

National Farm Safety Week To Be Observed July 19-25

Suppose you heard a news flash reporting that Albemarle, Reidsville, or Elizabeth City had been wiped out without a survivor. What a horrible thought, and yet the population of any one of these cities just about equals the number of deaths from farm accidents in the United States last year. To make this needless loss even more staggering, for each one of these deaths there were about 80 time-loss injuries, and many of these were permanent.

Good Rains Save County's Tobacco Crop

Rain which fell in Orange County on Thursday, Friday and Saturday will save the county's tobacco crop, according to local observers.

"Our number one crop was hanging in the balance when the rains fell last week," declared one spokesman here today. "Corn, garden and pasture crops will receive to a large extent, he added.

Most tobacco growers agree that tobacco production is cut to varying degrees by the extended dry period which extended from June 3 to July 9 in the major portion of the county.

However, the rain came in the nick of time to save the day for most tobacco growers. From one to 3 inches of rain drenched the county to put new life in the number one crop.

Most of the growth which will result from the life-giving showers will occur in the top half of the plant. Although most non-irrigated tobacco had gotten hard in the top, the moisture will cause tobacco to take a second growth and make marked improvement.

"Farmers have already started talking about the tremendous improvement in their tobacco crops since the rains fell," said one expert. "With favorable weather to follow we can still produce a good crop of tobacco in Orange County," he said.

Smokey Says:

THREE LETTERS MISSING—WHAT ARE THEY?

REVENT OREST IRES

Complete the words

so many hospitals? July 19-25 has been proclaimed by the President as National Farm Safety Week. Let's observe the week as the highlight of a year-around program, suggests H. M. Ellis, in charge extension agricultural engineering for the N. C. Agricultural Extension Service, because just as sure as the old saying that practice make perfect, safe practices can cut down in the number of accidents.

The theme for National Farm Safety Week is "Safety Makes Sense." Let's think about that for a minute, Ellis urges.

When an accident occurs, there is bound to be a reason. Careful investigation practically always reveals that the cause of the accident is human failure.

Do you want to argue with that? The person killed crossing the street might have been 100 per cent right, but the driver of the death car failed somewhere along the line. This simple explanation won't solve every case, but statistics definitely prove that human failure and not motor vehicles, not farm implements or animals is the basic cause of accidents.

Immediately many of us will say that to fail is only human, and that certainly is true; but let's take a good look at these human failures—and when we do, we find we can do something about them because human failures include: hurry, lack of common sense, improper equipment, improper care and use of equipment, procrastination (which is a Sunday word for putting things off), false confidence, lack of knowledge.

"We can cut down on this needless waste of time, lives, and suffering by developing proper attitudes," Ellis concludes. "The future happiness of your family could well hinge on your attitude."

Baby Contest For Scholarship Fund Is Underway

A baby contest for tots under five years of age is now underway. The contest opened on July 14 and will close on Sept. 15.

The contest is sponsored by the Hillsboro Improvement Association to benefit the scholarship fund. Votes are ten cents each. Prizes will be awarded to the three tots receiving the highest number of votes.

Mrs. Ruth Long and Mrs. Hazel Payne are co-chairmen of the contest committee. The contest is open to all babies and children under five in and around Hillsboro. Parents and others who wish to sponsor a baby in the contest may contact the chairmen or any member of the association. Mrs. Creola Grady is the committee member representing the Mars Hill section.



SEEKS BASEBALL TITLE—Orange County's entrant for the title of Miss North Carolina Semi-Pro Baseball, to be selected at the state baseball tourney in Roxboro this Saturday and a week from this Saturday night, is Miss Jean Neville, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Neville of Route One, Chapel Hill. She was entered by the White Cross baseball team. Wootten-Moulton Photo

Garvin Asks Appropriation For Polio Shots

Dr. O. David Garvin Monday called upon the Board of County Commissioners for a special appropriation to purchase polio vaccine.

He said the need is great and noted that other counties in the district were making special provisions for the emergency, caused by a reduction in the number of doses received from federal sources in the current year.

He said the additional funds were needed for school children between the ages of six and 12 years and for pregnant mothers who say they can't afford to get it from their private doctors. The polio vaccinations are now required of all children before entering school.

The commissioners, while appearing favorable to the request, directed Dr. Garvin to consult the county chapter of the polio foundation to see if it would undertake to provide the necessary funds from March of Dimes money, before rendering a decision on the request.

In other action prior to continuing their work on the current budget, the board increased the amount of insurance carried on county buildings by \$100,000, \$75,000 of which was added to the coverage on the new courthouse.

Wool Producers Vote On Promotion Pact During September

Tar Heel producers of wool and lambs will be permitted to vote in a referendum indicating their approval or disapproval of an agreement with the American Sheep Producers Council, Inc.

According to W. M. Snipes, Chairman of the Orange County ASC Committee, the agreement, if favored, would continue the financing of the Council's advertising, promotion, and development activities. This financing is accomplished through deductions from wool payments.

Under the original agreement, deductions have been made from payments at the rate of 1 cent per pound for shorn wool and 5 cents per hundredweight for lambs. Under the new agreement, the deductions cannot exceed these rates. The funds obtained from the deductions from wool program payments will be used as in the past to finance activities of the Council to enlarge or improve the market for products of the industry.

Mr. Snipes further explained that all producers who have owned sheep or lambs, 6 months of age or older, for any one period of at least 30 days since January 1, 1959, will be eligible to vote. Each producer will report the number of sheep and lambs on his ballot.

Ballots will be distributed to producers by mail prior to the September referendum. Ballots may be voted during the period, September 1 through September 30. The extended period of voting, which was also followed for the 1955 referendum, is aimed at encouraging participation in the referendum by as large a number of sheep producers as possible, he said.

