

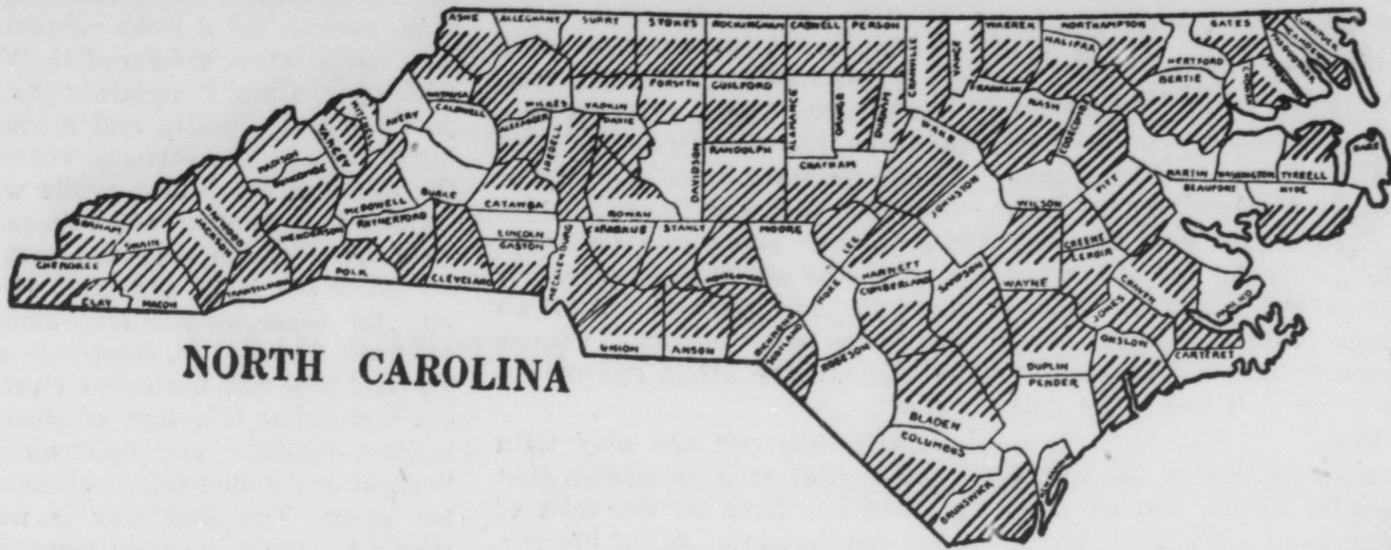
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77 COUNTIES ENTER RURAL PROGRESS CAMPAIGN



NORTH CAROLINA

This year 77 North Carolina counties (all shown by slanting lines on the above map) are engaged in an unprecedented "Rural Progress Campaign." This campaign is sponsored by the North Carolina Board of Farm Organizations and Agencies, including farm and home agents, vo-ag and home ec teachers, Farm Bureau, Grange, SCS, PMA, FHA, REA, State Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Development, and others. The county making the greatest record of progress in 1953 will be acclaimed "County of the Year in Rural Progress" and receive a \$1000 cash prize while a \$500 prize will be given to the winning county in each of the state's five other extension districts. It will be noted that Wake, Franklin, and Nash counties are enrolled in this campaign.

Thousand Dollars Worth Of Prizes Will Be Given

A thousand dollars worth of prizes will be given absolutely free to farmers and their families attending the Zebulon Farmer's Day on Wednesday afternoon, August 12, according to Frank Kemp, prize chairman for the event.

A brand new Zenith television set will be the grand prize, Chairman Kemp said. The set, retailing for approximately \$350, is a 21-inch console model, obtained from Parrish Electric Company.

Gilmer Parrish gave the local Chamber of Commerce his commission off on the set, plus making a donation of a substantial portion

of the dealer's cost. The balance of the amount is being made up by cash contributions from various businesses and professional men in Zebulon.

Cash contributions made thus far include: S. D. Stallings, \$10.00; Gay Dry Cleaners, \$10.00; American Plumbing & Electrical Supply Co., \$20.00; Peoples Bank & Trust Co., \$25.00; Carolina Power & Light, \$10; Dr. L. M. Massey, \$10; Beck Brothers Veneer Co., \$10.00; Theo. Davis Sons, \$25.00; Russell Williams, \$5.00; The Zebulon Gin, \$10.00.

