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Better Farming For Better Living

Around 50 Duplin County Leaders met here Wednesday with the County Agents and discussed the "Better Farming For Better Living" Program that is being sponsored by the Tide Water Power Company.

Duplin farmers are expected to go along with the movement.

Better Farming for Better Living was adopted as a program to be in better farm and home management in 13 Southeast North Carolina Counties at a meeting held Wednesday, Jan. 29, at Trails Inn, on Masonboro Sound near Wilmington, by North Carolina Agricultural Extension leaders from Duplin College, Raleigh, N. C., County and Home Agents, and officials from Tide Water Power Company.

The program will be carried out by a County Council in each of the counties participating, made up of representatives of bankers, newspapermen, farmers and farmers wives, civic clubs, Chambers of Commerce, Farm Bureaus, rural societies, business and professional men, extension leaders, soil conservationists, agricultural leaders and others interested in the agricultural welfare of the County. It will be the responsibility of each Council to —

1. Encourage farmers to enroll.
2. Make up premium lists.
3. Follow through on enrollees, see plans carried out and book-keeping completed.
4. Scoring farmers and determining winners.
5. Work with businessmen's organizations in sponsoring County achievement banquets at the end of each year for the farmers and their families.

The program is broken down into six parts. 100 points each will be given to "My Farm Activities and Community Life"; "Feeding My Family" and "General Appearance and Efficiency of Farmstead". 200 points will be allowed for "Care of My Land and Farm Practices", 200 points to "My Farm Production" and 200 points to "My Farm Business".

A farm scoring 850 points will be awarded a blue ribbon certificate. A farm scoring 750 to 850 points will be given a white ribbon certificate.

The Agricultural Department of Tide Water Power Company will give in addition \$25.00 to County winners; \$75.00 to Regional winners; and \$100.00 to the "Sweepstakes Winner" in the 13 County areas.

From the North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service at State College Raleigh, N. C., the following were in attendance from Duplin County: Mr. L. F. Weeks, and Miss Hilda L. Clontz, both of Kenansville.

Representing Tide Water Power Company were Mr. W. W. Bell, President; Mr. G. D. Conant, Commercial Manager; Mr. R. P. Andrews, Merchandise Sales Manager; Mrs. Loretta Johnson, Home Service Director; and Mr. Neil Bolton, Agricultural Agent.

Deputies Take Special Course In Chapel Hill

Harry Smith and Charley Nicholson, deputy sheriffs under Sheriff James, graduated from the course of Government in Chapel Hill on February 1st. They took a course under the direction of the State Police in the Institute of Government in Chapel Hill.

Tide Water Power Company Announces Postcard Billing Service Here

With the arrival of long-awaited modern billing machines, Tide Water Power Company announces the immediate change to a modern method of billing. In place of the old bill regularly sent out to all gas and electric users, a small postcard will be used. This change has been contemplated for some time but has been delayed until the arrival of billing machines.

This postcard bill has been adopted for several reasons, namely: (1) Paper is still short and this bill will enable Tide Water to save considerably on this scarce commodity. (2) Instead of the old bill which was cumbersome and difficult to understand, this bill will be handy for purse, pocketbook, wallet, or pocket. (3) In the past many people have come to the Tide Water offices for duplicate bills; understandably so, in view of the old fashioned, foot-long piece of paper used heretofore. It is hoped the new bill will encourage the customer to bring his bill to the office when paying, thus saving customer's time by making it more convenient to present this more adaptable bill for payment instead of waiting for a duplicate bill to be made out by the office. (4) The most important reason for changing to postcard billing is the fact that the company is aware that material and labor cost is constantly rising. The company, therefore, feels that it is its duty to seek the most efficient and economical means of performing its necessary operations.

This changeover will be put in to effect immediately, so that with the bills being mailed this week a postcard will replace the old type bill.

PTA Games Tournament Feb. 17

The Warsaw PTA will sponsor a Games Tournament in the Legion Hut Monday evening Feb. 17 at 8 o'clock. Tickets are now on sale among the school children for 50c each. The committee will have tables on hand and the public is asked to bring games of their choice. Arrange your parties and come prepared for an evening of fun with the PTA, who are striving in every way possible to help the children in the local schools. Present funds are being raised in order to elevate and drain the school grounds so that children will not have to wade in mud puddles during rainy spells. Even if you have no children in school, help the town and school by attending the Games Tournament. There will be prizes and refreshments for all.

Square Dance Be Held Magnolia

A square dance will be held at the Magnolia School Gymnasium Friday night, February 21, 1947. The dance is being sponsored by the Magnolia Junior Class. Admission 75c. Everybody welcome, especially "Les" Williams of Kenansville.

Cecil Miller Now Manager Store In Beulaville

Mr. Cecil A. Miller has recently purchased the Guy interest of the Brown and Guy Furniture Co., in Beulaville. Mr. Miller will be the active manager of the store in the future. The store will operate on the same policies that it has in the past.

