

PEANUT GROWERS URGED TO PROPERLY CURE PEANUTS TO PREVENT HEAVY LOSS

High Quality Peanuts Expected to Be In Good Demand

"Proper harvesting and thorough drying of peanuts before sending them to market is most important," says County Agent C. W. Overman. "This is definitely borne out in the experience of some growers, buyers and processors in handling the 1946 crop."

Mr. Overman quotes from a recent article published in the News and Observer:

"W. M. Stephenson of Pendleton, a peanut buyer and grower for more than 45 years, said that 'the 1946 crop of peanuts gave him considerable worry after it was called to his attention that they were showing a larger percentage of damaged kernels than peanuts from Virginia.'

"In making a study as to the cause Mr. Stephenson reached the conclusion that farmers as a whole in North Carolina dug their peanuts and put them directly out of the ground into the stack without any chance of wilting and curing in the field. The vines being full of sap, its green foliage and dirt cause the peanuts to

go through a heat and damage. He found that farmers in Virginia used sulphur dust on their peanuts just as farmers in North Carolina, but did not have the large percentage of damaged kernels. He found the practice in Virginia was to dig the peanuts and let them dry on the ground a day and a half or two days before stacking, which eliminated the damage."

Farmers in Chowan County have sulphur dusted approximately 4,000 acres or more of their peanut crop this year, says Mr. Overman. Overman says this is a good practice in peanut growing and will pay good dividends in increased yields of peanuts and increased yield and quality of hay, provided the peanuts are dug properly, allowed to wilt on the ground one to two days before stacking, enough additional stack poles are used so that stacks will be no larger around than normal, slats are nailed on the poles 12 to 18 inches above the ground so that good air circulation will result, and the peanuts are left in the stack until they thoroughly cure and dry before picking. According to reports coming to Mr. Overman, buyers are going to be on the alert this year to detect improv-

erly cured peanuts and those containing excess moisture and damaged kernels. Damaged peanuts or those carrying excess moisture will most likely be cut in price to off-set losses that might occur in storage.

Mr. Overman pleads with all farmers who have sulphur dusted their crop to use every precaution possible to complete the harvesting and preparation of peanuts for market so that they will absolutely dry and bring top market prices. "A good job well done in sulphur dusting peanuts will pay good dividends," says Mr. Overman.

Colored Council Now Working On Plans For Achievement Day

Negro County Council Meets In Brown-Carver Library

The Home Demonstration County Council met Saturday, September 20, at 3 o'clock in the Brown-Carver Library. The meeting was opened with Mrs. Arizona Fleming presiding in the absence of the president.

Reports of the Farmers and Home Workers Conference, and of the Labor Day picnic were given by Mrs. Fleming of Center Hill Club.

Plans were completed for the Achievement Day on October 24, and county projects were discussed by Mrs. Esther Burgess Roscoe. These projects are to be discussed in the various clubs and brought back to the Council meeting next time for adoption.

Hospital Notes

The following patients have been admitted in Chowan Hospital during the week ending Monday:

White Patients
Robert F. Rice, Beaufort; James E. Wilder, Harrellsville; Mrs. A. M. Forehand, Edenton; Mrs. Roy Goodwin, Hertford; Mrs. M. E. Kennedy, Edenton; Miss Mary Alice Godfrey, Chowan Hospital; Mrs. Linwood Davenport and baby girl, Edenton; Robert Clark, Colerain; Thurston Stallings, Edenton; Mrs. Howard Marler, Alexandria, Va.; Mrs. Harry A. Hassell, Edenton; Mrs. Jessie B. Myers, Colerain; Clyde Norman, Roper; Mrs. Mary Belch, Tyner; the Rev. Fred F. Brown, Knoxville, Tenn.

Colored Patients
John E. Roberts, Edenton; Augusta Hyman, Tyner; Bessie Clayton, Gatesville; Edna Bond, Tyner; Mary Britt, Tyner.

Lawn Party Friday At Center Hill Parsonage

The Youth Fellowship group of Center Hill Methodist Church at Tyner will sponsor a lawn party on the Methodist parsonage lawn Friday evening, September 26, at 6 o'clock. Bingo will be played, and there will be hot dogs, sandwiches, cake, ice cream, pop corn and lemonade for sale.

Members of the group extend a cordial invitation to the public to attend and enjoy the affair.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Earl G. Harrell announce the birth of a son, Joseph Earl, weight 7 pounds 6 ounces, on Friday, September 19, at Norfolk General Hospital, Norfolk, Va. Mother and baby are doing nicely.

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BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Linwood E. Davenport announce the birth of a 7 1/2-pound daughter, Johnetta White, at the Chowan Hospital on Thursday, September 18.

Minutes Of County Board Of Education

The County Board of Education held its regular meeting September 1, 1947. The following members were present: G. E. Nixon, Carey Evans, Lloyd Briggs, D. H. Berryman, J. I. Boyce. In the absence of the chairman, J. E. Wood, Mr. Berryman was appointed temporary chairman.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and upon motion made and passed same were approved. The County Treasurer's report for August was read and upon motion made and passed the report was approved.

The Secretary reported the election of Miss Jayne Griffin as Primary teacher in the Chowan High School by the committee. This election was approved by a motion made and passed.

The question was considered concerning an early school schedule for the first month. It was decided to run the regular schedule by opening schools at 8:30 A. M. for the first month, and if the need for an earlier schedule was observed for a month, the matter would be considered at the next meeting.

The question of holidays and Christmas vacation was discussed. Upon motion made and passed, it was ordered that Thursday and Friday be observed for Thanksgiving, and that the Christmas holidays begin with the close of schools December 19 and that same be re-opened December 31, 1947.

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The Superintendent reported that the seventh grade vacancy at Chowan High School had not been filled, and the teacher-principal for the Rocky Hock Central had not been secured, but that he hoped to either secure regular teachers by the opening date, September 8th, otherwise secure qualified substitute teachers until regular teachers could be had.

The Board authorized the Superintendent, upon motion and passed, to have the plans and specifications for the Chowan High School physical education and recreation building drawn immediately, in the event the application for Federal funds for architectural fees is approved.

A motion was made and passed authorizing a 15% increase in the cost of handling textbooks under the

State book rental system, as authorized by the State Board of Education for all units that are self-supporting. Carey Evans was authorized, by motion made and passed, to have the grounds of the Rocky Hock Central School mowed.

The secretary read the bills which had been paid and those to be paid in the amount of \$2,740.61. A motion was made and passed to approve the bills paid and those which had not been paid in the sum total of \$2,740.61.

There being no further business, a motion was made and passed to adjourn.

D. H. BERRYMAN,
Temporary Chairman.
W. J. TAYLOR,
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