



Congressman Henderson Reports

Change In Agriculture Ruling By Horace Godfrey Helps Farmers

Some tobacco farmers of the Third District were greatly disturbed by action taken in 1960 when they lost tobacco acreage when a change of ownership occurred on a farm tract and the land involved was to be taken out of agricultural production. Many examples of this were called to my attention last fall.

Where productive land was sold by a farmer for a non-farming use his tobacco allotment was proportionately reduced on his remaining farm land. Perhaps the most extreme hardship cases were those in which farm widows deeded small lots to a child to build a house and live on the farm but as a result found her tobacco acreage recomputed. In cases where such land was to be used for public purposes,

such as highway or electric transmission rights-of-way, the acreage was not reduced.

There were several ways this unfair ruling could be avoided if the farmer was fully appraised. He could remove the farm land from production by planting seedlings on the land and after one year sell the land without loss of acreage. The farmer himself could build one or more houses on the land and sell the land and houses without losing any allotment, but he could not give or sell the land to any other person without this unfortunate result.

I am happy to report that Mr. Horace D. Godfrey, Administrator of Commodity Stabilization Service of United States Department of Agriculture, who was formerly Director of Agriculture Stabilization Committee for North Carolina recently issued his first order as follows:

"When (1) the ownership of a tract of land is transferred from a parent farm, (2) the tract transferred is to be used for non-agricultural purposes, and (3) such tract was not or could not have been acquired under right of eminent domain, the farm shall not be reconstituted and the allotment, history, and soil bank base acreages shall remain with parent farm: PROVIDED, That the county committee determines, on the basis of an agreement signed by all persons interested in the transfer, that the land transferred-in fact to be changed to non-agricultural uses during the current or succeeding year."

The order became effective for the 1960 year and for any redeterminations made during 1960 which were effective for a prior year. This retroactive provision eliminates the hardships imposed last year. It is with a great deal of personal pride that I announce this most significant change in the regulations controlling our tobacco acreage and know that the farmers of Eastern North Carolina greatly appreciate this action on the part of the new Administration of the Commodity Stabilization Service.

Kenansville Man Shot Tuesday In Goldsboro

Lester James Smith, "Red" 44, of Kenansville was killed from a shotgun blast in the chest Tuesday night. A 50-year-old Wayne man, Norwood "Dortch" Moyer of Goldsboro, Rt. 2 is being held without bond, having been charged with the first degree murder of Smith.

Wayne Sheriff, Jesse Hinson said Moyer had admitted the shooting resulted from an argument with Smith during a drinking bout at Smith's home Tuesday night. Smith, several other men and two women were drinking in the house in the St. Johns community near Broadhurst Bridge, according to the sheriff.

Sheriff Hinson said murder charges were brought after Moyer related that he told the man he was going to kill him, walked to another room to get the gun, then blasted away.

Held as material witness in the killing are Duffy Taylor, 39, of Turkey and Bobby Upchurch of Mount Olive.

The slain man was rushed by car to Wayne Memorial Hospital but was dead on arrival.

Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon from the Chapel of Carter Funeral Home in Goldsboro, conducted by the Rev. Vance Rich. Interment will be in Garden. He is survived by an uncle, M. J. Smith, and an uncle.

Mrs. Montgomery, Missionary Speaks To District 6 Conf. Of Presbyterian Women

If anyone ever qualified as an expert on the mission enterprise of the Christian Church around the world, it is Mrs. James N. Montgomery, who spoke Wednesday, March 8 at the District 6 Conference of Presbyterian Women in Calypso.

Forty-two years of missionary service among the Chinese in China and in Taiwan, and four children serving in four mission fields of the Presbyterian Church, U. S., give Mrs. Montgomery a wide knowledge of the glories, problems, and opportunities of missionary work.

Marines Arrested Tuesday Night

Two Marines of Camp Lejeune were arrested on Tuesday night for robbery. Arrested were Donald L. Flage, approximately 20, and Carl Cody, 20. They broke into Joe Sutton's pop corn machine near Warsaw and took the money and tore off the side of the machine which contained \$325.

Later in Mt. Olive while trying to break into the Gulf Station they were caught and in their car was the money and the side of the pop corn machine.

They are jailed in Wayne County jail in Goldsboro and are being held for Duplin for a \$500 bond.

Last week three Marines were arrested for breaking into telephone booths and stealing money. One is being held in jail in Kenansville, one is out on bond. When the boys were arrested they admitted all 5 of telephone break-ins in the county which had been in Calypso, Bowden, Magnolia, Rose Hill and Beauville.

