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## Application Period Ends

### Soil Bank Benefits Reach \$29,609

Orange County farmers will receive an estimated \$29,609.87 in cash benefits this fall from the acreage reserve phase of the Soil Bank program.

A. K. McAdams, Orange County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation office manager, reported Monday that more than 93 applications were filed by Orange farmers with the ASC for acreage reserve benefits before the application period closed this past Friday. McAdams said the applications covered a total of 193,25 acres of wheat, cotton and tobacco.

A breakdown on the applications: Wheat—8 applications covering 29 acres with benefits estimated at \$116.

Cotton—17 applications covering 25.9 acres with benefits estimated at \$1,373.42.

Tobacco—74 applications covering 138.35 acres with benefits estimated at \$28,120.45.

Wheat benefits were figured at \$4 an acre for wheat that was not planted this year. McAdams said no farmer in Orange County plowed up any wheat for the acreage

reserve phase of the Soil Bank program.

Cotton benefits are based on 15 cents a pound for the individual farm's yield. The county average last year was 327 pounds, making the average Soil Bank payment in the county \$53.28 per acre.

Tobacco benefits amount to 18 cents a pound for the yield of the individual farm. Orange County's average last year was 1,306 pounds per acre. On the basis of this the average Soil Bank payment would be \$226.72 per acre.

### Circulation Of Books In County Libraries Was 41,863 Last Year

During the past year the public libraries and the bookmobile have been the source of many hours of reading pleasure for residents of Orange County.

The yearly report ending on June 30, 1956, which has just been tabulated and filed at the North Carolina State Library, Raleigh, shows a total book circulation of 41,863 volumes. The main library in Hillsboro circulated 3,089 books, the colored library 1,116 books, the bookmobile 34,417 books and the Carrboro Library issued 3,241 books.

Approximately 63 percent of the library users are children. Their reading interests are varied and requests range from Aesop's fables to airplane technology.

The bookmobile, which is the

traveling branch of the library, spends six days each month distributing books to 41 stops in all sections of the county. A large majority of the reading is done from these bookmobile deposit stations, where a new selection of books is left each month.

The book collection of the Confederate Memorial Library in Hillsboro now numbers 15,168 volumes. That of the Orange County Negro Public Library is 4,972. The Carrboro Civic Woman's Club Library contains 1,275 volumes. These libraries are supported by appropriations from the county and from state aid to public libraries. The Town of Carrboro makes an annual appropriation for new books for the Carrboro Library.

### Merchants Pick Theme For Sales

Starting next Thursday and continuing through Saturday, August 11, the merchants of Hillsboro are sponsoring a town-wide sale "August Bargain Fair", with the theme being "Blue Ribbon Specials."

Firms in various types of merchandizing and service have indicated their plans to join in the promotion and a wide variety of genuine bargains and drastic reductions will be offered, according to officials of the association.

### Exchange Club Picks Delegates To Convention

The Exchange Club of Hillsboro will be represented at the 1956 Convention of the North Carolina State Exchange Clubs to be held August 17-19 at Greensboro. The official delegates of the local Exchange Club are President W. C. Mangum and Bernard F. Allison.

Millard A. Beckum of Augusta, Georgia, will be the principal speaker and guest of honor at the Convention. Now National Vice-President, Mr. Beckum has been active in Exchange Club work for the past 19 years. He is Past President of the Exchange Club of Augusta, and the Georgia State Exchange Clubs. He served seven terms as a member of the National Board of Control, and has served on the Agriculture Study Panel of the National Committee on Education.

Officers of the North Carolina State Exchange Clubs are: Norman E. Dodson of Hickory, president; Dr. A. E. Sherron of High Point, vice-president; Charles B. Burris of Wilson, secretary; and J. Frank Ray of Hillsboro, treasurer.

### County Focal Point For Largest Farm Tour Ever Held In State

Eleven hundred young farm men and women who were delegates to the American Institute of Cooperation visited St. Mary's, Schley, and New Hope Communities besides the towns of Hillsboro and Chapel Hill.

