

Northampton Farm News

4-H Club News

Northampton County's Activity winners, traveled to Vance County High School in Henderson, Friday, June 25, for the North Central 4-H District Day. District Day activities included competition in talent, dress revue, public speaking and demonstrations that ranged from Archery to Wildlife. The competition began at 9 a.m. and lasted thru the lunch hour.

This year Northampton county is in a larger district than in years past and the competition is a lot stiffer, nevertheless, Northampton 4-H'ers came home with a proud record of blue ribbon winners and district winners.

Demonstration blue ribbon winners included Reginald Daniels of the Middle Street Club, Jackson. Reginald demonstrated "How to Make a Simple Lamp." Wesley Robbins of Garysburg-Gumberry club demonstrated poultry barbecue, Henry Bernard Grant of the Shady Pines club, Potecasi, demonstrated "Simple Equipment to Use in Catching Cotton Creatures," and Twana Lanford also of the Shady Pines club was the runner-up in Home Environment with a demonstration entitled "The Sad Window."

Talent blue ribbon winners were Phyllis Taylor of County Center 4-H Club, Creeksville. Phyllis sang "The Unicorn." Tawana Langford, Curtis Mitchell and Thomas Grant of Shady Pines Club, Potecasi received a blue ribbon for their rendition of "My Baby's Home." These two talent winners were also asked to perform before the group assembly that afternoon.

There were three district winners from Northampton. Randy Burnette of the Gaston Club was 1st place winner in the Landscaping Competition with his demonstration on Gibbing Camellias. Patsy Moseley of the Garysburg Junior Citizens club won 1st place in the sewing competition with her demonstration entitled, "Puff up those Sleeves." Jill Fisher of the Roberts Chapel club of Pendleton was chosen among a group of seven top winners for the Dress Revue Competition.

The three district winners will go on to compete again at the State 4-H Congress in Raleigh, July 23 through the 27th.

Northampton County is proud of all the District Day participants and winners.

Donnie G. Taylor: Conway Cloverettes 4-H Club is attending Senior 4-H Camp near Swansboro. Donnie is from Conway and is the only senior 4-H'er attending Mitchell 4-H Camp from Northampton County. He returns Saturday, June 30.

There will be 30 4-H'ers from Northampton County attending Milestone 4-H Camp July 2-7. They will be accompanied by Becky Brittle, and Elbert J. Long, extension agents. Leaders attending are Mrs. Ola Mae Murph and Mrs. Linwood Canaday.

The camp is in the southern Piedmont section of the state, in Richmond County. Northampton County will be attending camp at the same time with the neighboring counties, Halifax, Martin, and Franklin.

District Day
4-H Club: District Day was the day everyone had been waiting for. This was the day in which winners in this 4-H District went to Henderson to compete to see who would be

going to State Competition. It was a good and hard competition because there were many competitors. The Middle Street 4-H Club had two members competing, Wendell Gatling and Reginald Daniels. These 4-H'ers will not go to the state competition, but they did go to the district this time. This will be a day they will never forget! Reginald Daniels, Reporter.

A 4-H Food and Fun Camp was held for 102 youth from all parts of Northampton County Wednesday and Thursday, June 27 and 28, at the Eastside Elementary School, Jackson. The camp was held in cooperation with the Expanded Nutrition Program and the Agricultural Extension Service.

"Food Makes The Difference" was the theme used during these two days of camp. The campers were divided into four groups: Meat Group, Milk Group, Fruit and Vegetable Group, and Bread and Cereal Group.

The camp began with registration at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday and concluded at 4 p.m. each day. The campers attended four classes throughout the day. Handicrafts, taught by Mrs. Elaine Jackson, Asst. Home Economics Extension Agent; Personal Grooming, taught by Mrs. Cynthia Wallington, Asst. Home Economics Extension Agent; Foods, Mrs. Ola M. Murph, Extension Program Aide; Plants, Randy Burnette, member of Gaston 4-H Club, and Julian Smith, Agent Trainee.

The recreation program was conducted by Douglas Eason, Agricultural Extension Agent, Elbert Long, Agricultural Extension Agent and Douglas Eason, Jr., 4-H'er.

Several 4-H'ers served as camp counselors: Derona Gay of Galatia, Tawana Langford of Potecasi, Jill Fisher of Pendleton, Sandy Eason of Jackson, and Phyllis and Nina Lynn Taylor of Creeksville.

The morning devotional was given by Rev. Charles Eakin of Jackson, and Chester Hawkins, principal of Eastside School, welcomed the campers.

The Choanoke Area Development Association assisted by furnishing transportation for some of the children. Bob Hughes of Jackson, along with Mrs. Martha Lassiter, Mrs. Lucille Alston, and Mrs. Eliza Neal served as volunteer workers.

Mrs. Erna Motley and Mrs. Ella Williams prepared the meals during the two days of camp.

Miss Iola Pritchard, Spec. in Food Conservation from N. C. State University, was present and assisted with camp activities.

