

Religion Classes Begin At St. Ann's

Saint Ann's School of Religion will resume classes on Sunday, October 4, under the direction of three Dominican Sisters from Elizabeth City.

Living Standard Of Free World Rising

Country After Country Going Into More Discretionary Type Of Spending

Living standards have shown a significant rise throughout the major part of the Free World in recent years, according to data compiled by the United Nations Organization on consumer spending patterns and their changing composition in various countries between 1950 and 1957.

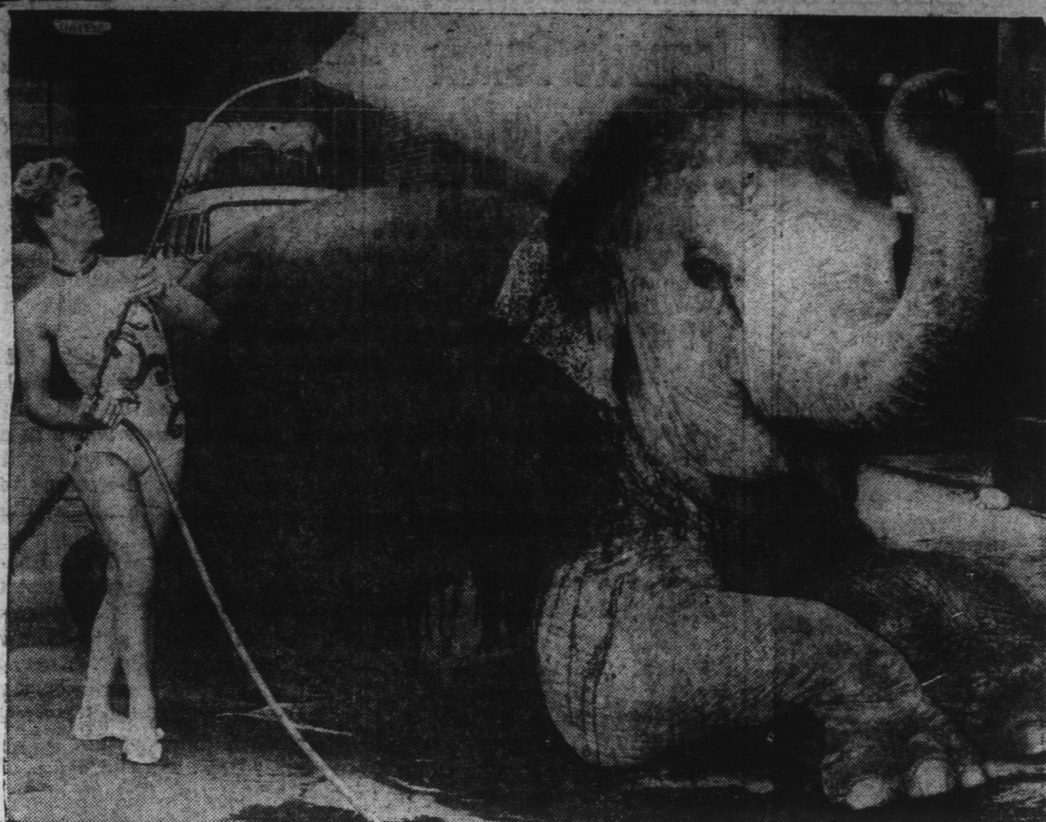
What stands out particularly is an increase in the proportion of consumer expenditures that, in one country after another, has been going into the more discretionary type of spending, such as transportation and personal services, as compared with the basic necessities of food, shelter and clothing.

The trend suggests that the potentials for personal saving have likewise gone up with rising living standards in the Free World. An indication of a growth in thrift is provided by life insurance ownership, which has shown a worldwide increase in recent years, in many countries exceeding the rate of gain in the United States.

A breakdown of the figures on the proportions of consumer spending going to basic necessities shows some uniform patterns. In the majority of the principal countries, the percentage of total spending going for food has declined, in some cases substantially.

The figures likewise show wide differences in living patterns from one country to another, as is to be expected from variations in income, price and tax trends, climate and custom. In the case of food, for example, the range in 1957 was from a low of 29 per cent of total consumer expenditures in the United States to a high of 57 per cent in Italy.

