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WITH JOE COSTIN

Sweet Potato Production Meet To Be Jan. 29

A sweet potato production meeting will be held in the Agriculture Building in Kenansville on Wednesday night, January 29 at 7:30 p. m. H. M. Covington, Extension Horticulture Specialist from State College, will discuss growing good quality sweet potatoes beginning with seed and seed selection, treatment, new fertilizer recommendations, soil fumigation, spacing, harvesting, and etc. Sweet potatoes can be a very profitable crop provided farmers produce high yields of good quality potatoes. If you have good weather conditions, every farmer can produce high yields of good potatoes provided they control diseases, use good seed and carry out other recommended production practices. The average yield of number ones sweet potatoes in North Carolina is about 100 bushels per acre. The yield is much too low to be profitable, "Covington said. All people interested in sweet potatoes are invited.

Briefs

Receives \$1,000 Gift
Superintendent O. P. Johnson this month received another thousand dollars from the Kenan family for Kenan Memorial Auditorium.

Makes Honor Lists At ECC
The following Duplin County students made the honor lists at East Carolina College during the fall quarter:

Dr. J. E. Grady
Dr. J. E. Grady, Jr., Planton, teacher, Cagle A. Carr and Ronald A. Marshall, Wallace.

Making the honor roll: Ella R. Mercer, Beulaville; Shirley J. Murphy, Faison; P. A. Quinn, Kenansville; Shelby J. Sheffield and Barbara A. Sweeney, Rose Hill; William C. Armstrong, M. Joyce Rivenbark and Lois C. Skyes, Wallace.

Masonic Service At Hallsville
A special Masonic service will be conducted at the Hallsville Presbyterian Church Sun. night Jan. 23 at 7:00 p. m. Rev. Strad Snively will do the preaching. Members of

List Taxes Now And Avoid Paying Tax Penalty

Tax listing is underway in Duplin County and is progressing "very well", according to an announcement by Faison McGowan, County Auditor.

McGowan points out that tax listing is imposed on all listers. However, with the volume of listers to date only a small percentage of late listers is expected, McGowan says.

House Furnishings Specialist Be In Duplin January 30

Mrs. Caille Hardwick, Specialist in House Furnishings will be in Duplin County on Thursday Janu-

Hospital Group In Annual Session Here Names Officers, New Committee

The annual meeting of the board of directors of the Duplin General Hospital was held Tuesday night in the hospital here. The usual routine business was taken care of. Dr. G. V. Gooding was officially named a member of the acting staff and to her members of the acting staff. Dr. Otto Matthews, E. F. Ewers, E. L. Boyette, J. W. Straughan, Corbett Quinn, John A. Parrott and Patrick of Kingston, were named.

Lee Brown of Warsaw was re-elected chairman of the board; H. R. Latham of Rose Hill, re-elected vice-chairman and F. W. McGowan of Kenansville re-elected secretary. The South of Cypress Creek was

Memorial Services For Rivers Johnson Held Here; Vance Gavin Gives Eulogy

by J. R. Grady
Judge Henry L. Stevens, presiding over superior court here this week, adjourned court Monday at 12:00 noon for a short memorial service to the late Rivers D. Johnson of Warsaw, dean of the Duplin County Bar.

Judge Stevens, in his new court robe, mounted the judge's bench. Members of Mr. Johnson's family were seated to his right and members of the bar from Duplin, Sampson and Onslow counties were seated in the jury box. Sheriff Ralph Miller called the meeting by calling court into session.

Judge Stevens reminisced for a few minutes of days past among the recent great at the Duplin County bar. Starting in 1923 he listed in order of age and service to Duplin County his father, Henry L. Stevens, Sr., his wife's father, L. A. Beasley, H. D. Williams, George R. Ward, John A. Gavin and the youngest of the group,

Rivers D. Johnson. All now gone to their rest. One by one as they came to the end of their career they passed on into history. They were all called before the final supreme court of all mankind, he said. With the passing of each of these individuals it was like a great light in a tall tree in the forest falling. It left a great void in Duplin court procedures.

