

## N. C. Farm Bureau 21st Convention In Charlotte Nov. 18-21

### Phases of N. C. Farm Economics Will Be Considered

North Carolina Farm Bureau members will gather for their twenty-first annual convention in Charlotte, November 18-21. Farm Bureau delegates will gather to elect 1957 officers, recognize outstanding county membership workers and to make recommendations for Farm Bureau legislative and administrative policy. Delegates, in considering policy recommendations, will study almost every phase of North Carolina farm economics.

They will also hear addresses by organizational and political leaders who have distinguished themselves by their service to agriculture.

Organizational leaders scheduled to speak are Charles Marshall, president of the Nebraska Farm Bureau, and Marvin McLain, assistant secretary of agriculture. Mrs. D. W. Bond, chairman of the Tennessee Farm Bureau Women, will speak to the annual meeting of the Farm Bureau Women.

Top political leaders to speak are Senator W. Kerr Scott and 4th district Congressional Representative Harold D. Cooley. Cooley is chairman of the House Agriculture Committee.

Speakers representing the North Carolina and American Farm Bureaus, will be R. Flake Shaw, State Farm Bureau executive vice-president; A. D. Williams, president; Mrs. John B. Chase, women's chairman, and O. R. Long, field director of the American Farm Bureau's Southern Region.

Farm Bureau policy formulation will be the most important convention activity.

Recommended policy will be considered by a statewide resolutions committee, composed of county Farm Bureau presidents, chairmen of commodity committees and members of the State Farm Bureau Women's committee. Chairman of the resolutions group is B. C. Mangum of Henderson, Farm Bureau vice president.

Committee recommendations will be submitted for final vote to the delegate body at the closing session of the convention, November 21.

The resolutions committee will open its sessions, November 15, three days before the beginning of the convention. The group will study resolutions submitted by Farm Bureau county units and recommendations coming out of the convention's annual commodity conferences.

Commodity conferences will be held Monday, November 19 in the Hotel Charlotte and will include talks on dairying, peanuts, tobacco, field crops, cotton, poultry, fruits, vegetables and potatoes.

Monday's convention activity will



Calling attention to the national observance of Farm-City Week, November 16 through 22, C. B. Ratchford, assistant director of the North Carolina Extension Service, says, "There is a great need for better understanding between farm and city people."

The slogan for this second national observance is "Farm and City—Partners in Progress." Last year, practically every county in the United States and many communities in Canada observed this special week which serves to remind people of their dependence on one another. "After all," says Ratchford, "the city dweller depends upon the farmer for the first necessity of life—food. And the farmer depends upon business and industry for necessary supplies such as fertilizer and for a market for his product."

The annual Farm Bureau banquet ceremony will be held Tuesday evening. Farm Bureau officials said the banquet would be the feature event of the convention.

The banquet will be followed by a ceremony honoring a North Carolina farm leader with the Farm Bureau's Distinguished Service to Agriculture Award. Last year, the award went to Clarence Poe, editor of the Progressive Farmer.

### Sub-District Meeting Is Held In Hertford

The Perquimans-Chowan sub-district of the Woman's Society of Christian Service held its annual Fall meeting Thursday, November 1, in the Anderson Methodist Church with 73 members and eight visitors present. The meeting was called to order by the chairman, Mrs. J. L. Harris with the use of hymn "O Master of the Waking World." After the devotional on Christian Friendship given by Mrs. R. C. Baker of the Bethany Methodist Church, the president of the Anderson Society gave all present a hearty welcome. The guests were recognized by Mrs. Harris and they were the district officers, Mrs. Ed-

## New Record Corn Expected In State

### 80,729,000 Bushels In State Estimated as Of Nov. 1st

Based upon yield reports from growers, production from the 1956 corn crop is estimated at 80,729,000 bushels, the same as on October 1, according to the North Carolina Crop Reporting Service. The estimated production, if realized, will establish a new record, exceeding the previous record 1950 crop by more than 6.5 million bushels. The current estimate also exceeds the 1955 crop of 70,482,000 bushels by 15 per cent and the 10-year average production of 62,535,000 bushels by 29 per cent.

