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Have You Answered Your Agriculture Questionnaire? If Not, Do So Now

How much did vocational agriculture courses and shop training help you in preparing for your present job? Why did you enroll in these courses? How do you think you may improve? These and other questions were asked some 550 former students of Duplin's high schools as a part of the pilot study the Duplin County Citizens Committee for Better Schools has undertaken for the State Board of Education.

Thus far 110 former students have filled out questionnaires and returned them to the county superintendent. Twenty-six are continuing their education elsewhere, thirty-five are farming, sixteen hold clerical or other white-collar jobs, four are professional men, eight are in service and twenty-one are technicians or tradesmen. The questionnaires were prepared by a special professional staff and approved in form by Vocational Agriculture teachers, who are co-operating in the effort to strengthen their program. The questionnaires are only a part of the study, which will seek to evaluate the present program and to determine the real needs of students as a guide for improvement.

Nothing has changed so much in Duplin County in the last twenty years as farming practices. Superintendent O. P. Johnson said when the questionnaires were mailed. He pointed to the need for keeping the Vo-Ag program abreast with these changes. While expressing confidence in the program and its teachers, he said a systematic review of all subject-matter fields is to be made in the State Board's current Curriculum Study.

Marie McGee Admits Killing Father

Marie Elizabeth McGee (c) age 13, reported to officers Saturday night that she used the barrel of a 12 gauge shotgun to kill her father, Jimmy Grainger McGee, 42, after he had threatened and beat her.

She said that the two went with her mother, Marie Billups McGee, to a Warsaw juke - joint that night where her father became angry when she danced with some men. When the trio returned home, the man allegedly beat her mother and her and then lay down and went to sleep. According to officers she grabbed the barrel of the shotgun and hit her father over the head three times.

She said, she called her mother and the two dressed and went immediately to the Town Hall in Warsaw to report the incident.

The case will be tried by juvenile authorities soon, according to the Sheriff's department. McGee lived about 1 mile from Jones Crossroads on Faison, Rt. 2. He lived with his wife and eight children.

Awards Program

Cedar Fork Takes High Honor Community Development Club

The climax of Duplin's Community Development Program Award's night came when Cedar Fork Community Club won first place, and a prize of \$200.00 for the club making the most improvement in the past year. Cedar Fork was the first Community Club organized in Duplin County. The program was held in Kenansville Memorial Auditorium with about 500 people in attendance.

Oak Ridge won second place with a prize of \$100.00 and Pleasant Grove third place with a prize of \$50.00. Duplin County has a total

of eleven clubs since they started their organization in 1956.

William Sullivan, president of the Oak Ridge Community Club gave the group a warm welcome, and Sam Taylor, president of Duplin's Development Association acted as Master of Ceremonies.

Commissioner of Agriculture, Honorable L. Y. Ballentine was introduced by C. L. Warren, chairman of Agriculture Workers Council and teacher of Agriculture in the James-Kenan High School.

Ballentine congratulated Duplin County on their program which showed a culmination of activities in a year's program. He was pleased with groups working together to achieve so many accomplishments.

Ballentine stated "I believe in North Carolina. We have the greatest challenges of any state in the nation". He also stated his belief in the small farms and does not think the key to success is in a large number of acres, but urged farmers to appraise what they have and work with all resources.

They develop a plan, decide what they can do in order to utilize every foot of land and every resource.

Duplin County has made a tremendous stride. He closed his speech by saying that "the golden age of agriculture in the future and not in the past" and urged the farmers to meet the challenge that lies ahead in the grasp of every North Carolinian.

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Meet Your ASC Personnel

This is the first of a series of articles with which we will introduce you to the Duplin County ASC Employees.

This week we are featuring Mrs. Sally B. Tyndall, our veterans employee. Mrs. Tyndall has served in this office for the past 12 years. Her efficient and courteous service as counter clerk has won her many farm friends.

Sally was one of nine children born August 13, 1907 to Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Bryant of Clinton, North Carolina.

She attended grade school and high school at Inzold, North Carolina, where she graduated in 1926. After high school, Sally attended Teachers Training School in Salem, North Carolina. During her formal schooling and afterwards too, Sally was very much interested in farm life and farm work. In fact, they say she "pretty well earned her keep around the farm".

Little did Sally know that her training on the farm was preparing her for her future work with ASC.

On July 2, 1927 Sally was married to Eugene Tyndall, Mr. Tyndall is now Supervisor of the State Highway Department, in Duplin County. The Tyndalls lived in Beulaville. Prior to working with ASC Mrs. Tyndall worked two years as Supervisor of the Kenansville Lunch Room. Then she worked at the Duplin County Ration Board. Mr. and Mrs. Tyndall have three daughters and three grandsons.

