

## STUDY SET-UP ROBIN HOOD FARM



Meeting to study the set-up of the Robin Hood Farms and to advise with the promoters as to methods and committee needs was the above group of agricultural leaders attending a luncheon in Raleigh last week. Seated, left to right, are: Dr. Clarence Poe, editor of the Progressive Farmer; T.

L. Vaughn, president of Robin Hood Farms; D. C. Fussell, secretary-treasurer, Robin Hood Farms; Hon. Thad Eure, secretary of State.

Standing, left to right, are: Dean I. O. Schaub, director of Agricultural Extension at State College; Dr. J. Henry Highsmith, State Di-

rector of High Schools; John A. Park, publisher of Raleigh Times; Frank H. Jeter, Agricultural Editor at State College; Col. John W. Harrelson, dean of administration, State College; Hon. W. Kerr Scott, commissioner of agriculture, and T. E. Brown, state director of vocational education.

### SWEET POTATOES

The first week in June is a good time to set sweet potato plants. If you have not grown your own plants insist on plants from certified seed. Plants should be set 10 to 12 inches apart, the rows from 3 to 3 1-2 feet apart. A few days before setting the plants apply a 3-8-8 or 4-8-8 fertilizer—800 lbs. to the acre.

### TRI-CHAPTER MEETING

All Y. T. H. F. members are urged to attend the Tri-Chapter meeting in the Vo-Ag. department at Wakelon school Wednesday, May 25, at 7:30. This will be an important meeting—officers will be elected, and plans made for the camp at White Lake. Refreshments will be served.

### DON'T FEED THE LOAFERS

Why do you continue to feed your non-productive hens? These hens should be taken from the flock. This is easily done by examination for external characters.

First: The majority of non-layers have a shriveled comb, the yellow legs and beaks will be noticeably yellow. The yellow pigment is also seen in the vent, eye ring and ear lobe—when laying this yellow pigment is used in the manufacture of the egg yolk. A laying hen has pale beak, legs, etc.—and when she ceases to lay the pigment returns to the bleached parts.

A safe characteristic to use in culling is to determine the body capacity. Examine the vent, a laying hen will show a large, moist vent. The abdomen will be soft. If the pelvic bones are close together and stiff, it is a safe bet that the hen is non-productive.

The poorest class hen molts early in the summer. Second class lays all summer without molting. The third class will molt and continue egg production. All hens that cease to lay in May and June should be taken from the flock.

### BRITAIN BREAKS WITH MEXICO

Mexico City.—As a culmination of the protest by Great Britain over the seizure of British oil properties in this country, diplomatic relations between the two countries have been severed. The failure of the United States to take the same course as Britain has aroused fears in diplomatic circles that misunderstanding may ensue between the two countries over their divergent policies in the oil seizures.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde B. Whitford of Durham announce the birth of a daughter, Janet Frances, on May 12. Mrs. Whitford was before her marriage Miss Euna Mae Conn.

### DEMOCRATIC CONVENTIONS; STATE, COUNTY, PRECINCT

In the gathering of Democrats of Little River precinct nearly two weeks ago Robert D. Massey was elected chairman; Miss Ruby Dawson, vice-chairman; H. H. Hood, F. D. Finch, Miss Marion Whitlock, committee members.

In the county convention in Raleigh last Saturday the following were among the delegates who attended: Hubert Eddins, M. W. Chamblee, B. C. Bunn, Ruby Dawson, E. C. Stallings, Henry Hood, Paul Robertson, M. M. Faison, Mrs. M. M. Faison, A. R. House, Mrs. Ida Hall, Joe Knott and R. D. Massey.

The convention was most harmonious, its chief feature being an address by Ambassador Josephus Daniels.

Delegates to the State Democratic Convention, meeting in Raleigh on Thursday of this week are: R. D. Massey, Hubert Eddins, Henry Hood, Paul Robertson, M. W. Chamblee, A. R. House, Mrs. M. M. Faison.

