

Soil Program Modified To Reach More Farmers

Under New Ruling Farmers Who Fail to Meet The Original Minimum Requirements Can Still Qualify For Partial Payments

The soil-improvement program has been made more flexible so that a greater number of farmers will be able to qualify for payments.

Originally, the program specified that a farmer must have an acreage of soil-conserving crops equal to at least 20 per cent of his base acreage of cotton, tobacco, or peanuts, and at least 15 per cent of his base acreage of other soil-depleting crops.

Under a new ruling, said Dean I. O. Schaub, of State College, growers who fail to meet the original minimum requirements can still qualify for partial payments.

For each acre by which they fail to meet the minimum requirements, a deduction will be made in their payment equal to one and a half times the rate of the soil-conserving payment on crops other than cotton, tobacco, and peanuts.

In North Carolina, the soil-conserving payment, for taking land out of soil-depleting crops and putting it into soil-conserving crops, will probably be around \$10 an acre, except in the case of cotton, tobacco, and peanuts.

On cotton and tobacco the rate is five cents a pound on the average production of the land taken out of these crops, and on peanuts the rate is 1 1/4 cents a pound.

Another ruling provides that acreage planted to winter cover crops and green manure crops after it has been in vegetable crops will be classified as soil-conserving if it is turned under as green manure between January 1 and October 1, 1936.

However, the cover and manure crops must have been growing at least two months before being turned under.

The dean also pointed out that farmers who already have large acreages of soil-conserving crops, but comparatively small acreages of soil-depleting crops, may obtain soil-building payments without decreasing the amount of their cash crops.

If they do not reduce their soil-depleting crops, he explained, they will not receive a soil-conserving payment, for they will not have shifted any land from depleting to conserving crops.

But they will be entitled to soil-building payments for the soil-conserving crops, while soil-conserving payments are made for taking land out of depleting crops and putting it in soil-conserving crops.

The AAA has eliminated the term soil-building crops. Crops formerly under this classification are now included with the soil-conserving crops.

The division of payments between landlord and tenant has been modified in this region so that 16 2/3 per cent of the payment will go to the person furnishing the land, 16 2/3 per cent to the person furnishing the workstock and tools, with 66 2/3 per cent being divided in the same proportion that the crop is divided between them.

The regulations previously established provided for a division of the payments between landlord and tenant according to the way the crop was divided between them, with no allowance made for the person furnishing the land, tools, or workstock.

MISS HORTON TO RULE OVER MAY DAY FESTIVITIES

Miss Mildred Horton, daughter of Mrs. Albert Horton of Farmville, has been elected May Queen by the students of the William and Mary College extension division and will preside at the May Day festivities to be held on Friday at 3:30 o'clock at Sauer's Gardens. Miss Horton is secretary of the senior class and editor of The Wigwag, the college annual.

Maids of honor will include representatives of the various classes and societies.

The theme of the May Day program was originated by Miss Frances Holzman assisted by Miss Lois Roberts, instructor, and Miss Lottie Stevens, chairman of the program. Familiar book characters step from the pages to participate in the May Day dances, among them being Rip Van Winkle and his dog, Pecos, Red Riding Hood, Tom Sawyer, Alice in Wonderland, and the flowers.

Miss Horton says she's willing to negotiate with the government officials as to a give-and-take idea. "I'll give on the side and take their country—Grand Rapids, Penn."

Allen-Davis Wedding

A wedding of considerable interest in this State and in Tennessee, that of Miss Margaret Scarborough Davis and Mr. William Alexander Allen, Jr., was solemnized Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock in the Methodist church, in a ceremony of impressive beauty and dignity. Rev. C. B. Mashburn, Christian minister, officiated in the absence of the pastor, Rev. J. C. Wooten.

Ferns provided a lovely background of greenery for the all white altar decorations of lilies, anemones and narcissus, and myriads of cathedral candles in tall standards shed a soft radiance over the nuptial scene.

