

Martin Farmers To Name 27 Community Committeemen Soon

Several Changes in AAA Local Personnel Are Expected

Machinery for executing the Agricultural Adjustment Administration program in this county will undergo an overhauling at nine community meetings to be held within the next two or three weeks when local committeemen will be named and elected by the farmers.

All growers cooperating with the 1938 soil conservation program are eligible to vote.

During the past several years, the community committee elections have, as a whole, attracted comparatively few farmers.

The community meetings will elect a delegate to the county convention, an alternate delegate to the county convention, three community committeemen, one to be elected as chairman and one as vice chairman, one first alternate community committeeman, and one second alternate community committeeman.

As soon as possible after the community meetings are held, the delegates will be notified to assemble in convention for the election of the county committee.

In connection with the action to name the personnel for handling the local features of the AAA program, E. Y. Floyd, secretary of the State Commission, recently issued the following letter to farmers of the State.

"At this season of the year we realize that you are well under way with the harvesting of most of your crops. With unfavorable seasons, disease, and insect infestation, it has made this a hard year for you, but in spite of unfavorable circumstances for producing crops, we have lots to be thankful for when we compare our circumstances today with the circumstances that existed in 1932.

"It is the custom of all farmers to observe closely the growing crops and also the crops at harvest time with a view of producing better quality and greater yield per acre, and it is true this study lends encouragement and enthusiasm for the future. The farmer has to make further study of supply and demand of cash crops and try to produce in line with consumption.

"We have been very fortunate to have access to Federal Crop Programs administered by the Agricultural Adjustment Administration, which gave us national guidance. It is with deep regret that the lateness of the 1938 program made it impossible to hold the community meetings and make individual contacts as was planned to explain the details of how the program worked for each individual producer.

"Former Enterprise Editor Returns For Short Visit" - Alfred E. Whitmore, for eight or ten years editor of The Enterprise, returned here last Sunday evening for a brief visit.

"Suffers Broken Leg" - Mr. Nick Daniel, Griffins Township man, suffered a leg fracture while working in the logwoods in Washington County last week.

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Recent Invention May Cause Big Change on Martin Farms

The invention of the cotton gin is today accepted as one of the great blessings of mankind. The invention of the mechanical cotton picking is causing much concern in the economic world, and while all that is going on, eastern Carolina is today experiencing a revolution just as far reaching as that caused by the cotton gin or the cotton picker.

Robert Griff, representative of the John Deere company who was brought here by the Linsley Ice Company, is demonstrating a new peanut digger in Martin County this week. Preliminary tests show the machine to be perfect.

The invention will be demonstrated Thursday afternoon at two o'clock on the Godwin farm, near Skewarkey, just south of Williamston.

Note Upward Trend In Postal Receipts Here

Williamston will offer \$72,000 worth of bonds for sale in Raleigh next Tuesday, local authorities believing that the bonds will command a good price and a moderately low interest rate.

Revenue from the bond sale will be used to advance a general improvement program here, the PWA already having agreed to supplement the program with a \$52,000 grant.

Leaf Control Wins In First Court Test

The legality of the 1938 tobacco control law was upheld by a three-man court down in Georgia, unofficial reports stating that the plaintiffs will perfect an appeal and go to the supreme court for a final decision.

Maintaining that the government had no right to impose a penalty or tax on surplus tobacco marketing, a number of Georgia farmers asked the three-man court to rule the law invalid and give them the right to market surplus poundages without penalty.

The decision of the court was handed down without comment. Judge W. C. Harris is scheduled to hand down a ruling in this state next Tuesday in the case brought by farmers restraining the collection by warehousemen of penalties.

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Changes in Seasons For Taking Game Are Announced

Bringing pressure against limited hunting seasons, North Carolina sportsmen will now have a longer time to take various game this fall and winter.

Earlier in the year the Conservation department had announced December 15 as the opening date for both quail and turkeys. This resulted in a number of protests, and after hearing both sides of the argument it was decided that the old opening date of November 20 for turkeys would remain in force this year in certain counties.

Throughout the state the turkey opening date was set at December 1. However, in the counties along the Roanoke river—Halifax, Northampton, Bertie, Washington and Martin—the opening date was set at November 20.

Second And Third Quarters Show An Increase Over 1937

Postmaster L. T. Fowden Predicts Best Year For Office

After experiencing a slight decrease in its receipts during the months of January, February and March of this year as compared with income for the same months in 1937, the Williamston postoffice staged a comeback in the second and third quarters to virtually offset the loss and reflect no marked change in general business conditions for this particular section.

Postmaster Leslie T. Fowden, reviewing the office records for January, February and March of this year, scratched his head and began worrying over what would follow. Checking the records at the end of last June, the postmaster saw an upswing in business, the receipts during the second quarter almost wiping out the loss in the first three months of the current year.

A comparison of receipts for the first three quarters in 1937 and 1938 follows:

Table with 2 columns: Quarter, 1937, 1938. Rows: 1st Quarter, 2nd Quarter, 3rd Quarter, Total.

While Postmaster Fowden sees receipts for the first nine months of this year trailing those of last year by a few dollars, his eye is centered on the upward trend during the past two quarters.

"Parents-Teachers Meet Wednesday Afternoon" - The Williamston Parent-Teacher association will hold its second meeting of the year next Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 in the grammar school auditorium.

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Death Claims Two Well-Known Local Citizens During Week-end

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The son of the late Thaddeus and Ezoro Moore, he was born in Pitt County fifty-five years ago the 10th of last January. When a young man he moved to Williamston and started a grocery business that was destined to become the largest in this section.

Soon after coming to Williamston, Mr. Moore married Miss Martha Thomas Brown, a member of one of this section's oldest families. As an understanding husband and a thoughtful father, Mr. Moore fitted well into the pattern of an ideal homelife.

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Miss Thrower Dies At Her Home Here Sunday Morning

Last Rites For Outstanding Citizen Were Held Yesterday

Miss Harriet Kate Thrower, one of this section's most remarkable women and a highly respected citizen, died at the home of her niece, Miss Clyde Hassell, on Watts street here at 6:15 o'clock last Sunday morning, her death bringing to a close a colorful career in the civic and religious life of this community.

The daughter of the late John Hilliard and Carolina Thrower, she was born in Halifax County. At an early age, Miss Thrower moved to Williamston where she was later to become an active figure in the civic, educational and religious life of this community.

Miss Thrower was associated with the late W. C. Manning in publishing the Enterprise. Her ideals became a part of the institution, and her work as a newspaper woman had far-reaching effect in the various phases of community life for years.

While secretary to the superintendent of Martin County schools for several terms, Miss Thrower aided to map plans for a greater system of education in her adopted county.

Messrs. Albert Cook, Jack Manning, Roger Critcher, Shelton Hall, Robert Cowan and Hardy Rose attended the football games at Durham and Raleigh Saturday.

"RECHECKING" - Calling for a recheck of their land measurements, some few Martin farmers are learning that they surveyors did a pretty good job in measuring crop lands this past season.

Compliance work has just about been completed in the county, but a definite review of the surveys is not yet available.

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