

Department Plays In Farming  
FHA Supervisor Outlines Part

Farmer's Home Administration is a part of the overall agricultural program in the county with all the agricultural agencies cooperating to bring to the farmers of the county the assistance and guidance needed to become successful.

W. H. Perry, Jr., county supervisor, said: "The major purpose of the Farmer's Home Administration is to provide the necessary credit for farm families to become established in a sound system of farming. Our purpose is not to make loans but to make successful farmers. Besides supplying credit to farm families we help with farm and home planning problems and supply technical aid in farm and home management so the families can make the most of their land and family labor resources and repay their debts."

Farming is going through one of the biggest changes in the history of farming. Practices that were employed only a decade ago are obsolete by more modern practices that are used today. The changes in farming practices incur additional expense, in some cases expenses that will bleed the farmer of his income if he does not plan wisely.

More and more farmers are looking to the future and making plans to improve their operations by providing necessary drainage, storage facilities and the necessary buildings for their livestock or poultry enterprise to bring their farm into full production, thereby increasing their income.

Many farmers with farms too small to supply the farm and family needs from crops are adding livestock or poultry to their operation to obtain the needed income. These added enterprises may prove to be very successful and very costly if they are not properly planned, proper facilities provided and the enterprise efficiently managed.

To make an operation pay whether it be livestock, poultry or general farming, it is necessary to have certain equipment before a successful job can be done.

Today you very rarely, if at all, find a farmer cultivating his farm with a horse and plow. Every farm has a tractor and equipment necessary to do a good job of farming but rarely do we find a farmer with the necessary farrowing houses, feeding platforms, readily available water supply or grain storage facilities to do a good job of raising livestock. Those farmers who do have these facilities are reaping the benefits of good planning.

More and more drainage work is being done locally but there still remains a large number of farms that are in need of drainage. There is no investment that will pay a farmer a greater return than the money invested for drainage where drainage is needed.

The agricultural agencies in the county are set up to help farmers do the necessary work

to bring their operations into full production. Technical assistance is supplied by the Soil Conservation Service and Extension Service, federal cost-sharing assistance and price support loans is supplied by the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service. Farmers Home Administration supplies the financial needs of eligible farmers along with the supervision and management assistance needed. Farmers Home Administration is not in competition with local lenders such as banks, PSA and other private sources, but supplements this credit.

A word or two about the financial assistance available through the Farmers Home Administration. Almost any financial need a farmer may have is available to eligible applicants through the Farmers Home Administration program. Operating loans may be obtained for the purpose of livestock, farm and home equipment, feed, seed, lime and fertilizer, and when necessary to pay other farm operating and family living expenses. These loans may be made for a period of from one to seven years, depending upon the needs; farm ownership loans may be made to buy land and to improve land and buildings and may be made for periods up to forty years; farm housing loans may be made to construct, improve, alter, replace or repair farm homes or farm service buildings, or provide water for farmstead and household use. These loans are repayable over a period up to 33 years; soil and water conservation loans may be made to carry out measures for soil conservation, water development, conservation and use and drainage. This will include the construction and repair of terraces, dikes, ditches, ponds and tanks, the establishment and improvement of permanent pastures, basic application of lime and fertilizer, tree planting, well drilling and the purchase of pumps and other irrigation equipment. Soil and water loans are scheduled for repayment within the shortest

Edenton Boy Scouts At Work



Boy Scouts of Edenton Troop No. 156 are shown above assisting the Albemarle Soil Conservation District with a recent conservation project. They seeded Kobe lespedeza on the berm area of a newly constructed open ditch on the farm of L. H. Haskett on Paradise Road. By seeding lespedeza beside the ditch, the Scouts are helping to control erosion along the ditch. Vegetation slows down surface water during rains, preventing silt from filling the ditch. Gene Ward, local Scout leader, and G. A. Conner, SCS conservation aid, assisted the boys and explained this phase of soil and water conservation. Projects such as this with Scouts is one of the goals this year for the N. C. Chapter of the Soil Conservation Society of America and the local soil conservation district. Boy Scouts earn merit badges as well as learn about the conservation of our nation's resources. John Marshall and Jerry Yarborough of Edenton Troop 156 are now earning their Soil and Water Merit Badges. James H. Griffin, Soil Conservationist, is their advisor in this phase of their Scouting. In the picture, left to right, are: Freddie Ferguson, Bobby Stokley, George Conner, SCS Conservationist aid, Mack Wright, Boots Lassiter, Roland Tolley, Gene Ward, Scout Advisor, Jimmy Dail and Walter Holton.