Organ music was rendered prior to the service by Mrs. R. M. Smith, of Mt. Airy, the program consisting of "Oh, Thou Sublime Sweet Evening Star," by Wagner, "Canticle Nuptiale," by Dubois, and "My Heart At Thy Sweet Voice," by Saint-Saens. The Bridal Chorus from "Lohengrin" was used as the processional and Mendelssohn's Wedding March and the recessional. Godard's "Berceuse" (Jocelyn), was softly rendered during the ceremony. Immediately preceding the entrance of the bride, James Bray, of Mt. Airy, tenor, sang "At Dawning," and after the ceremony rendered "O Perfect Love," as a benediction.

The bride entered with her father, who gave her in marriage.

Miss Janie Davis, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. The bridesmaids were Miss Dora Elliott, of Fuquay Springs and Miss Helen White, of Greenville.

Wyst W. Allen, of Dixon Springs, Tenn., brother of the bridegroom was best man, and the groomsmen were Dr. F. M. Davis, of Greenville, brother of the bride, and James R. Lang.

Ushers were "Buck" Atkinson, of Greenville, Marvin Lancaster, of Wilson, D. W. Hodges, of Kinston, and Irvin Morgan, Jr.

The bride, graceful and lovely, was beautifully gowned in white satin, fashioned along princess lines, pearl trimmed and with peacock train, and wore a Venetian lace rose point veil, a gift of her sister, Miss Janie Davis, and purchased by her in Venice. Her tiered veil was fastened to a coronet of orange blossoms. Her shower bouquet was of brides roses and valley lilies, with a corsage center for traveling.

The maid of honor was gowned in white Chantilly lace and wore a white tulle-hat. She carried an arm bouquet of white carnations, sweet-peas, and stocks, semi showered.

The bridesmaids dresses were identical, being made of Chantilly lace, Louise Boulanger design, with net capes. They also wore tulle halos and Kelly green slippers, and carried arm bouquets of white mixed flowers tied with Kelly green ribbon.

The bride's mother, Mrs. F. M. Davis, wore an electric blue chiffon gown with shoulder bouquet of orchids. Miss Elizabeth Davis, sister, wore an ivory lace dress with a corsage of pink roses and valley lilies.

Mrs. Allen, a descendant of two of the pioneer families of Pitt and Wilson counties, and of much prominence in the State, is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Marion Davis. She received her education at Salem College, Winston-Salem, and East Carolina Teachers College, Greenville.

Mr. Allen is the son of Mr. William Alexander Allen, Sr., of Dixon Springs, Tenn., and the late Mrs. Allen. He attended the Staunton Academy in Virginia and the University of Tennessee, and is a member of the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity. He holds the position here of factory manager with the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company.

Following the ceremony the parents of the bride entertained at a formal reception at their home on Church street.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Monk greeted the guests upon arrival, and punch was served from an alcove near the entrance by Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Lang, Miss Eva Mae Turnage and Miss Mary Frier Rouse.

Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Morgan introduced the guests to the receiving line, which was formed in the west parlor, and composed of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Allen, Rev. and Mrs. C. B. Mashburn, Miss Helen White and Dr. F. M. Davis, Miss Dora Elliott and James R. Lang, Miss Janie Davis, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Hodges, Mr. and Mrs. W. Allen, Miss Carrie Wiggins, Irvin Morgan, Jr., Miss Elizabeth Lester Greenboro, Bobbie Davis, Miss Elizabeth Davis, and James Bray, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. B. O. Turnage directed the guests to the dining room, where Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Thomas received.

The Davis home was lovely with a profusion of flowers, the dining room being decorated especially for the occasion.

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Select Heads June Primary

County Board of Elections Names Officials of Primary; Registration Books Open May 9 to 23

The Pitt County Board of Elections, at a recent meeting, named organization officers and appointed election officials to serve at the primary election to be held June 6.

Upon motion of Dr. Paul Fitzgerald, F. C. Harding was elected chairman. Upon motion of H. R. Munford, Dr. Fitzgerald was elected secretary.

The following election officials for Farmville were named by the board: Farmville Township — Registrar, Mrs. Eva H. Shackelford; Judges: (D) Carl Tyson; (R) W. J. Moye; (A) A. L. Taylor, Jr.

The registration books for Farmville precinct will be opened May 9, at 9 o'clock and closed at sunset on Saturday, May 23, at The Rouse Printery, for the purpose of registering voters who have become qualified since the last election.

All voters, who registered prior to the last election, or before, and who have not lost their right to vote in this precinct by removal of residence will not be required to register again.

