

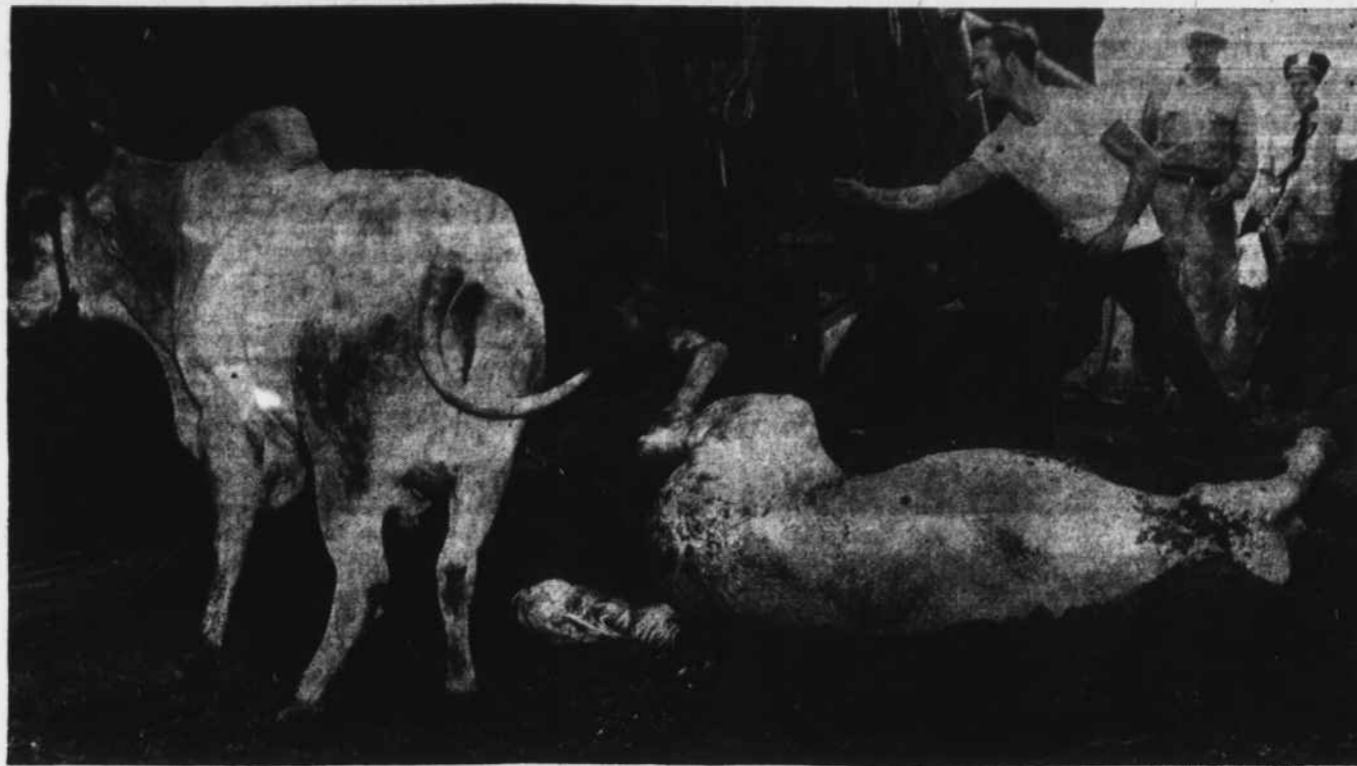
## 1,022 Macon County Farms Participating In Program

This year ('55) there are 1,022 farms participating in the Agricultural Conservation Program administered by the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation committee, according to Miss Mildred Corbin, acting A. S. C. office manager.

The allocation for these farms is \$41,181. Of this total, \$37,435.63 already has been used, leaving \$4,445.37 on hand, she said. The money is to be used to increase participation percentage through farmers who have not taken any material this year.

In making the announcement, she also noted that all farmers taking part in the program this year have made performance reports.

**Burley Measuring**  
Of the 213 burley tobacco



—Staff Photo by J. P. Brady  
AN UPSET BRAHAMA BULL swishes its tail angrily and an injured mare rolls in the sawdust following the wreck of a rodeo truck June 23, about 4:30 p. m. in the yard of the St. Francis Catholic Church. The driver (pictured) and a passenger were uninjured in the mishap. The driver said brake failure caused the vehicle to overturn. Two other horses were unharmed. The truck did not belong to the rodeo which played in Franklin, but was connected with the Tri-State outfit, it was reported.

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growers in Macon, about 100 have had cropland measured.

Because state regulations hold that the farm burley allotment cannot exceed 10 per cent of the total cropland on the farm, Miss Corbin has requested the cooperation of farmers in assisting the reporter in getting farm boundaries and cropland field boundaries for allotment purposes.

Today's average dairy cow in the United States is producing 45 per cent more milk than her predecessor did 40 years ago.

### This Week With Macon County Agents

BY MRS. MARGARET D. SMITH  
(Assistant Agent)

Mrs. Lawrence Ramsey, of Franklin Route 3, is proving that a woman can and does weed quite

a large garden. Of course, Mrs. Ramsey has had some help from her son, William, in getting the garden plot ready to plant, but most of the weeding and spraying has been done by Mrs. Ramsey. She realizes the importance of a good garden and says, "that a garden will save you money, for returns from a garden plot are higher than any other crop grown."

It will furnish you better quality vegetables for the fresh vegetable taste better and are better for you; cause you to eat more vegetables. Regardless of income,

people eat more vegetables when home grown than when bought; Provides training ground for children, every child should help grow a garden; provides you with better health; vegetables are among nature's best foods. And they furnish valuable material for building and regulating the body and maintaining health and growth.

In order to have a good garden, Mrs. Ramsey says the location of the garden is important. It should have good soil, be near the house, and in full sun. Stay away from trees and large shrubs. Buy only certified seed, keep the garden small. In fact, Mrs. Ramsey has two small gardens for vegetables and flowers and one with small fruits. In these two gardens she is producing 30 vegetables and 10 different flowers for her own home use. Mrs. Ramsey started planning this garden last January 1. She planned her garden and food conservation according to the foods she needs for a special diet. This diet is a low salt, and high Vitamin A, acid ash diet. The doctor recommended to Mrs. Ramsey that she stick to these vegetables after an operation for kidney stones. She has added 10 new vegetables to her garden this year, Swiss chard, chinese cabbage, ground nuts, almonds, chestnut beans, carabaz, monmouth pumpkin 20-25 No. Guinea beans (cooked like squash), oriental radishes, and Kohlrabi. These last are new to this area and are being tried by Mrs. Ramsey and her son for novelty and to see if they will do well here. Mrs. Ramsey plans to use some of these in fruit cakes this winter.

Since it has been a little difficult planning meals for the whole family, Mrs. Ramsey has tried to teach her family to eat the same vegetables she does. She also plants and uses other vegetables and meats that the family enjoys. Mrs. Ramsey has grown her an-

nual cut flowers in the garden for years. It helps to take the hard work out of gardening to see the beautiful gladioli and other flowers blooming so close by. She conserves the food her family uses in winter either by freezing or canning.

It is not too late to plant a late garden if your early one was stunted by cold or lack of water. July 1st is not too late for okra, sweet corn, carrots, beets, radishes, and turnips can be planted August 1.

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