

Wilkes Boy Gets Year Scholarship

Edwin Blewins Corn Yield Winner in North Carolina District in 1937

Because he grew 17 1/2 bushels of corn on one acre, Edwin Blewins, member of the Mountain View corn club, will be awarded a one-year scholarship to the state college of agriculture and engineering.

The Barrett company, nitrate manufacturers, gave prizes to the corn club members in the state who would grow the largest yields. Young Mr. Blewins was winner in this district.

The yield is perhaps the largest ever obtained from an acre of land in Wilkes county and should show what is possible on Wilkes soils, agricultural authorities say. A record corn crop that yielded 136.8 bushels from an acre of land last year has won for Howard Martin, 16, Clay county 4-H club boy, a four-year scholarship to State College.

This was approximately 7 1/2 times as great a yield as the State average of 18.5 bushels per acre, said L. R. Harrill, 4-H club leader at State College.

Martin won the State 4-H corn-growing contest for 1936. The scholarship was awarded by the Barrett Company to the North Carolina 4-H club member making the best record over a period of one or more years, Harrill added.

The cost of producing the record crop was only 19.8 cents a bushel. His profit was \$109.68.

In November, 1935, Martin took a tractor and plowed to a depth of 12 inches an acre of land where rye had been grown. Then on April 23, 1936, he harrowed the field, and the next day he planted Holcombe's Prolific seed corn. He applied 150 pounds of fertilizer and 100 pounds of nitrate of soda.

The Barrett Company also gave three one-year scholarships to the boys who won first place in their districts but did not win the State contest. They are:

Charles Coats, of Johnson county, northeastern district winner, who produced 119 bushels of corn to the acre. Edwin Blewins, of Wilkes county, northwestern district winner, 116.7 bushels per acre. Roger Pollock, of Jones county, southeastern district winner, 82.5 bushels.

Howard Martin won the southwestern district and the State contest, Harrill pointed out.

Safety Picture Feature Friday Kiwanis Meeting

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cles as a means of transportation.

The illustrated lecture began with pictures showing that 36,000 were killed and 885,000 injured in automobile accidents last year. To impress these figures it stated that every fifteen minutes one life was lost in the United States in traffic deaths and that one person was injured every minute. To further show the toll a picture of the thriving city of Elgin, Illinois, with a population of 85,000, was shown and asked how you would feel should you enter the city and find all dead, which would be equal to the annual traffic toll. Or how would you feel to go to St. Louis, a city of 885,000, and find every inhabitant injured.

In fifteen years automobiles have killed more people than America lost in all the nation's wars in a history of 160 years. A quarter of a million people have been killed in wars in the nation's history, while automobiles in the past 15 years have killed almost half a million and the menace grows greater yearly. Who will be the next victim?

The automobile was described as a menace greater than war and the greatest killer in modern civilization.

There are three elements, the illustrated picture said, which are responsible for accidents—car, road and driver. With cars being improved from the standpoint of safety every year, mechanical defects cause only about five per cent of accidents. Roads are being improved and they are crossed off as a major cause. The greatest fault then lies in the driver, and the steering wheel is graphically described as the wheel of chance.

Fate and chance were emphasized throughout the picture and after the gruesome toll of automobiles were portrayed in words and pictures that can be grasped and understood it went on to tell how many industries using trucks had reduced accidents while the auto-

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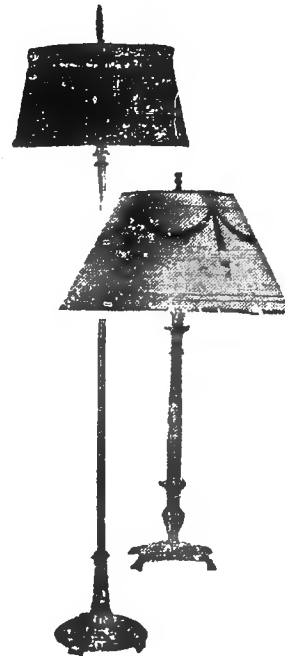


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