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Tobacco, Cotton Vote Dec. 15 Most Important To Farmers

By PAUL BARWICK
Farmers in the tobacco belt of North Carolina and the South face the most important date they will face for the next three years on December 15.

At stake is the tobacco quota program. This means that if quotas are approved by the tobacco farmers; then, price supports and tobacco acreage control will be in effect for the next three years 1959, 1960, and 1961.

If the tobacco farmers do not approve quotas in the December 15 referendum, then, there will be no controls for the next year and farmers will again vote next year. This would leave any section in the country wide-open to plant tobacco in addition to allowing farmers to increase their current acreage to whatever proportion they desired. Prices would be on the bottom again as they were after the 1939 episode. The decision to be made in the quota referendum can be simply stated. If quotas for flue-cured tobacco are approved by at least two-thirds of the growers voting, the law provides that marketing quotas — with penalties on excess tobacco marketed, acreage allotments, and priced supports at 90 per cent of parity will be in effect for the 1959 crop.

On the other hand, if more than one-third of the voters disapprove quotas; then, for marketing purposes during the 1959-60 marketing year, there would be no marketing quotas, no penalties for the 1959 flue-cured tobacco crop. In that event, another referendum would be held next year on marketing quotas for the next three crops of flue-cured tobacco.

It appears that Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson has been after the tobacco program ever since he and the Re-

publican Administration took office. The rigid price support of 90 per cent of parity on tobacco does not agree with Benson's plan; therefore, if there is not a big turn-out in the December 15 referendum, he will have a stronger position than he has had until now.

Farmers must go to the polls on December 15, in strong numbers if the tobacco program, as it is known now is to continue in effect. Also on December 16, cotton farmers will vote in a referendum to decide whether marketing quotas — and also some new program choices — will apply to the 1959 upland cotton crop and the 1959 crop of upland cotton. Here's what the vote means: If at least two-thirds of the voters cast a "Yes", then, (1) marketing quotas will be in effect for the 1959 upland cotton crop and (2) each farm operator with an allotment will have an individual choice between two programs. They are (a) He may elect to grow his crop in compliance with his "regular" upland cotton farm allotment, in which case he will be eligible for the full level of price support available for the crop (not less than 80 per cent of parity for 1959) or (b) he may increase his upland cotton acreage by not more than 40 per cent over his regular farm allotment and be eligible for price support at a level 15 per cent or parity less than the level available under choice A.

It should be noted that a farmer who exceeds his chosen acreage allotment will be subject to a quota penalty on his "excess" cotton. If more than one-third of the votes cast are "No", then (1) no marketing quotas or penalties will be in effect for the 1959 upland cotton crop (2) only the "regular", choice A, acreage al-

lotments will be available and (3) price support for growers who comply with the "regular" farm allotments will be available at 50 per cent of parity. Tobacco farmers will have an additional decision to make. Tobacco Associates is asking that tobacco farmers increase their assessment for the promotion of tobacco sales abroad from 10 cents per acre to a maximum not to exceed \$1.00 per acre. Tobacco Associates says, "By voting for an assessment not to exceed one dollar per acre, you (the tobacco farmer) will vote for an investment that will return a minimum of \$3.00 for every penny invested."

Patients At Duplin General Hospital

KENANSVILLE:
Simon W. Jones
Gloria Lovon Moore (c)
Shirley Norwood Smith
Robert Ellis Hollingsworth
Mary Southerland Miller (c)
KINSTON:
Shirley Grace Styron
CALYPSO:
Edna Marie Leach (c)
Andra Carlton (c)
TEACHEY:
George Raeford Hardison
Bert Monroe Register
WARSAW:
Milford Graig Quinn
Hazel L. Branch (c)
Omela Pearl Pope
Lula Mae Pope
Nora Bostic Jewell
TURKEY:
Lillian Sholar Johnson
Baby Girl Johnson
WALLACE:
James Williams (c)
BEULAVILLE:
Annie Jerome Judge (c)
Patricia Ann Tuten (c)
Eddie Russell Swinson
Walter Bryant Chastain (c)
Woodrow W. Rainey
Mary Jeanette Whaley
FAISON:
Doris Jean Oates (c)
Hopie Wright Best (c)
Ben Tucker
MAGNOLIA:
Annie Southerland Robinson (c)
Sandra Lynn Matthews
ROSE HILL:
Dorothy Mae Parker
PINK HILL:
Sam Byrd
MT. OLIVE:
Flora Lee Arnette
Baby Boy Arnette

Polls Set Up For Tobacco Quota Vote

Polling places for the December 15 referendum on marketing quotas for the next three crops of flue-cured tobacco have been designated by the County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Office as follows:
Albertson Township: Albertson Community Building.
Cypress Creek Township: M. L. Lanier's Store.
Faison Township: Town Hall.
Glasgow Township: Scott's Store.
Island Creek Township: North East Community Building.
Kenansville Township: Agriculture Building.

