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AAA BENEFITS TO STATE FARMERS NEARLY \$3,000,000

Largest Sum Went to Tobacco Growers; Cotton Growers Next

The Agricultural Adjustment Administration poured almost \$3,000,000 into the pockets of North Carolina farmers during the months of July and August and September.

Rental and benefit payments to farmers cooperating in the crop adjustment programs accounted for \$2,578,086.79 of the total, said Dean I. O. Schaub, of State College.

The largest sum went to tobacco growers, who received \$1,443,792.83. Cotton growers got \$997,218.76, corn-hog producers \$128,642.57, and wheat growers \$8,432.63.

In addition, cotton growers who placed surplus tax-exemption certificates in the national pool received \$1,361.73 from the sale of these certificates to other growers.

The \$437,904.53 in administrative expenses went largely to pay committees, farmers who help administer the programs locally, Dean Schaub pointed out.

The rental and benefit payments are still flowing to the farmers, he added, but the amount for October and November have not been tabulated to date.

The payments are made from funds raised by processing taxes on the commodities covered by the various adjustment programs.

Benefit payments on all crops in counties of this section for July, August and September were as follows:

Martin, \$32,636.24; Washington, \$10,065.00; Tyrrell, \$2,727.75; Bertie, \$19,635.19; Beaufort, \$41,542.09; Halifax, \$47,102.57; Pitt, \$153,019.99; Edgecombe, \$60,261.39.

Credit Associations Save Farmer Money

Production credit association loans bearing a low rate of interest have enabled many North Carolina farmers to save money during the past year.

The interest on these loans is 5 per cent a year, said Dean I. O. Schaub, of State College, who pointed out that buying on long-term credit often adds from 10 to 40 per cent to the cost of the goods.

The production credit associations were established to provide loans at low cost to farmers who run short of cash and would otherwise have to finance their farming operations at high interest rates. The associations are farmer-owned and controlled.

Another advantage of borrowing through the associations is that a farmer may secure his loan in installments as he needs them, paying interest on each installment only for the time he actually uses the money.

For example, a farmer may borrow \$1,000 in the spring he may receive an advance of \$300 on which he will pay interest for nine months. Three months later he may receive another \$300 on which interest is to be paid for six months. The remaining \$400, received at harvest time, would bear interest for only one month.

In this way the total interest would amount to \$20.41, as compared with \$38.50 he would pay if the entire loan had been issued in one installment to bear interest for nine months.

E. F. Warner, secretary-treasurer of the Raleigh Production Credit Association, pointed out that his association loaned \$270,000 to approximately 1,000 farmers in 1935. Practically all the loans have been paid back, he reported.

Value of Tobacco Exports Show Increase This Year

Washington. — Tobacco exports during the first nine months of this year dropped in amount but rose in value.

Shipments, the commerce department said, totaled 225,985,954 pounds valued at \$73,515,528, as compared with 299,813,219 pounds valued at \$72,236,381 during the corresponding period last year.

LEGUME CROP BEST FOR RENTED ACRES

A legume crop that may be used for improving the land is the best crop to plant on acres removed from the cultivation of cash crops, say extension officials at State College.

Seven Wake Forest Students Are From Washington County

Roper Man is President of Sophomore Class; Others Also Campus Leaders

Seven men from Washington County are included among the 1,000 students enrolled this year at Wake Forest College.

Three are from Plymouth, three are from Roper, and one is from Creswell. Four are sophomores, two are juniors, and one is a senior. All are taking courses leading to the bachelor's degree, except Mr. Bateman, who is preparing to enter the law school.

Listed according to home towns, they are: Plymouth: R. S. Cahon, a junior, son of Mrs. M. W. Cahoon; R. B. Campbell, a junior, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Campbell; L. W. Alexander, a sophomore.

Roper: F. W. Bateman, a sophomore, son of Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Bateman; C. W. W. Holton, a sophomore, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Holton; E. L. Spruill, a sophomore.

Creswell: E. Y. Brickhouse, a senior, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Brickhouse.

Washington County men are taking a prominent part in campus life at the Baptist institution. R. B. Campbell, of Plymouth, is president of the Euzelean literary society, a member of the Statesmen's Club, and assistant in the department of social science. F. W. Bateman, of Roper, is president of the sophomore class and E. L. Spruill, also of Roper, is student assistant in the department of English.

