

SOIL CONSERVATION NEWS

By JAMES H. GRIFFIN, Soil Conservationist

Chowan County farmers are becoming very concerned about the erosion on their farms. Jimmy Parrish came by the office not long ago and told me about a piece of land he now owns that did not have a cover crop on it. He said that the wind had blown a number of truck loads of soil from it. Ditches had been filled with sand and in one place a sand pile had formed. Jimmy said the wind erosion had cost him extra plowing to stop the erosions a few days. He is also losing moisture from the soil due to plowing and wind drying.

Others have just newly-planted crops due to wind erosions. Fields that have been rowed-up and planted have been smoothed-ones in a few hours by wind erosion. At Rocky Hock school this year during the conservation poster contest (March) the students in the fourth and fifth grades stated that when their daddies planted winter cover crops their mother's house didn't fill up with dust and sand during the windy season.

Erosion is costly. Dr. Nixon, who owns a farm near cross roads, has spent a number of dollars this spring constructing new drainage ditches. His old ditches were filled with top soil that "washed" out of his fields over a period of years. The new drainage system will fill-up unless conservation is practiced on the farm.

Farmers in the sandy area of the county, Rocky Hock, have found out that leaving a strip of oats, wheat, or rye between the rows of crop helps to prevent wind erosion.

Gilliam Wood has set out hedge in the field at Cherry Point to help control wind erosion. Mr. Wood is also using multiflora rose fences to help control erosion.

West Leary has a pine windbreak started on the Oakridge farm. This windbreak is about three years old and about 30 feet wide. Also he has a windbreak of

pine and bicolor lespedeza on the south side of the field. Now, Mr. Leary is planning to start irrigating the truck crops on this farm. Construction will start soon on digging ponds. All of these practices are planned in his soil and water conservation plan number 382 with the Albemarle Soil Conservation District. His irrigation system will be planned by SCS engineers to fit the needs of the farm.

Tom Asbell has prepared an excellent sod waterway on the Dr. Nixon farm. It is being seeded to Pensacola Bahia grass, Kobe lespedeza and Sericea lespedeza. A sod waterway is used to carry surface water from the farm without causing a "wash". Sod waterways are used in natural depression or placed where water usually runs off the farmland.

Claude Small, Jr., has about an acre of cropland seeded in sericea lespedeza to prevent erosion. This land is sloping and needs a sod or close-growing crop to prevent erosion.

Mrs. Maybelle Winslow of Gliden has a severe gully erosion problem. In the past, tires, logs and other junk has been used in the gully to stop it but all have failed. This year she set the two acres to Coastal Bermuda grass. In addition to stopping the gully, she will use the grass for sheep grazing.

McCoy Spivey of Gliden seeded an acre of sloping land on his farm to Pensacola Bahia grass to stop erosion. This area was on the edge of the field beside the woods. As in many cases in Chowan County this area should not have been cleared for crops because of the steep slope. Now, it is in grass.

Fahey and Carroll Byrum are using multiflora rose fences on their field boundaries to prevent erosion and to furnish wildlife shelter and food. A number of other district cooperators are using the same practice. Bicolor lespedeza strips serve dual purposes when used to control erosion and furnish food for wildlife.

Big Shipping Losses Come Early In Year

Only recently, Tar Heel farmers were being urged to protect their livestock from cold weather. Now, all at once, it's the heat they've got to worry about.

Jack Kelley, in charge of animal husbandry for the N. C. Agricultural Extension Service, says that hog producers planning to market hogs for the next two months should watch the weather forecast for "hot spells." He says that greater losses occur when hogs are shipped early in the season than in the hotter months of July through September. Apparently the hogs "get used" to the heat or develop a tolerance for it later in the year.

Relatively slight rises in temperature early in the season can result in extreme increases in deaths per thousand of hogs being shipped, according to Kelley. For example, at one market last April, the death rate averaged nearly three times as high for days when the temperature reached 75 degrees as for days the thermometer stayed below 65.

Kelley says that if you want to cut down on hog deaths which result from shipping hogs during hot weather you should follow these precautions: Sort out the hogs early to permit them to cool off and quiet down before loading, load them quietly, load fewer hogs per truck, use wet sand for bedding, and finally, use only a reliable trucker.

Every man is useful to his kind by the very fact of his existence. —Thomas Carlyle.

New Corn Variety Demonstration In Chowan County

Two corn variety test demonstrations were planted in Chowan County last week, according to County Agent C. W. Overman. One of these was planted with Eugene Jordan of Ryland community and the other with Gilliam Wood of Yeopim community.

