

Soil Fertility Goals Are Set For Watauga

The North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service will announce plans Thursday, Sept. 12, for its special "Lime-Profit Hiker" program.

According to County Extension Chairman L. E. Tuckwiller, the state's 100 counties will be united in the effort to meet soil fertility goals and increase farm income by at least \$40 million annually.

"Most Watauga soils that have not been limed within 10 years have a Ph of 5.0 or lower," Tuckwiller explained. "This is too low for all crops except blueberry, native shrubbery and white potatoes."

"Burley tobacco likes a Ph of 5.5 to 6.0 and most crops that we grow like a Ph of approximately 6.0 or higher."

The Chairman added that even a small increase of one ton of corn silage per acre will pay for a ton of lime and give a profit in addition. "But most acres will yield 5 to 10 tons more per acre and therefore give a feed value increase of 10 to 50 dollars more per acre."



The Doctor's Building located on Doctor's Drive of Deerfield Road has been designed to match the Watauga County Hospital in the background. It will house the offices of four doctors and

also the Deerfield Pharmacy when complete in early October. (Staff photo)

Doctors' Building Will Be Ready By First Of October

Construction on a building to house four Boonedoctors and a pharmacy is expected to be completed by October according to Dr. Hadley M. Wilson who will occupy one of the offices.

The Doctors Building, as it will be known, is being constructed by the K-H Corporation of Boone, and work on the one story structure is being done by Cook and Hodges Construction Company.

The building is located on newly named Doctor's Drive off Deerfield Road and directly across from the Watauga County Hospital. It was located here, Wilson says, "because the current trend is to congregate around the hospital." It will also give the public better medical service," he added. Dr. Lowell Furman, local surgeon, is already located on State Farm Road, near the hospital.

In addition to Dr. Wilson, Dr. Len Hagaman and Dr. William Derrick will occupy offices in the Doctor's Building. Dr. Derrick has just been discharged from the Army and is expected to return to Boone by December.

He practiced briefly with Dr. Wilson before entering the service.

Another office in the building has not yet been filled.

A pharmacy will be located in the Doctor's Building and will be operated by the same partnership owning and operating King Street Pharmacy and the Boone Drug Company. It will be called the Deerfield Pharmacy and will provide the same services and merchandise as the downtown drug stores except that a soda fountain will not be included.

Wayne Richardson, one of the owners, described the pharmacy as "small but complete."

He said that it will have about 1,600 square feet. It will be carpeted and in Dr. Wilson's words will be "real plush."

The offices will feature the latest and most modern equipment.

The facility was designed by Foy and Lee Associates and was made to match the Watauga County Hospital as closely as possible. The same style brick was used in both buildings. Dr. Wilson mentioned that this was done so that the Doctor's Building would appear as part of the medical complex.

Landscaping will be done by Aiji Tashiro and will include waterfalls and fountains.

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Father Smith To Tour Latin America, Do Documentary

According to Michael Ahern, vice-president of the Blue Ridge Shoe Company and Chairman of the Advisory Board of St. Elizabeth Catholic Church, his pastor has been chosen for a remarkable jaunt.

Father Ed Smith, the pastor of the three Catholic Churches in Watauga and Ashe counties, is being sent by the Glenmary Home Missioners to do a documentary of all the countries in Latin America. He will study especially the vast slums of the large cities while giving some

attention to the problems of the rural poor.

Father Ed, who recently celebrated his 25th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood with special masses of thanksgiving and receptions in Boone and Cincinnati, Ohio, says that the extended tour is a sort of sabbatical, a bonus after 25 years of parish and public relations work.

The Glenmary Home Missioners with national headquarters in Cincinnati, Ohio, have a pilot project in Columbia, South Am-

erica, Father Smith's research will help Glenmary to determine the type of association which would work most effectively in the slums of Latin America. One unique difference in Glenmary's manner of approach is that native Latin Americans will be encouraged and trained to handle their own problems, to raise their own funds among the wealthy of Central and South America and to form self-subsisting, autonomous organizations to attend each country's greatest need.

The itinerary for the documentary reads like an Atlas of Latin America. It includes a complete coverage of Mexico with an intensive, advanced Spanish course in Cuernavaca, a route through Central America from Guatemala through Panama and on to Columbia, Ecuador, Peru, Chili, Argentina, Uruguay and Paraguay, Bolivia, Brazil, British Guinea and Venezuela.

throughout the State. In Raleigh Holshouser was helping plan the visit to Charlotte today of Richard Nixon, Republican candidate for the Presidency.

Thursday the State will welcome Texas Senator John Tower, who is to visit Charlotte, Hendersonville, Waynesville, High Point and Morehead City, Holshouser said.

Asked for an indication as to how Republicans will handle last week's turncoating events in five counties, the State Chairman suggested that not all the reports had been confirmed and that no action has yet been

taken. The situation involves five county chairmen who reportedly switched their allegiance from the Republican Party to the third-party George Wallace campaign.

A Boone attorney, Holshouser also is on the ballot as candidate in the 44th district for the State House of Representatives.



FATHER ED SMITH

When asked if he looks forward to such a trip, Father Ed replied: "I know I'll get some magnificent scenery and meet some wonderful people but I also know that I'll get terribly tired of dirt and dust, strange food, extreme cold in the Andes and extreme heat below the equator and poverty which would make our American slums look like paradise."

"So I think I'll be truly glad to return to my people here and to the Blue Ridge, the most beautiful and restful spot I've yet found."

SIGNS HIGHWAY BILL

President Johnson has signed the controversial Highway Bill although he conceded he did not like some of the provisions. The President said that he believed the good in the bill outweighed the bad.

Pearson begins job as head of World Bank panel.

Lions Club Starts Calendar Campaign

The Lions Club's annual birthday calendar drive is now taking place and will run through October.

During this time, members of the Lions Club will be working to have as many area residents' birthdays listed on the calendar as possible.

Heading up the drive are Dr. Lee Reynolds, Dr. Ben Strickland and George Thomas. These or any other Lion can be contacted for more information.

In the July Eye Clinic sponsored by the Lions Club, 31 of 51 people were found to need glasses. The Lions paid half of the examination expenses which totaled \$555.

The Lions raise money for their eyesight programs through the calendar drive and their annual broom sale. The next Eye Clinic will be in October.



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