Boyce Representing N'ampton At Conservation Workshop

JACKSON — John Linwood Boyce, a junior at W. S. Creecy High School in Rich Square, is representing Northampton County at the Resource Conservation Workshop at N. C. State University this week. He received a check for his expenses from Mrs. Charlotte

Wheeler, District Clerk, of the Northampton Soil and Water Conservation District. The District Sponsors his attendance at the Workshop.

Young Boyce is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Russell Boyce of Rich Square. He is vice president of the junior class at W. S. Creecy High School. He was captain of the F. F. A. Land Judging team, Chairman of the F. F. A. Social Committee, quarterback of the football team, a member of the basketball team and of the Glee Club. He plans a career in either soil and water conservation or wildlife management.

The Resource Conservation Workshop is jointly sponsored by the North Carolina Chapter of the Soil Conservation Society of America, the North Carolina Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts, and the North Carolina Soil and Water Conservation Committee. Attendance is limited to 100 delegates, who are sponsored by their local Soil and Water Conservation Districts.

Farm Safety
President Nixon has issued a proclamation designating the week of July 25 as Farm Safety Week.

In the proclamation he points out that the blessings of technological progress have sometimes been mixed, as each advance has also brought a new potential for injury. He points out the high cost of rural accidents, both in human dollars and in human suffering. All persons engaged in farming and ranching are urged to look for ways in which they can promote safer practices in work, home, and recreational activities and to exercise greater caution when traveling on the public roads.

Bookmobile Schedule

JACKSON — The bookmobile schedule for Northampton Library for next week consists of the following:
Monday, July 2, Route 1: Rehobeth, 10-11 a.m.; Lasker, 10:45-11:15 a.m.; Rich Square (Downtown), 11:30-12:30 p.m.; Roxobel, 1:45-2:30 p.m.; Potecasi, 3-4 p.m.
Tuesday, July 3, Route 2: Gumberry, 10-11 a.m.; Pleasant Hill, 11:20-12 a.m.; Gaston Diner 1:15-1:45 p.m.; Garysburg (Suiter's Store), 2-3 p.m.; Bell's Store, 3:15-3:45 p.m.

PCA Officials Return From Florida Meeting

WELDON — Officials of the Roanoke Production Credit Association have just returned from Bal Harbour, Florida, where they attended the annual conference for directors and presidents of Production Credit Associations and Federal Land Bank Associations for the Carolinas, Florida and Georgia, according to B. N. Capel, President of the Association.

The conference which was held at the Americana Hotel during June 17-19 was sponsored by the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of Columbia, South Carolina and the Federal Land Bank of Columbia, South Carolina.

Program topics presented during the conference included highlights of operations of the Federal Land Bank and the Federal Land Bank Associations and the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank and Production Credit Associations: an address on "The Value of Management Information Service" by Dr. Robert E. Sweeney, director, Management Information Service, Omaha, Nebraska; an address on "Who Shall Lead the Nation?" by Eugene W. Merritt, Jr., Outstanding Young Farmer of Anderson, South Carolina; an address on "The Monetary Outlook" by Andrew K. Marchwald, President, Discount Corporation of New York, New York; an address by Earl L. Butz, Secretary of Agriculture, USDA, Washington, D.C. and a concluding address by G. Robert Gadberry, Vice President, Fourth National Bank and Trust Company, Wichita, Kansas on "No Drums - No Bugles."

The Credit Bank provides leadership, supervision and agricultural loan funds for the PCAs and the Land Bank



Soil And Water Conservation District Notes

By JOHN B. LITCHFIELD
Soil Conservation Service

Terraces built this spring have protected one of the fields at Odom Correctional Unit farm from severe erosion

that occurred in the past. The terraces were built as part of the program of improvements set up in the conservation plan worked out in cooperation with the Northampton Soil and Water Conservation District.

Grassed waterways were constructed and seeded to fescue to provide protected outlets for the terraces. In addition, the field was graded to help shape the land for a satisfactory layout of straight parallel terraces.

The conservation plan contains a complete program for the conservation use and treatment of the land. The conservation plan and agreement provides a convenient working arrangement for carrying out an orderly program of works of improvement. The practices included in the plan are those that the land owner or operator sees a need for and intends to carry out.

Whenever there are changes in interest or need the plan can be changed to fit. It is a working agreement, not a binding contract to carry out something just because it is set down on paper.

Soil Conservation Service technicians assigned to the District furnish technical assistance in developing and applying conservation plans.

Travis Taylor, of Seaboard, is having a pond dug this week to provide water for his cattle. The pond is in a new pasture that he started developing this year. After timber was sold from the field it was cleared for pasture. Most of the land is deep sandy soil. Coastal Bermuda grass was planted on about five acres in early spring. The remainder was planted to a sudan-sorghum hybrid for temporary summer grazing. He expects to expand the Coastal Bermuda planting to cover the entire field over a period of the next several years.

Lafayette Majette, of Rich Square, has had a problem with flat, poorly drained land

The American steel industry has invested more than \$11.5 billion in new facilities during the past six years.