Limestone Township: Town Hall.
Magnolia Township: Town Hall.
Rockfish Township: Community Building.
Rose Hill Township: Town Hall.
Smith Township: Freely Smith's Store.
Warsaw Township: Town Hall.
Wolfscreepe Township: G. E. Alphin's Store.
The polls will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Committee Chairman O. L. Holland points out that notices of farm acreage allotments have been mailed to all flue-cured tobacco growers so that they may know what their 1959 allotments are in advance of the referendum.

If at least two-thirds of the growers voting in the referendum approve, quotas and allotments will be in effect on the 1959, 1960, and 1961 flue-cured crops. Penalties for producing excess tobacco will also be in effect, and price support will be available to growers who comply with their allotments. If marketing quotas are not approved, then, for marketing purposes during the 1959-60 marketing year, there will be no quotas or penalties, no acreage allotments, and no price support on the 1959 crop of flue-cured tobacco. In that event, another referendum would be held next year on quotas for the following three crops, tobacco, cotton, and peanuts.

BARBECUE

The Magnolia Lions Club met at the club house on 3 December 1958. They were served a delicious supper by the Methodist Women and wish to thank them for it. After the supper, the club decided to take part in the inter-club meeting to be held at the Warsaw elementary school cafeteria on January 18, 1959. To raise money to aid in buying milk for needy children the club will sell barbecue sandwiches at the club house on Saturday 13 December 1958 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The public is invited and urged to support this project by planning to eat barbecue with us then.

District Governor Guest Faison Lions

The Faison Lions Club met Friday night in the Community Building. Honor guests for the meeting were District Governor of District 314, Ben Parrott of Kinston; Deputy District Governor, Hugh Rick of Jacksonville; and Zone Chairman Kenneth Taylor of Magnolia. Invocation was given by the Rev. A. T. Lewis of the Presbyterian Church. A Christmas song was sung by the group, accompanied by Mrs. B. F. McColman. Lion Kenneth Taylor, Zone Chairman, introduced District Governor Ben Parrott, who spoke on "Lionism."
Gov. Parrott installed Lion President C. H. Millard as a key member of Lion International, for outstanding work with the Faison Lion's Club. Gov. Parrott also installed 8 new members to the Faison Lion's Club, The Rev. H. T. Lewis; the Rev. B. R. McCullen; W. R. Bryant; C. A. Freagraby; C. C. Cates; Joe King; V. Williams and Dr. Watts. The Faison Club now has 33 active members. Ladies from the Sesame Club served a turkey dinner to the group.

Schools Christmas Holidays Begin Dec. 19 End Dec. 30

All of the schools of the county will close for the Christmas Holidays at noon on Friday, December 19 and open on Tuesday morning, December 30. During recent weeks the Board of Education received requests that the schools close for Christmas on December 19 and open again on January 5. The school calendar provided for closing schools on December 19 and opening them again December 30. The Board of Education, realizing that the will of the people be respected so each district, through its School Committee, was given the privilege of selecting the holiday period suggested in the school calendar or the one that provided for a longer Christmas vacation period. Each District School Committee acted and the decision is unanimous for the shorter vacation period.

Youth To Present Christmas Cantata

Sunday, December 14, at 7:15 p.m. a special Christmas Cantata entitled "Christ Is Born," by John E. Boalt, will be presented by the young people of the Warsaw Baptist, Methodist, and Presbyterian Churches. Mrs. Mary Ellis Brock is Choir Director. Solists are: Eleanor Herring, Dottie Hinson, Gloria Smith, Nina Garner, Sue Whittle, and Edna Payne Powell. Others in the Youth Choir are: Lynn Rouse, Linda Hurst, Judy Rouse, Linda Kay Barr, Judy Martin, Marlene Lee, Linda Yancey, Cecelia Thigpen, Martha Ann Barr, Ann Straghan, Mable Lynne Straghan, Mary Lou Pottet, Ronnie Davis, Bill Rollins, George Clark, Billy Vann, Billy Knowles, Jimmy Strickland, Bill Straghan, Neil Mitchell, Donald Knowles, Ronnie Batts, Bobo Potter, and Bobby Batts. Pianist is Miss Joyce Potter.

