

Improved Service Developed By FHA

More Decisions Will Be Made In County Offices

Measures to speed up and further improve Farmers Home Administration services to farmers have recently been developed in Washington under the direction of Secretary Benson. Horace J. Esenhower, State Director at Raleigh, North Carolina, said today.

In accordance with Secretary Benson's policy of placing more control of agricultural programs in local hands, many of the decisions formerly made in state offices will now be made in the counties. County Supervisors, the employees who deal directly with the farmers, will have final approval on a larger number of loans and will have more authority in working with other creditors and in taking steps to help borrowers solve their financial and farming problems.

Greater use will be made of state and county committees. New state committees, to be appointed in the near future, will be called upon frequently to review agency operations and make sure they are efficiently serving local needs. County committees will be relied upon to an even greater extent than in the past to help adapt national policies to local needs.

Services of other public and private organizations will be used to the maximum extent possible. County home demonstration agents will help Farmers Home Administration borrowers with their family living problems. Every possible step will be taken to make sure that no government funds are advanced when private or cooperative credit is available to meet the needs. Lenders will be urged to supply funds for insured farm ownership loans.

State Directors and their staffs are being urged to increase their efficiency by eliminating every unnecessary step and doing a perfect job the first time.

Measures already taken by the agency to render better service at less cost includes the reorganization of the national, area finance, and state offices which resulted in a savings of more than \$3,500,000.

A number of additional improvements were discussed at the meetings that will place more authority in the hands of county supervisors, make the programs easier to operate, and enable the agency to serve more farm-

QUEEN OF DIAMONDS!



Printed sailcloth is fashion news this summer, the National Cotton Council reports. Here, cotton sailcloth is printed in a colorful gray, chartreuse and white diamond pattern. This Sanforized cotton is tailored into a sophisticated cropped jacket and Girudi shirt combination.

ers than in the past. Most of these revisions are already in the hands of field employees and will soon be in full effect.

Robert Earl Edwards And Tommy Kehayes Win DAR Awards

In reporting the various phases of school, commencement last week, The Herald overlooked brief exercises held in the school gymnasium, when Robert Earl Edwards and Tommy Kehayes were awarded DAR citizenship awards. Robert Earl won the award as a high school student and Tommy won the honor in the junior high school division. The awards were presented by Mrs. W. D. Holmes, Jr., representing the Edenton Tea Party Chapter of the DAR.

Bus Driver Safety Medals were also presented to Ben Browning, Talbert Jackson, Billy Moore, Larry Lowe and Douglas Holland. The medals were presented by N. J. George which are awarded annually to the bus drivers who had no accidents during the year.

At the exercises Jerry Downum, president of the freshman class, presented a \$25 check from the class to

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TEXT: "Knowledge exists to be imparted." — Emerson.

A visitor watched a farmer forking a load of hay upon the roof of a shed. The effort seemed to be so silly that the visitor asked why the farmer was going to all that trouble.

"I'll tell you," the farmer said, "This isn't very good hay. If I put it in front of the cows, they won't eat it. But if I put it up here where they can just reach it, they'll think they are stealing it and I'll get rid of it."

Cattle aren't much different from

folks. To have something, no matter how worthless, placed out of reach, is a challenge to try to get it. A bargain-counter item is much more desired if someone else has it. Merchants know this and use many subtle tricks to make a casual shopper want to buy.

Who is to say that it is evil to desire the article, the idea or the ideal that is out of reach? There would be little progress in the world if men did not reach for things. To reach is not wrong. Our obligation is to teach others what is worth reaching.

Hybrid Honeybees At Work In N. C.

Jesse Harrell, president of the Swimming Pool Corporation, to be used toward securing a pool here. Tommy Kehayes presented a check for \$78 to Harrell, the amount representing the receipts from a basketball tournament sponsored by the Junior High School this year.

The word hybrid is so closely associated with corn, says W. A. Stephen, bee specialist for the State College Extension Service, that the general

public often forgets that scientists have created new and better lines of animals and insects too.

A new hybrid is making its first appearance in North Carolina this year, says Stephen. It's the hybrid honeybee. The raising of hybrid honeybee queens has been undertaken by G. E. Curtis of the Alamance Bee Company, Graham. The parent stock was furnished by Dadant and Sons of Hamilton, Ill., where a trained geneticist inbreeds four different lines of stock and by artificial insemination, produces the queens that are shipped to selected beekeepers for propagation.

Stephen says this stock, known as the Star Line, has many good char-

acteristics. They are good honey gatherers—but their sting still hurts just as much as the old fashioned bees North Carolina beekeepers have known. Their tendency to sting, however, has been reduced and they are supposed to be easy to handle.

The State College bee specialist says B. E. Grant, Bertie County farm agent, was one of the first to receive Star Line hybrid queens from Curtis, who began shipping them over the state in mid-April.

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