



PLENTY OF MELONS - Jason Waller, of route 1, Mount Olive, is pictured here with one of the large and quality watermelons he is producing on his farm this summer as a member of the N. C. Coastal Growers Cooperative. Waller has 11 acres of watermelons. Average weight is 22 pounds per

watermelon. They are marketed in Ohio, New York, Pennsylvania, Michigan, and other northern states. Approximately 480 acres of watermelons and being grown this year in Duplin and Sampson Counties. (Photo by Paul Barwick.)

Farmers Report Satisfaction With Marketing In Coastal Cooperative

Watermelon producers in Duplin and Sampson Counties, who are associated with the North Carolina Coastal Growers Cooperative, are finding their first year experience with the organization rewarding. When the Cooperative was organized earlier this year, the purpose was to find and establish outlets for the produce grown in the two-county area. This purpose has been fulfilled. There are 257 acres of watermelons in Duplin and approximately 200 acres of watermelons in Sampson being marketed through the Cooperative. A Florida business, Growers Marketing Service, is responsible for selling the watermelons produced by Cooperative members. Generally speaking, farmers associated with the marketing group are receiving higher prices than those

Shooting Fracas Sends One To Hospital

A cutting and shooting scrape at George Ammons Grill, Saturday night in Kenansville resulted in one man being sent to the Hospital and two others being arrested and the plate glass windows being broken from the Grill. The fracas began when an argument developed between L. J. Troublefield, colored, of R. F. D., Magnolia and Adrain Graham, colored, of R. F. D. Rose Hill. During the argument, Graham pulled a switched blade knife and cut Troublefield around the ear and down the neck. Troublefield ran out of the Grill and got a 22 caliber pistol from his car and shot through the plate glass front at Graham. The bullet missed Graham. Trouble-

BLOODSHED BOXSCORE
ON N. C. HIGHWAYS
Raleigh - The Motor Vehicle Department's summary of traffic deaths through 10 A. M. Monday, July 18, 1960:
Killed To Date 597
Killed To Date Last Year 692

Cliffs Attendance

Attendance at Cliffs of the Neuse State Park for the week ending July 17, totaled 5,714, according to Richard Siler, Park Ranger. The largest single day attendance was 3,640 on Sunday, July 17. Swimmers for the week totaled 1,928.

At 4-H Club Week 25 Club Members Will Represent Duplin

Duplin County will have 25 club members attending the State 4-H Week, July 25 through 30. Several of these boys and girls will be representing the Southeastern District in the State Demonstration Contest in the various State Demonstration Contests. Kay Sanderson and Janice Mearns of Chiquapiin will be participating in the Girls Electric Contest. Polly James and Joyce James, Chiquapiin, will be participating in the Farmers Cooperative Contest. Joyce James will be participating in girls Public Speaking Contest. Zennie Quinn and John Rouse, Seven Springs, will be participating in the Soil and Water Contest. Judi Kornegay in the State Talent Show. Evelyn Wilkins will be providing entertainment for various groups during the week. Joyce James and Melvin Williams will be in the State Home Pageant. Polly James, Chiquapiin, will be running for State Vice President for 4-H Council. Emily and Annette Sheas, Chiquapiin, will be participating in the Poultry Contest. There are numerous duties and committee assignments which these and other Duplin Club members will be expected to carry out and attend. It is always an honor for a boy or girl to attend State 4-H Club week. As you can see, these outstanding boys and girls will be busy during the week and they are all expected to bring home to Duplin County and the Southeastern District. These boys and girls are indeed trying to make the best better. While at club week delegates will attend morning classes in: 1. 4-H Record Keeping. 2. 4-H Club Group Meetings. 3. Careers for 4-H'ers. 4. Personal Improvement. Special classes will be conducted in recreation leadership and song leadership. The delegation will leave from the Kenansville Agricultural Building, Monday morning and plan to return around 11:00 A. M. Saturday morning. The Kenansville Activity Bus will be used for this trip.

