

Investigating A Source Of Additional Income

80 Orange County People Travel To Davidson County To See Aromatic Tobacco In Production

By ED BARNES

Last Wednesday morning approximately 80 Orange County farm people went to Davidson County to study the possibilities in producing aromatic tobacco.

They were met at the Davidson County Agriculture Building by C. E. Bernhardt, Davidson County Farm Agent, and R. H. Crouse, Aromatic Tobacco Specialist from State College.

From there they visited the farm of Mr. Anderson, who is growing two acres of the aromatic tobacco. There the group saw the

tobacco being harvested in the field, cured in the barn and the process of baling.

This tobacco was planted in 20 inch rows with the plants being spaced in the rows anywhere between 1 and 6 inches. The leaves, from 2 to 6 inches long, were pulled from the stalk and stuck onto heavy wire sticks which appeared to be about 30 inches long. The sticks of tobacco were carried from the field to the wilting shed where they were placed on vertical laths with about 12 sticks to the lath, and hung in the wilting

shed. Here the tobacco remained for approximately 3 days to wilt and yellow. After being wilted the tobacco was then placed in a curing barn, which in this instance consisted of an old flue cured tobacco barn that had been sealed about 10 feet on the ground. Openings had been cut in the back of this barn and ventilation holes made in the walls of the building near the ground level. An automatic oil-heated curer, which looked very much like a miniature hay dryer, had been installed on the outside of the barn

with the over-head ducts going into the barn. A constant temperature of 100° in the barn was maintained for a period of 67 days. At this time the tobacco was cured out and was ready to be packed down or baled. The bales weigh from 20 to 25 pounds each.

In addition, after seeing these operations performed, many of the group also saw the especially designed mechanical planter owned by Mr. Anderson.

Many questions were asked by the group concerning the process. (See AROMATIC, page 8)



An aromatic tobacco expert makes his point...



Interested Orange crowd at the end of the rows.

Antique Car Caravan Hits Town Friday

Seventy-one antique automobiles, all more than a quarter-century old, are scheduled to arrive here tomorrow morning at 10:40 o'clock and will stop over briefly.

Several of the town officials will meet them at the intersection of Highway 86 and 70 and they will escort them to town where they will stop over for about 20 minutes and visit the old Court House. The Merchants Association and the Hillsboro Garden Club will serve them refreshments.

The occasion is the 4th annual tour of the Horseless Carriage Club of N. C. It is to be a quarter-mile procession which will keep in line, maintaining the pace of the slowest car. One of the cars in the procession is 52 years old. A repair truck will follow the procession.

Members will wear costumes typical of the year of their cars.

After leaving Hillsboro, the (See CARAVAN, page 8)

Clyde Erwin Jr. Named Teacher Of Agriculture

Clyde A. Erwin Jr., son of the late State Superintendent of Public Instruction, has been appointed vocational agriculture teacher in the Hillsboro High School, succeeding Elmer R. Dowdy, who resigned several weeks ago to enter private business.

Erwin and his family, consisting of Mrs. Erwin and a small daughter, were scheduled to move to Hillsboro yesterday and occupy the Dr. Eiland Forrest home on King Street.

Erwin, who is 26 years of age, thus returns to the school in which he accomplished his practice teaching here in 1951 as a protege of Mr. Dowdy. Following his graduation from N. C. State College in 1951, he served for the next two years in the Army, and for the past two years was agriculture teacher at Kernersville. In addition to the high school vocational agriculture program, Erwin will also be in charge of the Veterans

Agriculture Training program.

Mrs. Erwin is the former Miss Emily Burden Castelloe of Aulander, a niece of M. S. G. C. Mebane of Hillsboro. She is a graduate of the University of North Carolina.

Smith Visits Mammoth GE Appliance Park

Remus J. Smith Sr., Hillsboro furniture dealer, last week along with a number of GE appliance dealers of North Carolina, was flown to Louisville, Ky. to inspect the mammoth Appliance Park, the new manufacturing center of the General Electric Corporation.