Sally is a member of the Baptist Church in Kenansville and at the present time is assistant Sunday School Teacher for the Beginners Class. Sally is also an active member of the B. T. U. and is president of the Betsy Sharpe Circle, a member of the Eastern Star, and a past worthy Matron of Kenansville Chapter No. 215.

Sally's favorite hobbies are working with her flowers, bridge, and most of all she enjoys her family and friends. This is understandable as she is a very gracious and generous person and loved by all who know her.

Let's see now - it was 1946 when Sally began her career with our organization. That means she has spent 12 years serving farmers through the ASC Programs. That in itself is a wonderful tribute. But those of us who know Sally personally and have known her down through the years realize that she is an outstanding person in our organization. We really mean it when we say that we are glad to salute Sally Tyndall as Duplin County's ASC Co-Worker of the week.

Catherine Lister Crowned Veterans Day Queen of 1958

Warsaw had a wonderful celebration on Veterans Day this year. Veterans Day in Warsaw, formerly Armistice Day, had become a tradition in the town, having been celebrated since about the close of World War I.

An estimated 6,000 people were in Warsaw on Tuesday for the celebration sponsored by Post 127 of the American Legion.

Catherine Lister, a senior of Mt. Olive High School, was crowned Veterans Day Queen for 1958 by Carol Barr, 57 Queen. The queen is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lister of Mt. Olive.

Runners up in the contest were Gloria Batts from Wallace - Rose Hill High School and Barbara Ann Ellis of Faison.

The parade was held at 2:00 p. m. with decorated floats, merchants exhibits, beauty queens, marching troops, pet parade and five high school bands.

After the beauty contest the dance was held in the Armory at Warsaw with Joe Davis orchestra of Wilson.

Warsaw was very pleased with their successful day.

1958 Tax Valuation Increase Over 1957

1958 Valuation of property in Duplin County increased by \$1,707,786 over the year 1957, according to a report by the Co. Auditor, F. W. McGowan.

PERSONAL PROPERTY which includes Farm Land, Timber, etc., and Town Lots increased by \$2,169,113.

PERSONAL PROPERTY Stocks of Merchandise and Fixtures, Materials in process of manufacture and Machinery not affixed to realty, increase \$34,466; Net value above exemption of personal property, including livestock, from which \$300 exemption is allowed, decrease \$51,721; Tractors, decrease \$44,158; Motor vehicles, decrease \$143,197; All other personal property, decrease \$344,856; Total, decrease \$552,336.

EXCESS VALUATION FROM

STATE BOARD OF ASSESSMENT: Railroads increase \$5,468; Telephone, Telegraph, Express and other utilities, increase \$145,756; Banks, decrease, \$90,215.

Total Valuation from State Board of Assessment, increase \$91,009.

Grand total of all property listed and assessed for county-wide taxation, \$1,707,786.

RECAPITULATION OF TAXES LEVIED: Total County-wide property tax, increase \$7,130,177; Total Poll Tax, decrease of \$266,000; Total Dog Tax, increase of \$66,000; Penalty for late listing, decrease of \$356,444; making a grand total of taxes levied an increase of \$76,573.73 over 1957.

Grady Boys Defeat New Hope 50-26

B. F. Grady Boys Defeat New Hope 50-26, Girls Loose 42-38. (On New Hope Court)

The B. F. Grady Boys defeated the New Hope Boys 50-26, while the New Hope girls edged the Grady girls 42-38. Co-Captain Franklin Stafford led the boys in scoring contributing 25 points. The Girls were led in scoring by Pat Harper and Jean Howard with 15 points each.

The B. F. Grady Boys could find the range in the first half, trailing 11-12 as the horn sounded at the half. The referee awarded Co-Captain Mike Goodson 2 foul shots on an attempted shot at the horn. Goodson made both to put B. F. Grady ahead during intermission. In the second half F. Stafford led the fast breaking Grady offense to 22 points while New Hope could get but 3. Forward Malvin Harper and Mike Goodson and center Tom Stroud controlled the back boards getting the rebounds that started the numerous fast breaks. Jack Hill, playing the other guard position had 9 points while Goodson had 8. Harper 6 and Stroud 2.

The B. F. Grady Girls never could find the range, losing in their initial effort this year. Miller, J. Smith and C. Grady stood out on defense for the losers.

The next game for the B. F. Grady Teams is with Grantham, on Friday Night, Nov. 14, at the B. F. Grady Gym.

3.09 Miles Duplin Road To Be Paved

The State Highway Commission has approved and set up funds for road work in Duplin County.

This work involves grading, draining and paving a county road, beginning at a point on US 117, 0.42 mile north of Calypso, running thence southeast crossing two paved county roads to junction with NC 403, for a total length of 3.09 miles.

