

NEGRO HOME DEMONSTRATION WORK IN HARNETT COUNTY

By Mrs. I. P. Hinnant,
Negro Home Demonstration Agent
The object of the home demon-
stration work is to raise the level of

living in the home and in the com-
munity.

Organization

Number of home demonstration
clubs, 12. Number women enrolled,
543.

Number women neighborhood lead-
ers, 123. Number women serving as
voluntary local leaders, 123.

Number farm homes in which
changes in practices have definitely
resulted from the home demonstra-
tion program, 863.

Number other homes in which
changes in practices have definitely
resulted from the home demonstra-

tion program, 679.

Number farm families influenced
by some phase of the Extension pro-
gram, 863.

Foods and Nutrition

In today's home demonstration
program, rural women are studying
ways of improving the family's
health. They realize the importance
of planning meals for good nutrition
and are working out ways of provid-
ing the children and adults with the
right foods to keep them well. Last
year, more than 872 families were
assisted in improving their home
food supply by making changes in
home food production. Rural women
have learned how to extend limited
supplies of sugar, fats, and meats.

Food Conservation

In 1946, home demonstration
women in Harnett county canned 32,
010 quarts of fruits, vegetables, and
meats; bought 13 pressure canners,
checked and put into operation 50
pressure canners which were on
hand, and 63 pressure canners were
used in the food conservation pro-
gram in 1946.

Clothing

In clothing, home demonstra-
tion club women found better methods
of keeping their family dressed at
moderate cost. Demonstrations were
given in "The Care of the Sewing
Machine" and "Shoes and Feet" to
all club members. The care of the
sewing machine was one demonstra-
tion that was carried into all sec-
tions of the county and met a need
of rural homemakers—71 machines
were cleaned, oiled, adjusted, and
put into good working condition.

Club women are still participat-
ing in Red Cross work, although the
need is not as urgent as during the
war. Last year they made 350 gar-
ments.

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Family Relations

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Number of families assisted with:
Child development and guidance, 52;



FORGETS CHILDREN . . . Charles Phillips, 102, of San Francisco, says he has six children but cannot remember how many sons or daughters. He says they are all old enough to chew hay. He is pictured in local hospital recovering from a minor ailment.

DEATHS

ROMMIE M. LANGDON

Rommie Monroe Langdon, 60, of
Dunn, Route 3, died in Highsmith
Hospital in Fayetteville Thursday
afternoon at 3:30. Funeral services
were held Friday afternoon at 3:30
at the Fellowship Primitive Baptist
Church in Johnston County, Elder
Shepherd Stephenson and Elder J.
T. Lewis officiated. Burial was in
the Langdon family cemetery. Mr.
Langdon was a native of Johnston
County, son of the late Caswell and
Elizabeth Honeycutt Langdon. Sur-
viving are his wife, Mrs. Hattie
Beasley Langdon; five sons, Nassey
Monroe Langdon of Willow Springs,
Leamon C. Rupert, Willis C. and
R. M. Langdon, Jr., all of Dunn,
Route 3; four daughters, Mrs. Jack
Wells of Wendell, Mrs. George Lee
of Dunn, Route 3; Nina Ruth Langdon
of Dunn, Route 3; four sisters, Mrs.
Jimmie Lee of Dunn, Route 3,
Emily Langdon, Mrs. Wilbert Park-
er and Mrs. Pearl Parker, all of
Benson, and eight grandchildren.

HENRY FERGUSON

Henry C. Ferguson, 19, of Erwin
and Danville, Va., died Tuesday of
last week in a Virginia hospital of
injuries received in a motorcycle ac-
cident several days before.

He was the son of Elder E. L.
Ferguson and the late Mrs. Fergu-
son of Erwin.

Funeral services were held Thurs-
day at 2:30 from the Angier Primi-
tive Baptist Church, conducted by
Elder Shepherd Stephenson of Va-
rina and Elder J. D. Hopkins of
Danville, Va. Burial was in the
church cemetery.

Surviving in addition to his father
are two brothers, James Lee of Er-

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