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Wake County Fifth In Tobacco Acreage

Pitt County, North Carolina, is the ranking tobacco-growing county in the United States, according to figures from the 1945 Census of Agriculture issued by Director J. C. Capt, Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce. Wake County ranks fifth in the nation.

Dawson Tells Rotary Members Farm Manager System Now Working

The possibility of employing farm managers, to manage as much as 2,000 acres of farm land, was discussed by Robert Dawson at the meeting of the Zebulon Rotary Club last Friday night. Farm managers are growing in number and importance in the western states, Robert reported.

The managers meet the need of large insurance companies and other land holders by applying good business methods to farms which otherwise would be poorly supervised. Some look after a number of farms, where one is not large enough to be able to pay for supervision alone.

Discussion developed as to the practicability of farm managers in this section. Farmers in this area, the club decided, are much too independent to work under a manager, even tho it might mean more profits at the end of the year.

There is a need, however, for the amateur farmer, who does not live on his own land, to have someone look after his interests.

Barrie Davis stated that some day it is his ambition to own a farm, and Vaiden Whitley remarked: "That will be a farm which will need a manager!"

Tonight Vance Brown will be in charge of the program.

Jeffrey Carter Wins EMI Drilling Award In Squad Competition

Jeffrey Carter, son of Mrs. J. E. Carter, was awarded a bronze cup for having the best drilled platoon at Edwards Military Institute last Sunday at ceremonies held in Salemburg. Mrs. Carter and Mr. and Mrs. Howard McDevitt and son, Steven, were present at the parade.

The drills were colorful and were witnessed by the cadet officers' sponsors. Cadet Carter's sponsor was Miss Billie Jean Hammock of Pineland College and Greensboro.

Last Rites Held Tuesday for Father And Son Killed in Truck Accident

Funeral services for Leon Fowler, 40, of Zebulon, Route 4, and his son, William, 18 year old student at Wakelon High School, were conducted at three o'clock Tuesday afternoon from Hopkins Chapel Baptist Church by the Rev. Charles Howard of Buie's Creek and the Rev. A. D. Parrish of Zebulon. Interment was in the family cemetery on the Hopkins Chapel-Rolesville road.

Fowler, delivery truck driver for the Bell Bakeries of Raleigh, and his son died instantly around 9:30 a.m. Saturday when their truck collided with a Southern Railway freight at a crossing in Morrisville.

A total of 37,630 acres of tobacco was reported in Pitt County in 1944. That county also led the nation in 1939 with 43,365 acres in tobacco.

The second highest county is Johnston County, North Carolina, with 32,079 acres in tobacco in 1944, as compared with 41,584 acres in 1939 when it also ranked second.

Of the ten leading tobacco-growing counties in the country, seven are in North Carolina, with one each in Pennsylvania, South Carolina, and Virginia. In 1944, the ten leading counties reported 281,681 acres in tobacco, about 17 per cent of the Nation's 1,630,221 acres in this crop.

The remaining eight counties in the first ten, together with their 1944 tobacco averages, follow: Robeson County, North Carolina, 31,778 acres; Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, 29,847 acres; Wake County, North Carolina, 27,334 acres; Horry County, South Carolina, 26,432 acres; Wilson County, North Carolina, 25,571 acres; Nash County, North Carolina, 25,037 acres; Pittsylvania County, Virginia, 24,111 acres, and Columbus County, North Carolina, 21,862 acres.

Bridgers, Commissioners Sworn In Here Monday

Zebulon's new mayor and Board of Commissioners took the oath of office Monday night at 8:00 in the town office and began their two-year term. Clerk of the Recorder's Court Eugene Privette administered the oath.

Sworn in first was R. H. Bridgers as mayor, succeeding Avon Privett. Bridgers previously served as mayor from 1933 to 1937.

The Board of Commissioners, composed of two old board members and three new members, was sworn in together. Taking the oath were Howard Beck, Norman Screws, Barrie Davis, R. Vance Brown and Bob Sawyer.

No business was conducted Monday night, but a full evening is expected at the regular meeting the first Monday night in June.

Present at the ceremony were Town Clerk W. B. Hopkins, Ray Gainey, and M. G. Crowder.

Fowler had been employed by the Bell Company for the past few months, and previously worked six years for the Royal Baking Company in Raleigh. His son, a junior at Wakelon High School, was assisting him in his Saturday morning deliveries when the tragedy occurred.

Pallbearers for the elder Fowler were Hubert Baker, Ivan Hopkins, Billy Hopkins, Leonard Gay, Paul V. Horton and John Brannon.

