time. One to one and one-half tons of dry forage per acre can be produced provided a good stand is present.

High nitrogen applications should be made only to grass pastures since nitrogen is not needed for pasture legumes. Fall fertilization of ladino clover-grass pasture with phosphate, potash and lime is needed only if fields were not fertilized or limed the previous spring.

### Winter Annual Forages

Since many row crops are being harvested early due to drought, more time will be available for early establishment of winter annual pastures. Hay or silage crops.

There is a wide variety of these crops, but a good fall-growing winter rye will yield the largest amount of winter-hardy of the small grains. Oats, barley and/or wheat can also be used depending on farmer need and preference. Wheat and barley are more commonly used by dairymen for silage. Ryegrass can be used alone or with these small grains to extend spring forage production. Crimson clover can also be seeded for these species.

In general, the winter annuals should be seeded in late August to early Septem-

ber in the Piedmont.  
Small Grains (pure stand)  
Rye-2 bushels per acre  
Oats-3-4 bushels per acre  
Barley-2-3 bushels per acre  
Ryegrass (pure stand)—  
30-40 pounds per acre  
Crimson clover (pure stand)—15-20 pounds per acre.

Mixture or combinations—use 1/2 the pure stand seeding rate for each grass species—i.e., use 15 lbs. of crimson clover with 1 bushel each of rye, oats, barley and/or 15 lbs. of ryegrass.

## Teenagers Need Privacy As Much As Do Parents

By BERTHA FORTE  
Home Extension Agent

If your teenager is suddenly staying in his or her room—shutting the family out—you may be worried. But it's not unusual—and little cause for alarm. After all, everyone needs some privacy—it's a real need built into many cultures.

Just as adults, including parents, need privacy occasionally—so do teens. Teenagers are learning to become independent, and sometimes that just means being alone.

Parents can help by recognizing that every family member needs a private time. Then learn to pick up clues as to when a person needs to be alone. Since it's not always possible for each person to have a room of his own—the privacy may come at a corner work bench, in the garden, or just on a solitary walk.

Then, trust your teen. A teenager needs someone who cares, not someone who investigates. Your teen may be more likely to understand your occasional need for privacy better, too.

### Bullock Attends

### Co-Op Youth Camp

John Earl Bullock of Manson attended the recent "Co-op Youth Camp" organized by the North Carolina Cooperative Council.

Son of Mr. John W. Bullock, Bullock is a senior at Norlina High School. He participated at the R. J. Peeler FFA Camp on White Lake, July 25-29.

Bullock was among more than 70 youth from across North Carolina who were sponsored by their local cooperative to learn how co-ops work and to enjoy the fun and fellowship of a week at camp.

Lt. Gov. Jimmy Green addressed the group at the evening session Thursday. Secretary of State Thad Eure and representatives from North Carolina Department of Agriculture were present to aid the youths in organizing their own cooperative. Representatives from N. C. State University and other prominent agricultural leaders also participated in the program.

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### Special Meeting Set For Mothers

By BERTHA FORTE  
Home Extension Agent

Mothers with preschool children and children entering school for the first time this coming school year are invited to attend a special meeting, Wednesday, August 10, at 10 a. m. The meeting will be held in the Home Economics Extension Office, Warren County Agricultural Building, in Warrenton.

The program will include a slide presentation on "Understanding the Preschooler" and "Discipline." All mothers with children of this age are urged to attend. Door prizes will be given. Plan now to attend.

Walt Disney was born in Chicago.



The Oine Specialists Gospel Singers, (left to right) Patricia Hargrove, Darolyn Alexander, Tina Harrison, Warnetta Harrison [with guitar], Diana Butler and Joanna Harrison sing "Soon and Very Soon" at the State Talent Show.



Tina Salmon [left], Susan Currie and Pamela Currie dance with their friendly "frooms" to the tune of "Sunshine" at the State Talent Show in Raleigh.

## State Meeting Is Profitable For Warren County Delegates

By SUE SALMON  
Special 4-H Reporter

This year's State 4-H Congress was an outstanding one for Warren County in many ways. At the Congress, held at N. C. State University from July 25-29, there were three State 4-H demonstration winners from the county.

These outstanding 4-H's spent many hours practicing for their demonstrations and are the best in our state. Some of the demonstration awards were bonds, watches and certificates.

These State 4-H demonstration winners were: Jan Jordan of the Embro 4-H Club who gave a demonstration on how to make and use puppets in Open Class; Susan Currie of the Wise-Paschall 4-H club who gave a demonstration on the nutritional value of the egg in Japanese Fruit Pie for Junior Egg Cookery; and Jeffrey Bender of the Warrenton 4-H Club who gave a forestry demonstration on the preparation for and planting of pine seedlings.

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Two of the three Warren County talent acts who won blue ribbons at District Day in June were honored by being invited to the State 4-H Talent Show on Thursday night. Pam Currie, Susan Currie, and Tina Salmon from the Wise-Paschall 4-H Club gave a puppet dance called "Sunshine."

The "Oine Specialists," consisting of Diane Butler, Patricia Hargrove, Joanna Harrison, Darolyn Alexander, Tina Harrison and Warnetta Harrison had gospel singing.

Arlene Terry, Lisa Leete, Kathleen Sellers, Joyce Vick, Donna Paynter, Linda Baker, and Bravetta Wilson attended also. Mrs. Hilda Terry, Sue Salmon, and Mr. Glenn Woolard, Assistant Extension Agent, 4-H were leaders for the group of 16 4-H's from our county.

The 4-H Congress included activities at the State Fairgrounds and the Jane S. McKimmon Center.