Helicopter Is Flying Duplin Tobacco Fields

A helicopter arrived in Duplin County Thursday to begin a spot check of tobacco fields within the County. Rufus Elks, County ASC Office Manager, said today that if the spot checks turn up anything suspicious or definite, then a complete check will be made of all tobacco fields in Duplin County. Last year, several fields of hidden tobacco and overplanted allotments were found when the ASC helicopter flew over the County in a routine spot check of the crop.

\$50 Million Loss Annually In U. S. Area Hog Cholera Epidemic Outbreak Could Hit Unless Precautions Taken

Unless swine producers get busy in a hurry, North Carolina can expect serious outbreaks of hog cholera this summer and fall, Dr. H. J. Rollins, State Veterinarian, warned today. This prediction is based, he said, on the low percentage of swine that have been properly vaccinated and the increased movement of hogs that may be infected with hog cholera or exposed to it. "Federal statistics show that only 35 percent or less of our swine population has been vaccinated," he explained, "and the minimum needs for prevention of extensive outbreaks of hog cholera require that approximately 65 percent of the swine population be vaccinated. A much higher percentage of vaccination of the swine population should be maintained at all times, both from a disease control and economic standpoint. Pointing out that United States has been a leader in control and eradication of many serious livestock diseases, the veterinarian said: "We have maintained a continuous attitude of appeasement and a willingness to suffer recurrent losses from hog cholera. It is conservatively estimated that this disease costs the U. S. swine industry \$50 million annually, and many countries embargo pork originating from the United States because of the dangers of this disease. The blood, organs and tissues of hogs sick with hog cholera, or that die from it, are seething with virulent virus of the disease." Dr. Rollins said the multi-million dollar losses from hog cholera are needless and, with few exceptions, such losses can be prevented if farmers will adopt the following sanitation, management and vaccination program: 1. Maintain a healthy herd on clean and uncontaminated premises. 2. Vaccinate healthy pigs at the proper age (not less than six weeks old) before exposure. 3. Rotate feeding areas and pastures at regular intervals. 4. Maintain the herd free from internal and external parasites. 5. Provide separate, completely isolated, quarters for all herd additions and keep them under observation for two to four weeks before placing them in a healthy herd. The quarters should be constructed so as to be easily cleaned and disinfected. 6. Transport all swine in clean and disinfected trucks. 7. Do not feed uncooked garbage to swine. Avoid all contact with hogs that have been fed raw garbage. 8. Vaccinate or obtain official vaccination records of all swine purchased for herd additions. 9. Immediately separate diseased animals from healthy swine. Do not visit diseased herds or premises. Provide clean and disinfected rubber boots for visitors that come in contact with the swine or swine raising operations. 10. Control rodents and other animals which may spread infection on the farm. 11. Employ a qualified veterinarian to maintain the health of the herd. Consult him immediately on finding any disease in one or more animals. Early diagnosis and immediate treatment are of major importance in controlling the disease and reducing death losses. Dr. Rollins said there are several methods of vaccination for hog cholera available for use in North Carolina. He listed (1) anti-hog cholera serum, which will produce immediate but temporary immunity, lasting a few weeks or less; (2) modified live virus vaccines, which gives longer immunity, and (3) dead virus or inactivated vaccines which produce an active immunity in approximately 21 days that usually lasts six to eight months. He warned, however, that the dead virus vaccines are not recommended for use on contaminated premises or exposed swine. He urged producers to consult their veterinarians as to the kind of vaccination program they should now use to head off a late summer or fall epidemic of the disease. He also pointed out that some bad results will follow vaccination if the hogs have other diseases, are infected with internal or external parasites, or the vaccines have not been properly refrigerated, handled and used. He said none of the methods will produce 100 percent immunity, but modified virus vaccine will produce immunity in 90 percent or more of the healthy swine properly vaccinated.