These young people came on 26 chartered busses. So far as can be ascertained this was the largest farm tour ever held in North Carolina.

A group of some 400 of them especially interested in electrification visited the local Piedmont Electric Membership Corporation, where they were given refreshments.

In Hillsboro the bus caravan circled by the Presbyterian Church and the historic old cemetery, by some of the historic homes which are often open to garden club tours. The Colonial Inn and the Courthouse, and thence to New

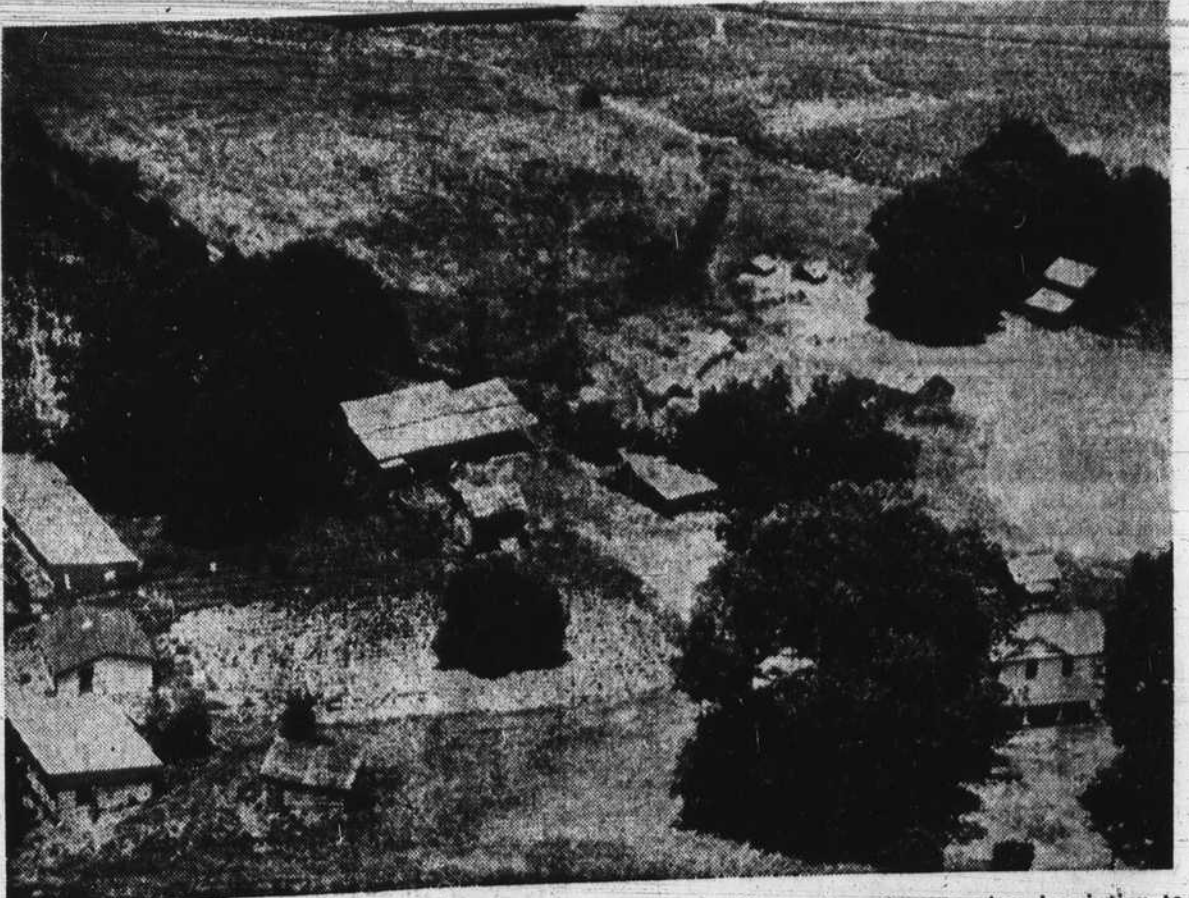
Hope.

