

## Development of Pasture Lands In Moore County Is Possibility

Mr. Butler Cites Instances  
Where This Has Been Done  
to Profit of Landowner

**Bion H. Butler**  
The Rural Rehabilitation organization is putting on a scheme in this section that gives a lot of promise if the people will take up with it. It has already made a good start in Chatham county, and it inclines to take in a good part of Moore—if the folks will fall in with it. It is putting cattle on the lands which the government will fence and hire for pasture purpose, bringing in cattle from the West where pasture has been ruined by the drouth.

Pasturage is one of the shortcomings of Moore county. The lack of pastures and of cattle leaves agriculture in this county in the plight of the man with one leg and no crutch. Animal husbandry has been the basis of farming from the day when Jack served for a share in the stock with his old father-in-law, and grew rich out of the dicker. Cattle made the great West and the North and New England and New York, and any other place where the foot of the cow or the sheep has made its mark on the ground.

The girls of Minnesota, Wisconsin and the Northwest get complexions out of the milk cans that all the box drugs of the beauty shop and the drug stores can not imitate, and the roast beef of England has made a race of men, as did the black cattle of Scotland, that has to its credit the settlement and civilization and development of a large proportion of the civilized world.

**Not Pasture Enough**  
We have nothing like enough pasture and cattle in Moore county, although gradually pastures are coming. Frank Cameron out on Beaver creek in the east side of the county, comes from a stock-growing father, and he has the idea of pasture in his head. He is running his stock on a sod that is encouraged to thicken and persist, and he is setting a good example. Leonard Tufts on his Little River bottoms is getting a good pasture sod, and his cattle show what pasture will do. At the Olive dairy a sod is coming on considerable of the land, and there the cattle thrive. Caviness near Lakeview is making a sod pasture, Marvin Davis at Thagards is also showing what grass will do. The old Marks farm near Southern Pines has been running cattle on some of the fields here until it has formed a substantial sod and that shows what pasture will do.

**Sod Prevents Washing**  
At the old Duncan Shaw farm the fields are packing solid under the hoofs of the grazing beasts and the picture of a bunch of stock in the fields is a delight to look at. Over at the Olive dairy the sod is consolidating, and no longer washes away when a lively shower falls. Sod holds the land from washing, as well as supplying a livestock income when the table gets lean. The Goldsmith farm is showing what cattle will do. Goats and cows there are not only pasturing on the land, but they are browsing down the weeds and the small undergrowth in the wilder land and subjugating it for future pasture uses and farm purposes and paying for their keep along with the work. In all quarters of this county are river and creek bottoms that ought to be in good pasture, feeding herds of cattle, and bringing prosperity to the farms and subsistence to the farmer. It used to be a delight to go down on the Horseshoe country in the Deep river valley and see the cattle and the pastures on the farms like Graham Tyson's, Will Harrington's, John Willcox's, and others of those substantial inhabitants. I have not been up that way in a long time and don't know what they are doing there now, but from Carabonton to Drowning creek Moore county has creek and river bottoms that are the possibilities of pastureland farming.

The details of the proposition I know nothing about. I don't know whether this is a milk and butter country or not, although in my earlier days we made at our place many hundreds of pounds of butter, which we sold in Southern Pines for the highest price all the time that was paid for any butter sold there. But newspaper work and butter making do not run together, as a permanent line, and neither will permit itself to be neglected in behalf of the other.

But there is no doubt that if we can establish a pasture basis for Moore county it will be of inestimable benefit, for before asking what we are to do with the cattle the answer is ready. The home table will take care of a lot of meat and milk and butter, and if we had in this county as many cattle as some Ver-

## School Loan Question

REPLIES TO DR. DANIELS

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invited children to come in from the county, but until about fifteen years ago most of them charged tuition. My reference to former special charter districts was not directed at Southern Pines or Pinehurst, but to the old charter districts of the past, typical North Carolina towns and cities surrounded by agricultural communities. I did not make myself clear on this point, and thank the good doctor for calling my attention to the mistake. Conditions obtaining in most of these districts would not apply to Southern Pines, as it was a type different from the others getting its business largely from outside the State. Pinehurst also received most of its trade from outside the state. Pinehurst has always operated as a rural school, however, enjoying the same rights and privileges as other rural schools of the State. It certainly was not alluded to in my article. It was a symbol and not a particular district that I had in mind.