Poppy Day Plans Going Forward

Forty-five Workers To Distribute the Memorial Flowers to the People of Farmville

Enrollment of volunteer workers for the American Legion Auxiliary's Poppy Day program is going forward rapidly. Mrs. M. V. Jones, chairman of the Poppy Day committee of the Farmville Auxiliary Unit, announced today. The Auxiliary will have a force of forty-five workers to distribute the memorial flowers to the people of the city on Poppy Day, May 25, she estimated.

All of the women who distribute poppies for the Auxiliary will serve without pay, Mrs. Jones emphasized, every penny of the money contributed by those taking flowers going into the welfare and rehabilitation funds of The American Legion Auxiliary. The only persons receiving pay for their work in the Auxiliary's poppy program are the disabled veterans who make the poppies.

"The Auxiliary is very grateful to all those volunteering to help us in our poppy effort," said Mrs. Jones. "We know that hard, unaccustomed work will be required of them. We hope that the public will recognize their unselfish service and when they appear on the streets on Poppy Day, will respond to their appeal in the same spirit that their service is given."

ed by white candles burning in silver candelabra. The buffet decoration was a cleverly contrived miniature of the wedding party.

Miss Annie Perkins and Mrs. John B. Joyner served the green and white ices from the table, and nuts, mints and decorated cakes were passed by Mrs. J. L. Walker, Mrs. R. L. Smith, Miss Edna Foust Harris and Miss Mary Alice Beaman.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Davis directed the way to the gift room, where Dr. and Mrs. E. E. Jones received.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Monk presided over the register and Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Turnage said the farewells.

About three hundred friends called during the evening.

After the reception Mr. and Mrs. Allen left for a motor trip to Florida.

For traveling the bride wore a modish beige suit with a harmonizing fur collar and British brocade accessories.

Upon their return Mr. and Mrs. Allen will be at home in Farmville.

BISHOP DART VISITS FARMVILLE

Rev. Thomas C. Dart, Bishop of East Carolina, president and conducted the holy rite of Confirmation in Epiphany church, Sunday evening, confirming six persons from this congregation and another from St. Paul's Greenville.

In the afternoon Bishop Dart preached in the colored mission and confirmed sixteen persons, presented by Earl Artis, lay member of the Episcopal Church and founder of the mission. Rev. Worth Wicker, of Greenville, who has assisted the young man in his work here, conducted the service.

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Free Tuberculosis Clinic In County

Clinic To Be Held Here In City Hall on Tuesday, May 12th

The Pitt County Health Officer, Dr. N. Thomas Ennett, again calls attention to the fact that a free State Tuberculosis Clinic will be held in Pitt County, beginning Monday, May 11th, according to the following schedule:

Greenville, Health Department, 215 W. 3rd Street, Monday, May 11th.

Farmville, City Hall, 2nd floor, Tuesday, May 12th.

Ayden, City Hall, 2nd floor, Wednesday, May 13th.

Greenville, Health Department, Thursday, May 14th and Friday, May 15th.

Dr. Ennett states that it is necessary that patients be recommended to the clinic by their own doctor, and he suggests that you get in touch with your family physician at once, asking him for a note of reference. Unless you make an appointment early, you may not be able to get into the clinic at all. Children will be seen without any appointment. The Health Officer is especially anxious to have all children tuberculin tested who have been exposed to tuberculosis in the home.

The time to come to the clinic is when you are doubtful as to the necessity for coming. If you wait until you are sure you should come, then you have lost valuable time.

The examination is free, but in case an X-ray is necessary, the patient, if able, is supposed to pay a small fee.

Dr. Ennett urges that you not wait for your physician to suggest that you come to the clinic, but that you make the first move yourself.

CLASS EXPRESSES GRATITUDE FOR RECEPTION HERE

The following letter has been received from the Oxford Orphanage Singing Class by R. J. Wainwright, chairman of the local concert committee, relative to the splendid reception given this group here, upon its recent visit:

"By this method we wish to express to you and the members of your Lodge our genuine thanks for the splendid manner in which you received the members of our Singing Class when on their recent visit to Farmville. They reported a most pleasant visit and are looking forward to the time when they can come again. We wish we could express our personal thanks to each one who contributed in any way to make this visit of the Class so enjoyable.

