

Wake County Negro Farmers Have Meant Much To North Carolina's Forward March. It Is A Pleasure To Salute Them

Water Toting Family Installs Modern System

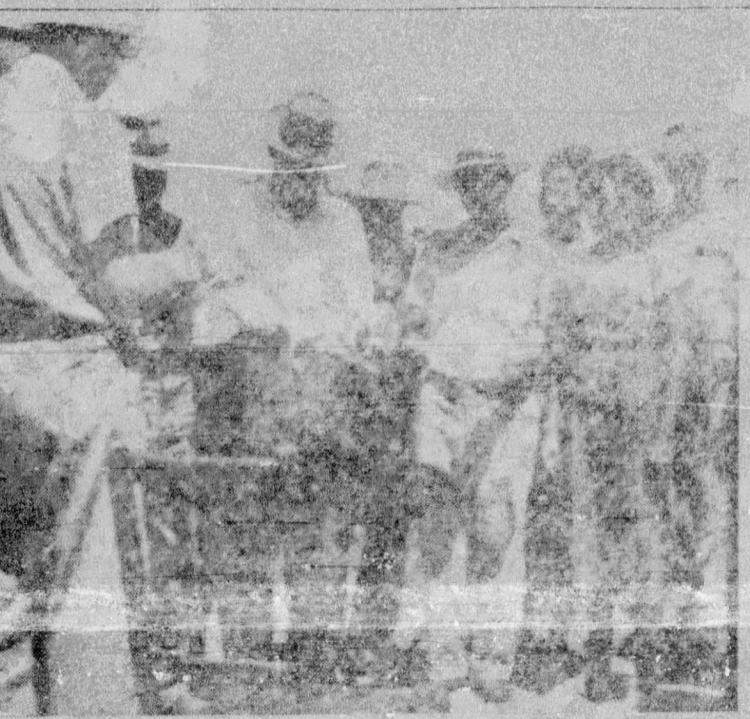
Sixteen years ago the Johns family... In January of 1952 Mr. and Mrs. John attended a County-community of Springs... One of the forum discussions centered on this farm... After the discussions got underway... individual farmers... 240 feet from different sections of Wake from the John's... standing on their round... The Johns took advantage of... and home living they like... since they had had the increased... water installed. The... encouraged to take advantage... through the... contact the Wake... to say "I am... running water and I want... to come out tomorrow and... those suggestions again."... The agents complied with the... to start the... on the road to a more conven-... H. M. Ellis, an... farm water supply... Acting on Extension recommen-... State College, and... and specifications... the Johns farm... and two joints of 36 inch... following... Mr. Johns made contact with... and supply dealers in... and purchased a shallow... well pump and all of the pipe... to run the water line... from the spring to the house.



Leon Holland chose tobacco growing as his 4-H project. He is shown in the midst of his 1954 crop. He evidently is pleased with the crop and evidences a good yield, according to his broad smile.



Beriel Lane is looking over his Improved Variety of tobacco. Mr. Lane is considered one of the most prosperous farmers of Wake County. He has been a direct beneficiary of the extension program carried on by the County Agent.



The art of grading tobacco is very necessary so that the best prices may be received for the weed. One must know the texture of the leaf along with the color and the weight. The group above is getting expert advice as to how tobacco should be graded. This demonstration is greatly appreciated by tobacco growers. The scene was taken on the farm of R. D. Wilder, Rt. 2.



The economies of the county program can be seen in this picture. This registered bull was purchased by a ritual community and aids in the production of cattle for the entire community. He is known as the "Community Bull."



The people of the Shiloh Community had only the church to meet in for their community work, but a group of them went to work and shown above is the Club House that has been built. The community program has grown steadily since the completion of the building.



These 4-H members are shown as they enjoy their annual picnic at the Cary School. These young and enthusiastic children prove that "all work and no play make Jack a dull boy."

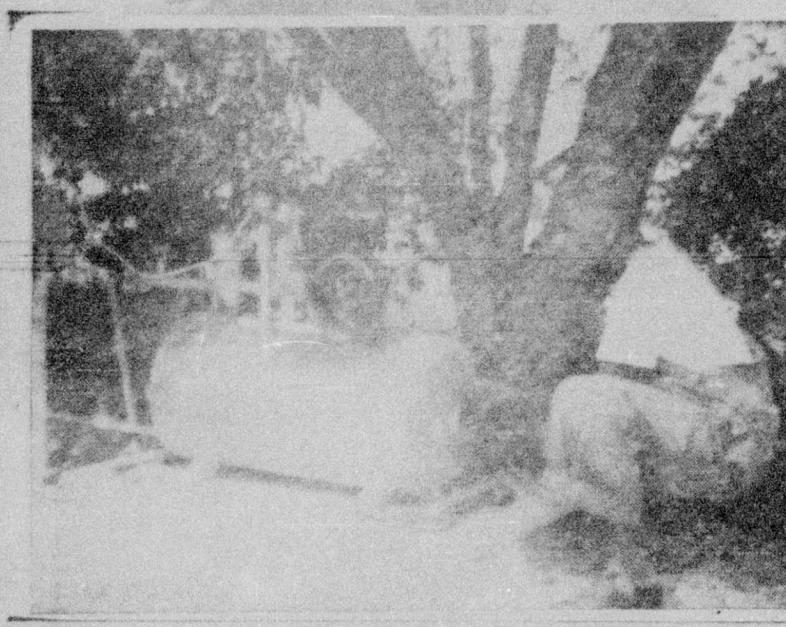


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As the water ran, Mr. Johns remarked, "It only takes a little light for a person to see and to take advantage of the things on his own door steps." He continued by saying, "I didn't know that it would be done so easily." Mrs. Johns also had her say "My children always had to go down to the spring at night and get me a fresh drink of water before going to bed, but its all over now because I have it running in my house. I can drink it any time, day or night, and even do a much better job at cooking and washing."

Over the 16 year period the Johns family averaged 13 trips per day to the spring or 75,920 over the same period. With the spring being 240 feet one way or 480 feet round trip it adds up to the family walking 438 miles per year or 7008 miles over a 16 year period.

All over the Wake County farm families are capitalizing on their springs while still others are having wells drilled so as to enjoy a more convenient water supply.

After laying by all of his crops Mr. Johns called for his boys to give him a hand, and they did. By this time the water had pushed up to a high level in the curbed spring. Along with his son-in-law, the pipe was connected up and buried in the ground from the spring to the house, distance 240 feet.

The pump was installed in the back yard of the dwelling and faucets were installed in the kitchen, on the back porch and in the barn yard. Current was then connected to the pump.

After completing the job and turning on the faucet to see the water run, it was as much an inspiration to the Johns family as was the first message sent over the telephone wires by Alexander

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