

Tile Drainage Lines Proving Beneficial To Chowan Farms

Drainage Is Greatly Improved In Wet Land Sections

Several farmers of Chowan County with whom the local technicians of the Soil Conservation Service are working have recently completed tile installation projects.

The tile installations were made to improve the drainage of seepy wet land or to remove excess water from low bottom areas.

According to the farmers, the wet bottom areas made land preparation and cultivation very difficult. When the better drained field areas were ready for plowing the bottom areas were still too wet and many times would bog down tractors and implements. The installation of farm drain tile, as recommended by the Soil Conservation Service, is removing not only the excess water but most of their land management difficulties, they report.

Marcel Ward, a farmer of the Gliden community, put in 1,650 feet of six inch tile in several bottom areas on his River Road farm. This installation was in addition to one of better than 2,000 feet last year.

Marcel obtained such pleasing results from his 1953 tiling projects that he was very eager to get this year's allotment installed. He has plans for putting in approximately 2,000 feet next fall.

Marcel reported that after one big rain in 1954 the water in the tiled bottoms moved on out without delay while the water in the bottoms without tile drains remained half-leg deep for a week or more.

J. D. Ward, another farmer of the Gliden area, drained one of his wet bottoms with 375 feet of six-inch tile. He plans to drain two or three other bottom areas next fall if adequate outlets can be provided.

J. E. Ward and George Ward, farmers of the Ryland community, improved the drainage of a very troublesome spot on their farm with the use of 220 feet of 6-inch tile.

Locke Baker started to use farm

drain tile on his farm in Gliden community several years ago. He keeps adding some each year. One tile line was completed this spring and another spot drainage project done.

Colbert W. Byrum is presently engaged in the laying of a line of several hundred feet of six-inch tile on his newly-cleared field. His drainage improvement will benefit several acres of cropland.

According to R. C. Jordan, Soil Conservationist of the Chowan Work Unit of the Soil Conservation Service, these farmers are very happy with the results being obtained from their tile drainage facilities.

Several other S.C.S. Cooperators are still awaiting the procurement of a tile-trenching machine to put in their tile drainage jobs, he said.

The S.C.S. technicians assisted these farmers to plan their tile drainage practices, to lay them out, to install the tile, and to establish the tile drainage lines, Mr. Jordan stated.

A part of these farmers obtained Federal cost-sharing assistance from the County A.C.P. Committee.

Sluggers Will Play Wakefield Sunday

The Edenton Sluggers, local colored baseball team, defeated the Raleigh Braves on Hicks Field Sunday afternoon by a score of 9 to 6.

The Sluggers are scheduled to meet the Wakefield Tigers on Hicks Field next Sunday afternoon at 2:45 o'clock. Last year the two teams split in a series, so that a battle royal is anticipated.

