

Agriculturally Speaking

By **RUSSELL C. KING**
County Extension Chairman



Billy W. Hill, president of Flue-Cured Tobacco Cooperative Stabilization Corporation, and Fred G. Bond, the CO-OP's general manager, jointly announced today that the 39th annual membership meeting of the CO-OP will be held May 31, at the Kerr Scott Pavilion, located at the N. C. State Fairgrounds, beginning at 10 a. m. and adjourning around noon.

Following adjournment, there will be a complimentary barbecue lunch served to all in attendance.

We are pleased to announce that James G. Martin, governor of North Carolina, and U. S. Congressman Charles G. Rose, III (D-NC), chairman of the Tobacco and Peanut Subcommittee of the House Agriculture Committee, will address the session.

In addition, the president and the general manager will give their annual reports.

We feel the program will be extremely helpful and informative and will give tobacco growers a better understanding of the proposed changes for 1985 and future years, as well as others interested in the tobacco program.

Burning Stubble Is Bad Practice

By **DAVID HARRISON**
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Burning wheat stubble is bad business. For an average wheat crop, burning stubble sends about \$10 worth of nitrogen fertilizer an acre up in smoke. All of the nitrogen in residue is lost by burning.

Using conservation tillage, however, you can plant in wheat stubble and use that nitrogen that is tied up in the residue.

The use of wheat residue is especially important in Warren Soil and Water Conservation District, where more than 4,000 acres of wheat are planted annually. Fewer than 2,000 acres are planted by conservation tillage. This practice, depending upon equipment used, leaves from 50 to nearly 100 percent residue ground cover after planting.

When residue decomposes in the soil surface, the nitrogen is made available for the next crop. In addition to the nitrogen, decomposing stubble adds organic matter to the soil, helps control erosion, reduces soil moisture loss, and improves soil aeration, tilth and permeability. The stubble also helps provide a habitat for such wildlife as pheasants, rabbits, and quail.

To make the nitrogen in the residue available requires the activity of numerous soil organisms. They flourish in a soil rich in organic matter.

One of the important organisms is the earthworm. Research has

proven that earthworms increase when a dependable supply of crop residue is available. They digest the organic matter and pass nutrient-enriched soil through their bodies. This recycles nutrients and makes the soil richer. In addition, their tunnels allow air and water to penetrate soil more rapidly. Burning stubble takes away organic matter.

Don't pollute the air by burning money—that is, wheat stubble. Use conservation tillage to keep your nitrogen, protect against erosion, and improve the soil.

For more information on conservation tillage practices to use on your land contact the Warrenton office of the USDA's Soil Conservation Service.

Olive Grove Group Gathers

By **MRS. JAMES BYRD**

The Olive Grove Homemakers Club met Wednesday, May 15, at the home of Mrs. Raymond Fitts at 1 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by the president, with devotions led by the hostess.

The program was on low calorie foods. The six major food groups were discussed, with the calories per unit. Club members were given various receipts and a calorie diet plan.

The following pointers were given:

To improve eating habits, eat slowly, prepare smaller portions, and avoid second helpings; and

To lose weight, increase physical activity, eat less fat and fatty foods, less sugar and sweets, and avoid too much alcohol.

The business was conducted, with six members present. The club discussed plans for Clean-Up Week, April 21-27, and will work with the Lake Gaston 4-H Club.

Committee reports were given and the Veep program was discussed.

The meeting adjourned with singing of the grace song and prayer and refreshments were served.

Keeter Picked For Membership

Charlie L. Keeter, III of Wise has been elected to membership in the American Angus Association.

The American Angus Association, with over 30,000 active adult and junior members, is the largest beef cattle registry association in the world. Its computerized records include detailed information on nearly 11 million registered Angus.

Poppy Sale Plans Are Made Public

On Friday and Saturday, May 24 and 25, the Limer Post No. 25 of the American Legion will offer the red crepe-paper poppy to the general public.

Throughout the years, the American Legion Auxiliary has been dedicated to the veteran and his family. After each war, its members tried to meet the needs of the veterans returning home.

The veteran-made crepe-paper poppies are a memorial to the nation's war dead and to their survivors.

"The auxiliary wants to be sure that everyone in our communities is aware of the significance of Poppy Day," a post spokesperson said. "This is not just another day when 'those women' are out asking for money. The sale of the poppies will help keep our veterans in therapy,

speed the long hours in the hospital, and give them an opportunity to make sorely needed money.

