

Support Prices Hiked For Peanuts, Soybeans

Price of both peanuts and soybeans above those originally proposed will be guaranteed North Carolina producers under the 1944 price support program, according to G. T. Scott, chairman of the State AAA Committee.

Announcement of the increase in price was made by the War Food Administration, and is in accordance with recent Congressional action authorizing the 1944 support program.

Under the program, peanuts produced in 1944 will be supported at base prices to farmers of \$160 per ton for Spanish, Virginia, and Valencia types and \$145 per ton for runner types. These base prices are for peanuts having a sound, mature kernel content of 65 per cent in the case of Virginia, Valencia, and runner types, and 70 per cent in the case of Spanish, Scott said. Premiums and discounts will be established for other qualities. Prices originally announced were \$150 per ton for Spanish, Virginia, and Valencia types, and \$140 per ton for runners.

Soybeans produced in 1944 will be supported at a price to producers of \$2.04 per bushel for green and yellow beans, grading No. 2 or better with 14 percent moisture content delivered to country elevators, or other normal producer delivery points. Premiums will be provided for lower moisture content and discounts will be in effect for lower grades. Prices will be 20 cents per bushel lower for brown, black and mixed beans.

"These prices were announced by the WFA in an effort to encourage planting of full goals for these crops," said Scott. "The price of these two crops were increased above the prices proposed originally in order to give producers a price more in line with other crops."

North Carolina goal for peanuts is 330,720 acres and the goal for soybeans is 395,913 acres, he added.

Old Lodge In North Carolina

A Masonic Temple used continuously and solely for Masonic purposes since it was erected in 1769 stands in Halifax, N. C., and houses the venerable Royal White Hart Lodge No. 2 which was chartered August 21, 1767, by the Grand Lodge of England. Old minutes indicate that the first recorded meeting of Masons at Halifax was in 1764 at the home of Andrew Troughton, but in 1769 the need for a hall was felt, and Col. Joseph Montfort, who was the

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first Master, gave a deed for the lot and other members subscribed \$1,000. The building is of wood and two stories high, with red brick chimney and foundation, and the ceiling of the lodge room is arched and painted blue. The wooden floor, remaining through all these years, has been worn by the passing of many feet until the knots in the boards stand up above the surface, though this may have been changed during a renovation of the lodge room.

It is believed this is the oldest building in the United States used continuously for Masonic work. There was a Masonic building erected by Benjamin Franklin on Chestnut Street in Philadelphia before 1769, but it was torn down in 1801.

In the yard of the Royal White Hart Lodge building is a large bell suspended from a beam and beneath this Colonel Montfort is buried. Besides being first Master appointed, in 1771, to be Provincial Grand Master of America and held that post until 1776, when the Provincial Grand Lodge expired.

This North Carolina lodge treasures

many objects of historic and Masonic interest, and it has had a part in events now hallowed by the years. When news of the death of Brother George Washington was received, December 27, 1799, the lodge went into mourning for the day and, on the following anniversary of the first President's birth, the members attended divine service at a church. In 1825 three members acted with the town committee to welcome General Lafayette at the river. In April, 1840, "all ardent spirits" were banned from the hall, but in November "banning of ardent spirits" was rescinded and refreshments were ordered for the lodge. In 1860 the lodge was asked to contribute in the purchase of Mount Vernon.

State College Answers Timely Farm Questions

Q: How can I save on feeding baby chicks?

A: Use all the green feed possible to save on mash and grain, suggests C. F. Parrish, Extension poultry specialist at State College. Careful feeding practices can save you 10 pounds of feed per bag. Feed plenty of good mash. A supply of grit helps to save feed. Providing a supply of fresh water is an essential practice. When a chick gets sick, separate it from the flock at once and find out what is wrong from a reliable source. Start proper control measures and be sure to follow through on the program.

Q: What is the best control for earworms in garden corn?

A: The best direct control is the use of a white oil such as is used for medicinal purposes, says Dr. B. B. Fulton, associate in entomology at the Experiment Station at State College. The oil is poured on or injected into the bundle of silks at the tip of the husk, just after the silks wilt and start to turn brown at the tips. The best dosage is one-fifth of a teaspoonful. About 24 drops is the right amount and a little practice will enable an operator to guess at the amount to be used.

Q: Should cattle be fed a real good finish?

A: The fattening of cattle to excessive finish, as was common a few years ago, is a wasteful and unpa-

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EXECUTORS NOTICE

Having qualified as executor under the will of Mrs. Harriet C. Humphrey, deceased, late of Hoke County, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned executor on or before the 24th day of February, 1945, duly verified, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment. This 23rd day of January, 1944.

J. Herbert Humphrey, Executor.
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toritic practice under presnet conditions, says Dr. J. E. Foster, in charge of beef cattle research for the Experiment Station at State College. He points out that gains during the latter part of such a feeding period are slow and expensive and that most of the fat so produced is not consumed by humans. "To produce more meat is not enough. The aim should be to produce more meat more efficiently and from less foods that are suitable for human consumption," says Dr. Foster.

State Department Will Test Cotton Varieties In Hoke

Eight Farms To Be Selected Here For Production Tests By State College Agronomists.

24 varieties of cotton will be tested by the Extension Division of State College this year for production and staple yields, it was announced yesterday by A. S. Knowles, county agent.

The tests will be of varieties submitted to the college for official tests within the south coastal region of the State and are from several seed breeding firms. Dr. R. P. Moore, associate agronomist, is in charge of the tests.

Dr. Moore was in Hoke county this week selecting farms where the tests will be carried out. He stated that each of the 24 varieties will be tested on several farms of the county, and each will be planted under ident-

Plan Summer School Of Music At FMC

The Conservatory of Music of Flora Macdonald College will hold its annual five week's summer school beginning June 1.

The following subjects will be taught: Piano, organ, voice, violin, survey of opera, music history, hymnology, beginners' ear training, advanced ear training, keyboard harmony, and appreciation. Information concerning study may

be secured from Wilgus Eberle, Dean of the Conservatory, Flora Macdonald College.

ical conditions at eight different places on each farm. He explained that all were newly developed varieties which had not yet been field tested, and none of them were ready for marketing. Nor, would any variety not proving its worth be recommended for planting

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FINAL NOTICE For Tax Listing

The Books Will Be Closed March 31

The several list-takers for Hoke County will be at the places mentioned below for the purpose of receiving your tax list.

Before you list your tax, please make a list of all your personal property and estimate the value by the amount it would cost you to replace each item with goods of the same quality and the same condition.

Every person, firm, or corporation engaged in business shall furnish the List-Taker, at the time he lists his tax, with an itemized inventory of all items of value per books December 31, 1943. (Required by Section 403 sub-section 6 Machinery Act 1941).

Attention is called to the fact that it is a misdemeanor and punishable by fine to fail to list your property.

TOWNSHIP	LIST-TAKER	ADDRESS
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Blue Springs	Mrs. Lucy Smith	Raeford, N. C., Rt. 2
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