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Overseas Food Drive Organized in This County

States Plan CROP Christmas Trains



Hillsboro.—An Orange County campaign to collect a boxcar of farm commodities for overseas relief as part of the North Carolina Friendship Train being sponsored by the Christian Overseas Program (CROP) got under way this week following the organization of a local committee to head the drive.

R. H. Claytor was named chairman of the group; Rev. I. E. Birdseye, treasurer; R. L. Mohler, shipping director; and Rev. John E. Ensign, publicity director.

The county organization was set up at a meeting of leading citizens called last Friday by Don S. Matheson, county agent.

The Orange County collection is scheduled for December 20 and 21, when trucks will pass over the main thoroughfares of the county pick up the commodities being donated. Superintendents of Sunday Schools throughout the county have been asked to organize their section and provide the trucks to pick up the food and bring it to the loading point in Hillsboro.

A public presentation ceremony will be held at 4 p. m. on the 21st of December in connection with the loading of the car.

Corn, dried fruits and other similar commodities are being emphasized in the drive in this county. Contributions with which food may be purchased will also be accepted by the treasurer, Rev. Birdseye. A contribution of \$150 will purchase a bushel of corn, it was stated.

Six Southern states are now actively engaged in campaigns to collect these trainloads of farm commodities for overseas relief.

The six states—Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Texas—are included in a total of more than 30 states which will support food trains by the end of the year.

All contributions will be distributed overseas on the basis of need alone, without regard to race, religious creed, or political affiliation. To date, CROP donations have been distributed in 43 different countries, where special attention has been paid to the needs of children, widows, the aged, and by Catholic Rural Life, Church World Service, and Lutheran World Relief. However, the project in most southern states is sponsored by Church World Service.

CROP is sponsored nationally on the basis of need alone, without regard to race, religious creed, or political affiliation. In spite of government aid and good crops in some areas, thousands upon thousands are too poor to buy food. CROP officials state, "For these, the only hope lies in aid which will reach them through church channels—without cost."

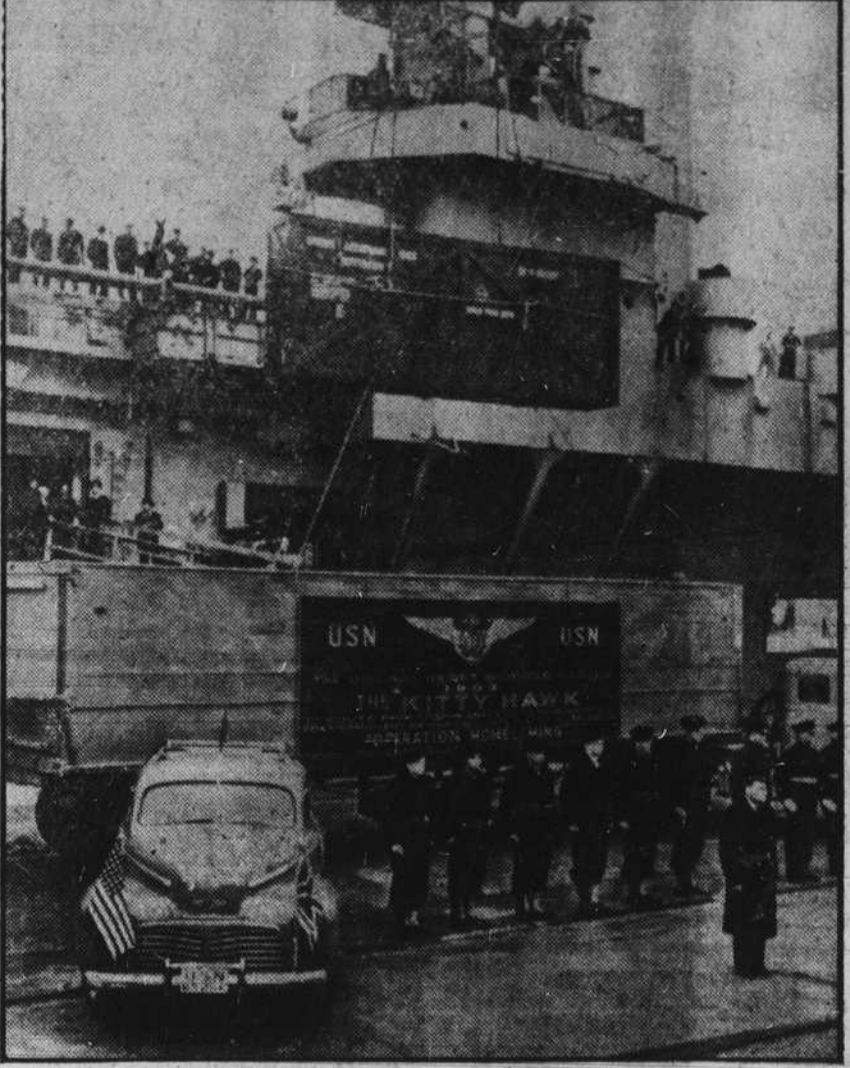
Orange County March of Dimes Quota Is \$8,500

Chapel Hill.—Due to the extremely heavy polio epidemic which raged through the state this year, the local chapters of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis are calling on National for more money than has ever before been requested.

