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\$1.00 IN THE STATE—\$1.50 OUT OF THE STATE

Almost \$4,000 In Tobacco Payments For Distribution

County Agent Hendren Has Acreage Reduction Payment Checks At Office TO DELIVER PERSONALLY Farmers Must Call and Get Payments In Person; 195 Farmers Get Pay

Government checks to Wilkes county farmers for tobacco acreage reduction total approximately \$4,000, states County Agent A. G. Hendren, who now has the checks for distribution. Although tobacco is grown only in the eastern end of Wilkes county, there were 195 Wilkes farmers who signed the reduction contracts. Tobacco is by no means the principal crop in Wilkes, the county having gone in for diversified farming because of geographical and climatic conditions. The checks Mr. Hendren has for distribution range from as low as \$7 to as high as \$152. The checks must be delivered in person and the recipient must sign a receipt. Because of these instructions Mr. Hendren is asking all who signed the contracts to call at his office in the courthouse in Wilkesboro and receive their checks.

Ronda School Commencement To Be Held May 5

Interesting Program Planned For District Exercises; Contests Feature HIGH FINALS MAY 13TH Prof. Geo. H. Hill, principal of Ronda high school, announces that the group commencement for Ronda district will be held on Saturday, May 5, beginning at ten o'clock. The first number of the program for the group commencement will be the graduating exercises by all seventh grade students of the schools in Ronda district. Seventh grade diplomas, one year attendance certificates and seven year perfect attendance medals will be awarded by Prof. Hill. At noon will be dinner on the grounds and after assembly will be the entertainment part of the program, consisting of songs, plays, folk dances and recitations. Following the indoor program will be the athletic events. For the girls of the district there will be a forty-yard relay race, baseball throw, running broad jump, fifty-yard dash and a forty yard jump-the-rope contest. Boys of the several schools may enter the following: sixty-yard dash, sixty-yard relay race, running broad jump, running high jump and chinning the bar. Ronda High School The high school will come to a close on Monday night, May 15, when Dr. D. B. Bryan, dean of Wake Forest College, will deliver the annual literary address to the class of 34 seniors. The high school commencement will begin on Friday night, May 11, with class night exercises. Saturday, May 12, at 8:30 p. m., will be the senior play "Cydone Sally," for which an admission of 10 and 25 cents will be charged. Rev. C. O. Kennerly, of Jamestown, N. C., will deliver the graduation sermon at 11 a. m. on Sunday, May 13.

Everett Myers Taken At Still

Large Outfit, Liquor and Mash Destroyed By Federal Agents Everett Myers, resident of Antioch township, was arrested at a still Monday by federal agents operating in this section. He was given a preliminary hearing before U. S. Commissioner J. W. Dula in Wilkesboro and Tuesday was released under bond of \$500 for appearance at the May term of federal court. The still where Myers was taken was one of the largest found by the officers recently. In addition to the still about 60 gallons of liquor and 1,500 gallons of mash were destroyed.

New NRA Unit Head



Washington . . . Lieut.-Col. G. A. Lynch (above), U. S. Army, now detached, and described by Gen. Hugh S. Johnson as "the most advanced thinker in the U. S. Army," is the new member of the NRA administrative staff and understudy to Johnson.

Many Schools Will Close On Tuesday, May 1

Schools Not Delayed By Measles or Other Causes To Complete Year Tuesday COMMENCEMENTS BEGIN Group Commencement For 7th Grade Graduates Will Begin Friday

Majority of the schools in Wilkes County will close on Tuesday, May 1, states Prof. C. B. Eller, county superintendent of schools. Had there not been an epidemic of measles, which forced several schools to close for a week or more, all of the schools would have closed on the same date, Tuesday, May 1. The schools which do not close Tuesday will close within two weeks. Although hampered by an increased teaching load, the schools have operated very successfully for the year, is the opinion of many who have kept in touch with the school system for the first year of operation under the new eight-months' school law. Group commencements for seventh grade graduates for the next weeks include Mount Pleasant Friday, Wilkesboro Saturday, Mountain View and Millers Creek Tuesday.

J. R. Rousseau Moves Office To Wilkes District

B. C. Clement and Mr. Rousseau Exchange Territories As Collector

CHANGED ON TUESDAY A change which took effect Tuesday brings J. R. Rousseau, internal revenue collector, back to North Wilkesboro and sends B. C. Clement to Forsyth county. Mr. Rousseau has been serving as collector in Winston-Salem for several months. Before going to Winston-Salem he served in the same capacity in this district for several years. He was returned to North Wilkesboro at his own request. Mr. Clements came to Wilkes as revenue collector in July of last year at the time the sales tax went into effect and the work of the collectors was materially increased. He stated Tuesday that he had become attached to Wilkes and that he regretted very much to leave. Mr. Rousseau will have charge of tax collections for the state in Wilkes and Caldwell counties and will carry on the work in much the same manner as Mr. Clements has done.

Many Farmers Take Advantage Of Corn-Hog Reduction By AAA

A. G. Hendren, Wilkes county's agricultural agent and promoter of the corn-hog reduction campaign in Northwestern North Carolina counties, stated today that there will be approximately 325 farmers in this territory who will have signed reduction contracts this year. Mr. Hendren has charge of the reduction campaign in Wilkes, Ashe and Watauga counties. Although last Saturday was the day set for receiving the last applications, many in process of formation at that time have not yet reached his office in Wilkesboro. Of the three counties, Ashe county will receive the largest benefits from the corn-hog reduction program under the Agricultural Adjustment Administration. In Ashe county about 150 farmers have signed the reduction contracts, in Wilkes about 100, while in Watauga there will be at least 75. The larger number in Ashe county is attributed to the fact that there are more hogs raised for the market in Ashe than in either Wilkes or Watauga. The benefits on hog reduction are very liberal.

Coyd M. Elledge Out As Candidate For Sheriff's Office

Former Deputy Announces He Will Seek Republican Nomination In June PROMINENT DAIRYMAN Says He Will File With Election Board Within Next Few Days

Coyd M. Elledge, prominent dairyman and a leader in the Republican party here, today announced himself as a candidate for the Republican nomination for sheriff in the primary June 2. He is the first candidate to announce for the office of sheriff on the Republican ticket. Mr. Elledge states that he will file notice of his candidacy with the county board of elections within the next few days. In making his announcement he states that he is doing so after careful consideration and discussion of his candidacy with a large number of friends. His supporters point out that he is highly qualified by training and experience to perform the duties of the sheriff's office. He served for several years as Deputy sheriff and jailor. He is a veteran of the World War, serving in France with the "Wildcat Division." The statement of Mr. Elledge in regard to his candidacy follows: "To The Republicans of Wilkes County: "After due consideration and discussion of my candidacy with a large number of the Republican voters of Wilkes County, I have decided to announce myself as a candidate for sheriff of Wilkes County subject to the wishes of the Republicans as expressed in the June Primary. "Your support will be greatly appreciated and if elected I promise to serve honest and faithful and protect the interest of every citizen of Wilkes county to the best of my ability. "Sincerely yours, "COYD M. ELLEDGE."

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SEEKS CANDIDACY



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SEEKS NOMINATION



Sheriff W. B. Somers, who today announces that he has filed with the board of elections and will be a candidate for the Republican nomination for sheriff.

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