During the past five years, the administration of President Thurman D. Kitchin, the enrollment at Wake Forest College, has almost doubled, and the physical plant has been materially expanded.

Beginning in 1932 with the construction of a new medical building, not a month has passed when some building project was not under way. The college now points with pride to over \$600,000 worth of new buildings, including, besides the medical school structure, a new administration building, athletic stadium, gymnasium, and students' union.

This recent development at Wake Forest, North Carolina's senior Baptist institution and the oldest and largest Baptist college for men in the United States, was made possible largely by its 15,000 alumni whose contributions have paid for all of the new plant, except \$50,000; and contributions are still coming in.

C. W. Burnham Gets Promotion

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Burnham are expected to leave the first of January for Charlotte, where Mr. Burnham will become assistant superintendent of a district for the Gate City Life Insurance Company, of Greensboro.

Mr. Burnham has been with this company in Plymouth as agent for about two years. He also was a right-handed hurler for the local baseball club when it was a member of the Albemarle League and since, Cleve Cratch, well-known young man, will succeed Mr. Burnham as local agent for the Gate City company.

Roper and Columbia Split Pair of Games

Roper.—The Roper girls team defeated Columbia girls, December 11, by a score of 33-27. Although defeated, Columbia showed excellent teamwork.

In the boys' game, Roper lost by failing to take advantage of easy scoring chances. Liverman, of Columbia, led in scoring with 10 points. The final score was 21-15 in favor of Columbia.

Creswell and Roper Divide Double Bill

The Roper girls' team defeated Creswell girls by a score of 27-5. Ida Spruill led in the scoring with 16 points. Blanche Furlough was the outstanding star for Roper.

In the boys' game, E. Davenport and R. Davenport were the most outstanding players for Creswell. Creswell defeated Roper by a score of 23-14.

Christmas Shopping Picking Up at Local Stores; Large Stocks Are Being Displayed

Shopping continued to increase in the down-town section of Plymouth today as the temperature continued to drop, heralding the advent of Christmas.

Stores here are stocked with merchandise. And cold weather was adding to the incentive to shop and the people from around this section were spending their money in the home town, and in return they were securing tickets that entitled them to a free chance on an automobile and cash prizes.

There seemed to be no need of shopping elsewhere, as the stores here are loaded with merchandise that hews to the line with Santa Claus and his desires. It can be truthfully said that never before was the stocks of the stores of such variety for gift purchasers.

Today in Plymouth there are three drug stores, two jewelry stores, soon to be four beauty shops, three clothing stores, one large department store, two 5c and 10c stores, two barber shops, two places for purchasing radios, two cafes, three garages,

five grocery stores, and a good theatre, everything to keep the shoppers at home.

There are a number of businesses here, such as the bakery and other such enterprises that have little or no local competition. These enhance the value of the trade-at-home program.

So the stocks are here for the people. Watch the paper and the show windows and go into the stores and ask for what you want.

Never go elsewhere to buy except as a last resort.

Knight of the Road, Harry Boedker, Is Visitor Here Again

Returns After 15 Years; Has Traveled All Over Country

Harry Boedker is in town again. A follower of the road, there is not many places he has not been in his jaunts across the nation. But he always come back to Plymouth. This time after 15 years.

His life has been varied efforts and mode of living. Yesterday he had plenty, but today he is down in the dumps again. Like a true knight of the open road he has his battles with dame luck.

Back in the Spanish-American war he took his life in his hands and served in the secret service in Mexico. His duty was to observe the shipping of the enemy. He would pass along his information that would reach the proper source.

Again he invented a generator appliance and contracted for a patent on one thing and another, but in the end he always lost. His wide experience has given him conversational facts on most every kind of job.

Right now he is sign painting. Tomorrow he may be repairing a delicate article that ranges from an heirloom to any old antique.

All health in the latter years have beset him. A skin cancer and a sore leg keep him sick and almost on crutches. But he continues to shamble around, always ready and anxious to pick up odd jobs that will net him and his son the necessities of life.