Their treasuries are depleted, said E. Carrington Smith, drive chairman of Orange County. The quota for the March of Dimes has also been raised, Orange County's goal being set at \$8,500.

The March of Dimes, which will be promoted January 16 through 31, will be directed by Mr. Smith for the whole of the county. Mrs. Bill Richmond for Hillsboro and West Hillsboro, and the superintendents of the Chapel Hill and county schools.

'Kitty Hawk' Comes Home



With a Navy and Marine guard of honor standing by, one of three packing crates containing the Wright Brothers' famous "Kitty Hawk" biplane is lowered from the USS Palau in Bayonne, N. J. The craft that was the forerunner of modern aviation was shipped to the Smithsonian Institution in Washington from London.

4 Murder Cases On Court Docket

Hillsboro.—Four murder cases, a variety of other crimes of lesser violence and 18 divorce actions highlight the combined criminal and civil dockets for next week's term of Superior Court in Orange County.

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Faced with murder indictments are Arbie W. Parker, whose previous trial for the fatal cutting of James Lewis Ruffin near Hillsboro last February ended in a mistrial; Roy McAdams, who has been charged with shooting his brother-in-law, Oscar Adkins, near Efland last April, and Wilson Honeycutt and Bill Stanley, charged with the slaying of Paul Phillips.

Other criminal cases on the regular docket include the following defendants and charges: Raymond Jones, housebreaking and larceny; C. R. Hutchins, driving automobile while drunk; Thomas Peck Brittan, robbery; James Smith and Frank Minor, Jr., larceny and driving automobile while drunk; Wm. A. Hardee, driving automobile while drunk; Julia Foushee, illegal possession of liquor for purpose of sale; Haywood June Tinnen, bigamy; Geiter Farrington, obtaining money under false pretense; Hazel alias Grace Smith, driving automobile while drunk; Willie Page, secret assault; Willie Page, assault with deadly weapon; Oran Holmes, reckless driving; David Alston and Louise Farrar, affray and disorderly conduct; Myruth Brown, assault with deadly weapon with intent to kill; Mildred Brown, assault with deadly weapon with intent to kill; Robert Robinson, Jr., assault with deadly weapon with intent to kill; Howard Fralix alias Roy Ritzell, forgery; Frank Minor, Jr., carrying concealed weapon and assault with deadly weapon; Ralph L. Smith, driving automobile while drunk; John H. Flythe, driving automobile while drunk; Arbie W. Parker, murder; Marvin Norwood, Jr., manslaughter; Lonnie Tyson, cruelty to animals; Herbert Watson, Jr., larceny; Bill Horton, larceny and driving automobile while drunk; James M. Guthrie, reckless driving; Victor S. Underwood, reckless driving; Lee Vernon White, driving automobile while drunk; Lewis Jones, reckless driving, injury to person, and damage to property; John A. Qualls, larceny; Wilson Honeycutt, murder; Bill Stanley, murder; Roy McAdams, murder; John T. Johnston, driving automobile while drunk; Albert Pendergrass, refusal to allow bond; James Mack, assault with deadly weapon.

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County Board Appoints Phipps, Stone To Court; Asks More Road Upkeep

Mebane To Open Christmas Season Tomorrow Night

Mebane.—The official opening of the Christmas season in Mebane will be observed tomorrow.

C. Reginald Strouse, executive secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, sponsoring organization, asserted that the city has withheld its opening until December 10 in order to build up interest and spirit by Christmas Day.

The city will decorate in several different manners. Merchants are going to conduct a window contest with prizes to be awarded for the two best decorated, a similar contest will be conducted for outside decorations in the residential sections.

Eight intersections will be decorated. These decorations will include large electric wreaths with appropriate trimmings in the center of the intersections and from these to the four corners of the crossing will be ropes of garland intertwined with strips of red oilcloth.

Additional city decoration includes the placing of small trees with white sprayed tops along the streets with red bows around each tree.

Center attraction will be the 30-foot Christmas tree with its 500 lights erected on the main thoroughfare across from the theater. A public address system will be located in the vicinity and music played at intervals each day.

