

FARM REVIEW and FORECAST



N. C. FOREST SERVICE presented a certificate to Leroy W. Wheeler Northampton County ranger, for "exhibiting a high degree of excellence and salesmanship resulting in his achieving first place in the 1972 District Five Seedling Sales Campaign." The trees were planted on land that was reforested in Northampton County in 1972.

Tips On Swine

By D. W. EASON
Agricultural Extension Agent
Hog Cholera

As most of you know, a case of hog cholera was confirmed in Halifax County on October 23, 1972. Those of you who are producing hogs should take special note of this. It is extremely important that we, as swine producers, double up on your preventive measures. It has been some time since we have had a case in Northampton County. Let's not let our guard down. Suggestions:

- (1) Fix and use a disinfectant foot bath.
- (2) Don't allow visitors to visit your operation without taking proper precautions.
- (3) Keep all stray dogs, cats, and other animals away from your operation.
- (4) Don't feed garbage, kitchen scraps, etc. and warn anyone you know doing so of the dangers involved.
- (5) Report any sick hogs immediately.

Field Gleanings
This year will be no different from others in that we will no doubt have a

surplus of field crop residues (corn, peanuts, etc.) left in our fields after harvest. With very little effort these lost crops can be successfully salvaged by "hogging down" these fields. With our present prices these "lost peanuts" are worth about 10 cents a pound when fed to hogs. This is a practice that more of our farmers should try. If you haven't utilized these crop residues in the past, I would encourage you to try it this year. Yes, feeder pig prices are high, but with basically free feed you can definitely put economical gains on your animals. Suggestions:

- (1) For hogging down use heavy, thrifty pigs weighing preferably from 70 to 100 pounds. Pigs this size make more efficient use of the crop residues.
- (2) Provide an adequate supply of clean, fresh water.
- (3) Hand feed approximately one-half pound of medicated protein supplement per head, per day. This may be self fed if an appetite regulator is included in the supplement.
- (4) Utilize field gleanings as

Use, Don't Abuse County Solid Waste Program

JACKSON — The following message from personnel of the Northampton County Solid Waste Program is directed to all citizens:

Approximately 14 months ago Northampton County began offering a service to its citizens that very few counties in the State offer. This service consist of maintaining a Sanitary Landfill, the hauling of household refuse from all over the County to this landfill, and the covering of this waste material daily.

This being a new thing, the Solid Waste Program moved rather slowly for the first few months, however, as the value of this service became apparent, more you began making use of the containers.

These containers are located throughout the County for your convenience in disposing of your household waste.

Today, we find that we have quite a large operation and an expensive one. In order to do the job we want to do, and must do, if the purpose for which this program was created is served, we must have the cooperation of all of you. Therefore, we ask that you please abide by the following simple rules. By so doing, you will help us do a better job and do it much easier.

1. Use containers for household waste only.

2. Please do not litter the area around containers. If the container is full, drive to next

one. Operator of truck does not have time to pick up waste that is left on the ground. With more than 100 containers to empty, two times a week, every minute is valuable.

3. When you have auto tires, refrigerators, bed springs, furniture, rolls of fencing wire and waste of this nature to dispose of, please keep separated and haul directly to landfill. The truck that is used for collections will not handle these bulky items satisfactorily.

4. Should you have a complaint, request, or anything to offer that might help in the successful operation of this program, please call-Jackson -534-5161.

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developing a conservation plan. Then they set about to put the plan to work. The timber had been cut off the farm, so they had the remaining growth pushed into windows. This will be followed by planting pines early next year. Last week they made layout surveys for two ditches that will form the backbone of their drainage system. Tile drainage is planned for installation later in some of the poorly drained spots.

Robert Revelle, of Route 1, Murfreesboro, is building a grassed waterway on his farm to take care of runoff surface water. Construction of the waterway is another step in carrying out the conservation plan he worked out for his farm in cooperation with the Northampton Soil and Water Conservation District.

Layout survey for the waterway was made last week by Soil Conservation Technician H. R. Bryant, of the Soil Conservation Service. It will be 1000 feet long and 50 feet wide. The width will provide gentle enough side slopes to allow farm machinery to cross easily. When construction is completed the waterway will be limed and fertilized liberally and seeded to tall fescue.