Among those now here, Norwood Boney then came along, and Judge Stevens's brother, Walker, Judge Stevens himself, Tommy Gresham and so on with the group of younger lawyers today. He recalled many of the great battles that have taken place between the walls of old Duplin's magnificent court house, "the likes of which may never be seen here again. We meet now," Judge Stevens said, "in memory of the latest of these great stalwarts, Rivers D. Johnson."

He then introduced Vance B. (CONTINUED ON BACK PAGE)

New Community Development Club Organized In South Kenansville

by Mrs. Amos Chestnut
On Wednesday night, January 22 at 7:30 a community development meeting was held at J. B. Stroud's packhouse with representatives of the East Magnolia and South Kenansville area attending.

Mr. Stroud, temporary chairman, called the meeting to order with prayer for guidance being offered

by Mrs. J. L. Rich.
Mr. Stroud introduced Mr. J. A. Glazener, program planning specialist of State College, who was principle speaker.

Mr. Glazener explained the purpose and objectives of community development, using examples of work done through this program in other areas of N.C. Actual ex-

A.S.C. Notes

Last Friday we received word from the State Office that we could sign no more acreage reserve agreements on cotton until we receive an allocation from the State Office. We are still filling out agreements for cotton except that neither the farmer nor the county committee can sign the agreement. When and if we do receive and allocation, the farmers who have filled out these agreements will be notified to come sign the agreement on the basis of the earliest dates on the agreements.

SIGNED	
Cotton	320
Corn	90
Tobacco	89
Acres	Amount
401.7	\$27,474.32
4381.8	147,779.66
198.10	55,982.96
NAT SIGNED	
Cotton	70
Corn	5
Acres	Amount
299.9	18,795.21
68.3	2,260.88

Will Soil Tests Pay Off With More Profits?

Will following soil test recommendations give maximum yields? V. H. Reynolds, County Agent, says that many farmers feel that they follow soil test recommendations they will make the maximum yield possible. However, to get maximum yield all growth factors such as soil, seed, water, temperature, and control and stand must be at optimum levels. To make sure that all of these growth factors were optimum would cost the farmer a great deal of money. Maximum yields, therefore, are not necessarily the yield which give the greatest economical return to the farmer.

Farmers then should be interested in the maximum profit possible rather than in maximum yields according to Reynolds. This requires good sound management on the part of the farmer. Soil test recommendations are based on average conditions of rainfall, stand and other growth factors. Following soil test recommendation will give the farmer who practices good management a good return for every dollar spent for fertilizer. Getting a soil test, therefore, is just another step in good sound management.

Soil sampling information and supplies are available from the County Agent's office.

Duplin Again Takes Part In March Of Dimes Telethon

The management and staff of WITN-TV, Channel 7, Washington, North Carolina, will again donate their time and talent to sponsor a Telethon for the benefit of the 1958 March of Dimes. The telethon is scheduled to begin Saturday, Jan-

New President Fla. Southern College

Dr. Charles Tinsley Thrift, son of a former pastor of Warsaw Methodist Church, Rev. and Mrs. C. T. Thrift, has been elected President of Florida Southern College.

He served as acting president for two months last fall.

He was contacted for the presidency of the new college to be built in Yemassee, N. C. but declined the offer.

George Cowans Give Time, Talent To Cedar Fork Community Clubs



COMMUNITY LEADERS — The George Cowan family is probably one of the most active families in Duplin County. George Cowan, standing, is chairman of the Cedar Fork Community Development Club. Mrs. Ida Odell Cowan, right, is president of the Cedar Fork Home Demonstration Club. Their daughter, Jo Ann, is president of the Community's 4-H Club. (Photo by Paul Barwick)

own home — with their own hands. Most of the materials and labor were bargained for or traded out. Cowan said he put out only \$30 to get it built. It is a seven-room house with a garage. There are two additional rooms over the garage.