It is expected that work on this road - to be done by both State and contract forces - will be completed on or before June 30, 1959 at an estimated cost of \$47,009.00.

Once funds have been approved for similar projects, the money is encumbered until time as the work is completed.

Blown In Barn

George Washington Miller of Pink Hill, Route 2, has been a patient in a Kinston Hospital, the result of an accident Sunday night. He was riding his motorcycle along the Pink Hill - Beulaville Highway during a storm, when suddenly a tobacco barn was blown directly into his path. Before he knew what had happened, he found himself perched inside the barn. He was taken to Kinston for treatment.



The car in which Sidney Durant Smith of Warsaw was killed last Wednesday afternoon at the intersection of 11 and 111, between Pink Hill and Kenansville. Smith was killed instantly when his car left the road and hit the drain head-on.

Revival Services At Hallsville

Revival services will be conducted by Rev. U. A. McManus Jr. in the Baptist Church beginning Sunday night Nov. 16th and continuing through the 22nd. All are invited to attend.

Eastern Press Met At Goldsboro Bignall Jones Elected President

Bignall Jones, editor-publisher of the Warrenton Record, is the new president of the Eastern North Carolina Press Association.

Jones' election came Saturday morning at the conclusion of a two-day session of the press association in Goldsboro. The Warrenton editor, who served as vice president last year, succeeds David Whitehead III of Greenville.

Other officers elected included Don Hall of Roanoke Rapids first vice president; H. L. Oswald of Wallace, second vice president; and Mayon Parker of Ahoskie, secretary-treasurer.

New directors are Charles Midyette of New Bern, Bill Manning of Williamston, J. B. Robinson of Jacksonville and Hal Tanner of Goldsboro.

Featured speaker at a banquet Friday night in a local hotel left the 70 members and guests red-faced and angry, then slightly embarrassed.

Dr. McFarlen Speaks Pedodontic

The Demeritt Pedodontic Study Club met Sunday, November 9, at the Cherry Hotel in Wilson, N. C. The host, Dr. Lewis Lee, introduced Dr. Irene McFarlen, local Psychiatrist, who spoke to the group Her topic was "Why Some Children Have Difficulties." At Dr. Lee's office they observed some of his work and offered assistance in making a diagnosis of some problems on patients of his. A very nice social hour at Dr. Lee's home was followed by dinner at the "Ship and Shore".

Dr. Zeno Edwards of Washington, Dr. Charlie Godwin of Rocky Mount, and Dr. Tom Fleming of Tarboro, committee on National Dental Week, reported that their plans were shaping up nicely. Dr. Donald Hinsoa of Kinston, Dr. Ben Houston of Goldsboro, and Dr. James Lee of Mt. Olive were assigned material they were to consolidate and get ready to present a clinic to the State meeting and also at the National Meeting in New York City next year. Dr. Buck Barnden of Wilmington, and Dr. Billy Hand are to get recording equipment together so as to record the speech of Dr. Cecil Fless, outstanding National Pedodontist who will speak to the North Carolina 4th annual Dental Seminar in Chapel Hill on December 3.

The next meeting will be in Warsaw on December 10, and the speaker at the meeting will be Dr. Glenn Rasmussen, the surgeon from Duplin General Hospital.

A Turkey supper will be served at James Kenan High School cafeteria to the parents and patrons of James Kenan High on Friday, November 14, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Adults, \$1.00. Students, \$.50. This supper will serve a dual purpose. It will serve as a time for parents to meet and talk with the teachers of their children and visit and see the rooms where their children are taught. Also the profit from the supper will help pay for some of the lunch room equipment.

This is the first endeavor this year to bring the parents and teachers together. Come out and support your school.

FLASH

The Duplin Charge, comprised of Kenansville, Magnolia and Unity Churches, is the first in the Goldsboro District to meet their quota on the Christian Higher Education goal of the North Carolina Methodist Conference. Their quota was \$4,700.

Mrs. W. M. Ingram, chairman of the Kenansville Church; C. J. Thomas, chairman Magnolia; and R. V. Phillips, chairman Unity Church with C. G. Nickens, pastor.

Baptist Revival

Revival services will begin at Hallsville Presbyterian Church near Beulaville on Monday evening, November 17 at 7:30 P. M.

Each night of the revival will be conducted by a different minister. On Monday evening Rev. Jerry DeBell of the Beulaville Baptist Church will speak. On Tuesday night, Rev. Reid Erwin of the Beulaville Presbyterian Church; Wednesday night, Rev. Bill Seaton of the Hallsville Baptist Church; Thursday night, Rev. Horace Quigley of the Beulaville and Richlands Methodist Church; Friday night, Rev. Walter Goodman of the Beulaville Presbyterian Church.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

Reminder

Don't forget to meet all of your fellow Home Demonstration Club members at the Armory in Warsaw on Thursday night, November 13, at 7:00 P. M. for supper and the Annual Achievement Program.