Mr. Smith was greatly impressed by this giant industrial operation which concentrates the manufacturing processes for GE appliances formerly centered in 7 other plants throughout the country. This big industrial phenomena, according to Mr. Smith, turns out a major appliance very

Second Salk Vaccinations Wednesday

Dr. O. David Garvin, district health officer, announces that the Salk anti-polio vaccine will be available, to the first and second graders who received their first polio shot back in April, next Wednesday, July 27, at 9 o'clock at the District Health Department in Hillsboro.

First and second graders in the Chapel Hill, Carrboro and White Cross schools who got their first shots may receive their second at the Health Department in Chapel Hill between 2 and 4 p.m. today, tomorrow or next Thursday.

G. Paul Carr, superintendent of Schools, is cooperating with the health department by sending school buses out to all schools, except Hillsboro and Central, at 9 o'clock and will transport the children to the health department and back to the school. The children from Hillsboro and Central Schools, who live in rural areas, will go to the nearest school and get on a bus.

Announcement was also made that for those who fail to get their shot on Wednesday they may get it in about two weeks. The date will be announced later. This day will be the last time it will be available to those who received their first shots in April.

Fred S. Cates Passes; Rites Held Friday

One of Hillsboro's most successful business men, probably its largest owner of real property, both business and residential, died last week at his home here.

He was Frederick Strudwick Cates Sr., 68, who died Thursday following an illness of several months.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Virginia Riley Cates; two daughters, Mrs. David H. Beard of Cherry Point and Mrs. W. R. Bartow of Boston, Mass.; two sons, F. S. Cates Jr. of Hillsboro and John Allen Cates of Chapel Hill; eight grandchildren; two brothers, Claude of Burlington and Currie of Spencer.

Mr. Cates retired in 1954 as a conductor for the Southern Railway after more than 47 years service.

He was a member of Hillsboro Presbyterian Church where funeral services were conducted at 4 (See CATES, page 5)

Tobacco Growers Set For Vote Saturday

Matheson Says Large Turnout Very Desirable

Orange County tobacco growers are reminded of the Flue-Cured Tobacco Referendum to be held Saturday, with the polls opened from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., at various community polling places.

"Any person who has an interest in the 1955-crop of flue cured tobacco is eligible to vote. You can vote for quotas for 3 years, 1956, 1957, and 1958; for quotas for 1 year only; or you can vote against quotas," stated Don S. Matheson, chairman for the referendum.

Any person who shares in a flue-cured tobacco crop this year either as owner, operator, share-cropper or tenant is entitled to vote.

If marketing quotas are approved, they will be in effect for all flue-cured growers. Excess production will be subject to marketing quota penalties, and price support will be available at 90 per cent of parity.

If more than two-thirds of the vote in the referendum is against marketing quotas, they will not be in effect and there will be no price support.

"Voters must decide for themselves" the future of the government's tobacco control program on July 23, Don Matheson, the chairman of the "Big Three" referendum said yesterday.

"Regardless of whether quotas are voted in or out in the referendum this month," he said, "we can't afford to be indifferent about them, and a large turnout at the poll is the best way I know to insure a proper governmental relationship with farm programs."

The marketing quota referendum which Matheson mentioned is being conducted jointly for voting convenience with the Tobacco Associates and the North Carolina Peanut Growers Association referendums this month.

The two organizations are farming. (See ELECTION, page 8)

In Phone Probe

Merchants Told Delay Necessary

The Hillsboro Merchants Association, county and town officials have been notified by the State Utilities Commission that Morris Telephone Company has been apprised of the complaint recently filed with the commission against the company by the local association, with the endorsement of County Commissioners and the Hillsboro Town Board.

V. W. Chase, telephone engineer for the Utilities commission, wrote local officials that before an investigation is made he believed

it advisable to submit a request to the telephone company to see what plans, if any they have to correct the situation."

He indicated it would be impossible for an investigation to be made by the commission for "at least a few weeks."

The Merchants complaint listed a number of deficiencies which they said were needed to provide adequate service to the local area.

3 Welfare Department Workers Resign Posts

Two caseworkers with the Orange County Welfare department have submitted their resignations, effective on August 1.

