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Local Association Completes 5th. Year

ORGANIZED IN 1934 UNDER THE FARM CREDIT ACT OF 1933

By Lynwood J. Judkins

Having been organized in 1934 under the Farm Credit Act of 1933, The Weldon Production Credit Association has arrived at its fifth Annual Meeting. The life of this organization has been one that reflects credit to the Directors and Stockholders. By the Association being a cooperative one, it is enabled to obtain money at a reasonable rate of interest and this saving is therefore passed on to the farmers. The Association pays interest for the actual time it uses the money, therefore, it only charges the borrower for the actual time he has the money. The Association is recognized as one of the outstanding business units in this section.

One of the factors which assure the permanency of this Association is the fact that each borrower becomes a member and part-owner of his Association. Each member owns voting stock in his Association and equal to approximately five percent of the money he borrows. This voting stock, which is all owned by farmers who use the Association entitles each member to one vote at the meetings of the Association. At these meetings the members choose fellow-members to serve on the Board of Directors. These Directors determine the policies of the Association and select its officers.

Farmers get their money just when they need it to carry on their farm operations. The loans are made to mature when the member expects to market his cotton or other crops. If the borrower finds it necessary to delay the sale of his cotton, arrangements can be made to postpone the repayment of the loan until the crop is sold. If, on the other hand, he sells any of his crops before his loan matures, he makes a corresponding payment on his loan. The interest stops the day the payment is made. Since the Association charges interest on each dollar only for the actual number of days it is outstanding, and the borrower keeps the money only when he is using it, interest costs are kept at a minimum.

In addition to borrowing to finance their cotton crop, farmers borrow from their Production Credit Associations to finance their other crops, including tobacco, peanuts, sweet potatoes, pecans and peaches. When they need seed, fertilizer, mules, cattle, hogs, machinery or equipment, they borrow the money from their Production Credit Association and pay cash, get their discounts and save money. Members who are in a good financial position may borrow from their Production Credit Association when they need money to build fences, to construct terraces, to repair or alter their farm buildings or to buy household equip-

There are ninety-four Production Credit Associations in North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida, the states in the Third Farm Credit District. These Associations now have over 55,000 members who buy their credit the modern PCA way.

These farmers own more than \$1,150,000 in voting stock in their Associations. These Associations have built up reserves to protect the investment of their members in excess of \$600,000,000.

The officers and employees of the Weldon Association will be glad to discuss with you the matter of properly financing your farming operations if you will come in to the office that is located in Weldon or Jackson.

CLINIC

The Tarboro Rotary Club will hold its regular Orthopaedic Clinic on Monday, January 30th., 1939 at 9:00 A. M. at the Presbyterian Church Sunday School Rooms, Tarboro, North Carolina.

The Rotary Club is anxious to render service to all cripples, regardless of age or race, who are unable to pay for treatment. We will thank you for your co-operation in finding these cases and directing them to the clinic.

Private (pay) patients are requested not to come before 1:00 P. M.

WPCA Secretary



Pictured above is Lynwood J. Judkins, who serves Weldon Production Credit Association as Secretary. He is completing his fourth year with the organization. During this time the amount of its business and the membership both have grown tremendously. Money loaned this past year reached close to the \$400,000 mark while the Association now has between seven and eight hundred members.

Northampton Representative



B. N. Capel, of Gumberry, above is Northampton County Representative of the Production Credit Association and has charge of the branch office in Jackson.

A Warning To House - Keepers

A warning is in order to local housewives and neighbors to be careful how you lend money to your neighbor's cooks on their pretense of borrowing for their employers. One cook used this ruse here last week to borrow from three neighbors and she hasn't been seen since that time.

Trio Held Under Heavy Bond; Charged With Theft \$1000 Worth Auto Tires

HIGHLIGHTS

Farmer - Members numbering from 600 to 1000 have attended the last three stockholders meetings and today's gathering is expected to reach about eight hundred.

The picture of the Corporation officials and the four farm scenes on the inside pages were selected from the collection of Secretary Judkins, who is somewhat of a camera fan. He took dozens of snapshots this past year while traveling over the farms of the Association members and when he attended various meetings.

This week's issue printed on green paper as well as the usual white paper with black ink carries out the Association's colors of green, black and white.

Business people and the public generally are yearly becoming more conscious of the important part Production Credit Association takes in the life and welfare of Halifax and Northampton Counties.

This big organization lends out each year nearly \$400,000 to its eight hundred farmer-members and with its low-cost budget plan (Continued on back page)

Two Assyrians And Negro Boy To Be Tried In Superior Court

Charlie Dibbs, his son, Fred Dibbs and a colored boy, Bruce Woodruff, all of Weldon, are in Halifax County jail in default of \$2500 bond each on charges growing out of the larceny of \$1000 worth of automobile and truck tires from Bounds Motor Company, local automobile dealers.

A hearing was held before Recorder Judge Chas. R. Daniel Tuesday and probable cause was found and the case bound over to Superior Court.