Perfect attendance pins, reading certificates and awards for three highest club scores will be presented.

Christmas Seal Chm'n Urges Fight T. B.

Dr. J. S. Blair, Jr. of Wallace, president of the Duplin County Tuberculosis Association and Christmas Seal chairman, urges all citizens of Duplin County to fight tuberculosis by buying and using Christmas Seals.

Letters containing Christmas Seals, sent by your local TB association, were delivered at the homes of Duplin citizens on November 14.

Dr. Blair asserted, "The support the citizens of Duplin County have given through their purchase of Christmas Seals in years past had been more than justified. Lives have been saved and facilities provided to combat tuberculosis, but we have not reached the place where we can be content in the fight."

Blair, pointed out that TB can, and does, strike people of all ages. "Over 1,600 new cases were found in North Carolina last year - 26 new cases were found in our county. And, although we can be thankful that the death rate was only six per 100,000, TB kills more people than all other infectious diseases combined," he said.

"Make no mistake," Blair continued, "The programs supported

by Christmas Seals - research, education, case finding, and rehabilitation - are needed to protect you and your loved ones."

He also expressed confidence that "our citizens will continue to support our local tuberculosis association, not only with contributions, but with active interest and participation."

In elaborating on the need for Christmas Seal supported programs, Blair contended that neglecting any phase of the present TB control program would invite disaster because "TB is just as infectious - when undischarged - as it ever was."

He supported his contention by saying, "Modern medical treatment has saved lives, but cases must be found to be treated. Treatment today is superior to that of the past, but there is no certain or permanent cure. Thus, helping the patient regain and maintain his health becomes increasingly important as more and more patients escape death."

"Education, too must not be neglected because we depend upon the educational process to win continued support for a vital program."

Farm Bureau Membership Drive Moves

Efforts to increase membership in the Duplin County Farm Bureau are making much headway toward their goal of 1400 members, according to LeRoy Simmons, president of Duplin County Farm Bureau.

"Farmers are responding well to our efforts," he declared and went on to say "There seems to be an increasing awareness of the need for a strong farmers organization to speak for Agriculture."

The township solicitors have signed up 376 members leaving a total of 1024 to go on their goal for the year.

A break down of Township and the number of members signed by each one as follows:

Albertson, 78, Cyprus Creek, 85, Glison, 16, Magnolia, 28, Rose Hill 2 Smith, 31, Kenansville, 35, Limestone 80, Warsaw 14, Wolfsrape 5, Island Creek 1, Rockfish 0, Faison 1.

Solicitors and community "Captains" will make a report to the Membership Committee and the County Board of Directors on Nov. 14, 1958 at 7:30 o'clock at the Duplin County Farm Bureau Office.

Leaders are looking forward to reporting as many members as possible so that the organization can gear itself for policy development work, through which local farmers express their views and ideas to the state and national Farm Bureau.

American Education Week Observed At James Kenan

Celebration of American Education Week began at James Kenan High School on Friday evening.

While the members of the class of 1962 were having a party in the cafeteria, their parents toured the building and held a meeting in the library. After being welcomed by Mr. Harmon and the class sponsors, a general discussion was held. Many items related to school betterment were discussed.

It was decided to organize a Freshman Parents Group to meet periodically. A committee was set up to perfect this organization. The members are Mesdames Edwards and Pollock of the Warsaw School District, Mesdames Batts and Drew from the Magnolia School District, and Mesdames Reynolds and Fats from the Kenansville School District.

At the close of the meeting the class of 1962 invited the parents to have refreshments with them in the cafeteria. "A good time was had by all."

Kenansville Art Student Exhibits Art Collection At East Carolina



Mrs. Theo Helms of Kenansville art student at East Carolina College, is now exhibiting a collection of her oil paintings in the art gallery, Austin building, at the college. She is one of a group of seniors who during 1958-1959 term will give shows under the sponsorship of the East Carolina art department.

Mrs. Helms' exhibition is open to the public and may be seen on week days from 8 a. m. to 10 p. m. and on Sunday from noon to 10 p. m. It will be on display through November 10. Works chosen by the student artist for the exhibition include still life, portraits, abstract paintings, and landscapes.

Mrs. Helms is majoring in art at the college and minor in English. She is scheduled for graduation at the end of the fall quarter. She is now doing student teaching in the Rocky Mount city schools, and she plans to teach in the southwestern part of the United States when she completes her academic work here.

THEO HELMS