Turkey Shoot

There will be a turkey shoot on Monday, December 15, at the Community Building at Albertson, N. C. This shoot is sponsored by the Buritan Club and proceeds will be used for the Albertson Community Building.

6.5 Mi. Roadwork Completed In Duplin County

Division Engineer C. E. Brown of Wilmington reported today, that during the month of November, a total of 17.50 miles of road work was completed in the Third and Fourth Districts. (continued on back)

Tobacco Farmers Face Two - Questions Assessment Ballot December 15

by Lacy F. Weeks, Field Director Tobacco Associates, Inc.
A two-question ballot will be issued to growers when they go to the polls December 15 to vote in the Tobacco Associates Assessment Referendum.

In each question, two-thirds approval of those voting is required for the issue to carry. Therefore, growers are urged to vote on both questions.

Question One: "Are you FOR or AGAINST an annual assessment of 10c per acre on the tobacco acreage planted for a three-year period (1959, 1960, and 1961)? This assessment is to support an organization for promoting, developing, and expanding domestic and foreign purchase and consumption of flue-cured tobacco. Vote by placing 'X' in one box."

Question Two: "Are you FOR or AGAINST an assessment (if permitted by 1959 legislation) on tobacco acreage planted for a three-year period (1959, 1960, and 1961) in an amount in each of such years as may be determined by the Board of Directors of Tobacco Associates, Incorporated, but not more than \$1.00 per acre (such an assessment to be in place of and not in addition to the 10c per acre otherwise authorized)? This assessment is to support an organization for promoting, developing, and expanding domestic and foreign purchase and consumption of flue-cured tobacco. Vote by placing 'X' in one box."

reedy from the printed ballot which will be issued to the grower December 15. Other information that will be of interest to growers as they prepare to vote in the assessment referendum:

In regard to Question Two proposed legislation to provide an increase in the assessment requires two-thirds approval of the board and also two-thirds approval by farmer representatives on the board, to establish the assessment rate not to exceed \$1.00 per acre.

Under a recent change in the Tobacco Associates' by-laws, board of directors has been doubled. Any grower who is dissatisfied with the Tobacco Associates program may obtain a full refund on his assessment by applying for it in writing 30 days after it has been collected.

The Enabling Act of 1957, under which Tobacco Associates operates requires that a referendum be held every three years to give growers an opportunity to determine whether or not they favor continuing the acreage assessment to promote the sales of their tobacco.

All growers who shared in the proceeds of the 1958 crop, including growers who placed their acreage in the soil bank, are eligible to vote in the December 15 referendum. The referendum will be held at regular community polling centers and the usual voting hours will be observed.

TIMES SPORTS By Joe Costin

FOOTBALL CLIP:
All-Conference Buddy Mercer, a fast - stepping little halfback for Coach Glenn Nixon's Beaulieu Panthers was named this past week along with Vann May of Mt. Olive, Bob McIntosh of Southern Pines and Robert White of Edenton to the first team Class A All-Eastern. Honorable mention All-Eastern from the East Central Conference were Buddy Blanchard, Bobby Best and Drew Grice of James Kenan High Charles Horne and Buster Brown of Richlands High, Charles Swinson of North Duplin High, Ray Thomas of Beaufort High and Jimmy Reaves and Phil Faucettland, Bill Straghan, Neil Mitchell, Donald Knowles, Ronnie Batts, Bobo Potter, and Bobby Batts.

ton put it "we have got so many boys out until it was just see who could do what," we found out on the short end 43-33. Helton added, "we are rebuilding this year and I think the boys will come into their own by the middle of the season as we only had one returning letterman from last year's team."

Bobby Benson, Daniel Stanley and Bill Straghan led the Kenan attack, with Benson collecting 8 points and Stanley seven while Straghan added six. Big Drew Grice led the attack for James Kenan on defense. Gurney Hood led the way for the Red Devils with 22 points. JAMES KENAN DOWNS CHINGUAPIN IN DOUBLEHEADER
The James Kenan girls rolled over the defending champions of Chinguapin High 50 - 24. Anne Pope led the scoring for Kenan with 31 points. Joyce Braswell collected 11 and Peggy Fussell added 7 to the score. The Kenan defense was sparked by the outstanding playing of guards, Jewel Brown, Kay Pope and Barbara Taylor.