In visiting the St. Mary's Community they were met by local guides who pointed out interesting facts about each of the farms as they slowly drove through the community. Attention was called to improved farm practices on the farms of the following: Dupree Smith, Reid Roberts, Charlie Thompson, Will Crabtree, Wallace Bacon, Thè Garrard Brothers, Frank and Douglas Crabtree, John Bacon, Raymond Weaver, Chester Crabtree, Mick Hill, Henry Walker, Malcolm Latta, Carl Walker, J. H. and Ted Martin, E. C. Robinson, Clyde Roberts, and the Clay Johnson farms.

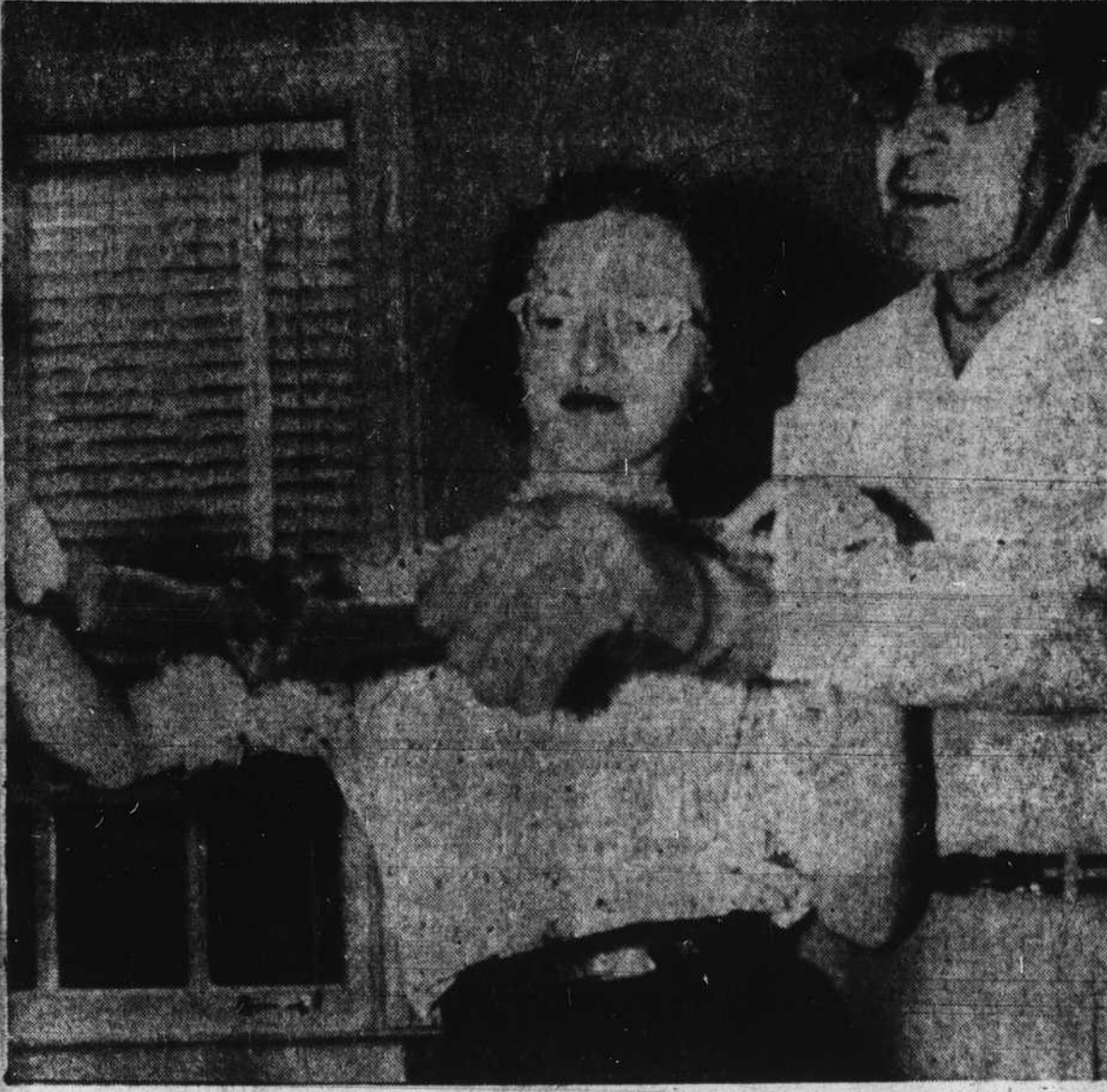
A stop was made at the Clyde Roberts farm where the group was introduced to the Roberts family and had an opportunity to see and hear about their farming operation. (See FARM TOUR, Page 8)