Merchandise valued at the amounts listed has been contributed by the following merchants: Hales Farm Supply Co., \$11.50; Gay Dry Cleaners, \$10.00; D. B. Jones, \$10.00; Zebulon Dry Cleaners, \$10.00; Creech Radio Service, \$5.00; Wakelon Food Market, \$10.00; Elite Beauty Salon, \$15.00; City Market, \$10.00; Phillips Grocery, \$10.00; Temple Market, \$10.00; Antone's Department Store, \$25.00; Hunter's 5c to \$5 Store, \$5.00; Zebulon Drug Company, \$10.00.

Eddins Oil Company, \$19.20; Philip Olive, \$10.00; Page's Store Co., \$10.00; Farmer's Department Store, \$10.00; Debnam Hardware Store, \$10.00; B. F. Lewis, \$10.00; Kannon's Department Store, \$10.00; Dunn's Grocery, \$5.00; Brown's Grocery, \$6.00; Greene's Grocery, \$5.00; Massey Lumber Company, \$10.00.

Philip Massey, \$8.00; Whitley & Scarboro, \$10.00; Pure Oil Station, \$5.00; Western Auto Associate Store, \$10.00; J. M. Chevrolet Co., \$10.00.

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Wakefield Teenagers Are Trophy Winners

The Wakefield Teenagers won the women's softball trophy by defeating the Zebulon teenagers in three consecutive games. This week's games between the above teams will not influence the standards.

Tuesday 7:30: Scribes vs. Lions Club

9:15: Rotary Club vs. Wakefield

Wednesday 7:30: Zebulon Teenager vs. Wakefield Teenagers

9:15: Wakefield vs. Lions Club

Thursday 7:30: Lions Club vs. Rotary Club

9:15: Wakefield vs. Scribes.

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Wakefield	3	0	1000
Lions Club	3	1	750
Rotary Club	1	2	333
Scribes	0	4	000

Middlesex Soldier Is Commended For Risk in Action of Korean War

Albert E. Evans, 25, of Middlesex, who volunteered to stay up front on a patrol while his company returned to friendly lines, recently was awarded the Commendation Ribbon in Korea.

The son of Mrs. Sarah Evans, 208 W. 140th St., New York City, he is a squad leader with the 40th Infantry Division's 224th Regiment.

For three nights last January, Evans and fellow patrol members went out in front of the main line, often under direct enemy observation and heavy fire, to accomplish their vital mission.

"Evans' willingness to assume added risk, loyalty, and outstanding devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the U. S. Army," says a citation accompanying his award.

In the Army since January 1952, Sergeant Evans completed basic training at Fort Dix, N. J., and arrived in the combat zone last August. He also holds the Combat Infantryman Badge, Korean Service Medal and the UN Service Ribbon.

Evans' wife, Johnst, and daughter live on Route 1, Middlesex.

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Robert Overby, who served as assistant Scoutmaster of the Zebulon Boy Scout Troop since last December, has been transferred to Roanoke Rapids by Halifax Paper Company. The Scouting leader proved very popular with the local Scouts during the time he worked with them.

Jr. Woman's Club Leaders Discuss Project for Year

Plans for the local Junior Woman's Club to assist the Children's Home Society in Greensboro during the coming year were discussed last Thursday with Mrs. Carolyn Brandt, Field Representative of the Children's Home Society from Greensboro, who met here with Mrs. Jack Potter, chairman of the local committee, and Mrs. Barrie Davis, president of the Junior Woman's Club.

The Children's Home Society assists in placing children in homes for adoption, making preliminary investigations of the homes and conducting tests on the children.

The Junior Woman's Club assists the Society by giving financial aid and publicizing the work of the Society. The local club plans to emphasize this phase of its work this year.

Royal Ambassadors Meet This Week

The Royal Ambassadors of the Zebulon Baptist Church will hold their regular meeting Wednesday night, August 5, at 7:00 o'clock. All members are urged to attend.

North Carolina farmers vote August 14 on wheat quotas for the 1954 crop.

Farmer's Day Program Is Full of Entertainment

The most elaborate program ever presented for a special day in Zebulon will be featured next week when the communities around Zebulon join in celebrating the arrival of the rural fire truck purchased by the Zebulon Rural Fire Department, Inc. Two top-flight speakers, equipment displays, a National Guard show, a barbecue, a softball game, and a big square dance highlight the occasion.

