

Agriculturally Speaking

Fowlers Produce Fine Corn Crop, Says Agent

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COMING EVENTS
Sept. 24: Warren County Fair opens. Exhibits received from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m.
Sept. 25: Judging fair exhibits.

Sept. 26: Dairy Calf Show (white)—Judging at 3 p. m.
Sept. 27: Dairy Calf Show (colored)—Judging at 3 p. m.
Sept. 28: Poultry Show—2 p. m.; sale—3 p. m.

Sept. —: Farm Bureau membership underway. You owe it to yourself to be a member of an organization that voices your affairs.

Sept. 25: Cotton Field Day at Experiment Station (Experiment Station located between Rocky Mount and Princeton).

Sept. 30: Final date to apply for state and federal gasoline tax refunds.

PICK COTTON EARLY

To obtain the highest yield and the maximum price you should pick your cotton early. The record shows that September picked cotton brings in more green backs, falls off fast in October and you take a licking in November and December. It is realized that farmers do have jobs other than picking cotton but if you can arrange early harvesting you surely add to your profits. This is especially necessary since the boll weevils are taking such a heavy toll this year.

As shown in coming events, the Cotton Field Day for this area will be held at the Experiment Station near Rocky Mount. This event was scheduled for September 20 but postponed until September 25 which ran smack into activities of the local fair. Cotton is still a very important crop in Warren County and you are urged to attend this program. As it now stands, Mr. Hardage and I will be tied up with fair activities which in all probability will prevent our attendance.

PERFORMANCE SALE

Seen at the Performance Tested Beef Animal Sale at Rocky Mount were T. P. Hicks, Rt. 1, Norlina, R. E. Fleming,



Rt. 2, Henderson, S. M. Gardner, Rt. 1, Macon, and J. C. Davis, Rt. 3, Warrenton. It was good to see these beef animal producers interested in this method of encouraging higher quality animals.

CORN PRODUCTION

You have heard the saying "He can't see the trees for the forest," which can be almost the case in the picture above, "You can't see the Fowlers for the corn." There is no doubt about it, the tall well developed corn has engulfed Martin, Jimmie and L.

Announcement By Negro Agent

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Monday, Sept. 24: 12:30 p. m., Epworth Home Demonstration Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Hattie Hill.

1:30 p. m., Olive Grove Home Demonstration Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Marnie Walker with Mrs. Malaria Carter as co-hostess.

Tuesday, Sept. 25: 1:00 p. m., Wise Home Demonstration

week, we discussed "Family Financial Planning." After considering your overall financial plan, and after classifying the type of income you receive, now is the time for actual budgeting. "Family Budgeting" is our topic for this week.

FAMILY BUDGETING

What Is A Budget?
A budget is simply an estimate of money the family will have to spend and how they will spend it for a period of time. It is one of the tools in financial planning. The problem of matching income and expense can be made easier by proper financial planning and control of the families money budget is a plan for the estimated income, it is not a record.

What Can A Budget Do?
A budget will not solve all financial problems, but it can do these things:

1. Help the family see their financial problems.
2. Aid in reaching important objectives.
3. Helps the family to make wise decisions.
4. Helps to reduce family arguments.
5. Helps the family to maintain a good standard of living.
6. Helps to teach children good financial habits.

How to Make A Budget Work

1. Plan with the family.
2. Have a clear idea of why you are trying to budget. State clearly short time and long time goals.
3. Spend several weeks in keeping detailed record of expenses so you will know where the money is going, this will help you to decide where your money should go.
4. Use the common sense approach. Have enough but not too many headings in your record (Green book is good). Headings should be based on family spending habits.
5. Make your division according to family's needs and wants. Averages and other printed spending guides will (probably) not fit your family needs.
6. Think first—act later. If an expense item looks too high, find out if it is really high and why it is high. Plan carefully when trimming or adjusting budget amounts.
7. Lay aside a little each month to take care of big ex-

penses—taxes, insurance, etc. Don't try to meet all big expenses out of one pay check.

8. Know who is in charge of what! Each family member should know his responsibilities.

9. Keep your record but don't worry about every penny. Each family member can have an allowance. (Each person having an allowance should know what it is to be spent for—school supplies, lunches, hose, transportation, etc.)

10. Have a clear cut system for dividing up pay check.

11. Don't try to cheat on your budget.

12. Keep your budget flexible—make adjustments when and where necessary. Let it out here—tuck it in there. Make it fit the family income.

Sound Reasoning

A man went into a pet shop to buy a parrot. All the parrots were gone. The clerk suggested buying a woodpecker instead.

"Well, can he talk?" asked the man.
"No, but if you dig the Morse code, he'll give you a lot of fun," the clerk replied.

North Carolina had 3,800 Grade A dairymen in 1961 as compared with only 1,000 in 1941.