At 7:30 o'clock on the night of the opening, church choirs, the school band, and residents of the community are to gather in the highlight observance. This program will include a community singing of Christmas carols and the judging of store windows in the contest. On December 20 the residential decorations will be judged and prizes awarded.

WEST HILLSBORO PTA

Hillsboro.—The Friendly Four Quartet will present a program at the West Hillsboro School Friday night, December 10, at 8 o'clock, sponsored by the P. T. A. Admission will be 25c and 50c.

She's Ideal



Selected from a field of 10 finalists, Patsy Miller, 17, of Osceola, Ia., was named the ideal farmer's daughter at the National Farm and Garden Show in Chicago. A 4-H Club member, she was awarded a complete winter wardrobe.

Tobacco Allotment Applications Must Be In By Jan. 31

Hillsboro.—A. K. McAdams, secretary of the Orange County EMA, announced today that anyone who is eligible for a new tobacco allotment should make his application at the AAA Office prior to January 31, 1949.

To be eligible for a new allotment you must have had experience in raising tobacco in two of the past five years, live on the farm on which you are making application for the allotment and you cannot own or operate another farm on which tobacco will be grown in 1949. You must also be dependent on the farm for your livelihood.

Hillsboro.—The Orange County Board of Commissioners, after taking the oath of office for a new two-year term, moved into an all-day session Monday, highlighted by the appointment of court officials and passage of a resolution urging the State Highway and Public Works Commission to use its entire force in this county for road upkeep and maintenance.

Noting that a large number of roads in this county were in poor condition as result of recent rains, the resolution requested that any new construction authorized for the county be accomplished by contract and that highway forces be used exclusively for upkeep to alleviate the present condition.

A number of citizens appeared before the board with road requests and several recent requests for highway improvement were given further study.

Judge L. J. Phipps of Chapel Hill was reappointed presiding jurist for the County Recorder's Court for the first full two-year term and Jerry Stone was named prosecuting attorney for the same term. Both were given the oath of office by Chairman Collier Cobb, Jr., who himself had just been selected chairman for the new term by his two colleagues, Ben F. Wilson and H. G. Laws. All three incumbent board members received the oath of office from Clerk of Court Edwin M. Lynch in ceremonies in the latter's office.

Other swearing-in ceremonies were held for newly elected constables, Lewis W. Sparrow and Carson D. Thomas.

The commissioners heard a report from James Webb, chairman of the fact-finding committee named to investigate and report on the county's needs, who asked that his group be granted an extension of time for reporting until the February session. He indicated that a voluminous report touching on a wide variety of county affairs was forthcoming and that a public hearing would be scheduled by the Education sub-committee in mid-January to air certain school problems.

A blanket money and insurance policy covering county officers was approved and applications for beer licenses were granted to Raymond J. Stansbury of West Hillsboro and Cecil M. Proctor of Chapel Hill.

Car Inspection Lane Here Now; Deadline Near

Hillsboro.—The motor vehicles inspection lane is in Hillsboro all this week, offering automobile owners in this part of the county their last opportunity before the December 31 deadline to get their vehicles inspected.

Rigid enforcement of the inspection law is promised following expiration of the present period of grace ending the last day of the year.

The inspection lane is located on Churton street west of the library. The current schedule is primarily for inspection of 1941 and 1949 model automobiles, schedules for other models having already passed. However, all vehicles must be inspected prior to the deadline.

From its Hillsboro station, the inspection lane will move to Chapel Hill where it will be set up all next week on Country Club drive, near the Patrol School barracks.

MORAVIAN FEAST
Chapel Hill.—The University Methodist Church and its Wesley Foundation will present a Moravian Christmas Love Feast for the students and residents of Chapel Hill on Sunday evening, December 12, at 7 o'clock.

2 SHOPPING WEEKS LEFT
BUY CHRISTMAS SEALS

Production Marketing Association Names County And Precinct Heads

Hillsboro.—At a convention of the Production Marketing Association (AAA) held Friday in Hillsboro, county committeemen were elected by J. S. Compton as chairman; John H. Brown, vice chairman; and P. B. Lloyd, registrar member. A. K. McAdams was re-elected secretary of the Association, and Virginia W. Warren, treasurer.