Yield is indicated at 41.0 bushels per acre, 7 bushels above the previous record 1955 yield of 34.0 bushels and 12.4 bushels above the 10-year average. Reported yields are turning out about as expected in the Coastal Plains, some better than was expected in the Mountains, and slightly less than was indicated on October 1 in the Southern Piedmont. Corn acreage suffered considerably from droughty conditions during the growing season in the southern Piedmont counties, although some acreage is producing above average yields.

The United States corn crop is estimated at 3,412,183,000 bushels. This is 5.3 per cent more than the 3,241,536,000 bushels produced in 1955 and is 10.6 per cent more than the 1945-54 average production of 3,084,389,000 bushels.

held separate clinics to train new officers for the coming year. During the afternoon session, Mrs. Lois Brown had charge of the

meeting, bringing the quadrennial goals for the next four years. The meeting was closed with a meditation and prayer led by the district president, Mrs. Edith Mixon.

## Tobacco Estimate Increases In State

Based upon information as of November 1 from tobacco growers, warehousemen, and other key members of the industry, production of 1956 tobacco in North Carolina will exceed that estimated a month earlier, the North Carolina Crop Reporting Service has announced.

Production of flue-cured tobacco is now estimated at 942,230,000 pounds—up almost fifty-one million pounds, or 5.7 per cent, from the 891,500,000 pounds reported as of October 1.

For the United States, total flue-cured tobacco production is estimated at 1,384,450,000 pounds. This is 6.7 percent less than the crop for last year but about nine per cent larger than the ten-year average. The Nation's Burley crop is placed at 496,113,000 pounds or 5.6 per cent more than was produced last year.



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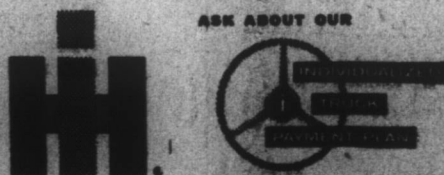
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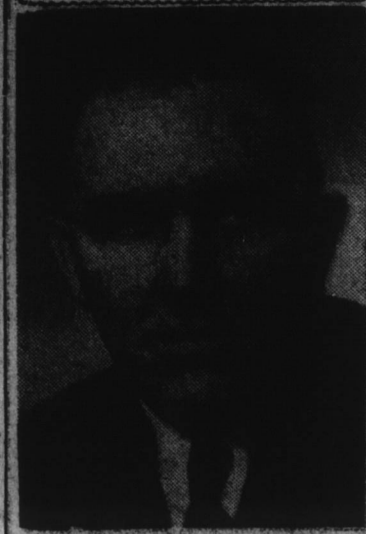
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## Bureau Speaker



Charles Marshall, a farmer from Nebraska's corn and cattle country, will be a featured speaker at the North Carolina Farm Bureau's annual convention which begins in Charlotte Sunday. Marshall is president of the Nebraska Farm Bureau and a member of the American Farm Bureau board of directors. He will speak to Farm Bureau delegates next Tuesday, on the third day of their four-day convention.

In love of home, the love of country has its rise.  
—Charles Dickens.

## Sandy Land Lands In New Soil Bank

If you don't know what to do with that light, sandy land, you might want to put it in the Conservation Reserve of the Soil Bank," says R. S. Douglass, Extension forestry specialist at North Carolina State College.

Douglass reports that several Sampson County farmers have recently told him that they think they'd be better off by putting that kind of land in the Conservation Reserve. Douglass says they figure that with the present prices

they are getting for corn and other low return crops which they have been planting on this land, and with the low yields normally obtained, they would not about as much and save a lot of work and worry if the plant trees and collect the \$10 per acre annual rent.

Douglass adds that many farmers in Southeastern North Carolina have similar land that is not netting them much profit. Comments heard here and there, says Douglass, indicate that many of these farmers are also thinking that the Soil Bank might be a good idea for these sandy acres they don't know what to do with.

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