Lafayette Majette, of Rich Square, is constructing field borders to collect runoff water from his fields and conduct it to an outlet ditch. Soil removed from the border areas will be used to build up low places in the field and improve surface drainage. The borders will be seeded to tall fescue. The grass will act as a filter strip to reduce pollution from siltation and farm chemicals.

J. H. Vick, of Conway, has been applying conservation practices on his farms as part of a conservation plan for several years. The practices have included erosion control, drainage and others. Last week a layout survey was made for 2000 feet of drain tile. This installation will be in addition to four other tile drainage systems that have been installed in the past.

When Braxton and Elliott Lee Ricks, of Conway, bought a farm near Cumbo Chapel last spring they immediately asked the District for help in

County Coed To Appear In Who's Who

RICHMOND, Va. — Miss Barbara Ann Green of Rich Square is among 22 students at Virginia Union University who have been selected to appear in "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges."

These are students whose academic standing, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and future potential are above average. They were voted upon by faculty and students.

Miss Green, a graduate of Northampton County High School, is a senior at VUU and is majoring in Sociology. She is a member of the Sociology Club, Woman's Senate, Spanish Club, Journalism Club, Student Board of Publications and Steering Committee of Student Government Association.

She has held the offices of associate editor and editor of the Panther Yearbook and was honored with the Pin for the Panther Yearbook.

One way to handle those fall leaves is to rake them into shrub borders and leave them there for mulch and plant food. Building such a mulch is better than raking and burning the leaves.

Special Visitors At Arts, Crafts Fair

JACKSON — Fourteen residents of the Pleasant Hill Rest Home were special guests at the Northampton County Arts and Crafts Fair at the Lions Club last Thursday. Throughout the efforts of Mrs. Harriet Beasley, supervisor of nursing and rest homes for the Northampton Department of Social Services and Mrs. Deane Massey, administrator of the Pleasant Hill Rest Home, arrangements were made for the visit with Mrs. Elaine Jackson, county home demonstration extension

agent who was in charge of the Fair. "Some 28 residents had wanted to come but the cold weather prevented the more feeble from making the trip," Mrs. Massey explained. "You have no idea what a pleasure it is for these folks to get out on a Field Day."

A former Northampton County Home resident, bachelor George Tucker, who now resides at Pleasant Hill, felt that the trip helped his "romance" with his friend, Mrs. Cora Mulder who is a widow.

He squired her around the

Fair, pointing out the special exhibits including art, candles, ceramics, chair bottoming, copper enameling, corn shuck dolls, crocheted jewelry, macrame, pine needle craft, needlepoint, rug braiding and Swedish weaving.

Ladies from Conway, Creeksville, Garysburg, Gaston, Milwaukee and Rehoboth Extension Homemaker's Clubs were on hand to demonstrate their special home made wares to Tucker and his friends.

The afternoon was highlighted by a candlemaking demonstration by Mrs. Emma Smith, Halifax County Home Demonstration Extension Agent.

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4. Make sure all water cooled engines are provided with enough anti-freeze to avoid freezing.

- Leftover Pesticides**
1. Take all empty pesticide containers 5 gallons and under to the county sanitary landfill, located behind the old county home near Jackson. Punch holes in all containers.
 2. Store all leftover farm chemicals in a safe place away from children and livestock, under lock and key. Store only in original containers, tightly closed.
 3. Do not allow insecticides, herbicides, and other pesticides to freeze during storage.

- Nematode Assays**
1. November is an ideal month to take a soil sample for nematode count. Can be taken at the same time soil samples are pulled.
 2. Put one pint of soil in a plastic bag, seal, identify field, and bring to County Agents Office.

- Soil Samples**
1. Take soil samples soon to avoid Spring rush.
 2. Remember — peanuts respond to the residual elements in the soil. Needed potash and lime should be applied before Christmas if possible.
 3. Cartons and information sheets are available at the County Agents Office and your fertilizer dealer.
 4. Soil samples will be delivered to Soil Testing Laboratory from County Agents Office.

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