Square Dance to Be Wednesday Night Feature of Special Day

Square dance enthusiasts — and just plain dancers — will enjoy the music of Jack Farmer and his ensemble in the Wakelon Gymnasium Wednesday night, August 12, when the popular group will play for the Farmer's Day dance, Dance Chairman Ralph Talton announced yesterday.

The engagement was made possible, following negotiations by Constable Earl "Crip" Duke, a member of Talton's committee, with Farmer, when Whitley Furniture Company offered to pay the dance band fee.

"We are grateful to Norman Screws and Whitley Furniture Company for their generosity in making this contribution toward the success of Farmer's Day," Chairman Talton said, "and we are expecting the best dance of the summer."

The Recreation Commission has been holding dances each Friday night in the gymnasium, but each night recorded music had to be used.

The square dance — which will also feature popular dancing, as well as jitterbugging — is scheduled (Continued on Page 6)

Pvt. Willie M. Watson Stationed in Germany

Pvt. Willie M. Watson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Watson, Route 1, Middlesex, is serving with the 4th Infantry Division in Germany.

Now stationed in southern Germany, the 4th Infantry Division is receiving intensive field training as part of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) defense force for Western Europe.

Watson, a member of the 8th Infantry Regiment's Company D entered the Army in May 1950 and has been awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in action.

Tobacco Farmers Lose Hundreds Of Thousands of Dollars to Disease

North Carolina tobacco farmers lose hundreds of thousands of dollars each year because they refuse to plant a variety that is resistant to one or more of the destructive leaf diseases.

Dixie Bright 101, for example, a variety resistant to moth black shank and Granville wilt, has not been accepted yet by the majority of North Carolina farmers.

W. N. Knight, Negro Forsyth County farm agent for the Agriculture Extension Service, explains the reluctance of the farmers to accept resistant varieties like this: "They judge the new varieties by the way they grow. The one they have been growing for years may have wider leaves and may grow a little taller. It is awfully hard to get a farmer to realize that he

The day's activities begin at 2 p. m., when a farm equipment display and demonstration will be staged by ten dealers. Specialists from the N. C. Department of Agriculture will be present to answer questions from visitors.

Dealers planning displays include Finch Tractor and Implement Co., Whitley & Scarboro, Problems Acres Farm Supply Co., Neil Chamblee, Raleigh Tractor and Truck Company, Dillon Supply Co., Raleigh Farm Equipment Co., Sanders Motor Co., and a liquid nitrogen dealer from Wilson.

At 4 o'clock a drawing will be conducted for prizes, including a complete VHF-UHF television set, complete with antenna and all installation. Other valuable prizes are being contributed by merchants in the Zebulon trade area.

At 5 o'clock W. Kerr Scott, Haw River dairy farmer who has served North Carolina as governor and Commissioner of Agriculture, will make the featured address of the day. Prominent guests will be introduced and the fire truck presentation made.

A demonstration by the rural fire truck is planned by members of the Rural Fire Department.

A barbecue supper will be served in the Wakelon cafeteria at 6 o'clock by the Zebulon American Legion and Auxiliary. Profits from the supper will be used to purchase books for the community library.

At 7 o'clock the 94th Army Band and the Zebulon National Guard unit will be featured in a concert and demonstration.

Major General John Hall Manning, adjutant general of the State of North Carolina, who was instrumental in obtaining an armory for Zebulon, will make an address during this hour.

The Zebulon All-Stars will meet the Raleigh Police Department in a softball game at 8 o'clock. The Zebulon nine is managed by Jack Mitchell and Andrew Draughon.

At 9 o'clock a big square dance will be held in the Wakelon gymnasium to complete the full day.

Jack Farmer and his band from Bailey will play for the square dance.

is not growing tobacco because of the way it looks, but for the income a specific variety will bring him in return for his labor."

Knight says a tall, pretty, wide-leaved tobacco isn't worth a dime after black shank has destroyed it. Granville wilt can also wreak havoc with a leaf crop.

In comparing non-resistant varieties with resistant varieties such as Dixie Bright 101, Knight says the farmer should do his judging on the basis of how much tobacco he will have standing in the field at harvest time. In soils that are infested with black shank or Granville wilt (more and more tobacco acres each year in North Carolina) half or all of the crop may be lying on the ground at priming time, depending on the rate of infestation.