

AROUND CHOWAN FARMS

By HARRY VENTERS
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Junior Livestock Show and Sale—The date for this annual event has been set for April 15. While the location is still pending, it will be held either at Cross Roads or Valhalla. This is one more reason a livestock sale barn is needed in Chowan County.
Trophies for the sale have been ordered. Sponsors of trophies this year are Mit-chener's Pharmacy, Peoples Bank & Trust Company, First National Bank of Eastern North Carolina, Edenton Savings & Loan Association, P & Q Super Market, Hollo-well's Rexall Drug Store, Colonial Frozen Food Lock-ers and Albemarle Motor Company.

Chowan and Ryland Ruri-tan Club members will soon be soliciting for ads in the sale catalog. Without these contributions for ribbons and premiums, we could not have a junior livestock show. An-other important group is buy-ers that support the sale.

The Ruritan Clubs urge you to come out on the 15th of April and see the 4-H and FFA members show their swine and steers.

Gardens—When the weath-er begins to warm up, many people's thoughts turn to gardening or landscaping. Home landscaping absorbs noise and thus reduces some-what the nerve-shattering impact of modern society. Most people appreciate that a hedge of shrubs, or grove of trees may serve as a rather effective sound barrier. The grass of the lawn is also helpful.

A study by the Riverbank Acoustical Laboratories of Geneva, Ill., has demon-strated that grass is useful as a sound absorbing material. It may be quite beneficial when used in closed areas such as a court yard or patio. The study concluded that one reason people enjoy being in a park or forest is because of the soothing reduction in the everyday sounds of a busy world.

Evergreen trees and shrubs give year round sound ab-sorbing benefits. They are particularly helpful when in-cluded in the border planting or as specimen plants in the home landscape.

Bulletins available that may be of interest to you in-clude: "Carolina Lawns," "Landscaping Your Home," "How to Grow Azaleas and Camellias," "Pruning Shrubs" and "Landscaping Church Grounds." If you would like any of these bulletins, come by our office in the County Office Building or call 482-3128 or 482-3129.

Closing Thought—You may never know when you are well off—but the Internal Revenue Service does.

ASCS News

By H. O. WEST
1970 Cotton, Feed Grain and Wheat Program Sign-up

Producers who have not signed up in the 1970 cotton, feed grain and wheat pro-grams are reminded that March 20 is the final date to sign up. Every cotton pro-ducer must sign up in order to receive his payment. Small farms (10 acres and under) are not required to plant any cotton to receive a small farm payment. Large farms (over 10 acres) must plant to receive payment.

Feed grain applications are to be signed only if you partici-pate in the program.

If you plan to participate and have not signed up, please visit the county office and sign your contract.

Tobacco Lease and Transfers
Tobacco lease and trans-fers must be signed and in the county office by April 1, 1970. The 1969 leases are void and new leases must be signed for 1970.

Peanut Lease and Transfers
Farmers interested in trans-ferring peanuts by lease or sale should visit the coun-ty office and sign a lease agreement by May 1.

Premeasurement Service
Premeasurement service is available to farmers again this year. Any farmers de-siring this service must file a request at the ASCS office. The cost for premeasurement service is 80 cents per acre plus \$3.00 with a \$7.50 mini-mum charge per farm.

Certification
The final date for certify-ing crop acreage planted on the farm and land uses has been moved up to June 20. This is 10 days earlier than it has been in the past.

Support Price For Soybeans
The national average sup-port price for 1970-crop soy-beans has been established at \$2.25 per bushel, No. 1 grade, 12.8-13.0 moisture. Cotton-seed will be supported at \$37.00 per ton, basis (100) grade.

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