

Vocational Training Is Boon to Orange Farmers

Has Given County New System of Farming and Marketing Which Insures Those Co-operating With It a Regular Monthly Income

Raleigh, Jan. 14.—The progress that North Carolina has made in the agricultural world through the vocational agricultural educational system is exemplified in an article entitled "Vocational Agriculture Revolutionizes a Farming Community," prepared by T. E. Browne, director of the Vocational Educational Division of the State Department of Education.

The article relates the advances made by the farmers of Orange County after receiving aid from the agricultural teacher in the Chapel Hill School. He points out that the farmers of that county were actually following a system of farming that was absolutely not suited to the soil of that region of the State and that through the advice and often assistance of the agricultural teacher of the Chapel Hill High School, they were enabled to set up a system of marketing that handled their produce, which came from their new farming industries, so that substantial monthly incomes were now the rule in many homes of the farmers of the county.



Naughty? This is Dana, central figure of many French scandals, in the costume she wears in a show at the Casino de Paris. Would you say this was naughty? She has played to crowded houses over a record run.

Co-operation of the farmers in handling their produce and in sharing the original expenses of getting started, says Mr. Browne, were essential factors that led to the success of the Orange County agriculturists in following a new line of farming endeavors which included animal husbandry, poultry specializing, and dairying.

"An unique rural marketing system touching the homes of 1,200 farmers by distributing checks amounting to \$1,600 per month has grown out of the establishment of a department of Vocational Agriculture in a village high school in North Carolina," the article of the Director reads.

"When the request came for assistance in putting a teacher of agriculture in the Chapel Hill High School, it was given little consideration, for the reason that the State office could not see why a town situated right at the State University should attempt to teach vocational agriculture. The superintendent of the school insisted that more than 50 per cent of his pupils came from the rural districts, and that they needed instructions in farming. In 1921 his request was granted and R. P. Harris was recommended as teacher of agriculture. The board elected him and he began work late in the summer of 1921.

"For the first year he had some difficulty, because of crowded conditions, in getting suitable space for his classes. However, he did the best he could with the space allotted and showed a willingness to work with the superintendent and teachers in every way possible.

"Before Christmas Mr. Harris' enrollment in the all day classes showed that there was a demand for agriculture. His supervised practice work was well organized and the farms of the school district began to show the effect of his regular visits to the home projects of his students. The boys not only pruned and sprayed the fruit trees they were using in their project work, but the parents wanted all the trees cared for. Then the neighbors began to ask the boys to prune and spray their trees.

"Some of the boys had taken the course in Animal Husbandry and were taking poultry and hog projects. As a result many of them built modern poultry and hog houses for their improved stock. During the spring Mr. Harris ordered several hundred purebred baby chicks and a number of purebred pigs for his students, and had them fed and cared for according to instruction in class.

"During the summer of 1922

indications were that there would be more students taking agriculture the next year than one man could teach. In addition the demands for service among the adult farmers, because of evening classes Mr. Harris was conducting, were taking a large part of his time. The authorities proved their case for an assistant teacher of agriculture, and beginning with the fall of 1922 two teachers of agriculture were on the job in the Chapel Hill High School.

"Mr. Harris now arranged for his assistant to carry the major portion of the class work at the Central High School and he proceeded to plan his program among the out of school boys, the large boys in outlying schools, and among the adult farmers. His plan was to get through with his work at the Chapel Hill School by noon, get in his car, in the back of which might be a pruner and spraying outfit, or a crate of baby chicks, or a purebred bull calf or hog, and go to the country. At one time during that year he was coaching 249 pupils in eight different centers, with definite instruction in agriculture. He would go to this small rural school in which were a number of large

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boys who were not ready for high school, and perhaps never would go to high school, meet them for an hour in the afternoon and teach them agriculture. After school he would visit their home projects, instruct them in the planning and management of this horticulture or animal husbandry. At night he would have a meeting of the adult farmers at the school house.

"What are some of the results of this unusual activity of these two men, who are now, by the way asking for a third man? This part of Orange County was not adapted to the type of farming followed by the farmers. The teacher of agriculture showed them the value of live stock farming and helped them re-arrange their farms and provide for pastures. Some farmers went in for dairy-farming. They built up their herds until they had more butter and cream than they could dispose with locally. Mr. Harris organized cream routes, had cream delivered to Chapel Hill and shipped to nearby creameries.

"Some of the patrons converted their land into hog farms. One man told the State Supervisor more than a year ago that he had not made anything at farming in the old way for years, but that he would make \$4,000 on his hogs that year.

"Over a year ago the teachers reported that they had bought for the farmers more than ten thousand purebred baby chicks. There was no lack of class activity on an occasion when the writer was present at the school and a thousand

for market in the area served by the school was so great that some organized method of collecting and delivering was necessary. Mr. Harris proceeded to organize six truck routes, covering the main public roads in the end of the country served by the Chapel Hill school and placed weekly delivery trucks within reach of more than than half of the farmers of the county. The truck had different routes each day.

"An association was formed for the operating of the truck and the marketing of the produce to which the County Board of Commissioners appropriated \$1,000 to pay the salary of the truck driver and the Chapel Hill School lent \$1,000 to be used as a revolving fund in order to prevent delay in paying the farmers for their produce. Six years was allowed the association in which to repay the County Board of Commissioners. Forty six farmers advanced \$19 each for the payment of the truck.

"The upkeep of the truck was provided for by a tax of one cent on a pound of butter and cent on a dozen eggs and a five per cent commission on all vegetables handled for the farmer by the truck.

"Each of the 1,200 families now served by the truck gives one five pound hen annually to the association, which at 25 cents a pound will return \$1,500. This will be used to repay the farmers who advanced the \$460 for the truck and any other debts of the association.

"An average month's business on the three principal products, cream, 3151 pounds; poultry, 2348 pounds; and eggs 1,571 dozens, brought \$1,527. These figures were for July 1924.

"This is only the beginning of a service which bids fair to put a check each week in the hands of every farmer in Orange County who avails himself of this weekly market wagon. All this has taken place because a wide awake young man with a passion for service was located in a village school, surrounded by a farming section known far and wide for its poor soils and unprofitable farming."

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To hear the tales of those who have been employed by the city to exterminate these animals, it is no wonder the workmen were afraid of them. The invasion of the huge rat city is one hot after another, with the rats coming out second best, but only after opposition from the big fellows that gives the crops to ordinary mortals.

But the professional rat killers with their poisons and their masses are getting the better of the critters, who either are dying, or scurrying to new sections of the city. Thousands are being killed each night, in order to put an end to the terrorism which the creatures have established in the section where workmen are wrecking.

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Chicago Rats Make Real Problem For Health Body

Physician Declares There's a Rat For Every Man, Woman and Child in Windy City and Urges Their Complete Destruction as Health Measures

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POLICE BAFFLED BY MURDER OF MAUNEY

Charlotte, Jan. 14.—The rural police of Mecklenburg County today were baffled over the slaying of A. L. Mauney, merchant of Crouse, whose body was found on a lonely road near here yesterday. Robbery is still believed to have been the motive for the crime.



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