Woodruff, a trusted employee of Bounds Motor Company for many years, has confessed to acting as "lookout" for the Dibbs and he said they would come to the side entrance of the place of business at night when only the filling station part was kept open for business where they slipped in to the nearby tire rack and take two or three tires at a time. About 40 tires is alleged to have been stolen in this way over a period of several months. Practically all of the tires have been recovered or paid for by different parties who got them from Dibbs.

Dibbs, an Assyrian, operated a small store and filling station here on the outskirts of town for the past three years.

"Monte Carlo" Closed By Court Order Saturday

Many Citizens Petition Judge To Close Roadhouse Across River

Armed with a court order signed by Resident Superior Court Judge R. Hunt Parker, Northampton County officers and State Patrolmen closed up a roadhouse on the Garysburg-Weldon Highway Saturday night known as "Monte Carlo" and owned by Ray Weston. Several citizens of this section had petitioned Judge Parker to issue the closing order which will probably mean the end of this place that has gained a bad reputation. Numerous fights and shooting scrapes have taken place there and it was considered to be the general hang-out of the worst element in this section.

The place was crowded with

men and women when the raid took place about midnight Saturday night. They were held while a thorough search of the building and grounds was made, then released after their names were written down by the officers. Some of them, including the Weston brothers will face a Grand Jury indictment.

Ray Weston, who is seriously ill and was confined to bed when the raid took place, is being guarded by officers until he is able to attend a hearing.

THANKS

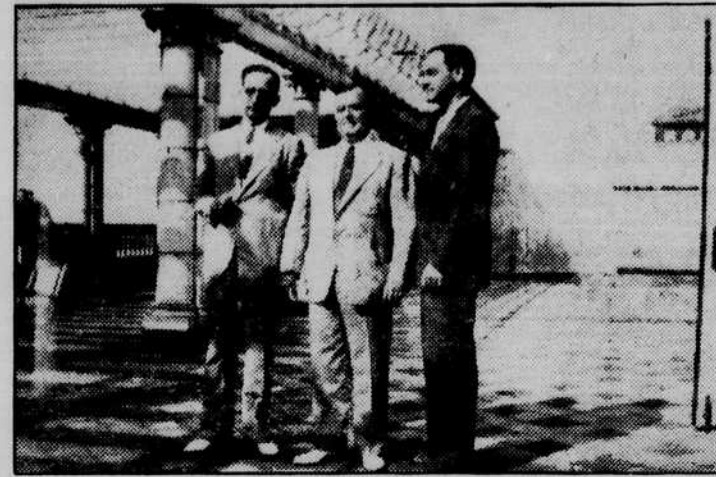
The officers and Directors of the Weldon Production Credit Association are grateful to Mr. Batchelor for the use of the Opera House for this, their Fifth Annual Meeting.

Program For Annual Meeting

1. Song—America.
2. Call meeting to order; Ascertain if Quorum is Present.
3. Welcome—By W. E. Smith, President.
4. Chairman appoints Clerk of Meeting.
5. Introduction of Special Visitors: County Agents; Home Demonstration Agents; Asst. County Agents.
6. Minutes of last Annual Meeting; Secretary-Treasurer.
7. Reading of Affidavit of Mailing of Notices; Secretary-Treasurer.
8. Report for Board of Directors; W. E. Smith, President.
9. Motion that report be made a part of minutes.
10. Report of Secretary-Treasurer; Lynwood J. Judkins.
11. Motion that report be made a part of minutes.
12. Song—Old Black Joe.
13. Election of Directors:
 - (a) Advise members of names of Directors whose terms expire.
 - (b) Report of Nominating Committee.
 - (c) Nominations from floor.
 - (d) Voting.
 - (e) Introductions of new Directors.
14. Talk by Corporation representative; H. M. Guyot, Sec'y.
15. Remarks by Secretary-Treasurer; Lynwood J. Judkins.
16. Ascertain if any other business; W. E. Smith.
17. Announcement; Lynwood J. Judkins.
18. Adjournment.

Members Weldon Production Credit Association Here Friday

President, Vice-President and Secretary



Production Credit Corporation officials snapped while attending the Group Conference at Asheville, N. C. last summer. Ernest Graham, President of the corporation is in center, on his right J. Edwin Tiddy, newly elected Vice-President and on Mr. Graham's left is H. M. Guyot, the Secretary who will make the principal address in Weldon Friday. These officials are all from Columbia, S. C. where the corporation maintains its District headquarters.

County Board Writes Health Officer Leaving

HEALTH BOARD EXPRESSES APPRECIATION TO DR. R. S. McGEACHY

The Halifax County Board of Health sent Dr. R. S. McGeachy, who resigned last week, a letter of appreciation of his splendid services to Halifax County.

The letter was as follows:

January 1939
Dr. R. S. McGeachy,
County Health Officer
Weldon, N. C.

The County Board of Health of Halifax County desires to express to you its appreciation of the excellent service that you and your department have rendered to Halifax County during your term of office. The Board feels that you have carried on one of the most effective programs in the state. Your services have been given freely and unstintingly at all times.