Varieties used in these demonstrations are those recommended for this area plus some additional new ones. They include early maturing, mid-season maturing, and full season maturing varieties.

The purpose of these demonstrations are two fold. First, it enables farmers in Chowan County to observe how the various varieties perform in our county. Second, it enables us to learn which varieties are possibly best suited for our county here, yield and all other factors included.

The demonstration at Eugene Jordan's is located in a field just across the road from his home. The one with Gilliam Wood is located on Hayes Farm about in the middle of the field toward the livestock pasture. As soon as cultivation is complete, each variety will be labeled so that they can be easily identified for visitors.

Churches Join In Soil Stewardship

Churches of Chowan County are cooperating with the local Albemarle Soil Conservation District in the observance of Soil Stewardship. The local district supervisors purchased the supplies necessary for 15 churches to conduct services on soil stewardship. Most of the churches will have their programs on Sunday, May 18, but one or two will hold services in June. Each church worked out its own schedule to fit the needs of the church.

Churches who are planning programs are: Rocky Hock Baptist (June), Great Hope Baptist, Edenton Presbyterian, Edenton First Christian, Center Hill Baptist, Center Hill Methodist, Macedonia Baptist, Warwick Baptist, Ballard's Bridge Baptist, Saint Paul's Episcopal, Evans Methodist, Yeopim Baptist, Edenton Methodist, Warren Grove Baptist and others.

To these churches and their pastors the Chowan County Supervisors say thanks for their splendid cooperation in the Soil Stewardship observance.

The equipment dealers of Edenton are helping by using their usual ad space this week on a soil stewardship message. These dealers have helped the soil conservation district program considerably by cooperating with the district. So have many other people and businesses in Edenton and Chowan County. "Together we can be good stewards of our natural resources and make Chowan County a bank of natural resources," says James Griffin, soil conservationist.

TRY A HERALD CLASSIFIED!

Farmers, Commercial Growers Warned Against Illegal Child Labor Employment

Farmers and commercial growers whose produce is sold or shipped in any form out of the State are cautioned to check carefully the ages of youngsters hired to tend their spring crops.

This advice, timed to coincide with the spring strawberry harvest, came from State Labor Commissioner Frank Crane, who administers the Federal Wage and Hour Law in North Carolina under special agreement with the U. S. Department of Labor.

Commissioner Crane pointed out that farmers can avoid conflict with the Federal law by obtaining and keeping on file age certificates from all youngsters employed by them.

"Under the Fair Labor Standards Act (Federal Wage and Hour Law), boys and girls must be at least 16 to work on farms during school hours," Crane said. "The law applies to children of migrant families, as well as local residents. It does not apply, however, to children employed on their parents' farms, or by a farmer whose crops are sold and consumed wholly within the State."

The child-labor provisions of Nature's Thinning Method Expensive

Nature has its own pine thinning method—survival of the fittest.

But the process of the stronger trees gradually forcing out the weaker trees is slow, inefficient and expensive, according to R. S. Douglass, forestry specialist for the N. C. Agricultural Extension Service.

Douglass says that surplus trees should be thinned and utilized as pulpwood, fence posts or other products. After the initial thinning, other thinnings should follow every five years, more or less, depending upon the growth rate.

In natural stands, the first thinning can be made when the trees are 15 years old. Planted pines have more space and may be ready for pulpwood thinning in 10 to 12 years.

Douglass says that the trees themselves are the best indication of when thinning is needed. Shade causes the lower limbs to die and fall off. When the pines become so crowded that less than 40 per cent of the total height of the tree has green limbs, diameter growth is seriously reduced. An example: a pine 20 feet tall should have eight feet of green limbs.

In very crowded stands, the per cent of green limbs may become too small before the trees reach pulpwood size. When this happens, the surplus trees should be cut, even if you can't sell or use them.

Posthumous charities are the very essence of selfishness when bequeathed by those who, while alive, would part with nothing. —C. C. Colton

the Act protect the rights of farm children to an education, Crane stated. He cited U. S. Labor Department figures for last year, showing that out of the 5,500 American children found working illegally on farms throughout the nation, over half were below the normal grade for their age in school. More than fifty per cent of these children were between 10 and 13 years of age, and twenty per cent still youngsters, the Labor Commissioner said.

"I am sure that the parents and teachers of North Carolina will gladly cooperate with the farmers in helping to prevent illegal employment of children," Crane declared. "Certificates of age can be obtained from local County Welfare Superintendents."