### BIG JR. O. U. A. M. DAY

On Sunday, May 29, the Junior Order of United American Mechanics will hold their annual Visitation Day at their orphanage at Lexington, N. C. Governor Hoey will speak at 11:00 o'clock. The full program is as follows:

10:30 A. M.—Concert—Little Symphony orchestra.

11:00 A. M.—Address—Governor Clyde R. Hoey.

12:00 M.—Dinner.

2:00 P. M.—Presentation Sam F. Vance Memorial Tablet—R. A. Grady. S. V. C. acceptance—Gurney P. Hood, Trustee.

2:30 P. M.—Concert—Glee Club.

3:00 P. M.—Boys' Americanism Oration Contest.

3:40 P. M.—Jr. Order Quartette Contest.

4:10 P. M.—Finals—Girls' Americanism Essay Contest.

4:50 P. M.—Awarding Prizes and Scholarships.

This orphanage is one of the two operated by the Junior Order. The other is at Tiffin, Ohio. The one at Lexington has 225 children in it. The fraternal order has 31,000 members. Five thousand visitors are expected to be present on Sunday, May 29, to participate in this annual Visitation Day at Lexington.

13 more associations since that time.

The extension swine specialist and county farm agents assist growers in organizing and operating an association, but the farmers themselves control its policies, Taylor stated.

Local men have been trained to grade hogs on a basis of their general quality, and arrangements have been made with the U. S. Bureau of Animal Industry to provide federal graders to determine whether the pork is hard, soft, or oily.

Swine cannot be graded for soft or oily pork until slaughtered and cooled. Therefore, this work must be done at the packing houses, where the federal graders will be placed as soon as men have been trained to grade accurately.

ing to a formula set up in the Act.

"National goals were set up in Washington, and each state given its proportionate share of acres," Dean Schaub said. "In the case of cotton, even county goals were established in Washington. For tobacco, the State committee set each county's quota, which was approved by the AAA regional office in the nation's capital.

"We think that only a small part of the growers were campaigning actively against the program. Most of the others are still willing to go along with us in order to give control a fair chance. If they don't like it after the marketing season is over, they can vote down the program at the next referendum."

### SCHAUB DEFENDS AGENTS FROM UNFAIR CRITICISM

The county agent, because of his close association with the new farm act, has been the target of much undeserved criticism since cotton and tobacco allotments were announced, says Dean I. O. Schaub, of State College.

In a few communities, some disgruntled farmers have been clamoring for the agent's dismissal, basing their argument on apparent "unfairness."

"Thus we have a strange situation," the director of the Extension Service said. "The county agent is put in much the same position as a tax collector. He has orders which he must carry out that were formulated by the Congress of the United States. His duties are purely administrative."

Dean Schaub explained that county committeemen determined acreage allotments for individual farms after a careful study was made of the county and accord-



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### COOPERATIVE SELLING HELPS HOG PRODUCERS

Eastern North Carolina farmers have sold \$1,500,000 worth of hogs through their local cooperative marketing associations since January 1, 1937, said H. W. Taylor, of State College.

The 85,000 hogs sold in this way were shipped direct to the packers, who pay prevailing market prices for the high quality pork obtained from most of the hogs.

Although packers made deductions for soft and oily pork, Taylor added, growers have lost comparatively little because most of the hogs were in good condition.

The cooperative marketing program sponsored by the State College extension service is designed not only to help growers sell their hogs to advantage, but also to encourage them to produce high quality hogs.

At the first of the year 1937, two cooperative hog markets were functioning in Eastern Carolina. Growers were so pleased with the results that they have organized

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**DAILY SCHEDULE**—To Raleigh 9:00, 10:00, 1:25, 2:35, 5:45, 7:00; To Norfolk 8:50, 12:05, 3:10, 6:25. Connections for all points listed except Norfolk, Va., made in Raleigh.

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