

AAA PAYMENTS IN THIS COUNTY TOTAL \$20,332

2,300 In Macon Receive Benefits Through Farm Program

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Farmers in Macon County in 1946 received cash payments under the AAA farm program totaling \$20,332.51, and materials valued at \$31,180.32.

What is the reason for these payments? many will ask.

During the early part of this century congress realized, along with all farm leaders of that day, that the protection and conservation of our farm soils was of concern to all citizens—not just to the individual farmer himself. Up until congress finally took notice of the tremendous loss in valuable topsoil, soil erosion and soil depletion were taken as a necessary evil about which only a few people were greatly concerned.

Several agencies are working today to assist the farmer in the protection and improvement of his soils, such as the AAA, Extension service, TVA, CSC, and others; however, the programs administered by the different agencies are closely coordinated and designed entirely for the conservation of our greatest natural resource—valuable topsoil.

The AAA's part in this work is to encourage the use of various practices in better farming methods, suited to local conditions, through the incentive payment plan.

For example, for sowing winter legumes for soil protection and improvement during winter months, the AAA pays the farmers at the rate of \$17 per hundred pounds of crimson clover; \$16 per hundred pounds of hairy vetch; \$5.50 per hundred pounds of winter peas. Naturally, seed furnished in whole or in part by the AAA does not earn a cash payment.

Where does the money come from? By congressional appropriation only. As in the past office, the war and navy departments, the TVA and others, the AAA is appropriated an amount of money each year to make these soil-building payments. This money, of course, is raised by income taxes, luxury taxes and other sources of revenue with which all are familiar. No part of the funds used in the operation of the AAA is taken from municipal or county tax receipts.

Where does this \$20,000 cash payment go each year? It is entirely safe to state that more than 95 per cent of this money is spent by the farmers to buy farm supplies, such as more seed and fertilizer to continue to build their soils. And these purchases are, in the majority of cases, made with the merchants of Macon County. Rarely does a farmer buy his farm supplies and equipment by mail order. Thus, more citizens in Macon County benefit directly or indirectly from the more than \$20,000 received in the last year than from any like sum received in Macon County. At present there are more than 2,300 farmers receiving these benefits through the local AAA office.

Does the AAA furnish anything besides cash? In the past 10 years a total of 41,130 tons of limestone have been furnished at less than one third the total cost of the material. A total of 6,490.3 tons of phosphate have been furnished.

A total of \$5,814 permanent pasture have been established along with other soil building practices as seeding legumes and grasses.

Funeral Held For Infant Daughter Of Lester Arnolds

Funeral services for Donna Ruth Arnold, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester L. Arnold, of Franklin, were held at the Franklin cemetery last Friday at 3 o'clock. The Rev. Charles E. Parker, pastor of the Franklin Baptist church, conducted the graveside service.

Surviving are the parents and the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Arnold, of the Cullasaja community, and Mrs. George Conley, of Franklin and Macon, Ga.

Bryant funeral home was in charge of the arrangements.

Stewart To Attend Duke

Lt. (jg.) Harold Stewart, son of Mr. and Mrs. Will Stewart, of Otto, will enter Duke university in January. Lt. Stewart will attend Duke under the recently adopted educational program for officer transferees from naval reserve units.

Harmonicas On Sale In Stores Again

Christmas this year—the second full calendar peace-time year since the start of World War 2—has brought back to store counters many items, and especially a number of toys, notably absent during the war. Among them are harmonicas. It is the first time in eight years that harmonicas have

been available, a leading hardware merchant here said.

And in connection with his stock of harmonicas, he pointed out something puzzling about one shipment of fine instruments he received.

Each harmonica in this shipment is in a box, and clearly printed on the outside of each box are these words:

"Made in Germany for reparations for Poland."

Just how did German reparations for Poland reach Franklin? he asked.

Presumably they were shipped from Poland to the United States. But that is only a guess.

12 BOY SCOUTS GIVEN AWARDS

Kermit Dehart Advanced To Star Rank At Honor Court

Twelve Franklin Boy Scouts received awards or promotions at the Smoky Mount district court of honor held at Cherokee last Thursday night.

Kermit Dehart was advanced to the rank of Star scout.

Merit badges were awarded

to Kermit Dehart, Russell McKelvy, Jr., Kenneth Carpenter, Howard Patton, Richard Jones, Jr., Alvin Stiles, and Claude McFalls.

Walter Hall, Jr., and Allen Cartledge received second class Scout badges.

Starting out in Scouting as tenderfoots were Emory Crawford and Bill Morrow.

Five boys—Alvin Stiles, Russell McKelvy, Kenneth Carpenter, Claude McFalls, and Howard Patton—were reviewed by the board on their Star scout tests, and will receive these awards at the next court of honor.

Dean Carpenter Takes Post In Kokomo, Ind.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Carpenter will leave here December 27 to make their home in Kokomo, Ind. Mr. Carpenter, who has been connected with the Macon County Supply company and has been associated with his father, E. J. Carpenter, in the insurance business, has accepted a position in Kokomo with the Chrysler corporation.