### Mystery Farm Of The Week

## Who Owns This Mystery Farm?



Guess the correct identity of the above farm first and you will receive a free year's subscription to The News of Orange County, provided you are the first to notify the office. The owner will receive a mounted aerial photo of the farm by verifying the correct identity. Last week's mystery farm belonged to the Roy L. Woods' of Rt. 1, Hurdle Mills. The farm consists of 304 acres. It is a dairy farm, with tobacco and chickens also being raised. The house was built approximately 75 years ago and is the home of Joseph Woods, father of Mr. Woods. They have four children, Lynn, Alton and Sam, of the place of Joseph Woods, father of Mrs. Phillip Johnson. Mrs. Aubrey Martin has received a year's subscription for home and a daughter, Mrs. Phillip Johnson. Others to correctly identify it were: Charley Mincey, Mrs. Ed. Miller, W. C. Brewer, Mrs. Lindsey Woods and Mrs. Lone Mincey.



### SUSPICIONS CONFIRMED — BATS AT COURTHOUSE

A few disgruntled citizens all along have been saying there are bats at the Orange County courthouse. Now it has been proved—the consternation of surprised county employees who never suspected that one of the nocturnal, insect-eating flying mammals was actually living among them. And in such an odd place too. Tax Supervisor Sam Gattis yesterday was adjusting the postage meter, a small box-type instrument not much larger than a check-writer. Pushing in an envelope in the inches-wide enclosure, he encountered the soft, furry animal as it cringed against the metal.

Courthouse workers speculated the bat might have flown in some night when a

window might have been left open and lodged itself in the Postage Meter. Others speculated it might have moved down with the group from the old courthouse a few years back since that is the closest belfry, the usual haunts of these mammals, around.

Priscilla Lloyd of the Tax Department agreed to hold the thing for a picture, but almost backed out when the bat bared a perfect set of sharp teeth, indicating to all he'd never heard of Dr. Jack Moore, the local dentist. Tax Collector Carl Davis came to the rescue with a pair of heavy gloves to keep Miss Lloyd from renegeing on her bargain.

## County Acquires Additional Land To East Of Courthouse

The first steps in a program to acquire, improve and possibly utilize the area to the east of the Orange County Courthouse property on which the new courthouse is located was taken this week.

The Commissioners completed on Tuesday the purchase of a tract approximately 100 x 165 ft. to the East of the courthouse from the Board of Trustees of the Dickerson's Chapel African Methodist Church of Hillsboro for \$3,500.

Negotiations have been in progress for some time.

The property contains a five room house which has been used successively in the past as a private dwelling, funeral home, church parsonage. It is now being rented as a private dwelling.

The new property acquired by the county does not adjoin the present courthouse property.

Between it and the courthouse rear driveway is a public alley, a 66-foot front piece of property which is owned by Annie Riley and another 20 feet which the county bought last year from Miss Estelle Brown, heir to the late Nate Brown estate, for \$1,000.