We congratulate you on the promptness with which you have met every threatened epidemic and spread of contagious disease. We are mindful of the fact that you have increased the appropriations for the health work in this county many times over. It is to be noted, also, that much of this money came from outside sources.

While we attempt to express to you our appreciation for the splendid service you have rendered as health officer, we are conscious of your influence as a man, as a citizen, and as a christian gentleman of the noblest type.

With kind regards to you and your family, we are
Sincerely yours,
Halifax County Board of Health
by V. C. Matthews, Secretary.

Weldon Boy Make Honor Roll At Carolina

Sewell Moore, of Weldon, son of Rev. D. P. Moore, was one of the 361 students who made the scholarship honor roll at the University of North Carolina for the last quarter.

Other boys in this vicinity who were mentioned were: George Nethcruitt and Henry Boone of Jackson, who made perfect grades of A (95-100) on all courses. R. W. Edwards of Seaboard and J. E. McGee of Roanoke Rapids were also mentioned on the list.

Correct this sentence: "I don't lick my kid for speaking impolitely," said she, "for that's the way I talk to him."

Nobody could fool New York's big business men with a \$500 gold brick. They never buy one unless the price is over a million.

About Eight Hundred Farmers and Their Families Expected At Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Weldon Production Credit Association stockholders will be held here tomorrow (Friday) and this means about eight hundred farmers from all over Northampton and Halifax Counties will gather here to hear reports of the past year's activities and elect Directors to serve their organization in 1939.

The business meeting will start at 10 o'clock in the morning at the Opera House and continue until about 12 o'clock when the meeting will adjourn. At 1:30 the farmers will gather again at the theatre for any unfinished business and a free showing of a picture show.

APPRECIATION

The matter of conducting the affairs of an organization, such as the Weldon Production Credit Association is not a one-man job. It is a job that requires the cooperation of the borrowers as well as those on the inside of the office. It gives me a great deal of pleasure to say to the stockholders, the Directors and those in my employ, that their efforts are appreciated. To the stockholders for their patience the Directors for their unselfishness, and to the employees for their efforts, go my thanks.
Secretary.

Negro Couple Cremated As Fire Destroys Home

Services At The Baptist Church

The pastor's subject for the morning hour will be: "CONFESSING CHRIST." His subject for the evening hour will be: "WHEN YOU COME TO THE END OF A PERFECT DAY."

The evening sermon is suggested by the beautiful and meaningful song written by Carrie Jacob's Bond: "A Perfect Day." The pastor hopes that you will seriously ask yourself the question: How will I have to live to come to the end of a perfect day?

Is it possible to so live all the way through any God-given day, and come to its close, and look back through the day and truly say: "Well, this is the end of a perfect day for me?" This hour of worship should mean a great deal to all who attend, and the pastor hopes for, and asks for a large evening congregation.

The text for the morning hour of worship is found in the tenth chapter of the Gospel according to Matthew the thirty-second and the thirty-third verses. "Confessing Christ." Surely this is a most important matter for the consideration of every human heart. There are many ways in which we may confess Christ, and there are many excuses given by men as to why they do not confess Him, but there has never been given, by any one a reason as to why Christ is not accepted and confessed before men.

The B. T. U. will meet Sunday afternoon at six-thirty o'clock. The Youths Choir will have charge of the Music at the evening hour of worship, and they are preparing special music which will be inspirational and helpful for all.

Let us have the largest congregations next Sunday morning and evening we have had this year.
By the pastor.

Fletcher Lawrence and his wife, Pink Lawrence, were both burned to death Saturday night at 8:30 o'clock when their home in Halifax was destroyed by fire.

According to the story of a daughter of the Lawrences she had left the house a short time before the tragedy and left a lamp burning on a table, and her father, who was drunk, asleep on the floor. It is believed that Lawrence got up and accidentally knocked the lamp over causing the blaze.

The wife, Pink Lawrence was a paraplegic and had been confined to her bed for several months.

The house was completely destroyed and only a charred mass of bones was left of the couple.

Dr. Ralph Sykes Accepts Position

Dr. Ralph Sykes, of Mount Airy who was recently appointed to succeed Dr. R. S. McGeachy as Halifax County health officer, by the County Board of Health, has accepted the appointment and will assume his duties here on March first.

Dr. Sykes, who is unmarried is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin A. Sykes of Jackson, and was born and reared near Garysburg. He received his A. B. degree from Wake Forest College in 1930 and his M. D. from the Medical College of Virginia, Richmond in 1934. He served his internship at Buxton hospital, Newport News, Va., and practiced in CCC Camp for six months before entering Public Health work for which he received special training at the university of North Carolina. He has served Surry county as Public Health Officer for nearly three years.

Miss Evelyn Shepherd of Greensboro is the guest of Miss Aimee Moore.

Mrs. T. H. Holmes is spending some time in Guilford College as the guest of Mrs. F. C. Shepherd.