time consistent with the borrower's ability to repay but in no case may the repayment period on loans to individuals exceed 20 years. "Any farmer interested in obtaining additional information regarding the services available through the Farmers Home Administration should contact the local FHA office located on the second floor of the Bus Station Building in Hertford or the sub-office at 321 Kramer Building in Elizabeth City."

JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES  
INVITED TO CONVENTION

Roy P. Long, presiding minister of Jehovah's Witnesses, has announced that the Edenton congregation has been invited to

attend a four-day convention to be held June 25 to 28 at Connie Mack Stadium in Philadelphia, Pa.

The convention is arranged by the Watchtower Bible and Tract Society of New York, Inc., located in Brooklyn, New York. An attendance of 25,000 is anticipated.

Weekly Devotional  
Column  
By JAMES MACKENZIE

This week's column continues a searching sermon by Billy Whitman, 17-year-old member of the Center Hill Baptist Church.

Satan is likely to outsmart us unless we keep especially alert.

You will notice that as long as he attacked the Christian Church head-on, he made little gain against us. His attempts to destroy our religion by burning our meeting places and our Bibles only aroused us to a greater vigilance.

Then Satan hit upon a brilliant strategy which seems always to catch us off our guard. He ceased his attacks upon certain aspects of our religion which we were using to glorify and magnify God, and tricked us into glorifying and magnifying those aspects themselves.

He has persuaded many men to worship the church as an organized institution possessing certain rituals and ceremonies which guarantee entrance into heaven to all faithful members. He has persuaded others to think of the Church as a sort of local club working exclusively through its own covenants and by-laws to establish the Kingdom of God here on earth. Still others of us now think of the Church as simply a building where we come on Sunday to listen impatiently to the preacher while our real thoughts are on the dinner getting cold back home.

These accomplishments, it seems, should have satisfied Satan. He should have rested from his labors, but he does not appear to be that sort of person. He stays busy convincing great numbers of church members that the only service Christ should expect from them is loyalty to the program of their particular congregation.

He wants them to feel that they have fulfilled all their obligations as Christians by attendance at worship services, by keeping up with prescribed Bible readings, by scoring 100% on the record systems, and by soliciting desirable new members for the church.

He especially delights in getting us wrought up and excited in defense of our pet Scriptural interpretations or in defense of our denominating doctrines. He knows that the energies we expend in this fashion will do him not the slightest harm, and, at

the same time, will mislead us to believe that we are rendering God a special service.

As Chief of Staff for all the forces of evil Satan has quite neatly solved the problem of defending his conquest in most modern communities. All that is necessary, he has found, is to convince enough Christians that the only proper place to fight evil is in the Sunday School class, in the Training Union, or during the preaching service. He whispers in the Christian's ear that sinners, having at least common sense, will always know where to go when they decide they need eternal salvation. He can readily assure us that there is always a church nearby with a preacher who's paid to talk with just such people about their sins.

(continued next week)

N. E. Hollowell Dies  
After Long Illness

Norvelle Edward Hollowell, 80, died Monday morning at 1:40 o'clock in the Chowan Hospital following a long illness.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Carrie P. Hollowell; three sons, Robert S. Hollowell and Hayward Thomas Hollowell of Tyner, and Novelle E. Hollowell, Jr., of Edenton; two daughters, Mrs. J. E. Rogerson of Tyner and Mrs. Clin-

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ton Lassiter of Portsmouth; one brother, R. H. Hollowell of Edenton, 16 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Williford Funeral Home. The Rev. B. L. Raines of Kings Mountain, a former pastor, officiated and burial was in Beaver Hill Cemetery.

Pallbearers were D. C. Fore-

hand, Tommy Leary, Jarvis Winslow, Joe White, Emmett Perry and Jimmy Hollowell.

