

President of County Farm Bureau Unit Outlines Organization's Aims

Now Working To Secure Passage of Control Legislation

Would Benefit Growers of Peanuts, Potatoes, Cotton and Tobacco

Efforts to get control legislation for growers of peanuts, potatoes, tobacco and cotton are important activities of the Farm Bureau at this time, ac-

ording to W. Dewey Phelps, president of the Washington County Bureau.

"The Farm Bureau is an organization for farm people, and there are many reasons sufficient to justify every farmer of becoming a member at the small cost of \$2 a year and help in the fight for parity prices for farm products," continued Mr. Phelps.

"The Farm Bureau set up the Peanut Stabilization Cooperative and fixed the price of number 3, grade A peanuts at 3 1-4 cents. Shellers themselves admit that peanuts would

be about 2 cents a pound if it were not for this program.

"A peanut test farm and increased appropriations for research work for peanuts was secured through the last legislature by the Farm Bureau, and they got through the same legislature a scrap tobacco law. Tobacco parity prices have been maintained because of the bureau's fight.

"The bureau is pledged to secure reduction of automobile licenses to \$5 each and a special \$5 license for farm-to-market trucks.

"They are also trying to get a movement through to develop the North Carolina limestone quarries by the State Highway Commission for road material and agricultural limestone at cost to the farmers.

"It is desired that adequate appropriations be made for county agent work, vocational agriculture and research work, and to coordinate all agricultural agencies in the state, both state and national, for efficiency and economical operation; and to fight all harmful amendments to the general farm bill.

"These and many other reasons are sufficient to justify every farmer to become a member, which costs only \$2 annually. Fifty cents stays in the county organization, \$1 in the state, and 50 cents goes to the national organization.

"The national money is being used in Washington, D. C., to support the farm workers there in their national legislative program, through which they seek to give the farmer his fair share of the national income," concluded Mr. Phelps.

Hog-Killing Time Brings Plenty of Work—And Pork

Number Suggestions for Successful Handling of Meat Outlined by Specialist

"Hog-killing time. How this expression stirs the activity of the farm family as cold weather arrives!

"It means plenty of hard work, but it also means fresh pork, sausage, spare ribs, liver pudding, cracklin' corn bread—filling the smoke-house," said Prof. R. E. Nance, of State College.

A moderately cool day, with the weather above freezing, is better than a bitter cold day for hog-killing, he continued.

Stop feeding the hogs 24 hours before they are to be slaughtered. It is easier to clean and dress the carcass when the digestive tract is empty. And when the system is not gorged with food, the blood will drain out more readily.

Don't overheat or excite the animals before killing. Getting the hog wrought-up produces a feverish condition that prevents proper bleeding and causes the meat to sour while in cure.

For scalding the carcass, Professor Nance said that water at a temperature of 150 degrees is best. In cold weather, add a bucket of cold water to half a barrel of boiling water, and this will give about the right temperature.

Or dip the finger into the water quickly. If it burns severely the first time, it is too hot. But if the finger can be dipped in three times in quick succession, with the water burning severely the third time, the temperature is about right.

A vat sunk into the ground beside a platform close to the ground level provides a convenient place to scald the carcass and scrape off the hair.

Tools that will aid in dressing the carcass are: A common six or eight-inch butcher knife, a six-inch skinning knife, a smooth steel for sharpening knives, several hog gambrel sticks, two bell shaped hog scrapers, and a 28-inch meat saw.

pective climats, when it is indicated that they may be eligible for a benefit, and explain and help the claimants to execute the necessary forms.

The lump-sum payments that are being made now became effective January 1, 1937. Monthly payments do not become operative until 1942. Persons eligible for lump-sum payments are those in covered employment after 1936 who have reached the age of 65. Payments are also being made to relatives and estates of workers, who have died since January 1, 1937.

The local Social Security Board Field Office office, in Rocky Mount, offers every facility free of charge to aid those who have claims.

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Threshing License Law Will Be Aid To Farmers, Hays Says

Puts Peanuts Growers of This Section in Good Position For Government Aid

North Carolina's foresight in revising and reinstating its old threshing license law has put the peanut growers in a good position for the government grower benefit programs, according to County Agent W. V. Hays.

"However," says Mr. Hays, "unless better compliance with this law is given by the 'picker' operators, this advantage will be lost."

Now that Congress has passed a Federal law requiring virtually the same thing from all states, this state holds the advantage of having past records and already established machinery for collecting this basic peanut information, "and the real advantage depends on how completely these records are collected," Mr. Hays said.

Mrs. Mary Smith Cahoon, register of deeds, is the local key official. She issues the threshing license at a nominal fee to cover correspondence and such necessities. Each peanut picker-operator is required by law to obtain this license, if they operate.

Operators who pick their crop only must be licensed and make reports, but they pay no fee. With the license is given a daily memoranda pocket booklet, which the operator retains for his own information; however, a summary report sheet is furnished on which the notebook information is copied.

Thus, the harvested crop data is secured in a confidential way. These individual records are not open to public inspection but sent to the State Department of Agriculture for development into county information and used as a basis for the government programs.

County Agent Hays can use this information to definite local advantage.

Any peanut-picker operator who has not done so should immediately get such license from Mrs. Mary S. Cahoon, register of deeds, as there is a heavy penalty for noncompliance, and the department of agriculture is required and expects to enforce compliance with these acts.

"The passage of the Federal law adds emphasis to the need for this information and the compliance of the law," says Mr. Hays.

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Old-Age Insurance Payments Increase In Recent Weeks

Field Man Says There Are Still Many Thousands Entitled To Claims

The steadily increasing number of lump-sum cash payments under the Social Security Act indicates that claimants are becoming a little better informed as to their rights. There are still many thousands of people entitled to claims, who have not yet filed, however, Mr. Adams of the Rocky Mount field office, said this week.

Up to November 15, 2,051 claims have been certified for payment in Region IV, which comprises North Carolina, the District of Columbia, Maryland, Virginia and West Virginia. Total claims received up to November 15, 1937; District of Columbia 173; Maryland 622; Virginia 395; West Virginia 388.

The average amount of the payment has also increased, Mr. Adams stated. During the month of October the average amount of lump-sum payments, under the old-age insurance provisions of the Social Security Act was \$24.04 in this Region as compared with \$18.03 in September. The average for the country as a whole was \$26.40.

The method of making claim for these payments is very simple, Mr. Adams said. Field Offices of the Social Security Board will contact pros-

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