

Dixie-Home Stores Declare Extra Dividend

Seven hundred stockholders of the Dixie-Home Stores company will divide a \$30,000 Christmas present from the company on December 23, President J. P. Williamson announced in Greenville, S. C., following a meeting of the board of directors at which an extra dividend of 15 cents a share was declared.

The extra dividend, payable to all stockholders of record December 15, will be made in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of 15 cents a share payable January 15 to all stockholders of record January 5.

The two dividends will distribute a total of over \$60,000 to citizens of the Carolinas, where more than 95 per cent of the Dixie-Home Stores stock is owned.

In a brief statement Mr. Williamson said the extra dividend, the first declared by the company in several years, presaged the return of real prosperity to the Carolinas.

"We are very cheerful about it," he said, "for we feel that our increased business reflects a general upturn in all southern industries."

First Tenant Loan Approved December 7

James Gray Route 1, Franklin, was the first tenant purchase applicant approved by the Macon county committee, announced County Supervisor Thomas C. Mimms. Mr. Gray's loan was approved by the committee December 7.

The county committee, consisting of Albert L. Ramsey, Ed B. Byrd, and Walter C. Taylor, are considering other applications in Macon county.

New Circular Tells Of Soil Inoculation

Soil inoculation is necessary to gather the required bacterium to produce nodules on the roots of legumes which gather nitrogen and store it for the use of the plant in making its growth. Eight common reasons for failure and other valuable data on soil inoculation is contained in a new Extension Circular prepared by E. W. Gaither, subject matter analyst of the State college extension service.

The common reasons for failure are listed as: (1) Use of the wrong variety of bacterium for the legume to be grown; (2) use of artificial culture which is too old; (3) exposing inoculating material to sunlight before using; (4) exposure of inoculated seed to sunlight before covering; (5) improper mixing of seed and inoculating material; (6) seeding during hot, dry weather or during the hottest part of the day; (7) using soil which is not inhabited by a sufficient number of bacteria; and (8) seeding inoculated seed on soil that is too acid or too wet to permit the proper development of the bacteria.

Gaither has also prepared a chart showing the lowest pH or acidity of the soil for proper growth of eight different groups of legumes. He explains the procedure for inoculating with artificial culture, with soils, and with both.

Assistance in preparing the circular was given by Enos C. Blair, extension agronomist; Dr. R. F. Poole, research botanist; Dr. Luther Shaw, extension pathologist; and L. G. Willis, research soil chemist, all of State college, who examined the material for technical accuracy.

The Extension Circular, No. 228, entitled "Inoculating Soils to Grow Legumes," is available for free distribution upon request to the Agricultural Editor, State College, Raleigh.

Department Aids Swine Producers

RALEIGH, Dec. 14.—A 10 per cent increase in hogs this year compared with 1937 is indicated for the commercial hog-producing area of the state reports Paul L. Fletcher, livestock marketing specialist of the N. C. department of agriculture.

Meanwhile, the department has launched a program to better enable farmers to market their swine and for the protection of the industry as a whole. (1) Swine disease control work is now being conducted by the veterinary division; (2) latest market price information is being furnished daily by the department's market news service and (3) information is being collected to determine practical locations for additional hog markets.

Devil's Island Again to House French Criminals



France's ill-famed penal colony in French Guiana, Devil's Island, once more will receive that country's criminals. The reform which three years ago put an end to the transportation of criminals to Devil's Island has been held up because there are no funds available to build the necessary extra prisons. A boatload of prisoners is pictured on the way to the prison of St. Martin de Re, where 673 were concentrated prior to being shipped to the island.

Youthful Sailors Embark on Tahitian Voyage



An 89-foot brigantine, the Florence C. Robinson, with 11 young adventurers aboard, put out to sea recently on a 7,700-mile voyage to Tahiti, where the boat will be turned over to a copra trader. Pictured from left to right are Larry O'Toole, Boston artist; Dick Hemminway, Croton, Mass., and Arthur Hanson, Boston. Sterling Hayden (inset) is the 22-year-old skipper, and the youngest man aboard. Dennis, the live pig, will never see land again, for he will be converted into chops and roasts for the crew.

Prentiss

By DONA CARPENTER

The farmers in this section are busy with their fall plowing.

Rev. J. I. Vinson filled his regular appointment Saturday and Sunday at Pleasant Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Jones and son, Dan, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Sanders Sunday.

Jud Flint was in this section Monday on business.

Carl Kimsey, of Cartoogechaye, visited his brother, Claud Kimsey, Sunday.

Cartoogechaye

By MRS. FRANK J. SOUTHARD

Lawrence Dills, of Hiawassee, Ga., was in this community the past week visiting his daughter, Mrs. Burl Southard.

Mrs. Elijah Grant and son, Lee, of Franklin, are visiting Mrs. Grant's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Conley.

Glen Beck, son of Mr. and Mrs. Merritt Beck, who has been seriously ill for the past two months, is slowly improving.

Lester and Alex Southard and families, of Franklin, were visiting relatives in this community Sunday.

Quince Roane, who has been working at Hayesville, spent the week-end at his home.