McKimmon Continuing Education Center. Over 1,000 4-H members, leaders, and extension agents participated in the Congress and were housed in Sullivan and Lee Dormitories at N. C. State University. There were many exciting activities planned for the week.

On Monday, our Warren County Flag was carried in procession by Jeffrey Bender. Tom Skinner, who is also the North Central District Reporter, was tapped into the 4-H Honor Club by member, Sue Salmon.

On Tuesday, 4-H's gave demonstrations and could attend a Judo Exhibition, a Fire Demonstration, and a Dog Show at the N. C. State Fairgrounds. In the evening, the 4-H's were treated to live international entertainment, a watermelon party, and the nightly dance.

Lisa Leete attended the State 4-H Council Breakfast as the Warren County representative on Wednesday morning and received for the county 4-H's a Certificate of Appreciation for contributing to the 4-H Fountain of Youth Project.

Archie Lynch from the Halliwa 4-H Club was among those 4-H's recognized for receiving the \$500 4-H Development Fund Scholarship. Also, the 4-H Fountain of Youth which was the 1976-77 State Project was dedicated and water from all 100 counties was used. Jeffrey Bender poured in the water from good ole' Warren County. This fountain stands at the Jane S. McKimmon Center.

Later in the evening, the 4-H's had their choice of tours to the Morehead Planetarium, Research Triangle, Capital Area, or the Village Dinner Theatre.

The State Fashion Revue was held and the 4-H's were entertained by the Sir Walter Barber Shop Chorus.

On Thursday, the 4-H members could attend two of five seminars being offered. They were "Keys To Loving Behavior," "Tracing Your Roots," "Energy," "Career Planning," and "A Look At Soviet Youth Today."

There was a Leader's Luncheon at the University Student Center where Mrs. Chris Holtzman of the Wise-Paschall 4-H Club was honored and L. B. Hardage was her guest.

One of the most important events of the week was the election of the 1977-78 State

4-H Officers. Susan Currie cast the votes for the Warren County delegation. The delegates attended a 4-H Banquet that night and our two groups participated and entertained in the 4-H Talent Show.

A Candlelighting Ceremony was held at Dorton Arena where all the members formed a huge clover and the new State and District officers were installed. These officers passed the light on to 4-H's, and soon the night was lit by the candles of over 1,000 4-H's as "Follow The Gleam" was sung. Congress ended with a "Farewell Dance" and the delegates returned to Warrenton Friday morning.

These are the events that filled the 1977 N. C. 4-H Congress, but words cannot express the growth that took place during the week.

4-H's who participated.

## Bids Rejected For 'School Days' Work

Both bids for the renovation of "School Days," a gift of heirs of Mr. and Mrs. George Allen of New York to Warren County, were rejected by the Warren County Commissioners at their regular meeting here Monday morning.

Bidders were C. Julian Whaley, Inc., of Henderson, whose base bid was \$105,700.00, and George W. Kane, Inc., of Henderson whose base bid was \$98,770. Jesse B. Martin, Inc., of Warrenton, who was furnished specifications, submitted no written bid. Instead he appeared before the commissioners with a counter proposal which he read to the commissioners.

Under the impression that the building was scheduled to be repaired with Revenue Sharing Funds, J. R. Peeler, Supt. of Schools, appeared before the board with a proposal that since the bids were rejected that \$25,000 of Revenue Sharing Funds, be turned over to the Board of Education to be applied to additional land for the school site.

Peeler was told by County Manager Charles Hayes that all Revenue Sharing Funds had already been allotted and that only \$26,000 was funded for all repairs and renovations. Peeler withdrew his request and after informing the commissioners that repairs of the Hawkins school roof would be some six or seven thousand dollars in excess of expectations, said that half of this excess requirement for funds would be met by the Board of Education.

Jesse B. Martin's proposal to the commissioners reads as follows:

"RE: Renovation 'School Days' for county office building:

"I did not turn bid on this job because engineer was requiring guarantee of satis-

learned the hurt of defeat and the joy of success. Long hours of practicing demonstrations and talent acts for the umpteenth time were rewarded. Concern and hope were felt as it was learned that the State 4-H President, Mike Ritter was ill and elation and thankfulness replaced it as he was "spotted" at a luncheon, obviously feeling better. Friendships were made and enriched, and a closeness developed for people who were only strangers before, but were fellow 4-H's and friends now. It was a week of opportunities, joys, challenges, growth, but best of all, one of fellowship in a great cause.

factory performance from a heating and air conditioning system that had never been satisfactory. The people who installed it never got the controls to operate properly. Many years later I rewired controls and had them operating for a spell as intended. The cost of operation was such that they leased window air conditioners from me and did not use system for cooling. If you (Commissioners) would like, I would like to bring you a proposal for putting the facility in operating condition using the same basic changes as recommended by the architect, but changing heating, air conditioning and electrical from that specified on plans.

"The existing boiler should have many more years of service so I recommend the same basic system that I installed here at the courthouse.

"Hopefully I can have these changes drawn, approved by a registered engineer, priced and back to you by your next monthly meeting. Will also try to have quotation on putting the facility in usable condition.

"Respectfully,  
"Jesse B. Martin, Inc.

"Jesse B. Martin, Pres."

The commissioners told Martin that he was welcomed to bring his proposals before the commissioners at any time, but at present the board had no money on hand for any substantial repairs.

Manager Hayes told the commissioners that many more containers are needed for solid waste material, but a shortage of funds would severely limit the number that may be obtained.

He said that CETA had been upgraded with 17 more positions available during August and September. These positions under Title 9 have been allocated as follows: Town of Warrenton, 4; Healthy Housing, 9; Hospital, 4; Warren County Health Department, 4. One part time worker has been allocated to the CETA office.

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