The food classification includes expenditures for tobacco and alcoholic beverages, and this was an important factor in the relative size of the food bill in a number of countries. The highest such proportion was in the United Kingdom, with 15 per cent, or a third of expenditures in the food classification represented by tobacco and alcoholic beverages in 1957.



ALL WASHED UP—All wet and enjoying every minute of it, Minyak the circus elephant gets a thorough dousing with a spray washer in Chicago. Giving the modern bath is circus performer Antonietta Bisbini of Milan, Italy.

GARDEN TIME M. E. Gardner N. C. State College

Are you getting the benefits from your vegetable garden that you should? If we assume that a garden is desirable from the standpoint of economy and nutritional value, are you using recommended varieties, fertilizer and cultural practices? Let's see what a recent survey in a western county reveals.

Seventy families were interviewed and asked questions about ten vegetables which are considered to be the most popular for home gardens. This is the story: Only 4 1/2 of the 70 families had vegetable gardens; Irish potatoes and tomatoes were the most popular vegetables grown; only a small percentage planted strawberries (25 percent) and lima beans (5 per cent); most families did not use recommended varieties; the same was true for recommended fertilizers; other advised practices were not followed by a large number of the families interviewed.

There is no way of telling how typical these results are when compared with other rural communities, but I suspect that this local situation is not unique if data were available from other areas. To me this situation brings into sharp focus the wealth of information available to rural and urban people, in the whole field of agricultural endeavor, and the puny use that is made of it. Have we reached the point where we only want to be like the Netherlands with nearly a sixth of consumer expenditures going to clothing led all other countries in this respect.

helped and do nothing to help ourselves? Maybe so, but I am not ready to accept this.

Sweet potatoes need lots of potash and this is generally true for all of the root crops. Recent tests made on Norfolk loamy sand showed that yields per acre varied from fifty bushels on the no-potash plots to as high as three hundred and fifty on the high potash plots. In addition to the higher yields, the quality of the potatoes was better. These tests were conducted on low potash soils. The best way to determine total potash needs for sweet potatoes is to have your soil tested.

The Netherlands with nearly a sixth of consumer expenditures going to clothing led all other countries in this respect. The lowest such proportion, 8 per cent, was in Japan. Belgium was high in the share of consumer spending on shelter with 31 per cent in 1957, and Italy was low with 11 per cent.

RELIGIOUS DISCUSSIONS FOR ADULTS AT ST. ANN'S St. Ann's Church began its fall series of religious discussions for adults following evening mass at 7:30 o'clock Wednesday. The discussions, which are open to all interested persons, get under way at 8 o'clock every Wednesday, conducted by the pastor, Father Hill. The subject for discussion this first session was "Happiness—How to Achieve It."

ROCKY MOUNT CHOSEN FOR CIRCUIT MEETING Jehovah's Witnesses of Circuit No. 26 have chosen Rocky Mount as the place for their second semi-annual circuit convention. The meeting will be held at the Community Center, 229 Albe-Marle Avenue, November 13-15. About 600 Witnesses from 21 congregations in North Carolina and Virginia are expected to attend. All sessions will be open to the public.

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WITH THE FARM WOMEN

By MAIDRED MORRIS

Apron Revue Another new activity to build interest in the 4-H clothing project and encourage young club members to participate in the county dress revue was held recently in Iredell County.

An apron contest was held for club members 10, 11, and 12 years of age. Miss Doris Jane Teeter, assistant home economics agent, reports that Lynda Sloan was named first place winner. She modeled a smart white organdy apron.

Craft Workshops "The purpose of the craft program is to get 4-H'ers interested in a craft which in time they may learn to perfect and sell objects of art on the county's roadside markets," said Mrs. Lou Anne Alphin, assistant home economics agent in Currituck County.

Instruction has been given recently in construction of shell earrings, hammered aluminum bracelets, and plastic-covered coat hangers. Local leaders have served as instructors.

Adult Leaders Fair booths, camp, and achievement night were activities recently discussed at a 4-H adult leaders meeting in Wayne County. Sixty-five leaders were present to discuss coming events, reports Miss Sara Fagan, assistant home economics agent.

Joe Edward and Allen Swinson of Brogden presented their district winning poultry production team demonstration during the program. Jimmy Ayecock of Freemont gave his winning public speaking address.

Road Signs Eight permanent 4-H road signs have been ordered for erection on main highways entering Pender County.