They offered his 25-year-old son a place in a CCC camp. But they declined because the boy was to draw \$10 and another family the other \$20 out of the monthly check, thus leaving the crippled father out of the bargain.

Harry Boedker knows the life of a poor man, as he has been shuttled back and forth between the county home and a place of his own. And he can tell you how the poor, even though helped by the county, suffer on account of neglect.

Unusual Act Here Thursday, Friday

Thursday and Friday the New Theatre brings to the people of this section the unusual mind-reading act of Evonne, a young woman reputedly endowed with mystic powers and "second sight" which has proven so popular with audiences all over the country.

The act, declared to be the most unusual of its kind, proves mystifying in the extreme, as the young woman voices the unspoken questions in the minds of the persons in the audience and answers them.

She will be on the stage afternoons and nights during the two days of this week. Von Reef, a member of her company, will drive a Chevrolet blindfolded through the principal streets of the town, starting at the New Theatre on Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Also Bob Wilson will play his uke and sing in his specialty on the stage.

Services Sunday at Methodist Church

Rev. C. T. Thrift, pastor of the Methodist church, urges all of the Methodists and as many others as will to be at the Methodist church Sunday. The Christmas attitude will prevail and all of the people of this section are urged to avail themselves of this opportunity to attend worship.

Farm Notes

The county office will be closed December 24, 25th, and 26th.

Plans have recently been set up which should maintain a price of around 3 1-8 cents per pound to the growers delivered to oil mills where peanuts grade around 65 per cent meat content. We are informed that any oil mill can contract with the Government to handle these peanuts.

The closest mills which have made these arrangements to date are the mills at Farmville and the Southern Cotton Oil Company at Weldon and Hertford. By the time this paper is read arrangements will probably have been completed with the Edenton mill.

There are two distinct types of contracts or plans by which peanuts are handled. One is the regular way in which the miller buys peanuts at market price and in turn crushes the peanuts and receives the adjustment payment from the government himself. Peanuts in this case are marketed in the usual way.

The other plan is where peanuts are sold on a meat or shelling basis to be crushed for oil, where the miller pays about 2 1-8 cents and gives the producer a receipted form known as PN-27, which is a government contract which in turn is delivered by the producer to his county agent and the producer is paid an additional \$20 a ton. In this way the producer receives the adjustment payment from the government, whereas with the other method the miller himself receives the adjustment payment.

Peanuts that will shell better than 65 per cent should bring the grower \$1 a ton more than each additional 1 per cent these nuts shelled above the 65 per cent. This is a good way to dispose of inferior or discolored peanuts that ordinarily would not bring such good prices as shelling stock. This plan will be explained in detail by some one in the county office to interested producers. The contract or form used as a receipt is available in the county office and should be carried or sent by the producer with his peanuts to the mill. Only reduction contract signers are eligible to participate in this plan.

We are receiving daily the necessary forms for handling the Irish potato allotment or the exemption certificates to producers. We have received from Jones & Co. or J. A. West at Columbia statements supporting potato sales for 1935. Frank Griffin, Billy Houtz and W. S. Carawan will have these certificates ready and will send them direct to the county office, where they may be called for or may be left until needed.

Where potatoes were planted with some dealer or contractor outside the county it will be necessary to get the special form used for supporting evidence and mail to him for his signature. A supply of these forms are being mailed Mr. Walker at Creswell and blanks may be secured from him. It will be about the first of the year before these forms are available from Mr. Walker, and it may be that he will send them direct to the county office, in which case it will not be necessary for the growers to ask for them.

All cotton producers who have surplus cotton tax-exemption certificates on hand and desire to sell these must bring them to the county agent's office not later than December 23. Producers who are selling their cotton and wish to participate in the cotton price adjustment payment plan must file their bills of sales in the county agent's office not

1936-39 COTTON PROGRAM TO BE MORE FLEXIBLE

Will Be Possible To Adapt Program to Local Conditions

The new 1936-39 cotton program to be administered through cotton adjustment associations in each county, will be more flexible than the old program, according to Dean I. O. Schaub, of State College.

The associations, composed of growers, will be in a position to adapt the program to local conditions and the requirements of individual growers, he said.

The associations will be organized in the next few weeks. All contracting cotton growers will be eligible for membership.