I am certainly sorry anyone has misunderstood any part of my statement. I would much rather see the whole proposition defeated than adopted, if its adoption had to depend upon dishonest methods. None of the facts shall be withheld. If the proposition cannot stand on its merits, it ought to be defeated.

The doctor is also in error in his statement that more teachers will be hired if the bond issue passes and the new buildings erected. This would likely reduce the number of teachers, thereby reducing my salary.

—H. LEE THOMAS,  
County Supt. of Schools.  
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mont farm, for instance, has, we would not be asking so strenuously for relief from the government for so many of our people. Two or three of the right sort of cattle about a place will do a lot toward feeding the household, which saves money whether it brings any or not. The pasture question is one of great importance to this county. It is worth a strenuous effort for its establishment, for cows are as good as money in the bank always.

## Pinehurst Paragraphs

Nancy Campbell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Campbell, entertained a number of her friends Saturday afternoon at a delightful garden party at her home in Knollwood in celebration of her seventh birthday.

A number of games were played and favors of small baskets of candy and nuts were given. Assisting Mrs. Campbell with entertaining were her mother, Mrs. Frank Harriss and sister Miss Mina Harriss, Mrs. T. R. Cole and Miss Sarah Stewart. Guests were Nancy and Frances Campbell, Mary Jane Cole, Flora Ellen Cameron, Nancy Sledge, Patty and Frances Shaw, Peggy Ewing, Edith Ann Dunlop, Bill Dunlop, Jr., Helen and Ruth Gilliland, Dorothy Wescott, James and Elizabeth Welch, Grace Herndon, Junior Ransdall, Jackie Horner, Ralph Sutton, Bevins Cameron, Bobby Viail, John Arch McVicker and Junior McKenzie.

Miss Catherine Cole gave a small party at her home Friday night for Miss Laivora Sally. Other guests were Sarah Stewart, Vera Carter, Elizabeth McDonald, John Biggers, Alex Stewart, Bob Barrett and Hubert McCaskill.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Holland entertained for dinner a night last week Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Hennessee and their house guests, Mr and Mrs. Iversen and Miss Mae Dalton of Bridgeport, Conn.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hagood entertained at four tables of bridge Thursday night at home, honoring their guests Mr. and Mrs. Bill Deneen and Mr. and Mrs. Iversen and Miss Mae Dalton, guests of Mrs. S. A. Hennessee. Guests besides the honorees were Mrs. S. A. Hennessee, Mr. and Mrs. J. I. O'Brian, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Taylor, Mr and Mrs. Jack Mulcahy and O. H. Stutts. Prizes in bridge were won by Mrs. Mulcahy and J. F. Taylor, and Mr. and Mrs. Iversen.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Plouquet entertained at dinner Thursday night for Dr and Mrs. G. S. Proctor and Vaigt Proctor of Cincinnati.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Swaringen returned Saturday after spending a two weeks' vacation at the World's Fair and with Mr. and Mrs. Murdoch McLeod in Nashville, Tenn.

## To Plan Fall and Winter Farm Program

Chatham, Lee and Moore Representatives to Meet at Sanford August 9th

NCERA farm and garden supervisors, case workers and Vocational Agriculture teachers will meet in Sanford, August 9, to formulate plans for a fall and winter farming program under the Rural Rehabilitation division of the NCERA. The meeting was called by George Ross, State Director of Rural Rehabilitation, and Roy H. Thomas, State Supervisor of Agricultural Education.

Counties to be represented at the Sanford meeting are Chatham, Lee and Moore.

Aims of the program which is to be launched in the district embraced by the above named counties, and in all sections of North Carolina, are to increase the vocational ability of farm families now on relief by teaching them better methods of curing, storing and preserving foods.

The program also is aimed toward giving instruction on rural problems and assisting in planning local Rural Rehabilitation programs by planning rotations, farm layouts, terracing, pastures and other land improvements and instructions in new and improved practices for both agriculture and local industry.

## TWO SHOOTINGS AMONG COUNTY'S COLORED PEOPLE

Two shootings occurred among colored people in the county during the week-end, and in each the victim lost an eye. Both men are in the Moore County Hospital.