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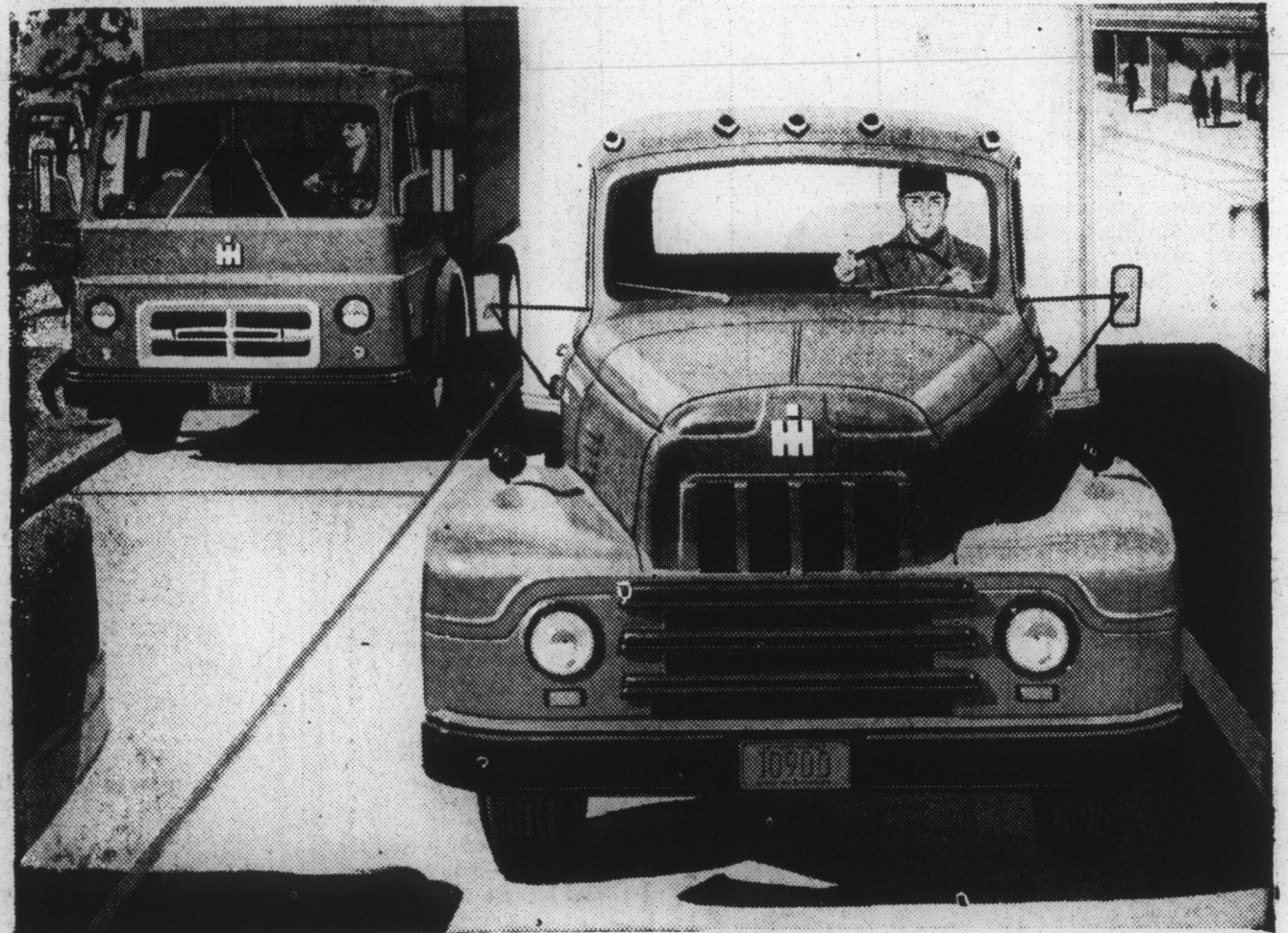
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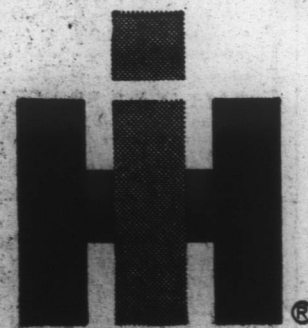
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