Rev. Sharpe Speaks At Nurses Meet

District No. 27, North Carolina State Nurses Association, met at the Wallace Lanch Room, on March 9, Rev. Lauren Sharpe of Kenansville was guest speaker, speaking on the subject "Nursing As A Calling Versus A Profession." Sharpe stated that nurses should be able to minister to the spiritual as well as the physical bodies of her patients.

Refreshments were served by Duplin County Public Health Nurse. There were 15 members in attendance.

For 1961 Fund Campaign Red Cross Community Chairmen Named

Attorney William E. Craft of Kenansville, who is chairman of the Duplin County Chapter, American Red Cross and is also serving as the 1961 Fund Campaign Manager for his chapter announces the appointment of the following local community co-workers and their respective quotas.

R. F. Gray and Outlaw's Bridge \$250.00
Franklin Quinn \$250.00
Beauville, Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dobson, \$200.00
Bowden, Mrs. Elvin J. Carter 25.00
Cabin, Mrs. Rav Thomas 25.00
Calypso, Mrs. Charles Sloan 300.00
Chinquapin, Mrs. Theodore King, \$150.00
Faison, Mrs. R. L. Benson for Garden Club 300.00
Fountain-Lyman, Mrs. Herbert Lanley 25.00
Hallsville, Mr. and Mrs. Norwood Miller, 25.00
Kenansville, Mrs. Janet Dobson Giles 400.00
Magnolia Mrs. Audrey Joyner 100.00
Potter's Hill, L. M. Bostic 75.00
Rose Hill, Mrs. Lillie Belle Brummitt 250.00

F. H. A. Rally, March 18 Atkinson

Duplin, Pender, Onslow, and Jones County F. H. A. ers will meet at Atkinson High School March 18, 1961, for their annual Rally. It will begin at 9:30 A. M. and end at 12:30 P. M.

The Atkinson Chapter will present the devotional program, and there will be an installation of new officers for the Quail-County group. The main feature will be a Spring Fashion Show with two participants from the 11 represented schools. Lunch will be served by Atkinson High School cafeteria staff.

Trial & Error

The press is improving, thank you! So far as the workers are concerned, we are doing better too, I think!

Mitchell Riddle Shot Wed. While Stealing Gas

EDITORIAL

Farmers Urged To Wait And See The Whole Law On 1961 Feed Grain Program

By Paul Barwick
Some confusion has been created through various interpretations of the Federal-Feed Grain law now before Congress.

Sub-District Evangelistic Rally At Warsaw Methodist Church Next Week

The Kenansville Sub-District of the Methodist Church will hold an Evangelistic Rally for the 18 churches which compose this sub-district.

The meeting will begin on Sunday evening March 19th, at 7:45 and will continue each evening through Friday, March 24th at the Warsaw Methodist Church.

The churches participating are: Wallace, Rose Hill, Magnolia, Kenansville, Carleton, Warsaw, Turkey, Friendship, Faison, Kings, Calypso, Pink Hill, Noble's Chapel, Woodland, Wesley, Charity, Serecta.

Revival Services will be held at the Bear Marsh Baptist Church, Rt. 2, Mt. Olive from March 19th through the 26th. Services will be held at 7:30 each evening with the Rev. Kenneth Wilson as Evangelist. Rev. R. H. Kelly and the church extend a cordial invitation to the public.

On Friday evening March 17 a four hour service of Old Time Gospel Preaching, Praying and Singing will precede the revival. Conducting the services will be Rev. Robert L. Bowen, Rev. Paul Muller, Rev. Milton Boone and Rev. Vance Tyson.

Special singing will be held during the 4 hour service.

Beef Steak Gone
Tom Hill of Faison discovered on Wednesday night when he went to feed his cows that about 23 were missing.

The cows weighed from 800 to 1300 pounds each and were Black Angus and White Hereford. It is assumed that all of the cows did not disappear at one time but have been moved over a period of two or three weeks.

Mitchell Ray Riddle, White 18, of Wallace was shot and killed while stealing gas at the Coastal Plain Milling Co. near Rose Hill last night (Wednesday), according to reports. He was shot by Charles F. Hawes, Jr., (27) son of Dr. C. F. Hawes, of Rose Hill. Arrested for aiding and abetting Riddle, were Clyde Lovette, White, 19, and James Elton Batts, White 19, both of Wallace.

It is alleged that Coastal Plain Milling Company has been having trouble with culprits stealing gas from their feed trucks. 40 gallons had been stolen on Friday night previously and more gas had been stolen on Monday night. The Sheriff's department had investigated but had been unable to catch the culprits at that time.