The first shooting occurred in Pinehurst on Saturday night and Joe Thomas Dowdy is said to have fired the pistol shot which took effect in the head of Fred Patterson. Details of the affair were not known in the sheriff's office at the time of this interview.

On Sunday afternoon trouble of a couple of hours' duration ended by Ed Worthy's going to the home of his stepfather, Ed McKeithen, in Carthage and calling him out and shooting him with a shot gun. McKeithen is expected to live, but one eye is gone and it is feared that he will lose the sight of the other. According to McKeithen's wife, both men had been drinking. Worthy surrendered after the shooting.

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the day of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Godwin.

Mrs. Violet Farrell has with her for a while, her son Desmond Farrell who attends school in Charlotte.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Thompson are spending a two weeks' vacation at Myrtle Beach.

Dr. Clement Munroe has returned to the Moore County Hospital after a month's vacation.

A. B. Sally spent the week-end with relatives in High Point and brought back Mrs. Sally and A. B., Jr., who had been in High Point for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Purvis Lee announce the birth of a daughter on Sunday, the 22nd.

Mrs. Raymond Johnson and little Jean Johnson, who had also been guests of the McLeods, returned home in company with the Swaringens.

Hostesses to the summer bridge club last Friday night were Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Black and Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Sledge. High score winners were Mrs. T. A. Cheatham and Dr. J. A. Ruggles with low score prizes to Miss Mae Dalton and Gordon Cameron.

## CARTHAGE

Misses Laura and Margaret Baker of Jonesboro are visiting Miss Mabel Baker.

Mrs. Miller has returned to her home in Washington, D. C., after visiting her son, S. H. Miller for a few days.

Mrs. Charles Barringer and little daughter Betty returned home Monday after a few days' visit in Charlotte with relatives.

Miss Eliza Greene of Charlotte spent the week-end in Carthage with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Phillips.

Ben and Charles McIver of Richmond, Va., are visiting their aunt, Mrs. Charles Barringer.

Mrs. Wilbur Currie returned home

last week after an extended visit in Gastonia with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Woltz.

Mrs. Margaret Penn and little daughter, Margaret have returned home after a visit with friends in Roxboro.

Mrs. Ed Waddill spent a few days in Durham last week with her daughter, Mrs. Porter.

Loujania Dallas of Lumberton is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Clarence Dallas.

N. A. McKeithen, Jr., of Lumberton spent the week-end in Carthage with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. A. McKeithen.

George D. Carter and son Bill have gone to Habera, Ga., to spend the tobacco season.

Mrs. Alice Thomas and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Kennedy of Raleigh spent the week-end in Carthage.

Mrs. Charles Nicoll, Mrs. L. R. Sugg and Miss Annie McKeithen returned home Friday after a week's visit in Branchville, S. C., with Mrs. Harry Byrd.

R. M. Caldwell, Jr., and E. T. McKeithen of Aberdeen and E. T. McKeithen, Jr., of Charlotte spent Sunday in Carthage with Mr. and Mrs. N. A. McKeithen and family.

Rev. and Mrs. Dwight Ives and children spent last week with relatives at Ridge Crest.

Mrs. Laverne Waddell of Jacksonville, Fla., spent a few days in Car-

thage last week with Mrs. Ed Waddill.

Mrs. Eldon Adams and children have returned home after an extended visit with relatives in Eastern North Carolina.

## JUDGE HUMBER STILL ILL

Judge George H. Humber continues quite all in the Moore County Hospital. His son and daughter have been called to his bedside.

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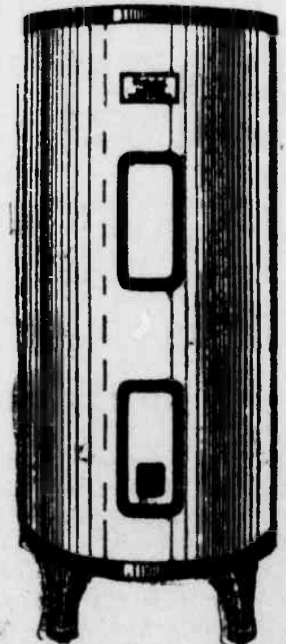


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