"Poppy Day is our opportunity to extend a helping hand to a child you have never seen, to let a disabled veteran in a hospital know that you care, and to show the veteran in your community that you remember the sacrifice he made for America."

Course Slated

The Continuing Education Division of Vance-Granville Community College will offer a five-hour section of the state-required Notary Public education course on Monday and Tuesday, June 10 and 11, from 6:30 to 9 p. m. on campus.

A maximum of 35 students can be accepted.



Students at Hawkins Elementary School dressed as persons whom they admire for Admiration Day during Spirit Week, recently observed under the direction of the Student Council. Winners from the various homeroom classes are pictured, left to right: Angela Durham, as Cyndi Lauper; Loretta Goode, as Cyndi Lauper; Tamisha Bullock, as Tina

Turner; Melaine Bolton, as Boy George; Laurielle Hawkins, as Braker; Kara Henderson, as her parents (doctor); Joe Alston, as Mr. Silver; Monique Richardson, as Mrs. Duncan; Antoinette Johnson, as Tina Turner; and Sharon Richardson, as her mother. (Community Schools Photo)

List Of Jurors Is Selected For Duty

The names of 75 Warren County jurors have been drawn for the May 28 session of Superior Court as follows:

Ann A. Faulkner, James Howard Harris, Vivian A. Lloyd, Maurice Wiggins, Ronald S. Nida, Joseph Junious Champion, W. G. Bailey, Eugene T. Odom, Jr., Almathe Alston, Betty Kearson Fleming, Sandra Ann Jones, Jeanetta K. West, Willie R. Clark, Ruby J. Seaman, Marie Young Myrick, Spencer Richardson, Karen V. Wright, Mary E. Kearney, Katherine Deloise Bullock, Lois Bullock Jefferson, Barbara C. Eberton and Dennis Van Buren.

Miss Bender Is Among Graduates

Jennifer Lou Bender, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter J. Bender of Rt. 2, Norlina, was among more than 1,000 students who received degrees during commencement exercises at Wake Forest University on May 20.

Miss Bender majored in biology and received the B.A. degree.

Charles Carnell Alston, Dorothy Jiggetts Miller, Kevin R. Williams, Barney Kearney, Michael Wallace Davis, Betty M. O'Neal and Nancy Townes.

Also drawn for service were jurors deferred for this term.

Nancy Callahan, Larry J. Collier, Robert Lewis Evans and Frank R. Gustry.

Silver Star 4-H Club Members Meet

By **LANA DURHAM**

The Silver Star 4-H Club of the Burchette Community met on Sunday, May 19, at 3 p.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Boyd, Sr.

The meeting was called to order by the president, John Jefferson, Jr. Following the devotional period, the

assistant secretary read the report from the previous meeting and the treasurer presented her report.

There was an open discussion on "What We Really Would Like To do As a Club." Following the discussion, members visited two sick persons in the community, Albert Bullock and Grandison Terry.

The club decided to help the men with chores around their homes on Saturday morning. During the visit, the members read a Scripture passage, had a prayer, and sang a song for them.

There were 10 members and six leaders present for the meeting.

The club members ended their meeting at the Boyd home, where refreshments were served.

The next regular meeting will be held on June 16 at 2 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Mary Durham.

Birthday wishes are extended to Miss Mae Anna Reid whose birthday was May 16 and to Miss Lana Teressa Durham whose birthday is today (Wednesday).

Paprika added to flour adds flavor and improves browning when used to coat meat, poultry or fish.

4-H Youngsters Have Gathering

By **NATASHA BOYD**

On Thursday, May 9, at 6:30 p. m., the Bute Street 4-H Club met at the home of Mrs. Rebecca Solomon.

The vice president, Eric Solomon, opened the meeting in the absence of the president, Lisa Wynn.

Keith Williams led the song, "My Country 'Tis of Thee," a prayer, and the 4-H pledge. The treasurer, Katina Lloyd, called the roll and collected dues. Secretary Jeanetta Alston read the minutes of the previous meeting.

The 4-H leaders and members discussed the country demonstrations scheduled on June 1. The members made cards for Mrs. Kearney, one of the club leaders, and for the president.

The meeting was adjourned at 8 p. m.

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