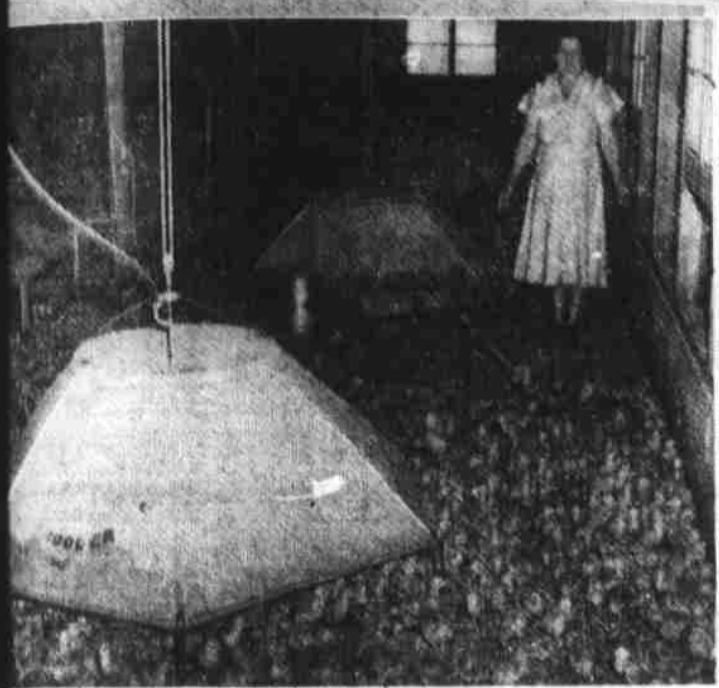
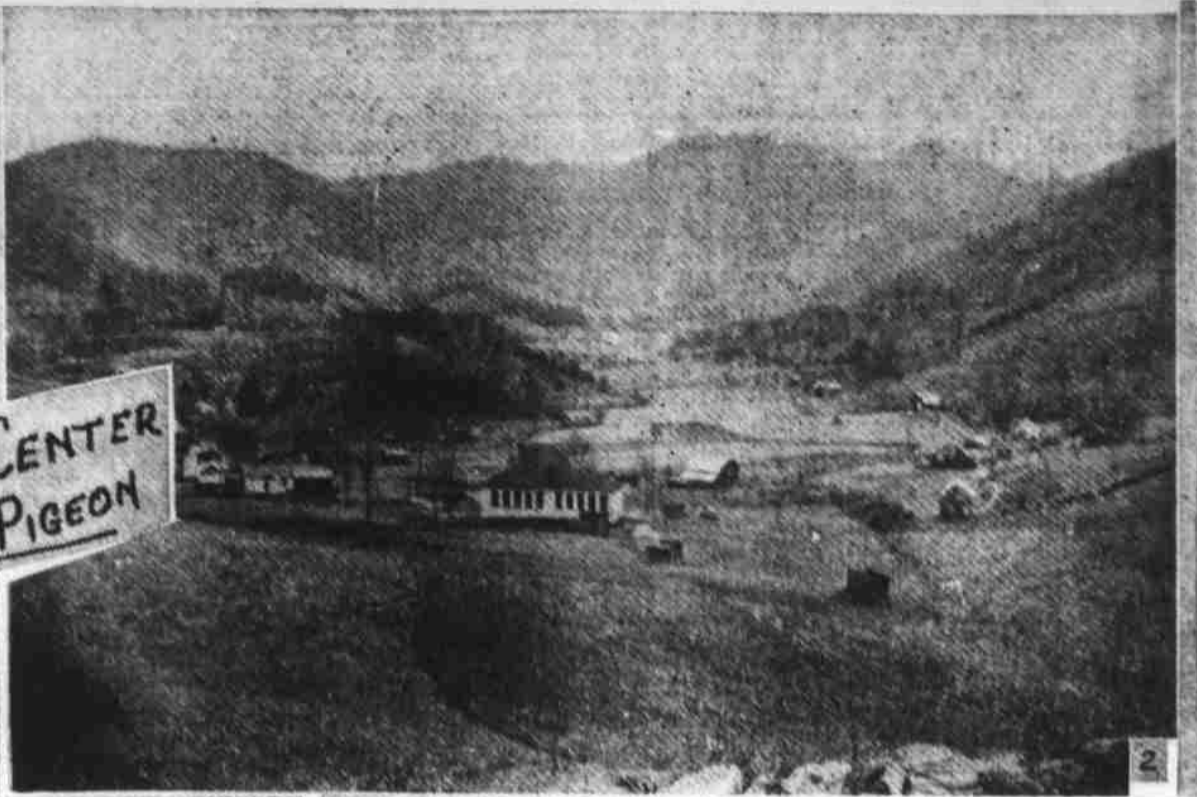
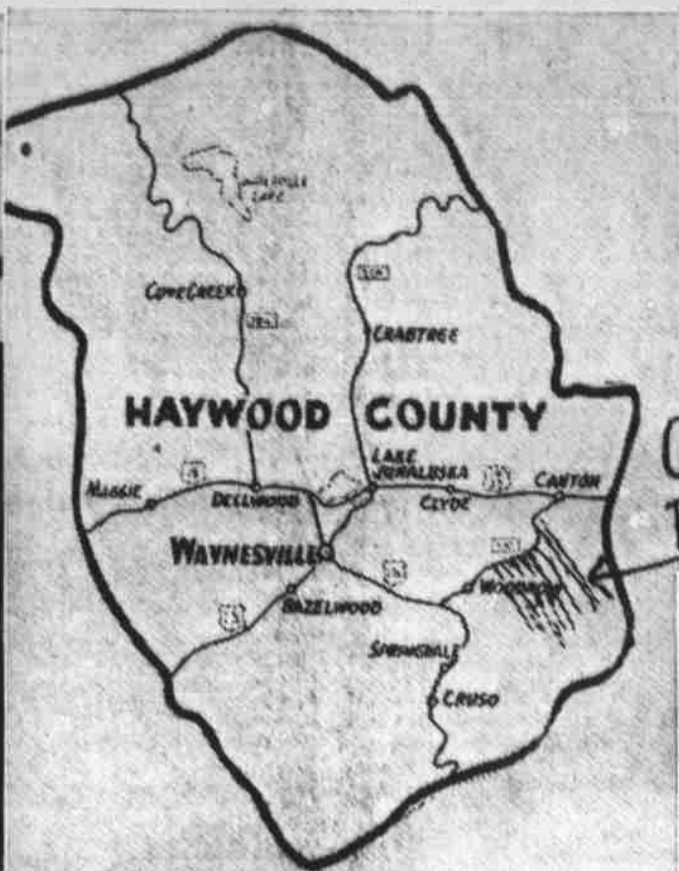