Commissioner Crane noted that the Federal child labor provisions apply to a farmer, whether he himself ships the products out of the State, or whether he delivers them to a warehouse or wholesaler who handles the interstate shipment. Fruit and vegetable growers who sell to canneries or processing plants have the same obligation under the law not to employ children under 16 during school hours. Those in doubt about the application of the law should consult the North Carolina Department of Labor at Raleigh for an authoritative answer to their problem.

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Having qualified as administrator of the estate of John A. Roberts, deceased, late of Chowan County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Edenton, N. C., on or before the 8th day of May, 1959, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.
This 8th day of May, 1958.
ELIZABETH ROBERTS
Administratrix of
John A. Roberts
May 8, 15, 22, 29, Ju 5, 12, 19

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE
North Carolina,
Chowan County.
Under and by virtue of a Deed of Trust executed to the undersigned by A. R. Valentine and wife, Leora Valentine, dated August 17, 1953, and recorded in DT Book No. 65, page 428-429, in the office of the Register of Deeds of Chowan County, North Carolina, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, and said instrument being by the terms thereof subject to foreclosure, and the holder of the indebtedness thereby having demanded a foreclosure thereof for the purpose of satisfying said indebtedness, the undersigned, Trustee, will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the Court House door in Edenton, North Carolina, at 11:30 A. M., Saturday on the 24th day of May, 1958, the real estate in First Township, Chowan County, North Carolina, to wit:

Being two acres of land, more or less, at Hancock Station, bounded North by a lane between this land and the Cherry Capehart-Shepard land; South and East by the Bonner Small-Robert White land; and West by the William Forehand - C. D. Webb land; and being the same land conveyed to said parties of the first part by deed from Myra V. Holland and Jennie P. Vann, Executrices of C. S. Vann, Trustee, to which deed reference is hereby made for fuller description and chain of title, said deed recorded in Public Registry of Chowan County, North Carolina.
Dated and posted this 21st day of April, 1958.
WELDON A. HOLLOWELL, Trustee.
May 1, 8, 15, 22

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WELDON A. HOLLOWELL, Trustee.
May 1, 8, 15, 22

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE
Having qualified as Administratrix of the estate of Margaret D. Hollowell, deceased, late of Chowan County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Edenton, North Carolina, on or before the 24th day of April, 1959, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.
This April 24th, 1958.
MINNIE HOLLOWELL,
Administratrix of Margaret D. Hollowell Estate.
Apr 24, May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 1958

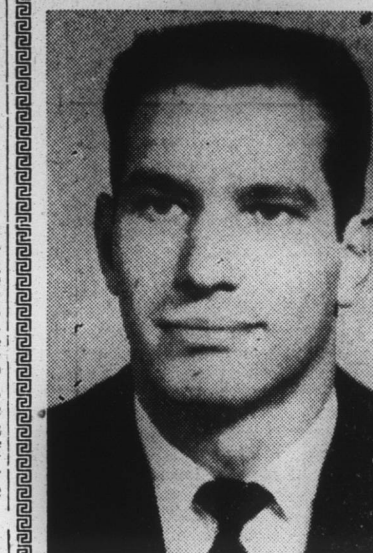
ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE
Having qualified as Administrator of the estate of M. Everett Haste, deceased, late of Chowan County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Edenton, North Carolina, on or before the 3rd day of April, 1959, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.
This April 3rd, 1958.
T. E. HASTE, SR.,
Administrator of M. Everett Haste Estate.
Apr 3, 10, 17, 24, May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE
Having qualified as Administratrix of the estate of T. D. Boyce, deceased, late of Chowan County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Tyner, North Carolina, on or before the 24th day of April, 1959, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.
This April 24th, 1958.
CASSIE B. BOYCE,
Tyner, N. C.
Administratrix of T. D. Boyce Estate.
Apr 24, May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

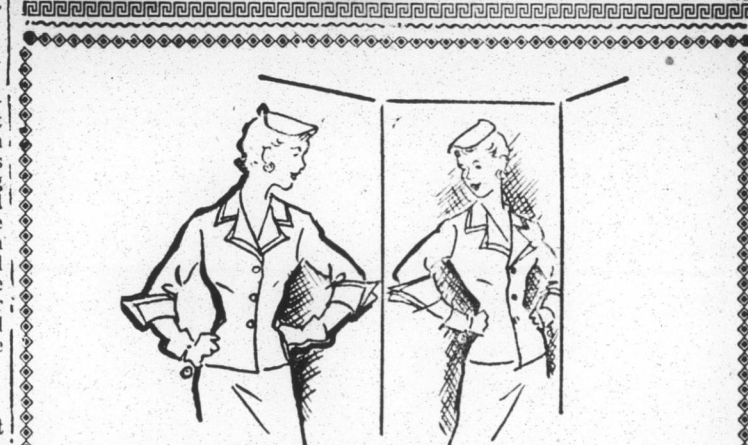
MARSHAL'S NOTICE OF SEIZURE
WHEREAS, on the 22nd day of April, 1958, the United States filed a libel in the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of North Carolina, in the Elizabeth City Division, against One 1956 Ford Pickup Truck, Motor No. F35-V6N-14514, described therein, alleging the right of forfeiture,