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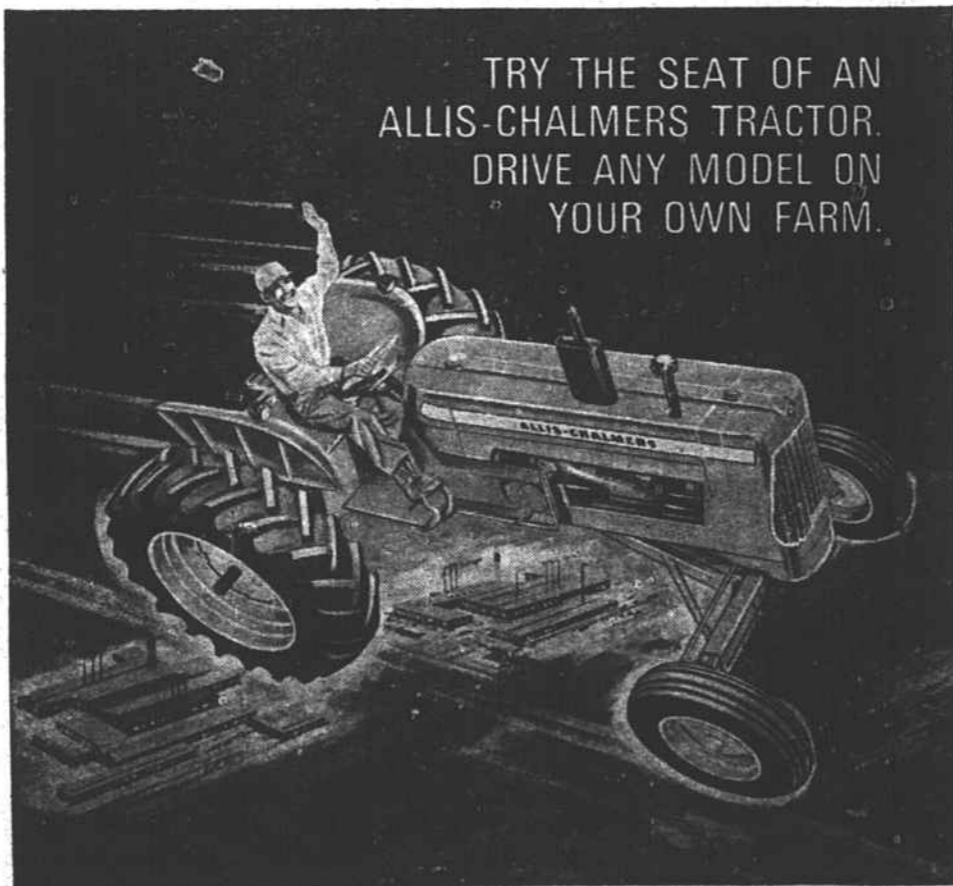
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Club will hold its regular monthly meeting.
2:30 p. m., Norlina Home Demonstration Club will meet.
Thursday, Sept. 27: 12:30 p. m., Fork Chapel Home Demonstration Club will meet.
Friday, Sept. 28: 1:00 p. m., Jordan Hill Home Demonstration Club will meet at the community clubhouse with Mrs. Sina Boyd as hostess.

This is the third and final in a series of articles on "Money Management." Last

Pilot's seat demonstration



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COUNTY FAIR WEEK HIGHLIGHTS

For many, many years agricultural fairs have been the meeting place of town and country. Farmers exhibit the products of their husbandry; townspeople display goods and services they sell, and educational exhibits are displayed, interesting to all.

The boys and girls participating in the Junior Calf Show (Dairy) are expected to have their animals at the Fair Grounds by 2 p. m. Thursday, September 27. The judging will begin at 3 p. m. Any bonafide 4-H or N. F. A. member having the dairy calf as an organized project is eligible. Bull cows are not eligible for the show.
The purpose of the Junior Dairy Cattle Show is to keep

alive and extend the interest among boys and girls, women and men, relative to development of dairy herds and family milk cows. Moreover, this activity tends to single out potential dairymen and give encouragement and assistance to the development of these boys and girls. This is an educational program demonstrating the contribution that dairymaking makes to better agriculture—hence, better for "my Club, my Community, and my County."

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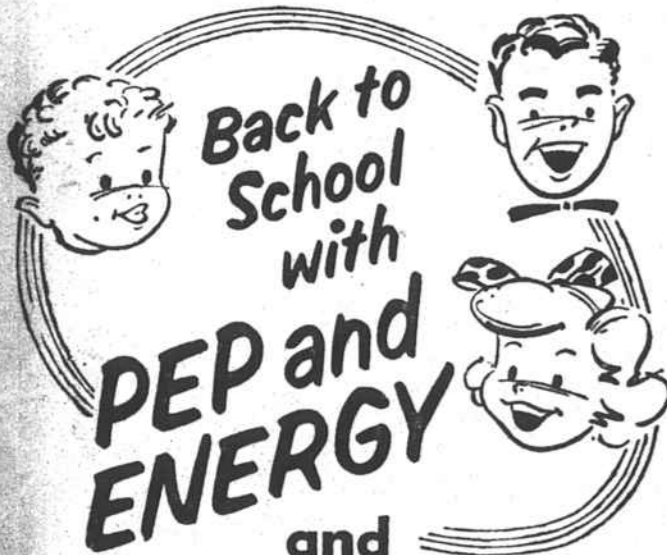
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