

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES BRING IN \$750,000

Crops Offer Great Possibilities Here

Unlimited Quantities Could Be Marketed

FFA Display Of Fruit At Achievement Day



Haywood boys and girls take an active interest in growing quality fruits, as can be seen from this display at a recent Future Farmers Fair held in Waynesville.

'Fried Haywood Apples Are Tops'

"There's nothing better to eat than fried Haywood apples." That statement has been made many, many times, far and near by the late Josephus Daniels, who did much to publicize the quality of apples grown in this county.

On one occasion, while making an address here, Mr. Daniels said: "A man that don't like fried Haywood apples three times a day has not learned what good eating can be."

He consistently ordered Haywood apples for his use in his home in Raleigh.

Speaker Urges Citizens To Work Together

A leader in Buncombe County's Community Development Program at a recent meeting, urged Fines Creek citizens to work together to make their community a better place to live.

Lloyd Langdon of the Carolina Power and Light Company's Asheville office addressed an audience of 150 people at a session at the school house.

He advised the citizens also to work so that when the boys and girls come home from college they will find recreation in the community instead of having to go outside of it to find entertainment.

Mr. Langdon discussed projects that could be carried out—such as a cleanup campaign, religious activities, better citizenship, social entertainment, education from the economic standpoint of living, market for produce, truck farming, poultry, livestock, and other matters.

The audience saw a movie of last year's farm tour and another illustrating the importance of making donations to blood banks.

Charles H. Duckett presided at the meeting.

The community leaders set the next session for May 20 at 8 p.m. at the Fines Creek School.

OUT OF LUCK

FORT WORTH, Tex. (UPI)—A 64-year-old ex-convict couldn't have had worse luck when he tried to sell some clothes he stole. They belonged to Jack Garner, a truck driver, who recognized them when the ex-convict unwittingly selected him as a prospect.

A Peach Tries An Apple



Haywood apples are known far and wide for their distinctive flavor and are in demand on the leading apple markets of the country. Some like them right off the tree as this young lady.

Fruits and vegetables grown in Haywood represent a cash income of about \$750,000, according to records of the department of agriculture. This figure is about 14 per cent of the total cash income of five millions for Haywood.

Apples account for the single largest item in fruits and vegetables. There are about 125,000 apple trees in Haywood orchards.

The green vegetable market is growing, with green beans leading the list, with spinach and potatoes coming in close behind.

The green beans here hit the market just about the time the beans from other southern states are over, which means a good price on usually a light competitive market.

Potatoes grown here are in great demand, especially for seed. Many of the higher fields are devoted entirely to the growing of certified seed potatoes.

Strawberries and raspberries grown here are of a high quality. While the season on them is usually short, the quality makes up for the short duration in which they flourish.

The operation of the cannery here has resulted in many acres of green beans. Many of the beans packed are of the select quality, and bring a premium price on the wholesale market.

The climate of Haywood is ideal for growing choice fruits and vegetables, since the days are warm, and the nights cool. The growth is steady, and crop always full-flavored.

In the past few years, thousands of pounds of blackberries have been canned at the cannery in Hazelwood. During the war almost all of the output was shipped to the armed forces.

Fruit and vegetable experts predict for Haywood a bright future in both lines, as the foundation has been laid for steady improvement in both fields.

Commission On Fruits And Vegetables Make Many Recommendations

The commission on fruits and vegetables for Haywood's Community Development program, have made definite recommendations which will make a decided increase in income from these sources when the program is carried to completion, it was pointed out this week.

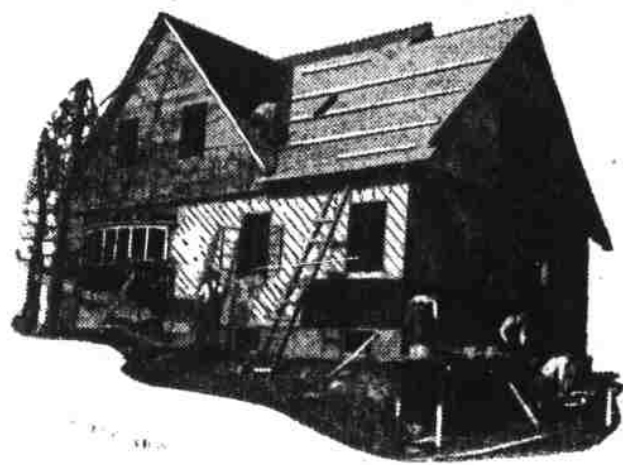
Henry Francis is general chairman, and is a grower of both fruits and vegetables in large quantities.

The commission has developed a three-point program: first apples; second, small fruits, and third

vegetables. Under each group, specific recommendations have been made as follows:

—Improve the orchards we have by:

- (1) Pruning.
- (2) Fertilization.
- (3) Spraying with a minimum of five sprays.
- (4) Replacing old varieties with new varieties as fast as possible in the following ratio: Stayman Wine-sap 25%, Rome Beauty 35%, Golden Delicious 20%, and Red Delicious, 20%. These recommendations are made to give the orchardmen a spread in picking and at blossom time — also the varieties which are in greatest demand in the area.
- (5) Belong to the local apple growers association so as to get the latest information on proper orchard management and help in (See Commission—Page 2)



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