Under the new contracts, growers may adjust their 1936 crops by an amount equal to 30 to 45 per cent of their base acreage, and receive adjustment payments accordingly.

The rate of the payments will be 5 cents a pound on the average production of the land retired from cotton cultivation. The entire amount of the payment each year will be made at one time.

Payments to landlords and tenants will be divided thus: 37 1-2 per cent to the person furnishing the land, 12 1-2 per cent to the person furnishing workstock and equipment, and the remaining 50 per cent distributed in the same proportion that the cotton or its proceeds is divided.

A grower may terminate his contract at the end of any contract year during the 1936-39 period.

Landlord signing contracts will be required to keep on their farms the same number of tenants they had in 1935.

Acreage withdrawn from cotton cultivation may be used for soil improvement or erosion-preventing crops, pasture, fallow, forest trees, food and feed crops for home consumption, or any other purpose the Secretary of Agriculture may prescribe.

The new four-year contracts will be offered the growers shortly, Dean Schaub said.

Don G. Davis Offers Christmas Bargains

Don G. Davis is offering this Christmas the largest selection of gifts that have been shown in this section for some time. His second Christmas is being celebrated with a feast of bargains. A number of comments from customers have been heard on the attractiveness of his displays.

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Later than seven days after the date of sale.

All producers who have tobacco marketing cards that have not been turned into the county agent's office should do so at once. These cards must be checked and submitted to Washington through the state office before the adjustment payment can be received for 1935.

All producers having corn-hog contracts should turn into the county office their sales slips for hogs bought and sold during the year 1935. These sales slips must be in before the final compliance forms can be approved and the second benefit payment received.

Tri-County Unit of Future Farmers in Meet Last Friday

Next Meeting Will Be Held In Jamesville Latter Part of January

Decision to meet with the Jamesville High School in Martin County on January 31 was reached at the first meeting of the Tri-County unit of the Future Farmers of America, which held their first meeting in Roper last Friday.

Upwards of 200 students of vocational agriculture in Jamesville, Columbia, Plymouth, Roper and Creswell were present. Officers were elected as follows: Louis Allgood, Creswell, president; Grayson Everett, Roper, vice president; Herman Cahoon, Columbia, secretary; Thomas Holliday, Jamesville, treasurer; William Darden, Plymouth, reporter.

Present in an advisory capacity were the teachers of agriculture in these schools, including: A. H. Guy, Columbia; C. H. Floyd, Roper; A. H. Tucker, Creswell; J. O. Cooper, Plymouth; R. C. Jordan, Jamesville, Principal D. E. Poole, of the Roper school, welcomed the students.

Program included: Report on Roper Club by Bill Bell; talks by Harold Swain, Joe Holliday and Earl Spruill; quartet, Grayson Everett, Paul Brey, Harry Chesson, Woodrow Collins; harp music, Gordon Chesson and Cecil Craft; music by Roper school band.

Objectives for the coming year include: More association between the chapters; visit and observe other chapters at work; create friendly rivalry between chapters in athletics, public speaking, livestock judging, father and son banquet; summer picnic; promotion of rural leadership.

Christmas Program At Union Chapel

A very interesting program has been arranged by the Sunday school of Union Chapel Church, to be given on Sunday night, December 22, at 7 o'clock. A play, "The Star Garden," by Elsie Duncan Yale, carrying the Christmas spirit, will be presented along with other features of the season.

A cordial invitation is extended the public to attend this program and enjoy together an hour of worship and singing together Christmas carols and anthems.

Community Sing To Be Held Here 22nd

Of great interest to the people of Washington County will be the Christmas community sing to be held in the Plymouth High School auditorium December 22 at 3 o'clock. Announcements have been sent to Roper and Creswell and to the schools and churches here, inviting young and old to come and join in this Christmas Jubilee.

The event is sponsored by the community service committee of the American Legion Auxiliary to usher in the holiday season with a true Christmas spirit of gladness and good fellowship. No admission will be charged and no offering taken.

Lespedeza Again Proves Its Worth

Lespedeza has scored one of its greatest successes as a soil builder on the farm of Charles A. McCall in McDowell County.