In the boys game, Bobby Benson and Ralph Culbreth led James Kenan to an easy 47 - 34 victory. Benson and Culbreth scored 11 points respectively. On defense along with Benson and Culbreth, James Cavanaugh sparked the winners. Tuesday night of this week the Tigers of James Kenan traveled down to Jacksonville. The Jay Vees will travel with the varsity and play a preliminary game. Wednesday night of this week the Jay Vees will travel with the varsity and play a preliminary game. Wednesday night of this week the Jay Vees will travel with the varsity and play a preliminary game. (continued on back)

Mt. Olive J. C. To Present Chorus December 15th.

The Mt. Olive Junior College Chorus will present a special program of Christmas music at the College on Monday, December 15, at 8:00 p.m. The twenty-seven voice chorus will be under the direction of Eugene S. Mauney, head of the Department of Music.

Mrs. Kathleen Warren of Goldsboro, voice instructor at Mt. Olive Junior College, will also appear as a soloist on the program. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Members of the chorus from Duplin are: Patricia Herring, Albertson; Mrs. Ruby Blackmore, Warsaw; Audrey Alphin, Mt. Olive; Mary Gold Wallace, Albertson; James Joyner, Mt. Olive; Curtis Shivar, Seven Springs; Norman Ard, Mt. Olive; Stanley Harrell, Rose Hill.

District Gov. Moyer Guest Warsaw Rotary Club

The Warsaw Rotary Club met on Thursday, December 4, with President Julian J. Armstrong presiding. There were 22 members present.

Guests of the Club were Vernon Reynolds, Kenansville, J. A. Glazener, Raleigh; B. B. Jones, New Orleans, La.; and the following men from Indonesia: Messrs. Rahardja, Tatang, Abdullah, Notosoekoto and Frederick Koff. Mitchell Britt, program chairman, presented Mr. W. Jesse Moyer of Farmville, N. C., District Governor District No. 773 who spoke to the club on the subject "Help Shape the Future." Mr. Moyer gave suggestions how each club in the district could meet the high standards of Rotary and in so doing Help Shape the Future.

Franklin Grady Dies At Age Of 96

Franklin Grady, son of Benjamin Franklin Grady and Olivia Hamilton Grady died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Rousseau, of Oakland, California on December 5, 1958. At his request, his body was cremated. Franklin Grady was born April 8, 1862 in Huntsville, Texas and came to Duplin County, N. C. in 1878. For a time he lived with his father who had married his second wife Mary Charlotte Bizzell. Franklin moved back to Texas and was there until about 1890 when he moved to N. Y. where he made his home. He was married first to Marian Dana MacDaniel and his second wife was Eleanor, Cary Hunsden by whom he left one son, Frank and daughter Olivia. He died at the age of 96.

Cotton Column Starts Today

Today's Duplin Times introduces CORNER ON COTTON, a column designed to help the farmer prosper by keeping him informed on the latest cotton facts. The column will deal with agricultural methods, legislation, crop and market conditions and forecasts. It is written by Bob Collins, whose close contacts in all segments of the cotton industry will allow him to present valuable information to all persons interested in cotton.

WANTED

Contributors for the Christmas Seal SALE. Those who have not answered their Christmas Seal Letters, please do so. Those who did not receive a letter may buy Christmas Seals by contacting Mrs. W. J. Taylor, Box 88, Warsaw. IT IS STILL THE NUMBER ONE INFECTIOUS KILLER. IT CAN BE ERADICATED THROUGH RESEARCH. YOUR CHRISTMAS SEAL SALE DOLLARS BUY AND PAY FOR RESEARCH - YET 80% REMAINS IN DUPLIN to continue the local fight of protecting ourselves & loved ones from TB. Do your part make a contribution TODAY.

Cedar Fork Club SENClard Winner For Development

Cedar Fork Community Development Club has been named the outstanding Community in Southeastern North Carolina, known as the SENClard Development area, composed of seven-counties, for 1958.

Cedar Fork Community Development Club was the first such club organized in Duplin County, which was October, 1956. Since that time the community has grown in many ways — but the greatest growth and which possibly was the primary reason for the club winning is the community spirit and cooperation which was developed over the past two years.

An example of this is the construction of the community House which is nearing completion. Men in the community combined their effort — not money — and went to the woods to saw timber. From here, they went to a saw mill and swapped their time for the lumber mill operator to saw the logs. Then the lumber was dressed, by members of the community club. At the building site, all of the work and construction has been done by the Club members.

