

SOIL CONSERVATION NEWS

By G. SAMUEL COX, Work Unit Conservationist

Working Together

The improvement Mrs. Geulia Jordan is making on her farm up in the Center Hill Community is a good example of the excellent cooperation the highway commission has been giving the landowners in Chowan County. Mrs. Jordan developed a complete drainage plan for her farm sometime ago. The plan called

for two outlet ditches to be constructed plus the installation of clay tile drains in the fields. A larger pipe had to be installed at a lower elevation where one of the ditches crossed the highway, in order to get the necessary depth for the drainage. The highway commission installed the larger pipe at a lower elevation according to plan for Mrs. Jordan.

This is only one of the many jobs the highway commission has performed for the landowners in the county.

Pooling Their Resources

Construction has begun on the Gum Pond-Harris Landing Group Drainage Canal in the Rocky Hook section of the county. This canal will be over a mile in length and will improve the drainage on a number of farms in the area. Landowners participating in this project are Sherlon Layton, K. L. Perry, C. A. Bass, Lloyd Bass, O. B. Perry, S. W. White, L. A. Bunch, C. E. Bunch and E. L. Pearce.

Another group drainage canal is also under construction in the Rocky Hook section. This is the I. L. Harrell Group Project, which will include over a mile of excavated channel and will also improve drainage on several farms. The highway commission is cooperating in this project by installing larger culverts at a lower elevation. ACP's cost-sharing is being received on these group jobs.

Group projects are often the only means by which landown-

ers can obtain adequate drainage for their property. Where they can be worked out they usually pay for construction cost within a short period of time.

Winter Protection

Harvesting of peanuts is in full swing now and that is going to leave a lot of land in the county bare unless it is seeded to a cover crop. This peanut land is some of the best and most important we have. It surely deserves the best protection we can give it—to protect it from erosion and soil compaction resulting from winter rains.

Most any small grain will make a good cover crop if seeded now. On the lighter land in the county about 20-30 pounds of vetch mixed with small grain will add badly needed organic matter and build up the fertility level since vetch is a legume. The cover crops that have been put in already are looking good.

If you can't seed but so many acres of cover crop each year, seed the peanut and cotton land first and just shred your corn stalks on the surface. A disking just heavy enough to get the stalks down on the surface will do an excellent job of protecting the land if you do not have a rotary mower. These stalks will rot just as fast on most soils on the surface as they will disked under.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Milton Robertson, a son, Friday, October 5, in the Ahsokie Hospital. Mrs. Robertson is the former Miss Charlotte White, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chesley White of Merry Hill. Mr. and Mrs. Robertson live at Rosemead.

MARION BUNCH CANDIDATE FOR OFFICE AT MEREDITH

Election-excitement fires at Meredith College burn brighter this year than ever before as members of the largest freshman class in the history of the college vie to elect officers.

Almost 40 of the candidates in the 282-member class have gathered enough support to receive ballot listing for various posts.

Among the candidates is Miss Marion Bunch of Edenton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd E. Bunch.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Born to A/2C Bobby Gray of Sumter, S. C., and Mrs. Janice Williford Gray of Williamston, a baby girl, Norma Frances, October 2, at the Bertie Memorial Hospital, Windsor. Mrs. Gray is the former Janice Williford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wright Williford of Merry Hill.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

WHEREAS, Almighty God, in His infinite wisdom, saw fit to call to Himself the soul of Ravenel C. Holland on August 22, 1962; and

WHEREAS, Ravenel C. Holland served as member of the Board of Directors of the Edenton Savings (Building) and Loan Association from January 23, 1922, until his death and has served the said Association as its attorney since February 10, 1950; and

WHEREAS, it is the considered opinion of the remaining members of the Board of Directors of said Association that Ravenel C. Holland, during his long tenure and through his wise counsel, intelligent advice and high devotion to the principles of this Association, has materially contributed to its success;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the directors of the Edenton Savings and Loan Association, assembled in regular session this October 4, 1962, do hereby record our deep sense of personal loss in the death of our friend and co-worker, Ravenel C. Holland; and hereby further record the grateful appreciation of this Association for his faithful and unselfish service to the Association. In the passing of Ravenel C. Holland, the Association has lost a loyal and sincere friend, whose sound business judgment and wise counsel in all matters concerning the Association were always available, without limit for the progress and welfare of the Association; and

That a copy of this Resolution be spread upon the permanent records of the Association and that a copy be furnished to Mrs. Myra V. Holland, and that a copy be furnished to The Chowan Herald for publication.

R. E. LEARY,
W. S. PRIVOTT,
Committee.

Shelton Moore At Motel Meeting In New Orleans, La.

Shelton W. Moore of the Eden Motel is in New Orleans, La., where he is attending the international convention of Quality Courts United, Inc. The convention began Wednesday of this week and will end Saturday with sessions held at the Roosevelt Hotel.

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POCAHONTAS MEETING

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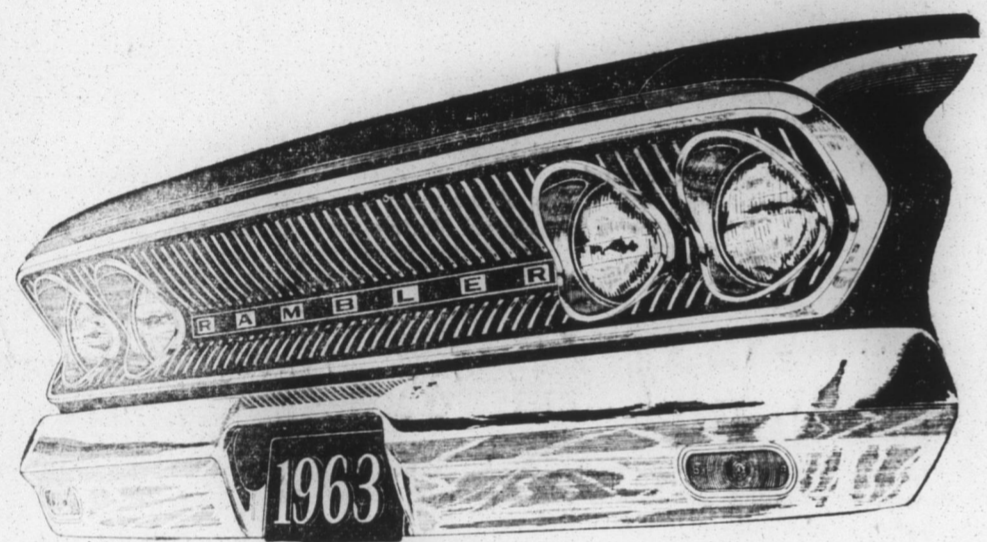
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