Mr. Miller is the son of Luther Miller of near Beulaville. He is a graduate of Beulaville High School and King's Business College in Raleigh. He served one and a half years in the Army and was his company sergeant.



Mrs. Julia L. Kellersberger, secretary of the American Mission to Lepers, will speak in the Grove Church on Feb. 21st at 7:30 p. m.

This meeting is interdenominational and all are cordially invited to hear this outstanding speaker. During the past six months Mrs. Kellersberger has visited most of the leper colonies of the world, including stops in every country in Central and South America, the West Indies, Africa, France, Switzerland and Belgium. You will want to hear this splendid speaker when she comes to Kenansville. The American Mission to Lepers is an interdenominational movement which occurs throughout mission boards of many denominations. It supports wholly or in part 100 colonies for people who have Leprosy in twenty-nine countries.

Katz Manager Gone To St. Louis

Arthur Apple, manager for the Katz Department Store in Warsaw, announced that Katz is expecting to remodel his store, putting in new fixtures in the interior and rebuilding the front. Mr. Apple said he will leave Saturday for St. Louis with the expectation of buying interior equipment for the store. He hopes to get work under way within a few days. While in St. Louis, Mr. Apple says he will buy spring merchandise that the women of this section will want.

New Business Open In Rose Hill

The Duplin Electric Company with H. D. Southerland of Rose Hill, a licensed contractor, as proprietor, and H. D. Arnold of Greenville opened for business in Rose Hill recently. Their office is located by the Waccamaw Bank & Trust Company, facing the railroad. Their work is appliance repairs, refrigeration sales and service, specializing in house wiring; electrical contracts of all kinds; industrial, residential, utility or commercial. Look for their ad on the inside of this issue.

4-H CLUB MEETINGS

By Hilda L. Clontz, Home Agent
Feb. 17 - Chinquapin School.
Feb. 17 - Beulaville School.
Feb. 18 - B. F. Grady School.
Feb. 19 - Wallace School.
Feb. 20 - Rose Hill School.

Stroud Infant Is Buried In Rutledge

Ann Elizabeth Stroud, 3 months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Stroud of Kenansville, died in Duke Hospital, Durham, Sunday morning at 8:30. Funeral services were conducted from the home on Monday at 2 p. m. by the Rev. J. O. Morrison, pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Kenansville. Burial was in the Rutledge cemetery.



Rev. G. H. Ulrich leaves Duplin County and returns to the New England States after serving the people in Duplin for ten years. Mr. Ulrich will assume his new duties in Providence, Rhode Island about March 1st.

Improved Telephone Service For Kenansville And Towns Promised

Telephone subscribers in Kenansville and other towns have made quite a number of complaints during recent months about the service being rendered. This week, Mr. Bailey, District Supervisor, in an interview with the Times, stated that improvements were on the way. The new telephone buildings in Warsaw and Wallace are nearing completion. New cable lines for Kenansville are being shipped and when put up will make a total of seven lines from Warsaw to Kenansville. Plans are underway for a telephone building in Kenansville to house the automatic exchange. The engineer to plan this building is expected here in a few days.

Notice To Federal Income Taxpayers Work Progressing

Deputy Collector of Internal Revenue will be at the following places and times for the purposes of giving advice or assistance needed in connection with the filing of income tax returns for year of 1946:
Feb. 18-19, Wallace Post Office 8:30 A. M. to 5:15 P. M.
Feb. 20-21, Kenansville Court-House at 8:30 A. M. to 5:15 P. M.
Feb. 25-26, Warsaw City Hall, 8:30 A. M. to 5:15 P. M.
No charge will be made for this service.

Warsaw Firemen Called Out Twice Tuesday Evening

"When it rains it pours" - so was the case Tuesday afternoon for the Warsaw Volunteer Fire Department, when they were called to answer two alarms within a four hour period. Early in the afternoon Chief Stacy Britt and his firemen answered a call to the home of Arthur Giddings in the Rouse Apartment, to extinguish flames apparently started from sparks in the process of thawing frozen water pipes with a blow torch. Reports are that the blaze began under the bathroom floors. Damage was confined to smoke and water, covering the entire house, which houses two apartments. School children and passersby assisted the families in evacuating their furniture. Again the same afternoon, about 5:00 o'clock the department was called to Mack's Five and Ten Cent Store, where flames had started in the ceiling evidently from an overheated or defective gas. Firemen were forced to use gas masks on account of the dense smoke, and cut a hole in the ceiling in order to extinguish the blaze. Little damage was reported by Miss Emma Betha, local manager, except for smoke. The two alarms were handled with the

Johnson Introduces Bill To Validate Reno Divorces

Senator Rivers D. Johnson of Duplin County introduced a bill in Congress last week to clarify confusion that resulted recently when the North Carolina Supreme Court questioned the legality of "quick divorces" obtained in other states. The bill, if passed, would validate "Reno Divorces" obtained by North Carolinians who thought they were legal.