"We also wish to thank you for the check for \$136.00 which represents the proceeds from the concert given by the Class. This is a splendid amount and we want to assure you that it is deeply appreciated. Please speak a word of gratitude on our behalf to those who helped you

New Rates Are Announced By Carolina Telephone Co.

charge has been paid.

Mr. Pitts emphasized there was no difference in the cost of the service of a wall, French or desk set, but that the sur-charge of \$4.50 for the French type was added to pay for this difference in the cost of this style and other types of telephones.

The new rates, to be effective June 1, for Greenville follow:

Special business line, old rate, \$4.00, and duplex business line, old rate, \$3.50, will remain the same; special resident line, old rate, \$2.50, new rate, \$2.35; duplex resident line, old rate, \$2.00, new rate, \$1.75.

Extension lines for business under the old rates cost \$1.25 for desk telephones and \$1.50 for monophone types. Under the new rates \$1.00 will be charged for services of all types.

Under the old rates resident extensions cost \$1.00 for desk and \$1.25 for monophones. The new rate is \$1.00 for all types.

Single line telephones are designated as special, and duplex lines as duplex.

While no reduction was made in business telephones, subscribers having had French types for as much as 18 months will not be required to pay the 25 cents sur-charge any longer.

If a subscriber pays the \$4.50 sur-charge when the French type is installed and moves or changes back to the desk style, he is given a rebate, the rate figured at 25 cents per month.

Mr. Pitts figured that 65 per cent of the resident telephones in the city have had monophones for 18 months and in addition to the rate reduction, no longer will have to pay the sur-charge.

Farmville Finals To Begin May 15

The Baccalaureate Sermon Will Be Delivered On Sunday, May 17th

According to information furnished by J. H. Moore, superintendent of the Farmville High School, the finals will begin on Friday, May 15, when an operetta will be presented by the primary grades in the evening at 8 o'clock.

The baccalaureate sermon will be delivered on Sunday, May 17, at 11 o'clock, the senior play will be given on Thursday evening, the 21st, and the graduation exercises will take place on the following evening.

A more detailed account of the closing exercises and the program will be given in these columns next week.

Recommend Red Polled Cows For Small Farms

Red Polled cattle are a dual purpose breed and as such they have not gained as wide popularity in the United States as the strictly beef and dairy breeds.

As the name indicates, this breed is red in color and the cattle have polled or hornless heads, say livestock authorities at State College.

They rank high in milk production, it was stated, and herds which have been selected and bred for milk production have made exceedingly good records for both milk and butterfat production.

Although they are not up to the standard of the strictly beef herds, authorities say, they have a place on the small farm where they produce enough milk for the family use and at the same time produce steers for market that are superior to regular dairy cattle as beef animals.

In general, Red Polled cattle are medium in size. Both the head and neck are longer and leaner than are desired in strictly beef type cattle.

Although the body has not as much flesh covering as the strictly beef breed animal, it is well ribbed and the hooks are smooth.

The hind quarters lack the thickness and depth of the beef breeds, yet they are superior to those on cattle of the strictly dairy breeds.

Livestock men point out that the lack of fat covering on Red Polled cattle is not a serious handicap, for consumers do not like large quantities of fat on their meat.

Mass Meeting Endorses Action of City Fathers for Needed Improvements

Laughinghouse Announces Candidacy For Treasurer

He is a Native of Pitt and the Elder Son of the Late Dr. Chas. O'H. Laughinghouse, of Greenville

According to an advertisement elsewhere in this issue, Chas. O'H. Laughinghouse, Jr., announces his candidacy for the office of Treasurer of Pitt County, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, June 6.

Mr. Laughinghouse, a native of Pitt County, is a son of the late Dr. Chas. O'H. Laughinghouse and Mrs. Carrie Dall Laughinghouse, of Greenville. He is 36 years old, married and has two children. He is a graduate from the University of North Carolina and for the past several years has been connected with the insurance and real estate firm of H. A. White & Sons in Greenville.

If nominated and elected, Mr. Laughinghouse promises you courteous and efficient service.

Pitt Co. Farmers Make Big Saving

FCA Has Saved Pitt Farmers More Than \$11,800 a Year on Interest Alone

Refinancing debts through the Farm Credit Administration has saved Pitt County farmers more than \$11,800 a year on interest alone, according to figures from the central office of the Farm Credit Administration in Washington.