The Third Of A Series of Farm-Home Pictorial Pages



Center Pigeon Has Big and Diversified Income; Progressive Section

Members of Center Pigeon devote any time in letting you where they live. They are proud of their community, and they put special emphasis in having the "r" in center as well as the many fine points of community.

braces a large territory, and their income is from diversified sources, which means a steady, and growing cash income all year. Many of the citizens of the area work in industrial plants, and have small acreage for supplementary incomes. Those

who devote their entire time to farming do so with zeal, and ambition, which nets them an above-the-average income.

As to area, the Center Pigeon Community is not so large, yet it stretches along 16 miles of roads, which in itself, reveals the character of the farms, and the territory covered. The area is served mainly by Highway No. 110, and from it leads numerous roads, which cross and criss-cross almost as much as

city streets. The people of Center Pigeon are looking forward to a concentrated Rural Road paving program in their area this year, as nine miles remain unpaved.

There are 310 families in the area, with a total population of 1,240 people.

The community is well named, because it is in the center of the area between Canton and the Bethel community. In fact, the majority of grammar school students, and all high school students of the section attend the Bethel school. The Spring Hill school with five grades has 70 students, and two teachers. This is the only school in the area designated as Center Pigeon, but the patrons and students of Bethel School play an important part in the school and its enrollment.

It does not take long in talking to citizens of Center Pigeon to soon learn that their civic pride is one of the main assets. They are friendly, neighborly, and the pride which they take in their homes and farms is indicative of their outlook on life.

The Community Development Program has meant much to the area, and last year their girls won the county basketball tournament, and the large trophy is one of their

prize possessions.

This year the program in the community is headed by Woodrow Flemming as chairman, with Mrs. Ralph Evans, vice-chairman, Mrs. Roy Morgan, secretary, Ralph Evans, treasurer, and Mrs. Weaver Sheffield, reporter. Their regular meeting dates are now the second Thursday in every month, and the meetings are held at Long's Methodist church.

The Long's Methodist church is the only church in the community right at this time, since the disastrous fire of a few weeks ago destroyed the almost new \$50,000 Spring Hill Baptist church. Work is going ahead on the same spot, and an even larger church will be completed before too long for the 330 members of the church. The Sunday School enrollment is 275, and Rev. Gay Chambers is pastor.

The Rev. Asmund Maxwell is pastor of Long's Methodist church, which has a membership of 85, and 150 enrolled in Sunday school.

Besides their income from industrial plants, the citizens of Center Pigeon produce a lot of barley, and are known for their successful dairying, and poultry raising.

There are 20 acres allocated to burley in Center Pigeon, and last year the average per acre was 1,600

No. 1—These are the officers of the Center Pigeon Community Development program. Left to right: Mrs. Ralph Evans, vice chairman; Ralph Evans, treasurer; Mrs. Weaver Sheffield, reporter; Woodrow Fleming, chair-

man, and Mrs. Roy Morgan, secretary. No. 2—A general view of Benson Cove, looking from the hill where the Spring Hill Baptist church is being rebuilt. The white building in the center is the Spring Hill school.