Mrs. Jane Parker, welfare superintendent, said both workers would receive higher salaries plus car depreciation allowances in the Durham county posts to which they are going. No successors have yet been obtained.

Another employee of the de-

partment, Miss Joan Carroll, a secretary for the past three years, has resigned also to assume a position with the University in Chapel Hill.

Mrs. Gertrude Boone of Chapel Hill, who has served the Orange County department as case worker for three different periods during the past three years, will join the Durham Welfare department as a supervisor.

Miss Mary Joan Williamson of Chapel Hill, child welfare worker, will take a similar post in Durham. She has been connected with the Orange department for the past five years.

The Welfare Department requested salary increases and the car depreciation allowances for its workers in the new pay scale tentatively adopted by the County Commissioners, but these were denied.

2½ seconds.

PASSING PARADE

The Bermuda shorts fad has struck the staid old community of Hillsboro, where middle-aged business men thus clad are a common sight nowadays in the evening hours in their downtown haunts.

Monday night a well known trio, sporting the new attire converged on the Corner Drug Store, ran smack into their minister.

Asked for some words of wisdom regarding his parishioners' appearance, he opined:

"You might expect this from Ross Porter and John Ballard, but I'd have thought George Gilmore would have known better."

A hasty, red-faced retreat was the next order of business.

MERCHANTS MEETING

The Hillsboro Merchants Association will hold its monthly meeting today in the Colonial Inn at 11 o'clock. All members are urged to attend, as plans will be made for the coming sales event.

201 Hear UNC Department Head At Meeting

Health: Buckhorn Keynote

"Our mental attitudes have a great deal to do with our health," Dr. Roger W. Howell, Head of the Department of Mental Health, University of North Carolina, told a large gathering at Buckhorn Friday evening.

Dr. Howell was guest speaker at the second of Buckhorn's community meetings in Orange County's 1955 Farm and Home Efficiency program. The meeting was held in the grove at the Buckhorn Crossroads.

In line with one of the projects decided upon by the Buckhorn Advisory Board, health was the keynote of the meeting.

The evening's activities began with the arrival of the Mobile Unit of the State Department of Public Health at five o'clock. Until eight o'clock personnel of the unit were busy making X-Rays and giving typhoid inoculations under the direction of Dr. David Garvin.

Recreation during the evening was provided by the Buckhorn-Riverside softball game.

At seven o'clock, homemade ice cream, provided by the Buckhorn group, was served to all attending the meeting.

In the feature of the evening, Dr. Howell described the importance of attitudes toward health, citing evidence gathered from surveys in various cities and counties of small proportions of families and individuals furnishing a majority of the medical problems.

201 people attended the meeting, giving Buckhorn a total of 3,800 points for attendance in the two community wide meetings held so far this year in the Farm and Home Efficiency program competition.

Mrs. Pattye Stanford is chairman of the Buckhorn Community

organization, sponsored by the Buckhorn-Grange. Other members of the Advisory Board are Mrs. Warren Holmes; Mrs. Walter Shanklin, Mrs. Henry Heath, Mrs. Quentin Patterson, Merritt Kirk, Wiley Perry, Tom Hawkins, E. J. Pennington, J. G. Pender, C. B. Comber, Winfred Shambley, James Crutchfield, and Hubert Carter.



Chest x-rays were a part of the program...



... and typhoid vaccinations also at Buckhorn event.

Mystery Farm Of The Week—No. 48

Who Owns This Mystery Farm?



CAN YOU IDENTIFY this "Mystery Farm?" If you can, you will receive a free subscription to The News of Orange County, provided you are the first to identify it. A number of people called in last week to identify it. The first to call was John Webb of Carrboro, who correctly identified it as belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Long on the Smith Level Road. Other early identifiers were: Mr. Crabtree at Obie Davis Service Station, Mrs. Maggie Canada, Mrs. Annie Mae Wilson, Rt. 3, Chapel Hill, Mrs. R. B. Neville, and Mrs. Thomas Pendergraph. The owner of the farm pictured above is asked to come by The News Office as soon as possible and receive a beautiful mounted photo of the picture above, courtesy of this paper.