Magnolia, Beaufort And Oak Ridge Communities Hold Meetings; Discuss Forming Community Development Clubs

Meetings were held in three new communities last week to discuss the possibility of organizing community development clubs. The first meeting was held Tuesday night, January 14 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Davis at Beaufort. Thirteen people from the Beaufort community attended the meeting. Mr. J. A. Glazener, Community Development Specialist from State College, gave an illustrated discussion on community development and what it could do for a community. It was decided to hold another meeting Friday night, January 31 at 7:30 p. m. in the community building. All white families in the Beaufort community are invited to attend this meeting. Mr. David Brock was elected temporary chairman to preside at the next meeting. The Agriculture Workers assisting with this meeting in addition to Mr. Glazener, were W. H. Hurdle, Agriculture Teacher at North Duplin, Alta L. Konegaye Home Demonstration Agent and Ralph Sasser, Assistant County Agent.

The second meeting was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Bostic, Magnolia, on January 15 with 16 people attending. After Mr. Glazener gave a discussion on community development the group present decided to invite all the white families in the community to another meeting on Wed. Jan. 22 at 7:30 p. m. in J. B. Stroud's packhouse. Mr. Stroud was elected temporary chairman of this group. The agriculture workers assisting with this meeting were Mr. J. A. Glazener, State College, E. J. Simpson, Assistant County Agent, and Lois C. Britt, Assistant Home Agent.

The third meeting was held Thursday, January 16 at home of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Best (RFD, Mt. Olive) in the Oak Ridge community with 12 people attending. After Mr. Glazener discussed the community development program, the group decided to hold another meeting on Wednesday, January 29 at 7:30 p. m. at Jones Chapel. William Sullivan was elected temporary chairman of this group. All white families in the Oak Ridge community are invited to attend the next meeting. The Agriculture Workers assisting with this meeting were George Benny, Soil Conservation Service, Mr. Glazener, and Jean G. Huie, Assistant Home Agent.

Lack Of Funds Causes Halt In Cotton And Corn Acreage Reserve Sign-Ups

Participation in cotton and corn acreage reserve of the Soil Bank program has been much greater than was anticipated, according to Duplin ASC Office Manager Sam Brown.

Brown says that using 1957 as a guide and the soil bank base being in effect for this year, it was expected that the National allocation would be sufficient to take all the additional offers.

However, the reverse is true. The signing of agreements was stopped before the National allocation was exhausted. If there is still funds available, the ASC will be able to

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"The rabble gather round the man of news, and listen with their mouths wide open; some tell, some hear, some judge of news, some make, and he that LIES most loud, is MOST BELIEVED". - Dryden

By Paul Barwick
When the Cedar Fork Community Development Club was organized in October, 1956, the George-Cowan family was present and expressed a keen interest in the program.

At the organization meeting in a packhouse on Dewey Lanier's farm, George Cowan was elected chairman of the Club to make a better community to live and work in by all working together. For such an undertaking, an enthusiastic leader was needed, and Cedar Fork had such a leader in Cowan.

As the community projects and organization has grown, Mrs. Cowan has been elected president of the recently organized Home Demonstration Club. Their daughter, Jo Ann, has been elected president of the 4-H Community Club, which is an outgrowth of the Community Development Club.

The Cowans like their community and want to see it prosper. Therefore, Cowan, who is a full-time farmer, does all within his power to be a good farmer and show others what scientific farming can do.

Until last year, Cowan worked part time as a carpenter and contractor. "I felt like I just couldn't make it without that extra income," he said. "But I have found that I get along better now that I am putting my full time to farming."

Cowan tends 45 acres and has a diversified farm program. He points out, however, that the cuts in tobacco acreage have been responsible for the diversification. "And I'm doing better because of diversification," he said.