Waccamaw Bank Refused Bid For Warsaw Branch

(From The News & Observer) The State Banking Commission said "no" Wednesday to Waccamaw Bank & Trust Co. of Whiteville, which asked permission to establish a branch in Warsaw. The commission turned down the application after it heard some harsh words about Warsaw's present lone bank, Branch Banking & Trust Co. Tommy Phillips, a Warsaw realtor, said that "in the last 25 years Branch Bank has held the progress of Warsaw back to the amount of \$5 million." Asks 'New Day' Phillips even brought Governor nominee Terry Sanford into his plea, for a second bank for Warsaw. He said Sanford "promised North Carolina a new day" and the commission could "bring a new day to Warsaw." Waccamaw President Lacy Tate had about 25 Warsaw citizens present, including Mayor J. E. Strickland to pump for the branch. Branch Banking President J. E. Paschall introduced about 15 people in opposition to the Waccamaw application. Paschall said the town, with a population of about 1,600 is too small to support two banks. Mayor Strickland took issue with his figures and said the U. S. Census Bureau had advised him that the preliminary 1960 census showed Warsaw with a head count of 2,218. Only one member of the commission, Harold Myrick of Lincolnton, voted to approve the new branch. Commission member Edwan Duncan of Sparta said he thought it would be "most difficult for that to be a marginal bank if you have two of 'em. It doesn't make more progress; it merely divides what is there." Phillips had argued that Branch Banking would not lend money readily enough to Warsaw businessmen. "We cannot obtain the proper credit that we need," he said. Myrick said he voted for the branch because he did not want to be accused later of voting it down so a national bank could apply for a Warsaw branch. Myrick is the only member of the commission connected with a national bank. Both Branch and Waccamaw are State banks. The Commission has no control over national bank expansion operations.



The Southeastern District 4-H Demonstration Day was held at Hobbs School in Sampson County, June 23. 4-H Club members from seven southeastern counties were competing in the various types of demonstrations. Kay Sanderson and Janice Mearns of Chiquapiin, were winners in the girls' electric demonstrations. The title of their demonstrations was "Electricity Dollar (\$) and Sense Wise." These girls will compete in the statewide contest held in Raleigh at North Carolina State College in July. These girls appear in the picture above. The 4-H Electric demonstration are sponsored by the Electric Membership Corporations of the State. Four County Electric participants in this sponsorship. As being selected as district winners the girls expenses will be paid to 4-H club week in Raleigh in July.

N. C. Banks Major Lenders To Farmers Study Shows Credit Needs Changing

North Carolina banks are serving farmers with 21 per cent more production credit than a year previous on January 1 of this year, according to E. C. Thompson, Senior Vice President of Branch Banking & Trust Co. who represents the North Carolina Bankers Association as Duplin County Key Banker. During 1959, the state's banks maintained their leadership in farm credit services. Based on the 19th annual farm lending summary of the Agricultural Commission of the American Bankers Association, Mr. Thompson reported that "at the beginning of the year, North Carolina bankers were supplying farmers with 41 per cent of the production credit provided by institutional lenders. Total bank credit to the states, farmers stood at \$85-million, 14 per cent more than a year previous. The total included \$43-million in production loans and \$42-million in farm mortgages. At the same time, \$36-million in farm loans were held by insurance companies; \$48-million by Federal Land Banks; \$37-million by Production Credit Associations; and \$36-million by the Farmers Home Administration." Mr. Thompson reports that "more and more, the banks in North Carolina find that farmers need a new type of credit to help finance farm capital requirements. To meet this changing need, an increasing amount of farm credit from North Carolina banks is on an intermediate-term repayment basis. "Intermediate-term loans are most frequently needed for farm machinery and equipment, livestock, soil improvements, additional land, and refinancing short-term notes. Over one-half of all bank farm mortgage loans are used to finance these intermediate-type capital expenses. "As a further service to help farmers improve their operations, about one-third of all other bank farm loans have a repayment program longer than one year. Banks serve farmers with far more intermediate-term credit than any other group of lenders." Mr. Thompson believes that "farmers and bankers working together in this way make North Carolina agriculture more prosperous." He reported that over 94 per cent of the insured commercial banks in North Carolina are serving farmers with agricultural loans.

