

Orange Women Observe HD Week; Better Homemaking Aim

"Quality Of Family Living" Is Major Point Of Emphasis

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Orange County Home Demonstration women join with the nearly 7 million homemakers, who take part in home demonstration work each year, and are observing the 14th National Home Demonstration Week May 3-9.

Most of the home demonstration women live in the rural areas. A few live in town. Some are young, some older. Some are newly married, others have children, and still others, grandchildren. What these people have in common is an eagerness to become more efficient homemakers and better citizens. Home Demonstration work is an educational program in better homemaking planned by and for homemakers, and conducted cooperatively by the Extension Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, the State Land-grant colleges, and county governments. Through it, families learn to apply the latest results of home economics research.

The "quality of family living" is the major point of emphasis in today's home demonstration program. Special stress is placed upon the common concerns of the home—family relationships, food, clothing, shelter, and financial security. Also important are educational, social, cultural, and recreational opportunities which must be used to best advantage.

Generally, most women participating in the home demonstration

program are trying to learn to live and work congenially with others in the family and in the community; to better manage personal resources of time, money, and energy to reach family goals; to choose from the market food, clothing, home furnishings, household equipment, and other things essential in attaining a satisfying way of life; to keep the household running smoothly and provide a comfortable, convenient and attractive home; to understand the relation of nutritious food, suitable clothing, and adequate housing to the health and well-being of each family member.

This year, family living programs include, among other services, assistance to families in planning and managing their resources, health, education, human relations, safety, and consumer information on foods, clothing and equipment.

Home Demonstration Women in Orange County began the observance of National Home Demonstration Week early. They were hosts for the 14th District Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs Meeting April 28, when reports of accomplishments were shown. During May the club members will study Quality Canned Foods at the meetings. Dress Revues will be held in local clubs. Winners at these revues will show their dresses at the County Council May 28.



VISITORS TOUR FOR AGRICULTURAL INFORMATION

Indonesians Visit Buckhorn Grange

By Mrs. James Bradshaw

Three young Indonesian women, studying agricultural cooperatives in the United States, were special guests of the Buckhorn Grange and the Buckhorn Home Demonstration Club on April 17th and visited several farms in the area.

Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Sykes and Mrs. Pattye Stanford, Chairman of the community service committee, escorted the three women on their tour. Their tour of this area started with a visit to the White Furniture Company, then to Hubert Carter's chicken farm and to G. P. Syke's tree farm. They also visited the Sykes homestead, over 100 years old. It had recently been remodelled, but still contained many antiques of the original family.

The University of North Carolina and Duke University Chapel was also visited by the group. From there they continued to Camp Chestnut Ridge, the Methodist Youth Camp, and were amused with the covered wagons and hogans the group slept in.

They returned to the Grange Hall at Buckhorn where a supper was served in their honor. Mrs. Margaret Addison of Chicago Grange was the guest speaker for the evening. Mrs. Addison is now

at the School of Public Health in Chapel Hill. She talked about herself as a "green horn" in the Carolinas and told of her amusing experiences when she first noticed that cotton was grown in North Carolina.

Miss Mardjani, Miss Soekarmilah and Mrs. Sdeprapti told of their country and the many crops raised there. Apriculture was very much the same there as it is here. They do, however, have gold and dia-

monds there that we don't have in this country.

When asked what impressed them more here, one replied, "the large supermarkets." The others agreed that the Duke Chapel was very beautiful and enjoyed it very much.

Following the meeting the young ladies returned to Greensboro, where they were leaving for Indianapolis, Ind.

Mt. Carmel Is Active HD Club

By Mrs. Preston Buckner

Mr. Carmel Club was organized in 1937. Mrs. Carl Sparrow helped organize it and was the first President. The first meeting was at the home of Mrs. Paul Johnson. Miss Grace Holcomb was Home Demonstration Agent. The club was very active and has continued to be. At the present time there are 16 active members. We have had mail box and road side improvement as our projects. For the last few years our projects have centered around our church cabin. We have made draperies, painted and planted scrubbery. This spring our

club sponsored a chicken supper and bought an electric stove for the cabin. We are working toward buying a sink, hot water heater and new cabinet tops for the cabin. At Christmas we have a party and wrap gifts for some needy family.

Officers for this year are Mrs. Preston Buckner, president; Mrs. Thomas Blackwood, vice-president; Mrs. Hugh Holleman, secretary and treasurer.