According to Mrs. Frances H. Bostic, assistant home economics agent, several Home Demonstration Clubs and various civic organizations in Pender County are sponsoring the project.

Sewing Hints Sixteen Stateline community girls in Stokes County recently attended a clothing workshop. The younger girls tried their skills at making aprons while older ones worked on skirts. According to Miss Betty S. Briggs, assistant home economics agent, the girls needed instruction only on the finishing touch-

es of sewing. The older girls concentrated on zippers and correct hemming stitches.

Profitable Summer Becky Proffitt from Yancey County, has spent a lot of time this summer working on her 4-H room improvement project. The ceiling is low and slanted in her bedroom so she painted the entire room, ceiling and all, a light pink. This made her room look much larger.

According to Miss Virginia Cox, assistant home economics agent, Becky is planning to make a bedspread with a dust ruffie for her bed. By the time she finishes, it will be a room that every teen-age girl dreams about.

HELPING STAGE PLAYS

East Carolina College's 1959 Freshmen plays are now in rehearsal. Two one-act plays, one a tense drama and the other a rollicking comedy, will be presented at 8 P. M., in the McGinnis auditorium Wednesday and Thursday, October 7 and 8.

Among those working on staging the plays as members of the technical and production staffs is Gerald Harrell of Edenton.

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Mrs. J. D. Traylor Dies At Washington

Mrs. Emily Traylor, 90, died at the home of her granddaughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Sterling, in Washington, N. C., Monday morning about 7:45 o'clock after a long illness.

Mrs. Traylor lived in Edenton practically all of her life until a few years ago when she moved to Washington to live. Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Mary Yert; three grandchildren, Harold Yert, Mrs. Jim H. Lewis and Mrs. Elizabeth Sterling, and a nephew, Harvey Demby.

CIVIC CALENDAR

Continued From Page 1, Section 1 Chowan Tribe of Red Men will hold its annual banquet in the Edenton armory Tuesday night, October 27, at 7 o'clock. Edenton Rotarians will meet this (Thursday) afternoon at 1 o'clock in the Parish House. Edenton's Aces will travel to Scotland Neck tonight to play their second Albemarle Conference game. St. Ann's School of Religion will resume classes on Sunday, October 4. A stated communication of Unanimity Lodge No. 7, A. F. & A. M., will be held tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock. Edenton Chapter No. 302, Order of the Eastern Star, will meet Monday night, October 5, at 8 o'clock. Edenton Woman's Club will meet Wednesday afternoon, October 7, at 1 o'clock in the Parish House. A quarterly conference will be held at the Evans Methodist Church Sunday afternoon, October 4, at 2:30 o'clock. Annual Chowan County Fair will be held at the American Legion grounds the week of October 12-17. Chowan Tribe of Red Men will meet Monday night at 7:30 o'clock. William H. Coffield, Jr., Post No. 9280, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will meet Tuesday night at 8 o'clock. Edenton Lions Club will meet Monday night at 7 o'clock.

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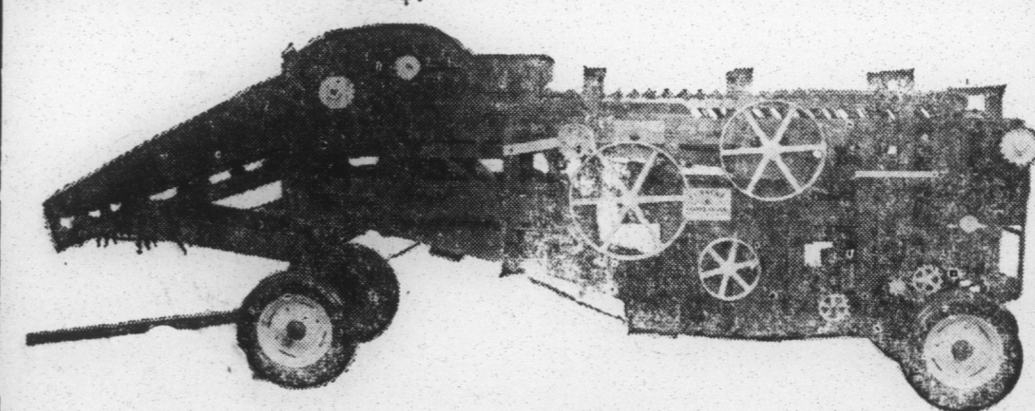
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