The production of peanuts in North Carolina this year is estimated at 350,400,000 pounds.

QUALITY FOODS

Our store is brimming with holiday suggestions and our shelves are actually top heavy with products... the best in the land... to make your Christmas dinner a feast to remember until the next one rolls around. This is OUR way of wishing YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS in full measure.



DO YOUR CHRISTMAS POCKETBOOK A FAVOR... **SHOP HERE!**

RED EMPEROR GRAPES 2 POUNDS 27c	FALL RUSSETT PEARS 2 POUNDS 25c
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ORANGES FULL - O - JUICE FLORIDA
8 lb. bag **33c**
20 lb bag **75c**
40 lb bag **1.39**

APPLES
Western Delicious **5 Lbs. 59c**
Per Box 4.45
STAYMAN **5 lbs 53c**

LET US PACK your **Gift Baskets!**



GIVE FRUIT FOR XMAS

SAUCE	OCEAN SPRAY CRANBERRY 16 Oz. Can	21c
WALNUTS	BABY EMERALD POUND Cello Bag	35c
Brazil Nuts	POUND CELLO BAG	41c
PECANS	POUND CELLO BAG	45c
RAISINS	DEL MONTE SEEDLESS 15 OZ. PKG.	17c
Fruit for Salad	LIBBY'S NO. 2 1/2 CAN	47c
ORANGE	JUICE 46 OZ. CAN	21c
FLOUR	WHITE LACE 5 POUND BAG	52c
Preserves	WELCH'S CHERRY POUND JAR	35c

Cranberries	RED - RIPE 12 OZ. CELLO BAG	35c
CELERY	CLEAN CRISP LARGE STALK	15c

Italian Chestnuts Lb. 39c



Introducing **Pinky Pig BACON**

DRY SUGAR CURED THIN SLICED TO ASSURE SWEETER MEATY FLAVOR. FOR BEST RESULTS START IN A COLD PAN AND COOK SLOWLY

Pound 75c

CANDIES

LEMON DROPS
SUGAR CREAM WAFERS
BUTTER MELLOW CREAMS
CELLO BAGS FROM 10c to 43c
BOX CANDIES FROM 39c to 79c
PEPPERMINT SATIN CREAMS
BROCKS CHOCOLATE PEANUT CLUSTER
M. & M. CANDY COATED MILK CHOCOLATE
BUTTER RICH CORN CANDY
CHRISTMAS HARD CANDY MIX
SPICED JELLY DROPS
CARAMEL COATED POPCORN
CHOCOLATE CREAM DROPS
5c CANDY BARS AND GUM
ORANGE SLICES

YOUNG and TENDER! CAROLINA TURKEYS
for Every Purse and Taste!
Dressed & Drawn . . . Ready to Stuff



Tom Turkeys
Whole or Half **Pound 59c**

SMALL YOUNG TURKEYS
8 to 15 **Pound 69c**

SMALL SIZES FRESH SKINNED (WHOLE OR HALF) POUND

PORK HAM 55c
DRESSED AND DRAWN POUND

FATHENS 53c
GENUINE LONG ISLAND POUND

Ducklings 45c
FOR STUFFING—STY-MOARD PINT

OYSTERS 79c
PURITAN PORK POUND

SAUSAGE 49c
KEY STONE POUND

Mince Meat 29c

CUDAHY PURITAN SMOKED PICNIC STYLE CELLO WRAPPED

HAMS Lb. 49c

CUDAHY PURITAN SKINNED SMOKED

HAMS
8 to 14 POUNDS WHOLE or HALF
Pound 63c Tender, Juicy meat



EAGLE BRAND MILK	15 OUNCE CAN	25c
THOMPSON SEEDLESS RAISINS	2-7 OUNCE PKGS.	15c
DROMEDARY DATES	10 OUNCE PACKAGE	23c
ALMONDS	POUND CELLO BAG	49c
DUFF'S OR PILLSBURY HOT ROLL MIX		25c
OLD VA. CANE & MAPLE SYRUP	16 OUNCE	29c
SNIDERS CHILI SAUCE	12 OZ. BOTTLE	25c
DEL MONTE TOMATO CATSUP	14 OZ. BOTTLE	22c
LIBBY'S PUMPKIN	2-NO. 2 CANS	27c
BLUE SEA SOLID PACK TUNA FISH	7 OZ. CAN	43c
BAMA GRAPE JAM	POUND JAR	23c
GOLD CUP COFFEE	2-POUND PKGS.	87c
DUKE'S RELISH	8 OUNCE JAR	26c
XXXX CONFECTIONARY, LIGHT OR DARK BROWN SUGAR	POUND PKG.	11c
FACTORY PACK SUGAR	5 POUND BAG	47c

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Fine Foods • Quick Service • Tender

T. C. CHILDS, Store Manager