For the first time, he planted two acres of sweet potatoes last year and is so pleased with the outcome that he is increasing the sweet potatoes acreage in 1958. "I didn't have certified sweet potatoes last year," he said, "but I am seriously considering it for 1958."

Cowan has also expanded his operation to broiler production. At present, he has 17,500 broilers. The two broiler houses on his farm provide additional income throughout the year not a seasonal income such as tobacco.

"I've found in my farm operation that it pays to work every phase of the farm program and follow the recommendations on all crops," he said. "I don't believe in waiting until my neighbor tries something."

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Pickle Production To Be Discussed In Mt. Olive Friday Jan. 30

A meeting to discuss pickle production will be held January 30, at 7:30 p. m. in the Mount Olive Elementary School Cafeteria. Albert Banadyga, Extension Horticulture Specialist from State College, will discuss cucumber production and Mr. J. C. Wells, Extension Plant Pathologist from State College, will discuss diseases of cucumbers and their control. Fertilizer specialists from State College will discuss fertilization. North Carolina is one of the leading pickle producing states in the nation but the per acre yield of cucumber is much too low. The information discussed at this meeting should be very helpful to any farmers who plan to produce pickling cucumbers in 1958. All farmers in Duplin and surrounding counties are invited to attend the meeting.

Morris Gore Learns The Hard Way On Liquor

Morris Gore, of near Bowden, learned the hard way this week that you can't make white lightning and get by with it, especially when it connected directly to "you back door steps."

When Sheriff's authorities raided Gore's property Monday, they found a liquor still about 75 yards from his house. Leading from his house to the still was a pipe and at the end of the pipe was a hose which carried water to the liquor making operation.

In addition, several jugs of liquor were found in the house and at the still site.

Gore, who was arrested, is out of jail under a \$500. He is to be held County Court before Judge Grady Meyer on January 27.

On the raid of the 75 shyer were Dugliss Murray, Ryrd, E. Beville, W. O. Houston, and Douglas Shivar.

EDITORIAL

By J. E. Grady
We must not judge of a man's worth by his great qualities, but by the use he makes of them. The late Rivers D. Johnson was a man of great qualities. He was a lawyer, a politician, and a student among church laymen.

As a lawyer, I have doubts Duplin ever produced his equal in the field of criminal law.

In politics he ranked among North Carolina's great. On the floor of our State Capitol the silver tongue of orator from Duplin made his mark. Not only in the halls of our Capitol but in the hotel rooms, in committee rooms, and in the places where important legislation affecting the masses of North Carolina was considered, he was a friend of the masses. It is to say the poorer

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Addition To Warsaw Negro School To Get Under Way

Wilmington, N. C., Jan. — J. H. Sloan, president of J. H. Sloan Construction Company, said here today construction will get under way in early spring on primary classroom additions to Douglas High School in Warsaw.

Sloan said the \$50,000 one-story addition contains 7,000 square feet. The construction of footings for the addition will be the first type of work to get under way on the Douglas High School project in the spring, Sloan said. He added that the work will immediately follow.

Approximately 15 carpenters, masons and other workmen will be hired by the Wilmington firm to perform the work.

W. N. Leonard of Wilmington will be the superintendent in charge of construction.

J. H. Sloan Construction Company has secured the contract for the primary classroom additions this year by the Duplin County Board of Education.

Charles E. Hasty of Wilmington is the architect.



Rev. M. L. Johnson

To Preach At Cabin Sunday

The Reverend M. L. Johnson, business manager of Mount Olive Junior College, will preach Sunday at 11 a. m. at Cabin Free Will Baptist Church located near Beulaville, the Reverend Joseph Ingram, pastor, announced this week.

The visit of Mr. Johnson to Cabin Church is a part of the general promotional program of Mount Olive Junior College, a co-educational, liberal arts college sponsored by the Free Will Baptist churches of North Carolina.