Mrs. David Williams Named President State Home Demonstration Clubs

Mrs. David Williams of Rose Hill was formally installed as president of the North Carolina Home Demonstration Clubs last week at the Farm Home Week in Raleigh. She succeeded Mrs. Gilbert R. English of Trinity. In "The Southern Planter" issue of July, 1960 Mrs. Williams has been written up in a splendid article entitled "A Woman With Vision" which tells her life story - her progress in overcoming obstacles and her success as a farmer. Last year Mrs. Williams attended the Associated Country Women of the World Conference which was held in Edinburgh, Scotland. She flew from New York to Scotland to attend the big occasion. When Mrs. Williams' husband died in 1951, she decided to remain on the farm and keep it going. For her, managing and working a 375-acre farm, (75 acres cleared) was a challenge. She had seen farming from every angle. Mrs. Williams has a four-acre tobacco allotment, 30 acres of corn, two acres of strawberries, two acres

Importance Of Forage Crops And Ensilage Talked At Willard Farm

The importance of the forage crop and ensilage feeding in dairying programs and proper use of poisonous chemicals were featured Wednesday afternoon in a Field Day at the Coastal Plain Research Station at Willard near Wallace. L. Y. Ballentine, N. C. Commissioner of Agriculture, emphasized in opening remarks that "North Carolina needs more emphasis placed on forage production per acre. Farmers need more know how to produce such crops and then how to save them. Evidence of the increased interest and emphasis being placed on better cattle feeding is the appearance of more silos throughout the State." Ballentine further stated that when North Carolina started to build its cattle industry several years ago that poor cows were used, poor feeding practices were in evidence and there was poor use of the soil available for abundant forage production. "Now we are changing all this and we are doing a better job," Ballentine said. He pointed out that where poisonous insecticides are used near and on forage there is a danger of the cows producing milk which will contain some of these poisonous materials. He pointed out that an Eastern North Carolina farmer just recently had been permitted to sell milk from his cows after a four-month delay because it was learned that his cows had been fed materials on which poisonous chemicals had been used. A check showed that insecticides had been used on corn, peanuts and alfalfa being fed to the dairy cattle

Annual Red Cross Meeting Held Friday

The Annual meeting of the Duplin County Chapter of the American National Red Cross was held here in the Chapter House on last Friday night at 8 o'clock with the chapter chairman, Attorney William E. Craft, presiding. He gave a special welcome to Lemuel A. Davis, Red Cross Field Representative and his friend, Mr. Richard Atkinson of Greenville, the later being a volunteer worker in the Pitt County Chapter. Minutes of the semi-annual meeting were read by the secretary, after which the treasurer, Paul Ingram presented his report. In the absence of the Fund Campaign Manager, Ingram told how the various communities raised \$2912.92 in the spring campaign, this total included \$638.90 from the Negro Division headed by Mrs. Irene Carr of Rose Hill. Mrs. Carr was recognized and spoke in appreciation of her co-workers giving the detailed report as follows:

Wallace	.....	\$100.00
Beaufort and Chiquapiin, combined	.....	\$136.00
Rose Hill	.....	\$114.12
Charity School Area	.....	\$64.00
Teachey Community	.....	\$40.00
Magnolia	.....	\$50.00
Kenansville	.....	\$22.00
Warsaw	.....	\$22.25
Albertson	.....	\$20.50
Faison and Calypso combined	.....	\$23.24

A report on Jr. Red Cross Work revealed 15 school Sen-rolled last fall for 165 rooms \$1.00 per room. (Continued On Back)

Cotton Quotas "Excess" Penalty Rate Announced

Kenansville-The marketing quota penalty rate on "excess" 1960 crop cotton will be 19.4 cents per pound according to O. L. Holland, ASC County Committee Chairman. Controlling legislation provides that the marketing quota penalty rate be set at 50 percent of the parity price per pound of cotton effective June 15. The parity price for upland cotton as of June 15, 1960, is 20.0 cents per pound. (Continued On Back)