County committeemen elected in Thursday's voting for the 10 communities to serve during 1949 were: Caldwell: Claude A. Gray, Clyde H. Berry, A. E. Wilson;

Carr: L. J. Rogers, Lewis Dunn, J. L. Scotton; Carrboro: W. R. Womble, J. S. Williams, Aubrey McLennan; Cedar Grove: C. W. Long, J. E. Hawkins, Jule Allen; Efland: W. B. Richmond, Bill Dorsett, Glenn Pender; Hillsboro: Reid Roberts, Marvin Phelps, Milton Latta; New Hope: I. S. Newton, John Lockhart, J. R. Whitfield; Orange Grove: C. E. Teer, Cecil Lloyd, James Snipes; St. Mary's: Wallace Bacon, H. S. Walker, W. A. Crabtree; White Cross: Alton Durham; Walter C. Lloyd, T. J. Whitfield.

CHEST X-RAY CLINIC

Hillsboro.—The regular chest X-ray clinic will be held at the Health Department in Hillsboro on Monday, December 13, 2-4 p. m.

Accomplishments of the year were attributed to the combined efforts of the farmers, the business and civic interests and all of the county's agricultural agencies.

Following is a complete summary of other major items in Matheson's report to the commissioners:

1. The county average corn yield prior to 1945 was never more than 20 bushels per acre. Now it will average between 30 and 35 bushels per acre, which means that farmers are raising from 140,000 to 200,000 more bushels of corn on the same acreage. The use of hybrid seed corn, better fertilization and improved cultural practices are responsible for the increase.

Matheson Reports Year Of Progress On Farms

Hillsboro.—A report of general progress on Orange County farms and in the county farm program during 1948 was presented to the Board of County Commissioners Monday by County Agent Don S. Matheson.

Among the highlights of the report was the information that the 1948 tobacco crop in Orange County has been sold for an estimated \$2,325,000, or \$25,000 more than last year, despite an acreage decrease of 1,100 acres in tobacco allotments. The increase in gross return was attributed to the heavier 1948 crop, which averaged a hundred pounds per acre more than the previous year, and higher average of eight cents per pound more money received for this year's offerings.

Building of new sanitary dairy barns by 15 Orange County farmers, enabling them to raise the grade of milk to "A" and thus produce \$14,000 more than if they had continued to sell the lower grade "C" product, was also reported by Matheson in the parade of progress which saw the county's corn yield raised, poultry flocks expanded and rural electric lines extended.

6. The grass land type of farming has made rapid progress. Two thousand acres have been seeded to ladino clover with orchard grass or alfa fescue. Twenty-five hundred tons of lime and 600 tons of superphosphate have been applied to grass.

7. The Spotted Poland China Association exhibited 18 animals at the State Fair and have sold breeding stock in eight counties.

8. FFA and 4-H boys and girls exhibited 25 baby beef calves at the Durham Fat Stock Show, 18 of which won blue ribbons. At the same show, Orange County boys entered 28 of the 55 hogs present and won the reserve championship.

9. Field identification of tobacco wilt and black shank disease has been made on many farms and resistant varieties recommended.

10. Fourteen fish ponds totaling 19 acres have been built with 17 ponds stocked with bream and minnows. Fifty-five miles of terraces were staked off by Soil Conservation Service during the year.

2. Eleven of the 50 farmers entering the Bank of Chapel Hill sponsored corn contest made more than 100 bushels per acre. The winner, J. L. Phelps, made 136.4 bushels and the 50 averaged 86.9 bushels.

3. An Artificial Breeding Association has been started to improve dairy herds by using some of the best proven bulls in North Carolina, Indiana, and Wisconsin.

4. A five-county dairy heifer show and sale was held in Hillsboro. Ninety-eight purebred and grade heifers were exhibited by club members and adult farmers. Twenty-nine of these animals were sold at auction.

5. Dairyemen built 28 temporary and 5 permanent type tilos, giving 900 extra tons of silage for winter feeding.

11. Fifteen forestry demonstrations in thinning have been conducted with 50 acres involved. Several timber estimates were made for selective cutting.

12. Finished or under construction are 100 miles of additional rural electric lines giving service to 350 additional farm families.

13. Much interest has been evidenced by farmers in the farm organizations which include four Granges and one Farm Bureau. The Schley Grange sponsored a Soil Conservation Field Day, which attracted 5,000 people to see Milton Latta's farm undergo a face lifting. This, together with several other community activities, won the first place in the National Grange Community Service Contest sponsored by Sears-Roebuck. The prize is to be a completely equipped community house built to their specifications.

14. Farmers have installed 150 water systems, and a beginning has been made in the extension of much needed rural telephone lines.

15. A home and farm beautification contest, sponsored by the Hillsboro branch of the Durham Bank and Trust Company, is being held.

16. The Farmers' Mutual livestock barn which burned last year has been replaced by a \$16,000 conveniently arranged structure located at the same site near Hillsboro. \$402,000 worth of livestock has been sold there during the year.