Molly Shook, of Hiawassee, Ga., was in this section on business the past week.

Dillard Southard, who is building a new dwelling house, has it near completion.

Miss Louise Southard has returned to her home after spending some time in Winston-Salem.

PRESENTATION SET



Miss Eleanor Roosevelt, niece and namesake of Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, will be presented in Washington at a White House dance to be given by President and Mrs. Roosevelt the latter part of December. Her father is Hall Roosevelt of New York city, brother of Mrs. Roosevelt.

FIRE

Fire losses on farms this year will amount to \$95,000,000, which is approximately 5 per cent more than last year, according to the national fire protection association.

Heavy corn feeding of poultry seems to increase the tendency toward feather-picking and cannibalism, while heavy oat feeding seems to decrease this tendency.

Broadway

By EFFIE WILSON

B. Wilson and family attended the funeral of Mrs. Wilson's mother, Mrs. Flora Carver, at Scaly Tuesday of last week. She had been in the state sanitarium at Milledgeville, Ga., for a number of years.

Zillah Wilson has been on the sick list for some time, but is some better now.

Agnes and Jim McKinney made a business trip to Highlands Thursday.

Arval Bryson and Mrs. Miller Ritchie, of Scaly, were visiting Mrs. Hulda Wilson and family Saturday night.

Mrs. Hulda Wilson has been very sick at her home for some time, but is slowly improving.

Pascal Norton, his mother and brother, Neville, were visiting Mrs. Wilson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Vinson and small son, Michael, spent Friday night at the home of Mrs. Wilson.

Jim McKinney and Edna Wilson were visiting at B. Wilson's Sunday afternoon.

Agnes, Mack and Jim McKinney were business visitors in Franklin Saturday.

EXTRA INCOME

Job Berry of Swan Quarter, Hyde county, sold 350 pounds of honey for 15 cents a pound, netting him \$52.50. The honey was produced from 10 hives and Mr. Berry left about 250 pounds in the hives as feed for the bees this winter. He says this extra income cost him practically nothing.

Vetch Is Becoming Popular As Legume

Dare county is generally looked upon as a section of beaches, fishing and pageants. But it also is becoming a profitable farming county through the teachings of County Farm Agent C. W. Overman of Manteo, says Enos C. Blair, agronomist of the State college extension service.

Overman is encouraging the growth of winter legumes, especially vetch, to provide more fertile soil, Blair reports. Several Dare county farmers grew vetch last winter and turned it under in the spring; and this year the number of farmers growing vetch and the acreage of the legume have more than doubled.

Blair says this can be accounted for by such demonstrations as the one recently completed by M. M. Sawyer of Mann's Harbor in Dare county. Last fall Mr. Sawyer sowed half of his field to vetch and left the other half without a legume. The yield of corn where no vetch was planted was 18 bushels per acre, but where vetch was turned under the yield was 32 bushels to the acre. This field is a sandy soil, with little organic matter, and very little natural fertility. The corn planted was a local white variety, and it was all fertilized with 400 pounds of 4-8-4 per acre.

"Hairy vetch contains more nitrogen per pound than any other legume grown in North Carolina, which makes it one of our best soil builders," Blair states. "It will grow on practically any soil that is inoculated, is hardy, and may be sown during September, October and November (the earlier the better)."

Church Services

Franklin Methodist Church
The Rev. Ivan L. Roberts, Pastor
(Each Sunday)
10 a. m.—Sunday school.
11 a. m.—Worship services.
6 p. m.—Vesper service.

St. Agnes Episcopal Church
The Rev. Frank Bloxham, Rector
7:30 p. m.—Choral service.

Baptist Church
Rev. C. F. Rogers, Pastor
9:45 a. m.—Sunday school.
11 a. m.—Preaching service.
7 p. m.—B. T. U.
7:30 p. m.—Preaching service.
Wednesday, 8 p. m.—Prayer service.

Presbyterian Church
Rev. J. A. Flanagan, Pastor
Franklin—(Each Sunday)
10 a. m.—Sunday school.
11 a. m.—Worship services.
Morrison—(Each Sunday)
2:30 p. m.—Sunday school.
(Each 2nd and 4th Sunday)
3:30 p. m.—Worship services.

Catholic Church
Rev. A. R. Rohrbacher, Pastor
Services in American Legion hall
second and fourth Sundays at 8 a.m.

Macon Circuit
Rev. J. C. Swain, Pastor
1st Sunday—Union 11 o'clock a. m.;
a. m.; Mulberry, 2 o'clock p. m.;
Hickory Knoll, 2 o'clock p. m.;
Asbury, 3 o'clock p. m.
2nd Sunday—Mt. Zion, 11 o'clock;
Maiden's Chapel, 3 o'clock p. m.
3rd Sunday—Asbury, 11 o'clock;
Dryman's Chapel, 3 o'clock p. m.;
Union, 7:30 o'clock p. m.
4th Sunday—Patton's 11 o'clock
a. m.; Maiden's Chapel, 2 o'clock
p. m.; Mt. Zion, 7:30 o'clock p. m.



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