Rev. Ulrich Leaves Duplin After Ten Years Of Service To County

In January, 1937, Outlaw's Bridge without a pastor. Rev. G. H. Ulrich of New England received a call. He accepted and came. There was no parsonage and until September, 1937, he lived with William Waller near Scott's store. Realizing the need of a parsonage, Mr. Ulrich set out to build a community center. His personality plus his energy sold the people in the community not only on a parsonage and community center but on Mr. Ulrich.

From 1941 until 1946 Mr. Ulrich served Outlaw's Bridge as full time pastor and he served the new and growing Universalist churches in Kinston and Woodington in addition to his work at Outlaw's Bridge. He also reorganized the church at Shelter Neck in Pender County and rebuilt a summer retreat for the young people there.

Mr. Ulrich served his community unreservedly and he served Duplin County in a county-wide manner. He was chairman of the Duplin County chapter of the American Red Cross War Fund Drive for the years 1943, 1944, 1945 and 1946. Each year of this drive he gave unstintingly of his efforts and each drive was a success.

He has resigned as pastor of the Outlaw's Bridge Universalist Church effective at the end of February, 1947. He has completed ten years of service to the people of Outlaw's Bridge and to the people of Duplin County. He will assume duties on March first as pastor of the First Universalist Church of Providence, Rhode Island.

Mr. Ulrich made the following statement to the Times: "The function of the rural Church is to fulfill those needs in the life of its people which are not met in existing agencies and to find and develop leadership for carrying on the service into the future. This means that the interests and work of the rural churches are wide and varied. Its work involves cooperation with state and national welfare, health, agricultural departments, as well as the joy of personal service to the individual or family in need of all this; growing out of man's yearning and search and out-reach for a creative fellowship with his brother and his God."

Officers of the Outlaw's Bridge church are as follows: Major W. Sutton, chairman for the Board; Moses Mewborn and Luther Outlaw, deacons; Mrs. Herman Outlaw, clerk; Mrs. Lottie Berger, treasurer; Board Members - William Nelson Outlaw, Mrs. C. Henry Doby, Ned D. Grady, Cleo Outlaw, Mrs. Dunn Smith, and Alonzo Outlaw.

(Editors Note: In parting Ye Editor would like to say, that Duplin County is losing one of its finest citizens and his leaving is as great a loss to the County as it is to his community.)

Pink Hill Residents Now Have Telephone Service

After living for many years (we do not know how to figure the number), the residents of Pink Hill have succeeded in getting telephone service. Officials of the company state that over 100 telephones have been subscribed. The line runs from Kinston to the B. F. Grady section. The residents of the Pink Hill section are fortunate in securing this service. It was announced that the service will be cut in today. The building housing the automatic equipment is located between Williams Repairs and Supplies and T. A. Turner's Farm Supply building. It is a neat building and is an addition to the town.

County Briefs

Mr. O. P. Johnson spoke in Goldsboro on Tuesday before the Rotary Club. Mr. Johnson spoke on the Teacher Shortage in The Rural Schools.
Miss Mell Claxton, home nursing representative of the American Red Cross, with headquarters in Atlanta, visited in Kenansville on Friday. Plans were made to put home nursing classes in two white schools, Wallace and Chinquapin and one colored school, Rose Hill. These classes will run for a six-week period beginning March 19 through April 18.

State Auditor J. R. Pou Dies

George Ross Pou, native of Smithfield, died suddenly sometime Saturday night. He was found dead in bed at the home of a cousin in Rock Hill, S. C., Sunday about noon.

The State Auditor attended the funeral of O. Max Gardner in Shelby Saturday and went over to Rock Hill for the week end. He went to bed apparently in good health.

Mr. Pou, age 42, was the son of the late Congressman Pou and had been State Auditor since 1936.

H. D. Club Schedule

The Home Demonstration Club is scheduled to meet for the week of Feb 17th as follows:
Feb. 17 - Outlaw's bridge.
Feb. 18 - Rockfish, at the home of Mrs. James Ward, 2:30.
Feb. 19 - Teachey, at the home of Mrs. Rivers Rouse, 2:30.
Feb. 19 - Miller Club at the home of Mrs. Andrew Miller, 7:30.
Feb. 19 - Service Club, Agri. Bldg., Kenansville, 7:30.
Feb. 20 - Tin City, at the home of Mrs. Paul Teachey, 2:30.
Feb. 21 - L'eman, at the home of Mrs. O. Q. Lanier, 2:30.

Boy Scout Court Of Honor Be Held In Chinquapin

The next monthly meeting of the Duplin Court of Honor will be held in the Chinquapin school on Monday night, February 17, at 7:45.

Church Bulletin

The preaching schedule for the Duplin Methodist Circuit for Sunday, February 16 is as follows: Friendship, 11:00 o'clock A. M. Wesley, 7:00 o'clock P. M. The pastor, Rev. John M. Cline, will preach at both services.

Weeks Brother Going To Hospital

County Agent L. F. Weeks went to Burlington Wednesday to see his brother, Clayton Weeks, who is quite ill there. His brother may have to be hospitalized, the agent says.