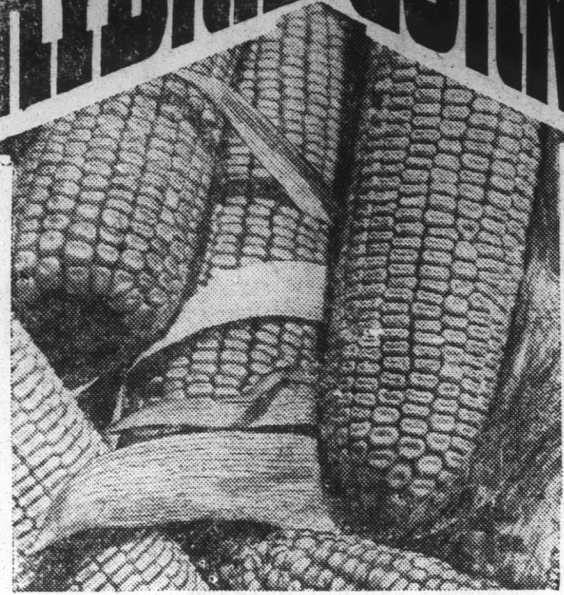


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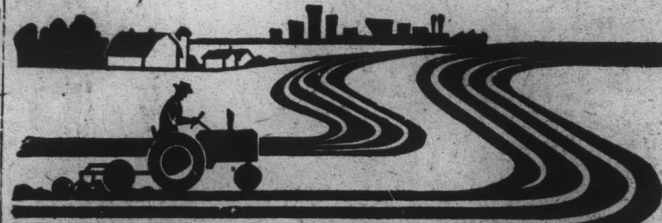
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"Conservation of soil, water, woodlands and wildlife preserves natural beauty," said Lloyd C. Bunch, chairman of the board of supervisors of the Albemarle Soil and Water Conservation District. "Natural Beauty" is the theme of the current National Wildlife Week, sponsored by the National Wildlife Federation.

"Soil and Water Conservation Districts with the help of the Soil Conservation Service and other agencies help landowners plan and apply conservation measures that preserve the beauty of the landscape while they improve the land itself," said Samuel Cox, local SCS technician. "Crop rotations, cover crops, grassed waterways, pasture,

woodland management, watershed reservoirs and water management improve the appearance of the countryside. These practices encourage wildlife by providing food cover, and a place to raise the young." Mr. Bunch further states that we are blessed with an abundant supply of wildlife habitat and it is up to us to develop this habitat.

National Wildlife Week stresses that wild birds, animals and fish have always been a source of pleasure and benefit. Properly planned and carefully applied conservation practices are man's duty as a steward to the bounty of nature.

Mr. Bunch sums up the observation of National Wildlife Week this way: "Conservation of natural resources leads to good land management which in turn benefits soils, wildlife, water and woodland, and natural beauty is the product of sound conservation management."

Local Trooper Is In Exercise

CAMP LEJEUNE — Army Pfc. William J. Blount, 21, son of Haywood Blount, 300 North Oakum Street, Edenton, is among 1,700 Airborne Division paratroopers from Fort Campbell, Ky., participating in Exercise Glove Hitch, a four-day amphibious-Airborne maneuver ending April 1 in the Camp Lejeune-Onslow Beach area.

Blount's unit, Company A, 2d Battalion of the division's 501st Infantry, is one of the Army elements taking part in the 14,000-man exercise, designed to increase proficiency in amphibious and airborne operations and to perfect coordination between Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine forces.

Blount entered the Army in March, 1965, completed basic training at Fort Dix, N. J., and is a forward observer in the company.

He is a 1963 graduate of D. F. Walker High School.

Mass Schedule At Saint Ann's

Father Joseph L. Lash, pastor of St. Ann's Catholic Church, announces the following schedule of masses:

Holy Thursday, 7 P. M. (Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 12 P. M.); Good Friday, 5:30 P. M. (At All Souls' in Columbia); Holy Saturday, 11:15 P. M. (Paschal Vigil service); Easter Sunday, 12 A. M. - 8 A. M. (and 10 A. M. at All Souls' in Columbia); Monday, 7 A. M.; Tuesday, 7 P. M.; Wednesday, 7 P. M. (at All Souls' in Columbia); Saturday, 9:30 A. M. (Altar boy practice for all boys interested); 10:30 A. M. (Instructions for first Communion candidates).

Tests Planned By Draft Board

William S. Elliott, chairman of Local Board No. 21, Chowan County, has just received information concerning the Selective Service College Qualification Test.

Elliott said the director of Selective Service, Lt. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, has announced that additional criteria will be provided for use by local boards in their determination as to the retention or reclassification of students in Class II-S.

Science Research Associates of Chicago has been awarded a contract to prepare and administer the Selective Service College Qualification Test and to forward scores made to the local boards of registrants who are college students and high school seniors or any potential II-S registrants. The test will consist of 150 multiple choice items with three hours permitted for completion. Generally, the test will be divided into four basic categories: reading comprehension, verbal relations, arithmetic reasoning and data interpretation. It is described as a general aptitude type test.

Three dates have been set for giving the examination: May 14, May 21 and June 3 at 37 locations in North Carolina. Elliott says that applications to take the test are available at all local boards, and a registrant may procure one from any local board. The registrant must mail the application to the Science Research Associates, 259 East Erie Street, Chicago, Ill. 60611, not later than April 23, 1966.

The test will provide an additional criterion for making reclassifications from the II-S pool in addition to the two which are now provided. At present, the two criteria are: (1) The registrant is a full-time student and (2) He is making satisfactory progress. The test will in addition provide an indication as to his aptitude with respect to other college students.

Elliott said that all registrants who are now full-time students and remain as such until the end of this school year will have an opportunity to qualify for a college deferment for the next school year.

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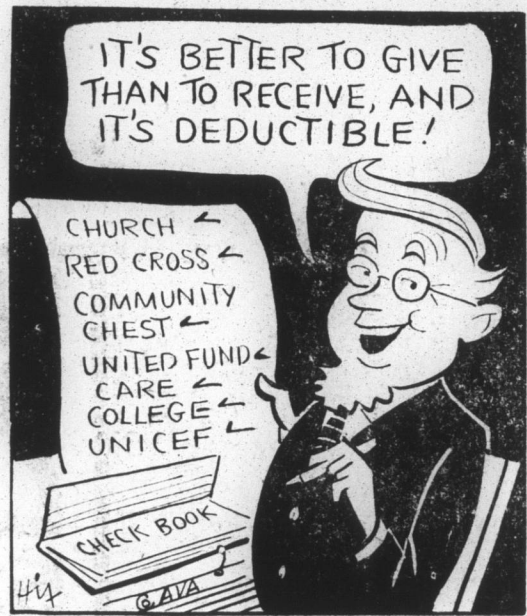
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