The property owned by Annie Riley lying between the tracts now owned by the county has a 66-foot frontage and measures 86 feet on the rear, containing the old brick-type siding house in which she now resides.

The commissioners, it is understood, hope to move the house on the property just purchased to other land and make a satisfactory trade with Annie Riley for her tract, on which the house will be torn down if obtained.

Use of the land for additional public parking area has been discussed by the officials. At any rate the property will be improved in appearance and will be held available for expansion of county facilities in the event they are needed in the future.

### Carrboro School Tax Proposal Is Discussed By Three Boards

The first step toward solution of the long-standing inequities brought about by Carrboro and White Cross area children attending the Chapel Hill schools was started last week at a joint meeting here of the Chapel Hill and County School Boards with the Carrboro District School Committee.

The step marked the first such cooperative meeting of the Chapel Hill and Carrboro groups in many years and local school officials saw in it the possibility of ending a number of differences between the two areas of the community.

#### To Consider Three Moves

As a result of last week's two-hour session in the Chapel Hill School Library, the Carrboro School Committee members agreed to sound out parents and taxpayers of their attendance district on three possible steps they might take: (1) Vote on assessing a supplementary school tax on themselves; (2) Vote on joining the Chapel Hill special School District—in which case they would pay the \$1.15 supplementary (See SCHOOL TAX, Page 8)

### Ready-Made Name Awaiting

## Sired By Frozen Semen, Calf Arrives On Friday The 13th

Some people think of Friday the 13th as being unlucky, but a little calf born on the Guernsdel Farm on Friday the 13th of July has every right to feel that Friday the 13th is a lucky day.

This calf, born to Guernsdel Princess Fern, and owned by Dr. H. C. Carr of the Guernsdel Farm, was sired by Bournedale Maxim's Duke, an outstanding bull now located at the Lauxmont Farm, Wrightsville, Pennsylvania.

The birth of this calf was the result of a new technique developed in the artificial breeding program. The Guernsdel Farm owns one-half interest in this bull, and in cooperation with the other part owner, semen was collected and frozen by a special process. The semen is diluted and placed in 1 cc. sterile ampullas. These ampullas are wrapped in sterilized cotton and placed into holes bored in dry ice. The dry ice is then packed into insulated containers and

shipped by air to the local Raleigh-Durham Airport. On arrival at the Guernsdel Farm the ampullas are taken out of the dry ice and placed into a thermo-jug. Alcohol is then poured into the thermo-jug covering the ampullas and the whole thermo-jug is then packed in a case of dry ice. Then, the case is placed in a deep freeze unit. In this manner semen is at a constant temperature of 80 to 85 degrees below zero. Semen has been kept alive by this process for as long as 12 months. A variation of as much as 5 degrees up or down will destroy the vitality of the semen.

It seems "pretty lucky" that the calf got here on Friday the 13th after having survived the ordeal outlined in the process above. It's no wonder that Frank Spencer, Manager of the Guernsdel Farm, has suggested that this young bull be named Jack Frost.

## 125 Cases On Docket Next Week

A total of 125 cases, over half of which involve drunken driving, reckless driving or excessive speed on the highways, have been docketed for trial at a term of Superior Court scheduled to open Monday.

Judge Raymond Mallard of Tabor City will preside.

Also included on the calendar are a variety of assault and violence cases, breaking and entering and whiskey violations.

Placed on the Tuesday docket, among others, is the case against Thomas F. Cathcart for an alleged narcotic act violation. The case was one of a series growing out of the man's illegal practice of medicine, some of which were disposed of in county court.

Mabel Wingate McNair, alias Peggy McNair, charged with obtaining close to \$5,000 in welfare funds under false pretenses, is also scheduled for trial on Tuesday.

Clyde Kenneth Mustian Jr., charged with speeding 105 miles per hour, is included on the Monday trial docket.

Three cases of assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill against Oscar Couch of Cedar Grove are set for trial on Tuesday.