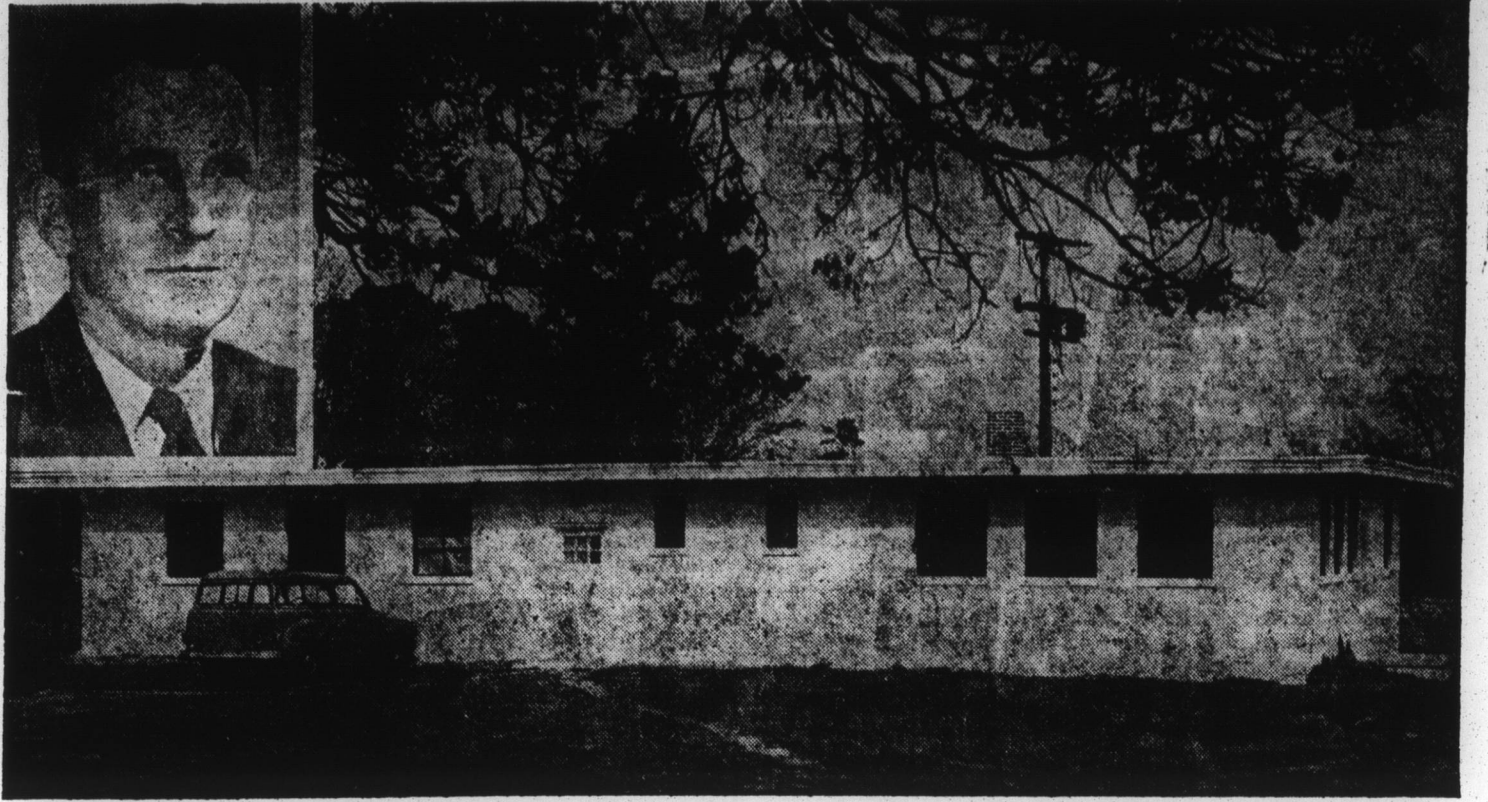
Edenton Student Is Listed In Issue Of U. Of O. Math Letter

Clinton Oliver Davis, Edenton High student, is among the youthful high school and junior high math wizards who turned in correct answers to problems in the current issue of the University of Oklahoma Math Letter.

More than 4,000 copies of each issue of the four-page publication are sent to math teachers in 45 states and seven foreign countries, including Turkey, India and East Africa.

In addition to general mathematics news, the OU Math Letter carries four problems of varying difficulty for students to solve.

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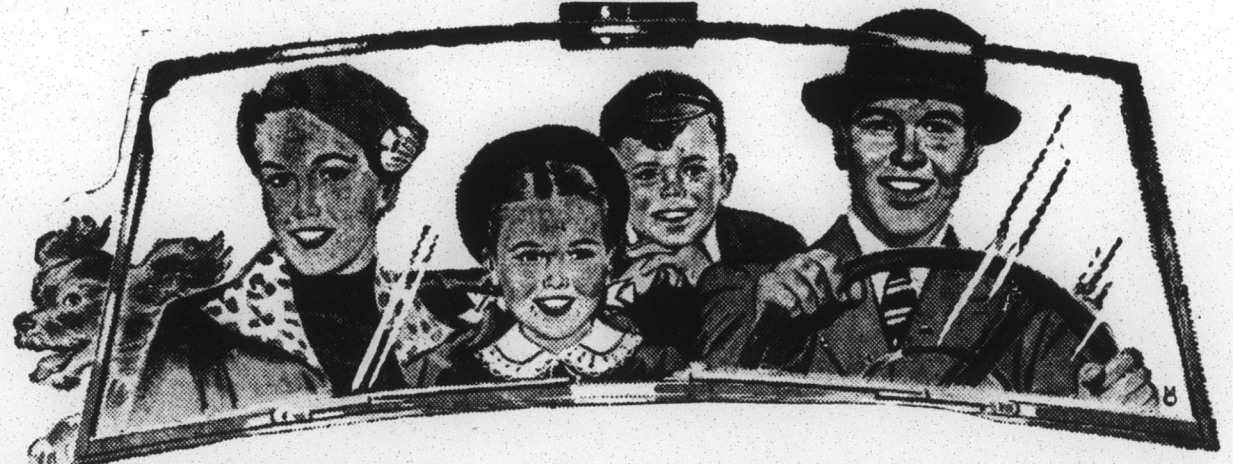


TO BE DEDICATED AT PRESS MEETING—The graphic arts building, housing the Roy Parker School of Printing at Chowan College, will be dedicated at the spring meeting of the Eastern North Carolina Press Association to be held in Murfreesboro on Friday and Saturday, May 7-8. The school was named in honor of J. Roy Parker (inset), Ahoskie publisher and former professor of journalism at the University of North Carolina. The building, pictured above, was completed last summer. (Chowan College News Bureau photo.)