Over \$714,000 of farm debts with interest rates that averaged 6.0 per cent a year have been refinanced with long-term mortgage loans carrying interest rates of 5 per cent a year or less.

The figures show that the local National Farm Loan Association has been a big factor in making these long-term mortgages available at low interest rates. The Association guarantees loans to the Federal land bank.

From May 1933, when the Farm Credit Administration was organized, to the end of last year, 240 Pitt County farmers obtained \$625,000 for the specific purpose of refinancing old debts.

The Federal Land Bank made 133 first mortgage loans and the Land Bank Commissioner 234 loans. Many of the Commissioner's loans were made on second mortgage security to farmers who also obtained first mortgage loans. Most land bank loans are endorsed by associations and advanced from funds obtained by selling farm loan bonds. The Commissioner lends from funds provided by the Federal Government.

As in the past, the Federal land banks are making loans only on first mortgage security, lending up to about one-half of the appraised normal value of the farm property. The Commissioner lends on second as well as first mortgage security in amounts up to 75 per cent of the value. The largest amount of a Commissioner loan to one farmer is \$7,500.

An act of Congress last summer temporarily reduced interest rates on all Federal land bank loans—old and new. When land bank loans are made through National Farm Loan Associations, the rate is only 3 1/2 per cent for all interest payable in the year ending June 30, 1936, and 4 per cent a year in the two years following. This temporary reduction of interest rates on all Federal land bank loans is paid for by the Federal Government, which reimburses the banks for what otherwise would be a loss to them.

Due to favorable investment market conditions when the Federal land banks sold bonds recently, the banks can offer new loans, at present, at the interest rate of 4 per cent a year, the lowest at which they have ever lent money.

The statement from the Farm Credit Administration points out that a farmer who gets a Federal land bank loan through the local National Farm Loan Association while the 4 per cent interest rate lasts will not have to pay a higher rate during the entire term of the loan, which may be made for a period as long as 30-odd years. Farmers who are paying higher interest rates on short-term farm mortgages, or other accumulated debts, may find it advantageous to refinance with a long-term loan while investment market conditions remain favorable, the statement adds.

Farmville Fur'n Co. To Have Kitchen Comfort Week

What have you done in the last five years to improve your kitchen? The question was put to a number of women in this city who are known to take an intelligent interest in problems of home management. Nearly half of those interrogated looked over their kitchens thoroughly and found themselves unable to point out any important progress.

Of the remainder, a surprisingly large percentage talked with enthusiasm about kitchen cabinets. If local experience can be taken as a criterion, the cabinet idea is helping materially to lift things out of the old rut and rescue home workers from a great deal of needless drudgery. This is reflected in the remarkable increase noted by merchants in the volume of sales.

Clear thinking women who have sought to analyze the kitchen cabinet and its logical place in the domestic scheme offer some interesting and perhaps unexpected conclusions.

They find that the cabinet, in addition to its facilities for storage, its vitreous work surface and other conveniences, has a far reaching effect on the whole chain of operations entering into the preparation of food.

Because the cabinet is a natural work center, use of it almost invariably results in smoother operation and orderly arrangement throughout the kitchen.

Then by its very nature the cabinet insures a high degree of cleanliness and sanitation accompanied by an actual saving of food ingredients. The net result is better food at lower cost.

Through its beauty of design and finish it encourages harmonious and colorful effects in the arrangement of kitchens.

Most important of all, its remarkable step-saving convenience gives a much greater margin of time which fortunate owners may devote to a broadened circle of interests. In addition to its many practical advantages, the kitchen cabinet is bringing more sunshine into the lives of women, a fact which is fully appreciated only through actual use.

A. C. C. GLEE CLUB IN CONCERT HERE

The Glee Club of Atlantic Christian College, Wilson, will present a program, reputed to be of a charming variety and rendition at the local Christian Church on Sunday evening, May 3, at 8 o'clock. The entire community is invited to attend.

Members of the Glee Club will be guests of the Woman's Council of the Church at a supper earlier in the evening.

The best farmers in Union County say they like the new farm program because it is in line with what they have been trying to do all these years.