## Mrs. Helen Carr Succumbs After Long Illness

Mrs. Helen Oliver Carr, 45, wife of J. Clarence Carr, died in a Durham Hospital Tuesday night after a long illness.

She was the daughter of the late T. L. and Lela Crisp Oliver of Cedar Grove.

Mrs. Carr, a graduate of Elon College in 1932, has taught in the schools of Orange County for 23 years and was a member of the Hillsboro faculty at the time of her death. She was a member of the Hillsboro Baptist Church and a member of the church choir.

Funeral services will be conducted this afternoon at 4 o'clock from the Hillsboro Baptist Church with Dr. Charles Maddry conducting. Interment will be in the Hillsboro Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be: A. W. Crabtree, G. A. Brown, Paul Carr, Marshall L. Cates Sr., Roland Dodson, Gary Lloyd, Paul Reid Williams and T. O. Styers. Members of the Hillsboro Faculty will serve as flower bearers.

The body will lie in state at the church one hour prior to the services.

Mrs. Carr is survived by her husband; four sisters; Mrs. Sallie Mae Ligon of Oxford, Mrs. Irene Pender of Cedar Grove, Mrs. Pauline Lloyd of Hillsboro and Mrs. Elise Nickles of Cedar Grove; two brothers; Robert W. Oliver of Durham and C. C. Oliver of Cedar Grove.

## Ann Wilkerson, Billy Latta Picked For Farm Conclave

Ann Wilkerson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Wilkerson, and Billy Latta, son of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Latta, members of the Hillsboro Senior 4-H Club were selected to represent Orange County at the National meeting of the American Institute of Cooperation this week.

Both Club members received expense paid trips to attend the meeting at State College which ends today.

The Institute has been a workshop for the delegates. Part of the delegates attending the Institute, visited points of interest in Orange County. Among these were the Schley Grange Hall, the Clyde Roberts farm, the Ho-pital Savings Association in Chapel Hill, the REA in Hillsboro, and the New Hope Presbyterian Church and camp area. Cooperative authorities have appeared on the program during the week.

KIDD BREWER'S Raleigh Roundup

One thing we about the recent special of the Legislature was... There free drinks and din...

as if this group repre- the Whatzis, Inc., had Whoozis, Ltd., that they refrain from bothering...

there was any lobbying, all-or practically all— within the Legislature it- other than from the out-

SUCH ANIMAL... We at one of the legislators and that the main objec- had to the special session it might have been 'too organized'...

Governor may not be one experienced, "seasoned" man, as they call them. He might know the notes—but he might be good by ear.

LAB... In many respects, this session was just a sample of the regular groups of serious men— eight to a group—walking Fayetteville Street. Sitting the lobby of the Hotel Sir waiting for the first edit- of the Raleigh News and Ob- buying copies from the girls around midnight...

of the Republicans at the Hotel Sir Walter. few legislators who live in houses during the regu- sessions were back for the and more and more who live within 75 miles are commuting.

... If there is doubt about the recent im- decisions of your legisla- this down...

They were sincere. They they were doing the best for North Carolina. Only will tell whether they were...

They have confidence in like Gov. Luther Hodges. Col. William T. Joyner, father, the late J. Y. Joyner superintendent of pub- lication under Charles B.

and Col. Joyner, than whom man lives, speak for up- of two hours—I didn't him—as a member of the ry Committee on the right- of the Governor's and Pearsall's position. He was convincing.

you may not have agreed may not now agree—with the Legislators did, they just as sincere in their as you are in yours.

... For its Satur- afternoon edition, the Ra- Times ran a little feature the question: "Do you the General Assembly days in special session..."

... people chosen at ran- people really— were this question. And, to be about it, one colored per- was asked the question. Her was carried along with hers, and it looked a whole like Aunt Jemima—and may- like Ethel Waters. She Raleigh nurse and house- She liked what the Legisla- as follows: when you're in a private you've got to pay—we've like this ever since I can...

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