A one-year crop of lespedeza, plowed under last fall, gave the biggest increase in corn yield this year that has ever been witnessed by E. C. Blair, extension agronomist at State College.

In 1934, McCall sowed lespedeza on his wheat field and allowed it to grow through the summer. Both weeds and lespedeza were plowed under in the fall.

This year he planted corn on the field, with the rows running from the lespedeza area into a section where only weeds had grown. No fertilizer or manure was applied, but the corn was cultivated well.

On the two areas there was so much difference in the corn that J. Gordon Blank, county agent, measured the yields.

CIVIL CALENDAR IS PREPARED FOR JANUARY COURT

Two Weeks Term Will Begin January 6; Criminal Session First

Washington County Superior Court will convene here Monday, January 6 for a two-weeks term. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of the first week will be given to clearing the criminal docket.

Four civil cases will be called the first week with 23 to be called the second week, as follows:

Thursday, January 9: Washington County vs. J. & W. Land Co., et al; Vonnie M. Harris vs. E. H. Liverman; American Agricultural Chemical Company vs. W. H. Davenport, et al; B. F. Twiddy vs. J. C. Tarkenton.

Monday, Jan. 13: Lillian Shugar vs. E. D. Kemp, et al; W. C. Davenport vs. Tom West; S. A. Ward vs. L. C. Nurney.

Tuesday, January 14: J. J. Johnson et al vs. W. B. Coppensmith et al; Plymouth Wholesale Co. vs. John Atamanchuk et al; L. W. Hawkes vs. J. R. Carr; J. J. Johnson vs. A. R. Patrick; Winton Oliver vs. Nathan Oliver.

Wednesday, January 15: Willie Oliver vs. Daniel Davenport et al; D. O. Patrick vs. C. H. Lamb; S. B. Beasley vs. W. H. Clark et al; Hugh Allen et al vs. W. H. Clark et al; J. L. Strickland vs. Ernest Rose.

Thursday, January 16: Erel Jackson et al vs. Branch Banking and Trust Company; Harrison Wholesale Co. vs. J. C. Spruill et al; Harrison Wholesale Co. vs. L. O. Horton, et al; Mary E. Linyear vs. A. L. Owens.

Friday, January 17: Cox Motor Co. John Atamanchuk; The Cooper Corp. vs. D. R. Satterthwaite et al; G. H. Cox et al vs. J. H. Gaylord III; Clara Hedgebeth vs. Home Security Ins. Co.; Cox Motor Co. vs. J. H. Gaylord III.

Divorce and motion cases to be called at pleasure of the court.

Control Household Insects Easy by Use Of Sodium Fluoride

Placing of Clothes In Sun Will Check Moths To A Large Extent

Sodium fluoride is recommended as an insecticide to rid a house of cockroaches.

Dust the fluoride on places where the roaches run, said Dr. B. B. Fulton, roach-research entomologist at State College. When they lick the dust off their feet, it poisons them.

Since your roaches are likely to hatch from eggs already laid, he continued, the dusting should be repeated every few weeks until they disappear.

If the roaches continue to infest a house, it is evident that they come from some source where at least some of the roaches are not reached by the dust.

Clothes moths cannot live in a high temperature. Of fabrics are spread outdoors on a warm, sunny day, Dr. Fulton continued, they will soon develop a temperature fatal to the moths and eggs.

Saturating clothes with dry cleaning fluid and then putting them out in the sunshine to dry is recommended in cool weather. After they have dried, they may be stored by tying them up in paper or muslin bags.

The simplest treatment for moth infested furniture is to take it out of the house on a warm, sunny day and drench the fabric with dry cleaning fluid. Allow the furniture to remain in the sun until dried.

Sodium fluoride, mixed with eight parts of wheat flour to one part of fluoride, is an effective control for silverfish, Dr. Fulton added. Place the bait in the attic, basement, closets, on shelves, behind books, the space under the bathtub, and any other place where the insects may be.

PLEASANT GROVE CLUB HAS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The losing side in a membership drive contest sponsored by the Pleasant Grove Club entertained the winners at a Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Ida Hodges last Tuesday evening. Many games and contests in keeping with the holiday season were enjoyed. Santa paid a visit and left a gift for every one. The hostesses served a delicious sweet course of syllabub and cake.