

Studies Being Made Of '53 FHA Program

Was farm production as high as it should have been last year? Was income less than expected? Did expenses cut too much into profits? If so, why and what can be done about it?

These are some of the questions the 53 families cooperating in the program of the Farmers Home Administration in the six county unit served by the Hertford Office are asking themselves these days as they analyze their past year's farm and home business and make plans for the 1954 crop season.

Assisting them in their study and with their plans is E. F. Morgan, County Supervisor for the six county unit. Crop and livestock yields for 1953, profits, losses, expenses, and other items are included in the individual studies.

Families are getting a picture of their financial and production situation which helps them to determine efficiency of present practices, and discover where weaknesses should be strengthened for greater progress in the future.

These families with Farmers Home Administration credit either to own or operate farms are discovering underlying problems that represent road blocks in the way of successful farming. Many couples are finding the size of their farm business too small, crop and livestock enterprises not properly balanced, farm and home management methods not up-to-date, or not enough food being produced and preserved for home use.

In this joint look at the balance sheet, special attention is paid to how the previous year's business turned out to decide what changes are needed for the year ahead. It gives the families an opportunity to measure progress toward long-range goals, and

to note any causes of failure before repetition sets in. Planning ahead enables them to use earnings to better advantage, avoid spending for non-essentials, and arrange debt payment on or before the due date.

"Loans are successful only when families getting them are successful," so states Mr. Morgan. "We believe helping families plan and farm efficiently is as essential as the credit extended. We feel we are in a better position now than ever before to help borrowers adjust and improve their farming."

WHITESTON NEWS

Harold Lassiter and family and Miss Dorothy Jean Winslow of Norfolk, Va., visited relatives here on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Linwood Hobbs and Charlie Calvin of Hobbsville, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Winslow, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Winslow and children, Johnnie and Wayne of Winfall, Star Rt., were Sunday guests of Mrs. Ida Winslow and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Howell and son, Wayne of Beech Springs visited Mrs. John T. Lane and son, Elsberry, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Gregory and the Ernest Melvin Winslow family of Elizabeth City visited relatives here Sunday.

Friends of Daly Rountree will be glad to know that he has returned home from Norfolk General Hospital where he underwent a major operation.

Fred Upton and family of Camden visited relatives here Sunday P. M. Mrs. Thurman White and children, Richard and Millicent are spending some time with Mrs. White's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Dale.

The Alice Chappell Circle of the Up River Missionary Society met with Mrs. Linford Winslow of Belvidere Saturday P. M.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Lassiter, Mrs. Lyndon White and family visited relatives in Virginia Sunday P. M.

Mrs. Ellis Stallings, Mr. and Mrs. George Winslow, Mr. and Mrs. George Winslow and Georgia Waye spent last Wednesday at Potocasi with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Jenkins.

Mrs. Nathan Reife of Hertford spent Thursday with Miss Margaret White.

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pital Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Lane and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Winfred Chappell at their new home near Hertford Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Copeland have recently moved into their new home here.

Louis Winslow and Worth Dale spent Thursday at a meeting in Greenville.

Mrs. I. A. Ward and Mrs. L. C. Winslow of Hertford visited Mrs. Edwin White and Miss Margaret White Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Butt and children visited the Sanford Stallings family Wednesday evening.

Rev. and Mrs. Virgil Pike spent a few days last week near Greensboro with their son, Homer Pike. Mr. Pike returned home Thursday but Mrs. Pike remained for a longer visit.

Agent Recommends Local Truck Crops

Do you need a small income about May or June? Ralph Sasser, Assistant Farm Agent states that many farmers in Perquimans County might profit by producing truck crops that could be marketed about this time, adding much to their present income. Sasser states that research and actual experience on a limited scale has proven conclusively that local climate, season, soil, rainfall and location is ideal for many vegetable crops.

There are also many drawbacks in producing many of these vegetables that might affect individuals. First, this type of farming has a greater labor requirement. Second, a farmer should have some experience in growing vegetable crops before entering on a large scale, third, and very important, a good market is needed.

However, weighing the advantages against the disadvantages, Mr. Sasser states that it might be wise for some of us to produce these crops on a small scale which would add income during the summer months. Sweet pepper, tomatoes, snapbeans, squash and cucumbers are some of the vegetable crops that could be produced by our average farmers without adding any additional equipment to his farm.

BELVIDERE NEWS

Elmer Chappell has returned home from the Albemarle Hospital and is doing nicely.

George Winslow attended a Farm Bureau Convention at Statesville on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of last week.

Mrs. Parker Copeland, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Copeland, Mrs. George Winslow and Georgia Waye spent last Wednesday at Potocasi with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Jenkins.

Mary Dow Chappell and Becky Cox of Hertford, Janice Stallings of Whiteston and Ann White were recent visitors with Lois Violet Winslow.

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BRIDAL SHOWER

Mrs. Howard Matthews, Mrs. Walton Lane and Mrs. J. S. Basnight were joint hostesses at a bridal shower on Monday night, at the home of Mrs. Matthews, complimentary to Mrs. Winston Lane, Jr., who before her recent marriage was Miss Ina Jean Bass of Rocky Hook.

The living room and dining room were tastefully decorated with white gladiolus and chrysanthemums, ivy and fern.

The dining table was covered with an Irish lace cloth. The centerpiece was a three-tier wedding cake daintily decorated in lilies of the valley and bridal rose design and topped by a miniature bride and bridegroom. The cake was flanked on either side by crystal candelabras holding three white lighted candles each. Bingo was played with a number

of prizes won by the guests.

While soft nuptial music was played by Mrs. Howard Matthews Little Cheryl Copeland and Master Carlton Keaton costumed as miniature bride and bridegroom piloted a huge basket of gifts to the bride and bridegroom, who opened and acknowledged their many beautiful and useful gifts.

The wedding cake was cut by the bride, assisted by the bridegroom. Mrs. Matthews presided at the punch bowl and Mrs. Basnight served the wedding cake along with nuts and cookies. About sixty brought or sent gifts.

Beloved children, the world has need of you—and more as children than as men and women; it needs your innocence, unselfishness, faithful affection, uncontaminated lives. —Mary Baker Eddy.

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DON'T MISS THIS—MEN'S All Wool Suits SEWELL-CURLEE-HOFTOX 1/3 OFF	Ladies' Sweaters BUTTON DOWN AND PULL-OVER STYLES Wool - Nylon - Orlon 1/3 OFF	Ladies' Shoes KID AND SUEDE 1/3 Off
ONE LOT MEN'S Dress Pants VALUES TO \$10.00 NOW \$4.95	LADIES' Suits - Dresses and TOPPERS GOOD SELECTION LEFT 1/3 OFF	

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NOTICE

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING

The annual meeting of Stockholders of the Hertford Building & Loan Association, Hertford, N. C., for the election of directors and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting will be held Wednesday, February 10, 1954, at the Perquimans County Court House at 4 o'clock P. M.

A. W. HEFREN
President.

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