Pallbearers for William Fowler were Rex Tippet, S. G. Flowers, Jr., Bobbie V. Brown, Kenneth Hopkins, Baxter Hopkins and Edsel Martin.

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Pictured are the Wakelon Bulldogs, this year's edition of the school baseball team. First row, left to right: Bobby Phillips, Fred Bunn, Bobby Bridgers, Bill Brantley, Harold Denton; second row: George Massey, manager, Dan Privette, Charlie Wayne Pace, Bobby Duke, Edward Finch, Bobby Kitchings; third row: C. W. Collier, coach, Cooper Moss, Fred Mangum, Johnny Gay, J. C. Liles, R. P. Pearce, Roy F. Lowry, coach.

Gov. Broughton, C. E. Vale to Be Speakers at Wakelon Exercises

J. Melville Broughton, former governor of North Carolina, will deliver the commencement address at the Wakelon School graduation exercises Wednesday night, May 21. The program begins at 8 p.m. Closing exercises for the school get under way Sunday night, May 18, when the Reverend C. E. Vale, pastor of the Zebulon and Wendell Methodist churches delivers the

Commencement sermon. Reverend T. B. Davis will pronounce the invocation and the Scripture will be read by Rev. J. H. McCrimmon. Rev. R. H. Herring will pronounce the benediction.

On Monday night, May 19, at 8:15, Miss Cornelia Pearle Cobb will present her piano pupils in their spring recital.

Class night exercises will be presented Tuesday, May 20, at 8 p.m. Judy Robertson will deliver the valedictory address and Nancy Whitley will make the salutatory address. Penina Bunn will read the class history and Dwight Bunn the last will and testament. The class oration will be presented by Carolyn Massey and the class prophecy by Fred Bunn. Jeannette Horton and Cyrus Bennett will present the class gifts and Bobby Ferrell the key.

Athletic letters, perfect attendance certificates, and other awards will be presented at 9 a.m. Thursday, May 22.

17 Zebulon Families Aided by Red Cross During Month of April

The dreaded words, "prisoner of war" were heard again in the office of the Wake County Red Cross Chapter a few days ago, for the first time in several months, the April report of the chapter shows. Red Cross workers had thought all prisoners of war had been released, that is, any prisoners whose welfare they would be called upon to aid.

A Raleigh resident called at the Red Cross office to ask assistance in sending a food package to her brother—a soldier of Germany—who is still confined in a French prisoner of war camp. She received the assistance requested.

Among those securing Red Cross (Continued on Page 8)

Directors of Zebulon Chamber of Commerce Writing Constitution

Bob Sawyer, chairman of the Zebulon Chamber of Commerce, met with Barrie Davis, secretary, and the Board of Executives Tuesday night to study and discuss the Constitutions of similar groups already organized. The meeting was held in the Peoples Bank and Trust Company.

Present for the discussion with Sawyer and Davis were Dr. Chas. Flowers, Howard Beck, Avon Privett, R. H. Bridgers, R. Vance Brown, and Roy Lowry.

The group decided that for the Town of Zebulon, it will be best to follow the constitution of the Raleigh Chamber of Commerce in drawing one for this town. Later, if the members desire, functions not incorporated in this constitution may be added.

From a study of a constitution prepared by the North Carolina Merchants Association and of the Raleigh Chamber of Commerce, it was found that the local organization can draw on a larger group for its membership as a Chamber of Commerce.

Barrie Davis was named chairman of a four-man committee for drawing up a constitution and by-laws for Zebulon, and he named Roy Lowry and Dr. Flowers to prepare the Constitution, and will work with Vance Brown in preparing the by-laws. The four will meet together Saturday night to consolidate their work and will submit the completed constitution and by-laws to the Board of Executives next week for its approval.

Wake County AAA Leader Advises Farmers Not To Overplant Tobacco

Russell Powell, Chairman, Wake County Agricultural Conservation Association Committee, today cautioned all tobacco growers in Wake County against overplanting their farm acreage allotments this year.

"Growers who harvest any acreage of tobacco in 1947 in excess of their farm acreage allotments are subject to marketing quota penalties and will not be eligible for full participation in Government price support loans," Mr. Powell stated.

Growers who plant within their farm acreage allotments can market all their tobacco without pen-

alties and are eligible for full Government price support loans, Mr. Powell added.

In connection with price support loans, Mr. Powell emphasized that any acreage harvested in excess of the farm acreage allotment will make all the tobacco produced within the allotted acreage on the farm ineligible for any price support loans. "This year there will be no acreage tolerance in establishing loan eligibility, as contrasted with the 1946 tolerance of the lesser of three-tenths acre or 5 percent of the allotment. Any acre (Continued on Page 8)