No. 3—Part of the flock of 3,000 broilers on the farm of Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy West. No. 4—A few of the many Guernsey cows of the famous Osborne Farm, known throughout the country as among the best in the nation.

No. 5—A prize black Angus bull, owned by Mr. and Mrs. Welch Singleton. The bull is temperamental, and responds to every command from Mrs. Welch, but resents even the sight of a man.

pounds, meaning a net income of \$16,000 for the community. Among the three best crops of burley last year in Center Pigeon included Jerry Robinson, with 1,466 pounds at an average of 51 cents a pound. Then there was George Stamey with 1,776 pounds at 54 cents a pound, and Luther Smathers with 800 pounds averaging 52 cents.

Center Pigeon is the home of

many good cows—in fact, there are 450 cows, two dairies, with 1,342 acres of pasture devoted to the grazing of the animals. Also 7 silos. The predominant breed is Guernsey, and the mention of the word Guernsey cannot be made without thinking of Osborne Dairy, the home of the famous Guernsey animals for over 35 years.

Miss Florence Osborne, owner

and manager of the Osborne Dairy is now milking 55 cows 3 times daily, and getting an average of 1,000 pounds per day. Mrs. Alice Sellars is milking 16 cows, and getting about 170 pounds daily.

The story of the accomplishments of Miss Osborne reads almost like fiction, and dates back to 1913, when her parents died almost sim-

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Are Your Profits Going Down The Creek?

This is not a question posed by a banker, or your auditor. It is asked of those who have not been checking on their erosion problems of late.

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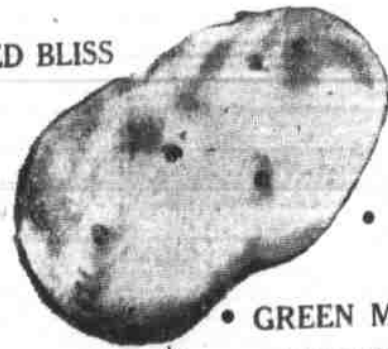
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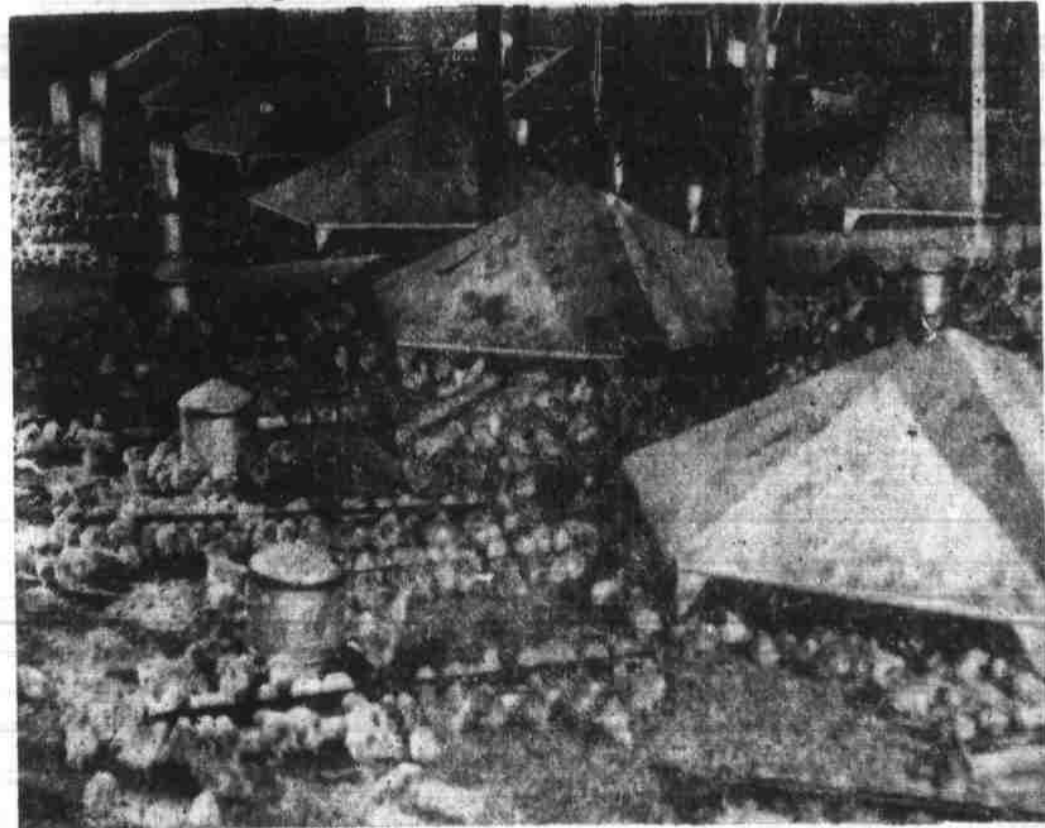
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