

192 Million Forest Trees Are Planted In Carolina In Conservation Program

Farmers cooperating with North Carolina's 43 soil conservation districts and other receiving assistance from U. S. Department of Agriculture's Soil Conservation Service have planted 192,284 acres, or about 192 million forest trees, SCS State Conservationist Richard M. Dailey announced today.

These trees, if properly spaced, would completely cover Watauga County, or be enough to plant 10 rows encircling the Earth at the Equator.

In addition to tree planting, North Carolina farmers and others receiving assistance from Soil Conservation Service have planted 132 miles of field windbreaks and 2,615 miles of hedgerow planting of trees and shrubs for wildlife cover and living fence. They have carried out woodland improvement and site treatment on 776,847 acres and woodland protection on 962,107 acres. Woodland improvement and site treatment practices include thinning, proper harvest cutting, natural reseeding, pruning and woodland weeding, or elimination of cull trees. Woodland protection includes fencing to exclude livestock, grazing control and firebreak construction.

Landowners are showing an increasing awareness of the economic benefits to be realized from woodland conservation. During 1960, alone, farm woodland owners receiving assistance from Soil Conservation Service through the soil conservation districts planted 24,670 acres, or about 25 million trees; 17 miles of field windbreaks and 357 miles of hedgerows. They established 242,071 acres of woodland improvement practices, 2,969 acres of site preparation, and placed 27,789 acres of woodland under protection.

The North Carolina Division of Forestry and the North Carolina Extension Service, cooperated with soil conservation districts in providing services to farm woodland owners. Most of the trees for planting came from State nurseries. The State also provided specialized forestry assistance in fire prevention, disease and insect control, marketing, and management, through the State Division of Forestry and the Extension Service.

Soil conservation district co-



MYSTERIOUS VISITOR—Wade E. Brown holds stuffed duck, found in his yard Thanksgiving day. The "Gold Eye" duck and a companion were discovered dead by Mr. Brown, cause of their deaths unknown. The fowls had reddish brown heads, golden eyes, and blue-grey and dark feathers. Except for the golden eye designation, exact species were unknown, as they did not fit descriptions of ducks usually found in this vicinity. Mr. Brown is keeping the duck at his office on King Street.—Staff photo.

operators received other assistance in woodland improvement practices and reforestation from forest products industries operating in the State. Tree seedlings, marking services and woodland management advice have been furnished free to farm woodland owners by pulp and paper, lumber, and veneer and furniture companies.

"Such local, state, federal and industrial cooperation, through the years, has resulted in great advances in woodland conservation on privately owned lands," Dailey said.

Nationally, farmers and ranchers cooperating with 2,863 soil conservation districts, and others receiving assistance from Soil

Conservation Service, have planted 7,750,000 acres of trees, 38,940 miles of field windbreaks and 25,862 miles of hedgerow plantings. They have established 17,446,000 acres of woodland improvement and 60,350,000 acres of woodland protection.

The Southeastern States—Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee—led all regions in tree planting with 785,764 acres in 1960 and a cumulative total of 5,503,000 acres.

Immigrants face strict curbs in Mexico.

Khrushchev orders increases in production.

McCracken Is Frat Inductee

Jerry McCracken, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. McCracken of Boone was recently inducted into RHO Chapter of Theta Tau, a national professional engineering fraternity, the only one of its type at North Carolina State College.

Jerry, a sophomore in civil engineering, is a graduate of Appalachian High School in Boone.

Alfred Moore Rites In Miss.

Alfred J. Moore, 70, of Blowing Rock died at Blowing Rock Hospital December 22.

Most of his life had been spent in Vicksburg, Miss. where his family has long been prominent in Mississippi history. He came to Blowing Rock in 1953 to make his home with his sister, Mrs. Thomas L. Clear.

Funeral services were held at Vicksburg December 24, burial was in the Cedar Hill cemetery there.

He is survived by his sister, Mrs. Clear; two brothers, Henry S. Moore, Clarksdale, Miss. and William G. Moore, Baltimore, Md. Also surviving is a foster brother, Harry S. Pierce, Sr. and a foster sister, Mrs. Sara P. McKie, New Orleans, La.

Thompson Gets MSU Position

Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 1—James T. Thompson of 3767 Philwood will become chairman of the accounting department of Memphis State University's School of Business Tuesday.