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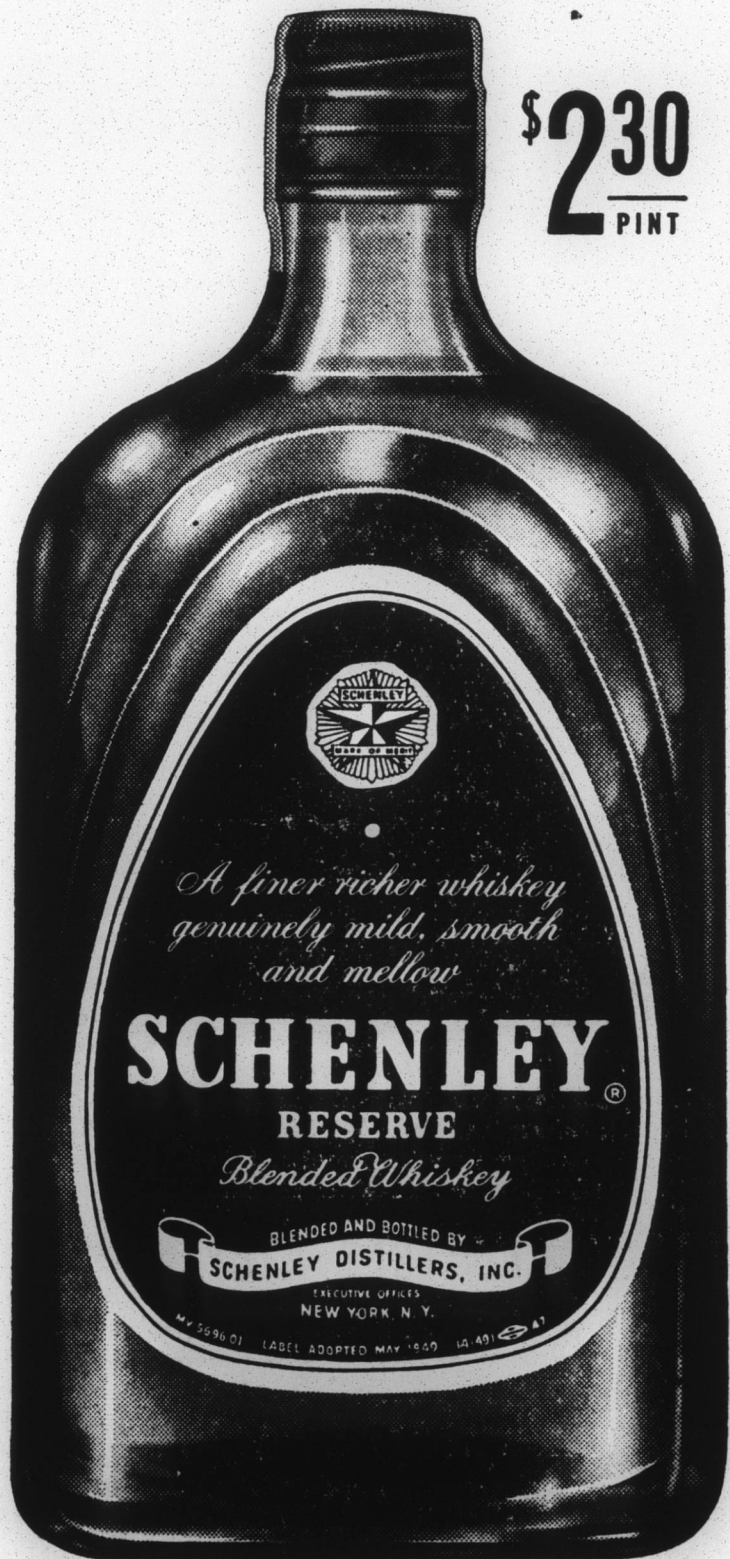
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