and by virtue of process issued in due form to me directed, returnable on the 21st day of May, 1958, I have seized and taken the said property into custody; Notice is hereby given to all persons claiming said property or any interest therein to appear in the United States Court Room in the City of Elizabeth City, May 1, 8, 15, 1958.

North Carolina, on the 21st day of May, 1958, and assert their claim or default and condemnation will be ordered as prayed in the libel.
This the 23rd day of April, 1958.
B. RAY COHOON,
United States Marshal.



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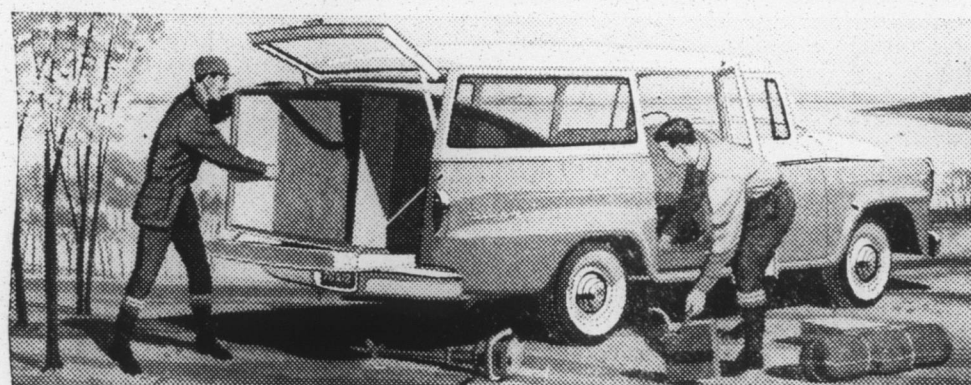


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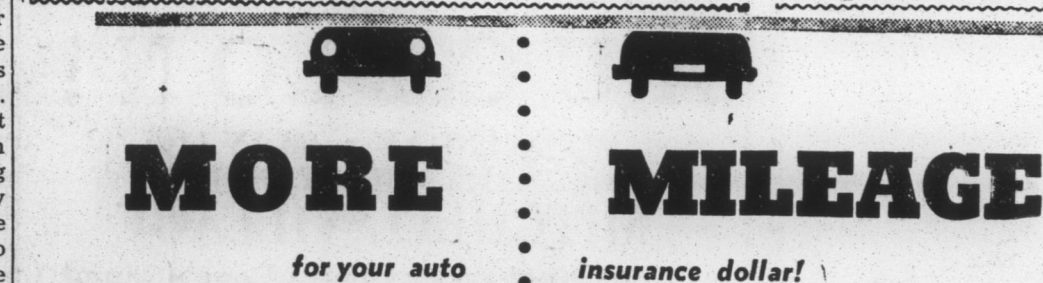


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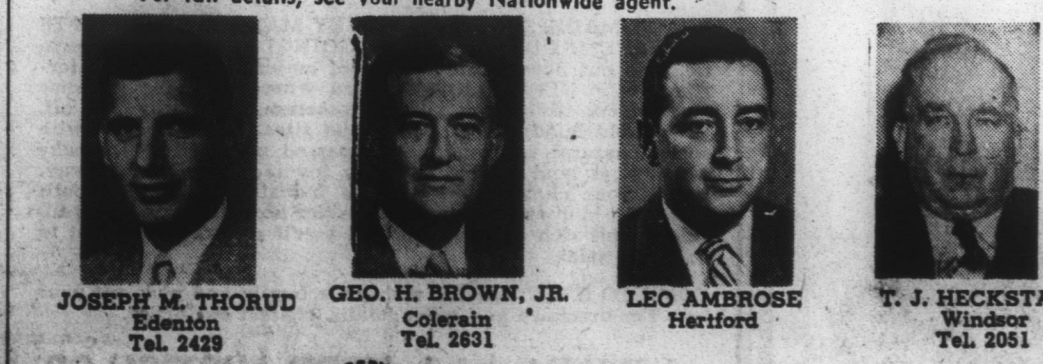
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