Dr. C. C. Humphreys, MSU president and Dr. E. I. Crawford, director of the School of Business, said the new chairman will succeed J. W. Spiceland.

Mr. Spiceland, president of Maywood near Olive Branch, Miss., asked to be relieved of administrative duties because of his business interests. He will continue his teaching duties at MSU.

Mr. Thompson has been on the Memphis State faculty since 1955. He received his master of business administration degree from Indiana University and formerly taught at Appalachian State Teachers College in Boone, N. C.

Charles Cannon Hospital Is Opened For Inspection

Banner Elk—The new Charles A. Cannon Jr. Memorial hospital was opened for public inspection Sunday afternoon, Jan. 8, it was announced here today by Robert G. Hayes, chairman of the building and finance committee of the Edgar Tufts Memorial association.

The 100-bed hospital has just been completed. Patients will be transferred from the Grace Hartley Memorial hospital at Banner Elk into the new institution later this month. Sunday's "open house" is planned to give the people of the surrounding area an opportunity to visit and inspect the new facility before operations begin officially.

Like the present Grace Hartley hospital, the Charles A. Cannon Memorial Hospital will be operated by the Edgar Tufts Memorial association. The Grace Hartley hospital will be remodeled into a dormitory to provide living quarters for Lees-McRae college students.

The new hospital is named in memory of the late Charles A. Cannon Jr., who died in World War II. Young Cannon was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles A.

The United States supplied 17 per cent of the world's agricultural export volume in 1960, making this nation the world's largest exporter of farm products.

Economists expect 1961 to be a "middle year."

World's oil output capacity gained in 1960.

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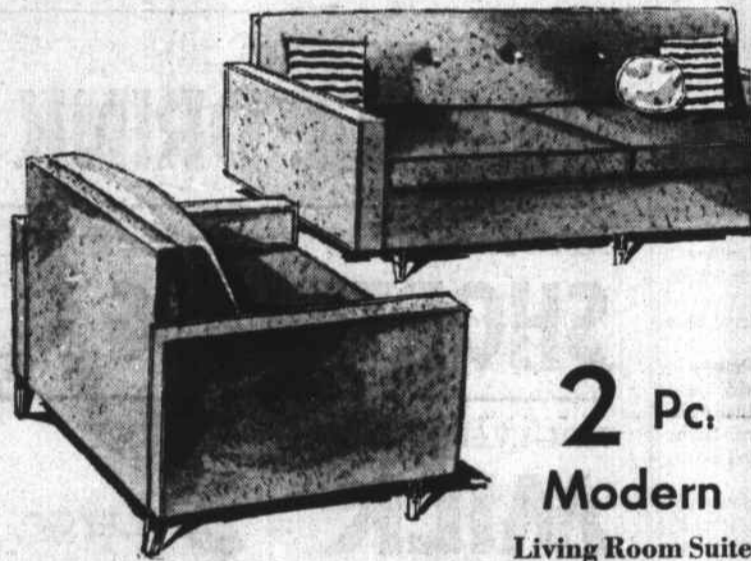
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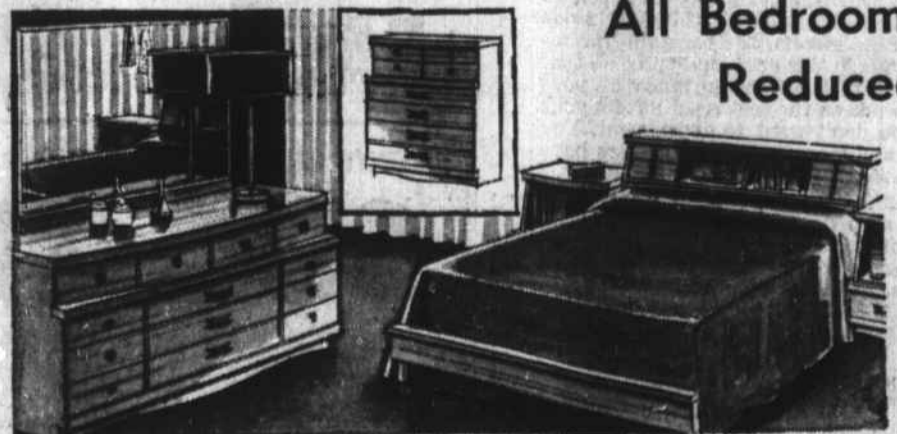
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