Poor Housing Tied To Soil Depletion

Thirty-Nine Years

Ago As Recorded

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All the talk now is "Tobacco Ware

Who says we don't need a ferry cross the river? The latest report from Martin

County peanuts, is that the crop is better than it has been for years.

Quite a number of people Jeft

in the circus at Plymouth.

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Depletion of soil fertility and poor housing go hand-in-hand, according to Dr. Horace Hamilton, rural sociologist of the N. C. State College

Experiment Station. Studies conducted in various sec-tions of North Carolina appear to confirm this assertion. In one badly eroded area, 114 farm families were studied with respect to housing, household equipment, and grounds

Although a majority of the houses were weather-tight, there was con-siderable variation among the tenure groups. A much smaller propor-tion of Negroes lived in weathertight houses than did the white fam-

In addition, the reasearches found that only a few of the famlies lived in houses which had paint in good condition. However, about one-half of the houses occupied by owners had been painted, but the paint was old or cracked, giving little protection from the elements. About one in three of the tenant

houses, one in six of the cropper houses, and one out of each 10 farm laborer houses had been painted, but the paint was protecting the exterwalls but little.

Approximately one-third of the roofs on houses occupied by owners present were classified as good. For the othwith roofs in good root the proportion with roofs in good condition were: tenants, one-fifth; croppers, one-sizth; and laborers, one-fifth. Here, gestions to make?

again, the proportion of houses with Negroes was much smaller than that roofs in good condition occupied by for white farm families.





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Indian Deed for Durant's Neck, 1661.

Is Recorded in Perquimans County Records Carl Goerch and other Carolina travelers are acquainted with the phrase, "Durant's Neck," but many the boat yesterday morning to take A car load of machinery for the citizens of the state know little of this name. Shakespeare found so many terms of little significance that Spoke and Handle mill arrived yesterday. It is expected that the plant will be in operation by November he wrote: "What is in a name? That thought up this innovation and had which we call a rose, by another calls for 52 of them in the first

Mrs. W. H. Bennett and daughter, name would smell as sweet." The words, "Durant's Neck," have an im-Mrs. C. D. Carstarphen are visiting in Plymouth. portant meaning which penetrates Mrs. Woodhouse and daughter, who have been visiting in Plymouth, almost three hundred years into the The appearance of a peninsula ex-

returned yesterday. There will be held in the Court tending into the Albemarle Sound House on Monday the 21st inst., at 11 contributes the word "neck". The o'clock a meeting of the cotton far-mers of the county for the purpose name of the original owner of this plot of Perquimans County land is added to complete the phrase, "Durof organizing a co-operative asso-ciation, and appoint representatives ant's Neck." A traveler following highway 17 beholds a historical marker as he departs from Hertford to meet with the State association to be held in the city of Raleigh, on the 23rd inst. All interested in the in the direction of Elizabeth City. The marker was erected by the cotton products are invited to be

North Carolina Historical Commis sion and reads: "George Durant The Postmaster has put a desk in "George Durant: the lobby of the post office. This adds materially to the conveniences Pioneer settler of Albemarle, 1662 Speaker of Assembly. Site of home of the public. Has X any more sug-20 miles east, at Durant's Neck This section was a land of rapid development during the early days

when the Carolina settlement was nothing more than the county of Albemarle In the fall, 1663, Sir William Berkeley, one of the Lords Proprietors and governor of Virginia, received

instructions to organize a government at Albemarle. The settlement was confined chiefly to the waters of the Chowan, and William Drum-mond was selected to be the first governor in the history of our state. One popular historian said that he "man of education, of integrity, and well fitted for his office. He continued his discussion: "Population had flowed in, some of the planters being men of large means, meaning with them from ten to thir-ty persons; and shortly after the govthan the spring of 1665, the first as-sembly was held, and the little setthan the spring of 1065, the first as-sembly was held, and the little set-tlement became a self-governing community, a pure democracy, the entire body of the inhabitants act-ing for themselves, and not through the instrumentality of representa-tives." strength, she was hardly able to go. Her nerves were so on edge sound sleep was almost impossible and I was worried about her. I am grateful that I got Pow-o-lin for her. The first bottle brought her such grand relief she does not have to worry about dieting, for everything she eats seems to agree with her and previse her strength and nourishment.

George Durant came to the region bordering the Carolina sounds with the first settlers, spent two years exploring, and selected the famous neck of land that honors his name today. The deed for the land he pur-chased from the Indians is recorded in Book A of the Perquimans Coun-ty records, dated March 1, 1661. Durant's Neck is the oldest known clearing in Albemarle and the deed is the oldest on record in the court house.

friends.

As Shakespeare's rose by any oth-er name would smell as sweet; like Pharmacy wise Durant's Neck by any other name would still be a fertile penin-

N.C. Farm Order For More Milk And Eggs

The North Carolina "order" under the nation's 1942 plan for record expansion of food output will be for less wheat but more milk and eggs. E. Y. Floyd, state AAA executive officer at State College, reports.

"Despite some recent inconsistent eports about Britain having 'plenty of food," Mr. Floyd says, Brit ish have left absolutely no doubt but that they need enormous supplies of all foods except wheat, and Am-





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erican agriculture has agreed to tackle the job of furnishing those supplies. Our own state job, with first emphasis on increasing egg and milk production, will be to boost the output of just about all foods by approximately 15 per cent."

North Carolina representatives of every U.S. Department of Agriculture agency, led by State College Extension and AAA men, started this week a campaign which will in-clude visits to every farm in the State. The purpose of the farm vis-its will be to outline production needs to every farmer, analyze each farm's land and equipment and then to give the farmer a concrete 1942 plan under which the farm's food production can be expanded without excessive expense to the farm-

Other "basic" food commodities which Tar Heel producers will be sked to "bear down on," Mr. Floyd adds, are beef and pork. North Car-olina farmers have never produced sufficient supplies of milk, eggs, poultry, beef or pork to feed their own state's population. "That makes the need for increases doubly im-

"The 1942 food drive is strictly a voluntary proposition," Mr. Floyd declares, "and farmers will be asked to cooperate with the plan only after they have been shown why in-creases are needed and how their prices will be protected through the summer of 1943

Things To Watch For In The Future

Fluorescent lamps in the shape of plates or discs, rather than the long tubes, have been made possible by a new process, and are expected to be suitable for mounting in conven-tional ceiling outlets or floor lamps for homes... a new floor finish call-ed penetrex which is said to enter into combination with the wood fiIN THESE UNUSUAL TIMES we invite you to inspect an unusual new car-new in its beauty, its comfort, its choice of two fine 90 horsepower engines, 6 cylinders or 8.

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