Quilting Bee Still Popular

By Mrs. Merritt Dixon
Aycock Club

The Aycock Home Demonstration Club women still enjoy old-fashioned quilting bees.

Recently eight club members and a few non-club members spent the day quilting at Mrs. Zeb Burton's.

After quilting and "gabbing" steadily for about three hours the

hostess served a "fabulous" meal. After a short rest period quilting was resumed. Mrs. Burton served cookies and cokes during the afternoon.

Besides a day of fellowship and fun, the women finished a beautiful quilt for Mrs. Burton. Before the women left they had been invited to other homes for similar spend-the-day quilting bees.



QUILTING—Left to right, Mrs. Tom Roundtree, Mrs. Howard Pittard, Mrs. Merritt Dixon, Mrs. Wyatt Phelps and Mrs. Zeb Burton of the Aycock Club.

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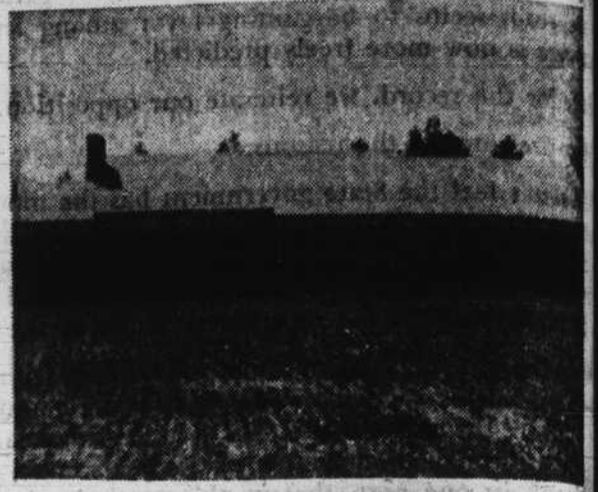
By Mrs. R. E. Murray
Caldwell Club

"I shot an arrow into the air— but everybody knows the story of the arrow and the song. To use their unseen flights and random landings as a comparison is nothing less than indulgence in a cliché. Yet in this case — oh, well, the temptation is just too strong—"

How many words, silhouette illustrations, and films have Extension Service personnel launched into the ether, only to feel that these messages just went soaring off into perpetual vacuum. Yet time eventually brings the revelation that the vacuum was not so vacant, after all; for all around are evidences that the messages found landings, took root, and are producing results after their kind.

Narrowing the scope of the comparison down to Home Beautification, and to a particular area, one has only to ride through the Caldwell Community any day of the year to find the landing spots of numerous portions of the miles of lectures and reams of films put into stellar flight by John Harris and fellow Extension horticulturists. On almost every lawn, during winter, there are strategic arrangements of evergreens relieving the drabness of the scenery; and, during other seasons, there are riotous assortments of blooms and foliages enlivening driveways, walks, hedges and walls. Occasionally, one can even see a new home being "processed" through every stage of grounds beautification.

Such a home, for example, is that of Paul and Sarah Gates of Route 2, Rougemont. Incidentally since their marriage the Gates couple have lived with his parents, being a convenient arrangement for Paul to operate and help operate his own and his father's farm and poultry enterprises and for Sarah to pursue — intermittently, because of the close-spaced arrivals of three babies — her career as nurse. But the presence of the three children forcibly impinged upon the young couple the need for a less restricted way of family life, and they finally began a home of their own. Throughout the building of this home both Paul and Sarah — who meanwhile had become a home demonstration club member — turned frequently for plans and general know-how to the sources to which they were accustomed as a matter of course to turn, their farm and home agents. There were several treks



THE PAUL GATES HOME . . . NEAR CALDWELL

by Extension Service personnel— especially by home agent Jessie Trowbridge when time came for the last-word advice of furnishings and ground problems—to the Gates home, as well as by the Gates couple to Extension offices. Finally, all these comings-and-goings were climaxed by Paul and Sarah's attending county landscaping workshops in December and January. From these workshops, they brought back detailed knowledge and charts of how both to grade and seed the lawn and to place and plant each ornamental.

From the accompanying photograph one can get an idea of the

success of the grading and ing, though time and one have not yet permitted the ing of ornamentation.

CAR WASH

The Methodist Youth of the Hillsboro Methodist will sponsor a car wash from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. The Methodist Parsonage. The price per car will be \$1.00. The proceeds will go to the planning retreat, the plan which is to plan what the is going to do the following. Come and bring your car.



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