North Carolina's green pepper crop in 1956 was valued at \$1 million.

Millions Manufactured Here

It's Hot Dog Month

The month of July is Hot Dog month and Piedmont Packing Company, local meat packing plant, emphasizing this observance, will manufacture approximately one and one-quarter million hot dogs during the month.

National Hot Dog Month was inaugurated four years ago by the manufacturer of hot dog casings for skinless hot dogs, as a service to the public and to Meat Packers and Retailers. It has now become a cooperative program of Meat Packers across the country and of manufacturers and distributors of hot dogs, condiments, bun and bread products, and many allied food product firms.

In the origin of the hot dog a mixture of fact and considerable controversy attributes the first frankfurter to a meat packer in the city of the same name—Frankfurt—Main, Germany. Viennese, however, point to the name "wiener" as proof that their city gave birth to the spicy sausage-type meat. Apparently, though, it all happened in the 16th century and Frankfurt has the nod from most food historians.

The bulk of verification of the wiener and the elongated bun is believed to have originated at the St. Louis Louisiana Purchase Exposition of 1904. A concessionaire loaned white gloves to customers so they could hold the hot wieners until he lost so many pairs that he called on his brother, a baker, for help. The baker produced a bun to fit the meat and the wiener stopped being just a sausage and became a sandwich as well.

The hot dog, is not for any one class distinction. It is reported Queen Elizabeth served hot dogs to visiting members of the American Bar Association in 1957. President Franklin D. Roosevelt served them to the present Queen's father and mother when they visited at Hyde Park, New York.

Hot dogs, perhaps more than any other typically American food, went round the world—to stay—as home-

Social Security Rules Explained For Domestic Group

Domestic workers who work in private households are covered under the Social Security Law, if cash wages they receive from any one employer amount to as much as \$50 in a calendar quarter.

Employers are required to make a report direct to the Internal Revenue Service, Greensboro, within 30 days after the end of the calendar quarter in which the work is performed. The next quarterly report is due in July and should be made on Household Report Form 942, which can be obtained by writing the Internal Revenue Service. The employee's full name, social security number, the amount of wages paid (including the amount of the tax), are included in this report.

Persons in Orange County can get details about this and other phases of social security by writing the Social Security Administration, 1433 Broad Street, Durham, N. C., and asking for Pamphlet No. 35, "Your Social Security."

ARRASMITH REUNION

The Arrasmith family will gather here tomorrow for their annual family reunion.

Custom Of Picnicking Dates Back To Ancient Greeks

The picnic has become an American institution. From Colonial days to the present time it has been ideally suited to the American way of life.

However, picnics have had a long and interesting history dating back to the early Greeks.

"The actual word, 'picnic,' is only 200 years old, but the idea goes all the way back to the Ancient Greeks and even earlier. Phtarch means a picnic by the seashore, a favorite Athenian picnic spot. The Greek word for picnic meant 'contributor feast,' one to which all who attended brought some of the food or drink. When this word was first used by an English writer—Lord Chesterfield, in a letter to his son—the affair described was a party to which all brought some of the food.

"In the early Nineteenth Century, guests at an English picnic contributed food, drink or entertainment. The usual method was to present the menu to those invited. Then, they drew numbers corresponding to items on the menu and furnished whatever they had drawn.

"As with so many other things, the word 'picnic' was popularized when it attracted a degree of notoriety. Some members of the British aristocracy formed a private club which they named, the 'Picnic Club.' Before the members sat down to a picnic meal, they entertained themselves with a series of private theatricals. Although these performances were somewhat like charades, the people were scandalized at these goings-on and the scandal helped to popularize the word.

"By 1812, the original meaning was lost and the modern one, a meal eaten out-of-doors, was taken on.

"The origin of the word 'picnic' is unknown. It is thought to have English roots, but a French origin since it appears in a French dictionary dated 1694. It was almost a century later when 'picnic' was first mentioned in an English dictionary. The first syllable is thought to be taken from 'pick,' meaning a nibble or peck." "The second syllable could be either rhyming slang or a shortened form of 'knick,' which means a trifle. Whatever the origin and development of the word and the event it stands for, it remained for the Americans to refine and develop picnics as a national pastime.

"At first, picnics were restricted to some special event such as the Fourth of July. Most frequently, it was a family affair with many relatives and more food. Picnics soon became community events such as house-raising, political rallies, and

other activities providing the occasion for picnics—if occasions or reasons were ever needed.

"Today, the picnic is popular throughout the United States, and each region has its own favorites, from the New England clambake to the Western barbecue.

Six Teacher Vacancies In County System

There are still six teacher vacancies in the Orange County School system for the coming session, according to Superintendent G. P. Carr yesterday.

Five of these are in the white schools and one, a position of guidance counselor, is open at Central High School.

The vacancies are as follows: Aycock High School, one in social studies; at Hillsboro High School, one in English; at Cameron Park, a third grade teacher; at Efland and at White Cross, a second-third grade combination teacher at both places.

Bethel Baptist Homecoming Set For This Sunday

The members of Bethel Church, west of Carboro Highway 54, are planning a usual homecoming for Sunday 19th.

All former members, dismembers, and friends are invited to the morning service of welcome to the church and to the happy renewal of acquaintance in the afternoon.

The Rev. W. Bryant Carr, pastor at Matthews, will be the morning sermon. Appropriate music will be rendered by Dr. L. L. Lystra Baptist Church and by the home choir. No one will be spared to make the journey a happy one for all. The Rev. Leon C. Cheek is pastor.

TO ATTEND CAROLINA

William Britton Sawyer, Mr. and Mrs. Bonner D. Sawyer is attending a pre-registration conference at the University of Carolina in Chapel Hill.

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