C. F. Hawes, operator of Coastal Plain Milling Co. slept on a bed on the floor of the mill on Wednesday night. About 12:30 he heard a noise and went out to investigate. He shouted "Halt" and the boys ran. Hawes shot three of four times in the direction of the noise, with a high powered 2006 Rifle.

A bullet hit Riddle and shattered the bone about six inches above the elbow in his arm, entered his side and came out the center of his chest, cutting a main artery. Riddle ran after being shot for about 125 yards before falling to the ground.

Hawes called Rose Hill Chief of Police Bill Quinn who came to the scene at once. After Quinn arrived, Riddle breathed one time before dying. Quinn called Deputy Snyder Dempsey, Sheriff Miller and Chief Deputy T. E. Revette arrived at the scene shortly thereafter.

At a Coroners hearing in Kenansville today (Thursday) C. F. Hawes was released under a bond of \$5000, probable cause being found, and he was bound over to Superior Court in the April 3 term. The boys, Batts and Lovette, are still in jail being held as material witnesses.

According to reports, after the shooting James Elton Batts returned to his job at Raleigh Hatchery and was arrested there. Clyde Lovette ran to his car which was parked near the scene and was arrested in the foot of his car, where he was hiding from officers.

A search of Batts car revealed that he was carrying a rifle, a dagger and a deadly black jack.

All three of the boys were on probation for previous crimes. They had been arrested by Deputy Snyder Dempsey and convicted one year ago. Batts was convicted of larceny of hub caps and fender skirts. His conviction was 12-30-59. He was given six months and two years probation.

Lovette was convicted of larceny of and aiding and abetting on 6-10-59. He was given four years probation. Riddle's charge was the same as Batts and he was given 6 months and two years probation.

Swine is important to the farm economy of Duplin County," Sasser said. "Last year our gross income from hogs was \$3,500,000 and I believe this can be improved."

Ridge Community Beginning March 20 Three Swine Meetings Set For Oak

A series of three swine meetings are scheduled for Duplin and area farmers in the Oak Ridge Community Club Building, located six miles southeast of Mount Olive near Whitfield's Pond.

Assistant Farm Agent Ralph Sasser, with the cooperation of the Oak Ridge Community Club members, has arranged the meetings for March 20, March 27 and April 3. The meetings will begin at 7:30 p. m.

On March 29, Jim Allgood, Farm Management Specialist, will discuss "Economic Factors in Swine Production." Also appearing on the program will be Ray Woodard, Swine Specialist, discussing "Management of a Feeder Pig Program."

On March 27, Ray Ritchie, Agriculture Engineering Specialist, will talk on "Swine Housing and Equipment," assisted by a panel of Duplin County farmers.

The April 3, meeting will have Dr. Frank Taylor, Veterinarian from Faison, present to talk about a swine disease, mainly in baby pigs, L. B. Outlaw, of Frosty Morn Meat Packing Co., of Kinston, will be on hand to discuss the meat type hog from the meat packer's point of view.

Parents and well-wishers are urged to assemble in the Kenan Memorial Auditorium on Friday evening and listen to the program which has been scheduled to last for one hour.

The Art Exhibits may be viewed on Friday evening at five. Hours for viewing on Saturday will be announced later by Miss Kenion.

The program will be concluded on Sunday evening, March 19, when a special musical program will be given for the County-wide "Duplin Negro Schools" by the better music students from each school.

County-Wide Music And Art Festival Duplin Negro Schools-March 17-19

Miss Annie Mae Kenion, Supervisor of Negro Schools, announces that the 1961 edition of the Music and Art Festival will be presented at the Kenan Memorial Auditorium in Kenansville March 17 through the 19.

Choirs from all schools and bands from E. E. Smith, P. W. Moore, Douglass High, Rose Hill Elementary and Charity High will be heard in concert on Friday evening March 17 at eight o'clock.

"Without exception this will be one of the finest programs ever presented by students of Duplin Schools", all of the people in the know say.

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Duplin County Easter Seal funds are depleted. Twelve children and eight adults were given aid during the past number of months and since Mrs. Rivenbark has been chairman, several individuals have been aided in having their braces repaired and a wheel chair has been provided for one person in the county.

Mrs. Rivenbark stated that 40% of all funds collected are kept in the county and used for crippled victims.

She urges each individual to not lay Seals aside when they come to you through the mail, but to use them on your letters, packages and cards and send your donation in as soon as possible.

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The public is cordially invited to attend these services and to hear Dr. Brown, an outstanding minister.

Evangelistic Services In Pink Hill,

Beginning March 19, the Pink Hill Presbyterian Church will hold a week of preaching and evangelistic services.

The speaker will be the Reverend Dr. John S. Brown, pastor of the West Raleigh Presbyterian Church in Raleigh, North Carolina.

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