In addition, the community was the winner in the SENClard Area as having had the highest "increased farm income." Farmers throughout the Community have shared ideas on improved farm practices. Efforts have been made to learn of the improved and recommended farm practices. Once this information was obtained it was put into practice with the results being increased farm income. An example of what was done to increase farm income is seen in that 87 families used chemicals to control corn insects for the first time this year as a result of this and better fertilizing practices. 16 farmers in the community made over 100 bushels of corn per acre. Indirectly connected with in-

come, is the installation of 13, 830 feet of drainage tile in fields by 14 families. In addition, there was 22,500 cubic yards of open ditch drainage dug through six farms.

After the Cedar Fork Community 4-H Club was organized the club carried on several outstanding projects. But the most important was a Home Safety project for which the young people in the community received a citation from the National Safety Council. Too, a Home Demonstration Club has been organized for the women.

At the present, the Cedar Fork Community is now cooperating with two neighboring communities in an effort to obtain Federal approval of the Muddy Creek Watershed Improvement project. This would set up a flood control and drainage plan for Muddy Creek which drains three adjoining communities. Many other outstanding community projects have been carried on during the year. Every member of the community has been included in the projects at one time or another.

Earlier in the year, Cedar Fork was declared the winner of the Duplin County Community Club contest. Last year Pleasant Grove, which is also a member of the Duplin County Community Development program, was the

OPEN HOUSE

For weeks the Duplin County Home Demonstration Club members have been gathering branches, berries and butts to use in making their homes festive for Christmas. On Thursday, December 18, from 2:00 - 5:00 P. M. and 7:00 - 9:00 P. M., they will have "Open House" in the Agriculture Building so that they can display their decorations. Share their ideas and wish you a MERRY CHRISTMAS! The public is invited.

Elsie Lee Vann Shot In Faison

On Friday evening of last week Willie King (to shot and killed Elsie Lee Vann of Warsaw. Elsie Lee was 26 years of age. The shooting took place colored town in Faison following an argument between the two. He shot her with a .38 pistol. According to report of officers the cause of the argument has not been disclosed. Willie King is being held in jail without bond.

Meredith College Choir Presents Vesper Concert

The Meredith College Chorus, Beatrice Dunley conducting, will sing the annual Christmas Carol Vesper Concert at 4 p.m., on Sunday, Dec. 14. The public is invited.

Invitations For Bids For SAGE Plant At Calypso To Be Issued In February

The five-million dollar SAGE building project for the Air Force heads the list of Engineers, construction program in North Carolina for the second half of the fiscal year beginning January first.

The SAGE (Semi-Automatic Ground Environment) project, Col. H. C. Rowland, Jr., District Engineer, advises, is scheduled to be built at Calypso in Duplin County. Invitations for bids are to be issued in February with the opening of bids to follow in late March. Construction is estimated to require approximately 18 months.

The three-story structure will be reinforced concrete in its entirety and will have over 100,000 square feet of floor space. Total construction activities for the Army, Air Force and Civil Works for the next six months, according to Colonel Rowland, will approximate \$8 million with the major portion being for Seymour Johnson Air Force Base at Goldsboro.

Plans for the Army at Fort Bragg include an ammunition surveillance shop, airfield lighting system, flight simulator training facility, two aircraft fuel storage and dispensing systems, three operations buildings and three firing ranges. Army Reserve Training Centers are scheduled to be awarded in February for Lumberton and Salisbury.

In river and harbor activities, current plans provide for deepening the channels from Oregon Inlet to Wanchese and Manteo to 22 feet, widening the 12-foot Broad River channel to 600 feet, and deepening the length from 270

deepening the five-foot channel connecting Thoroughfare Bay and Cedar Bay in eastern Carteret County to a depth of seven feet. Maintenance dredging in the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway between Morehead City and Littleport, N. C., is to begin in January.

Work in progress now totals approximately \$14 million, and much of this will continue well into 1959. The operational allotment for this building, \$5,550,000, has been awarded in late November for construction at Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, and scheduled for completion in late 1959 or early June depending on weather conditions.

Construction work underway now for the Army totals better than \$3 million, Air Force in excess of \$10 million, and Civil Works some \$350,000 which includes Wilmington Harbor maintenance dredging, \$354,000, Morehead City Harbor dredging, \$98,000, and \$100,000 worth of stream clearance work for the Federal Civil Defense Administration.