Accent on AGRICULTURE

BY B. C. MANGUM
N. C. Farm Bureau Federation

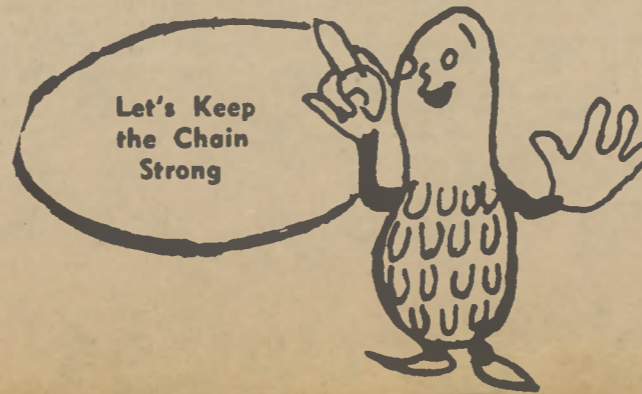
RALEIGH — While people in many other parts of the world fervently pray for enough food to last for each day, many Americans ask for the courage to stay on their diets.

This high standard of living is possible because agriculture in this country has not been overly shackled with restraints to discourage productivity. Farmers recognize this fact and have steadfastly fought against controls which would lessen their incentive and ability to produce the quality and quantity of food the American Consumer has come to take for granted.

Fighting against such controls has become a seemingly endless battle, especially with government officials who react to emotion rather than facts — with no thought given to the long-range consequences of their hasty actions.

WANTED

Extra \$1 Million From
Peanut Sales In
Northampton In 1973



Broadleaf Weed Control in Peanuts

(1) 2, 4-DB (Butoxone and Butyrac) has been cleared by EPA for use on peanuts. The label states that two applications at the rate of 1 pint per acre each can be used on peanuts during a single growing season. Note: For best results the first application should be applied if needed prior to blooming—around the third week in June.

(2) A second application should be applied if needed after the fruit load is set—about the first week in August. Under certain conditions yields may be effected if 2, 4-DB is applied during the peak of blooming.

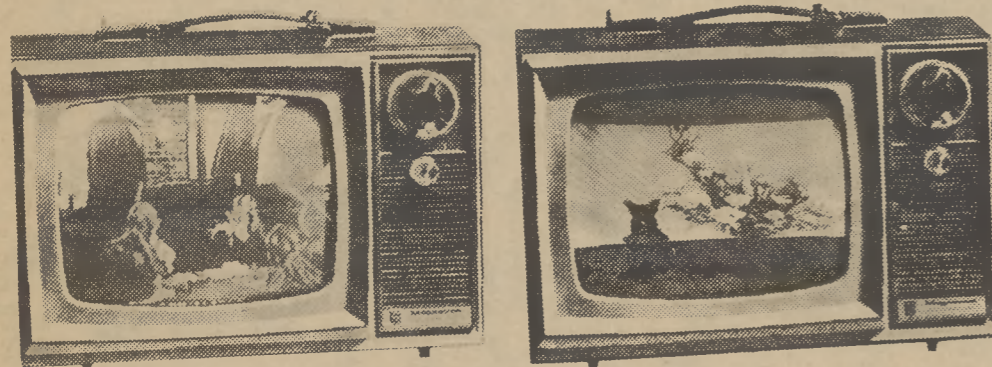
B. Landplaster

(1) Bag Gypsum (dry plaster) is slow moving to local dealers because orders were late getting to the manufacturer. The lack of storage facilities and transportation problems have complicated the situation. Suggested rate of dry gypsum is 800 lbs. per acre.

(2) Bulk Gypsum (wet plaster) is now being applied by many growers. Suggested rate is from 1200 to 1500 lbs. per acre.

(3) Liquid Calcium - A number of growers are supplementing the peanut calcium needs by applying liquid calcium on the foliage. Suggested rate for most materials is 1 gallon per acre for two to three applications during the pegging season. This treatment may be beneficial for soils low in calcium or if heavy rains occur immediately after landplaster is applied. Dr. Fred Cox, N.C. State University researcher, is doing extensive research on the calcium needs of the peanut plant.

POWER When it's gone we're turned off.



Currently the demands for electric power are doubling every eight years or less, making power generation facilities a vital necessity. But the power reserves in North Carolina are below recommended levels for this type of growing demand. And during peak demands for power this summer, some areas may experience "brownouts" or total "blackouts." You'll know. When your TV picture shrinks and your lights dim.

Presently, we buy our power at wholesale from the private power companies. And these companies have the problem of keeping pace with an "over-demand" for power.

But the consumer-owned Electric Membership Corporations and the municipally-owned electric systems have a plan called EPIC (Electric Power in Carolina). When EPIC begins to generate and transmit power, we will have control of our own power supply and can meet your growing power needs.

As concerned corporate citizens, we feel that a good idea like EPIC is worth sharing. For if North Carolina is to continue to grow, we will need the broadest base possible for the state's electric power supply.



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