

Production Credit Hoke Man Stockholders Meet Promoted In Germany

The annual stockholders meeting of Lumber Production Credit Association was held on Saturday in Red Springs High School auditorium.

James H. Adams presided over the farmer-owned credit cooperative, which serves 1,000 farmers in Robeson, Scotland and Hoke counties from the home office in Lumberton and branch offices in Laurinburg and Raeford.

Merrelle W. Harris, general manager, reported that the association reached an all-time high in credit service in agriculture by extending \$4.9 million in short and intermediate term credit to farmers in the association's territory during the calendar year 1967. Harris reported also that during the year the association reached an all-time high in loan volume of \$5,585,000, including service to 64 new farmer-members. Capital stock and surplus of the

association owned by member-stockholders increased by 12 per cent during the past year to \$917,000, Harris said.

Dr. Bob Wells, extension economist of North Carolina State University, was the guest speaker. He talked about partial budgeting as related to farm planning, decision making, and the use of credit.

J.E. Bryant of Rowland and Charlie Pendergrass of Raeford were re-elected as directors of the association for three-year terms.

Officers and directors and personnel of the association include: James H. Adams of Rowland, president; Reid W. Childress of Wagram, vice president; Lambert Lewis of Pembroke, director; Johnson Britt of Lumberton, director; John D. Carmichael of Laurinburg, director; J.E. Bryant of Rowland, director; Charlie Pendergrass of Raeford, director; John G. Balfour of Lumber Bridge, associate director; Merrelle W. Harris, general manager; Gene Ballard, assistant secretary-treasurer; Carl Gentry, branch office manager of the Laurinburg office, and Julian Butler, branch office manager of the Raeford office.

Airman First Class Odell Ashburn Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Odell Ashburn Red Springs Rt. 1, was recently promoted to the rank of staff sergeant at Fourth Allied Tactical Air Force Headquarters, Ramstein Air Base, Germany.

Sergeant Ashburn attended Hoke County High School and after graduation joined the United States Air Force in June 1960. His assignments have taken him to Goose Air Base, Canada; Andrews Air Force Base, Washington, D. C., and prior to his assignment to Ramstein Air Base in May, 1966, he was assigned to the 1919 Comm Squadron, Brookley Air Force Base, Alabama.

Currently serving a three-year tour of duty as a teletype operator, Ashburn is accompanied in Germany by his wife, Juliette, and their two children, Michael Shannon and Natalie Dawn.



Clifton Yarn Is Promoted

U.S. ARMY, Vietnam—Clifton M. Yarn, son of Mrs. George H. Yarn, Dravo Hills Court, 1679 Lawrenceville Highway, Decatur, Ga., was promoted

to Army staff sergeant February 14 while serving as a first cook and baker shift leader in Company A of the 101st Airborne Division's 891st Maintenance Battalion in Vietnam.

His wife, Sarah, lives on Route 1, Raeford, N. C.

Good Job With Old Methods Can Boost Tobacco Income

Tobacco growers looking for new ways to cut costs and increase net income might be more successful if they made sure they were doing a good job with the old methods.

Some of these production practices may have become so time-worn that they fall unnoticed from the overall scheme of things and are forgotten.

Reducing disease losses by changing tobacco fields may be one of these overlooked practices.

"I don't know of another practice of any kind that costs the farmer so little for the gain he receives in return," comments Furey Todd, extension tobacco disease specialist at North Carolina State University.

"Crop rotation is considered one of the oldest and most effective management tools to reduce losses to diseases and insects," he adds.

Todd believes there is a real danger in 1968 that farmers will become overconfident about diseases and maybe even careless in planning their control. This could result in a sharp increase in disease losses.

It was estimated that about 85 per cent of all flue-cured growers changed or rotated tobacco fields in 1967 as compar-

ed to 45 to 50 per cent in 1966. Disease losses were reduced by \$2 million.

On the other hand, burley growers generally didn't follow a rotation plan. Their losses increased more than \$100,000.

The value of rotation is further documented in results from tests conducted by North Carolina State University.

In blackhank and root knot nematode tests, results indicated that a two-year rotation involving corn or small grain-fescue gave practical control of both diseases.

Value was increased \$498 for a corn-tobacco rotation and \$528 for a small grain-fescue-tobacco rotation over continuous tobacco.

The planting of disease resistant varieties is another insurance the farmer has against disease losses. But even when these resistant tobacco lines are used, rotation has been shown to save the farmer money.

Four varieties resistant to Granville wilt were tested on rotated and non-rotated fields. Two of these varieties had a high resistance level. The values per acre from these two

varieties were \$341 and \$768 higher on rotated than non-rotated fields.

Two varieties with a low resistance to the wilt disease responded even better to rotation. On fields that had been rotated in tobacco, small grain-fescue, tobacco, the values per acre were higher by \$889 for one variety and \$1,147 for another.

"When you begin talking in terms of increasing the value of an acre of tobacco by \$1,147, you can see very vividly just how important rotation is," Todd observes.

Graham Takes Insurance Job

John Worth Graham Jr. has accepted a position with Emmco Insurance Adjuster of Norfolk, Va.

Worth has been with Raeford Auto Company for the past nine years as parts manager. After training in the home office for a short time, he will be assigned to a branch office.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Worth Graham.

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Trade Fair

March 17

The Woman's Club of Fayetteville will sponsor a trade fair Sunday, March 17, from 1 to 9 p.m. It will be the first such fair to be held in the new exhibit hall at the Cumberland County Memorial Auditorium on 301 South.

Participants in the show will exhibit model gardens, model rooms, bedrooms, living rooms, kitchens, nurseries, patios, dining rooms, porches, suites, etc.

Spring fashions and hats will be shown, plus books, gifts, stuffed animals, antiques and objects or art.

Campers, model homes, and modern machinery will be on display along with carpets, items from specialty shops, modern education, etc.

A small admission will be charged.

Allen's Unit

Gets Citation

NORTH CHARLESTON, S.C. -- Technical Sergeant Jimmy W. Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Zeno Allen of Rt. 4 Red Springs, N.C., has been recognized for helping his unit earn the U.S. Air Force Outstanding Unit Award.

Sergeant Allen, an aircraft loadmaster in the 437th Military Airlift Wing at Charleston AFB, S. C., will wear the distinctive service ribbon as a permanent decoration.

The unit was cited for achieving an exceptionally meritorious rating for distinguished service during a one-year period.

Factors which led to the unit being named for the award included development of a highly responsible airlift organization which maintained vital airlift routes.

The sergeant is a graduate of Hoke High School, Raeford, N.C.

His wife, Alice, is the daughter of Mrs. R.H. Gibson Sr. of Rt. 2, Raeford.

Bookmobile - schedule -

DUNDARRACH, Monday, March 11--Mrs. C. J. Goodman, Mrs. Cliff Conoly, Mrs. Agnes Miller, Mrs. Myrtle Sappentfield, Mrs. J. M. Andrews, Mrs. Herbert Gillis, Mrs. G. C. Lytle, Mrs. Grace Mason, Mrs. Roscoe Thompson, Mrs. Gladys Johnson, Mrs. Carol Gibson, Mrs. Ethel Hayes, Mrs. Harold Livingston, Mrs. John Balfour, Mr. J. T. Clark, Mrs. N. H. G. Balfour, Mrs. Ruth Parks, Mrs. Eugene Nelson, Mrs. George Winburn, Mrs. Betty Leach.

BLUE SPRINGS, Thursday, March 14--Mrs. Annie Thomas, West Hoke School, Mrs. D. N. Leslie, Mrs. J. M. Pendergrass, Mrs. R. L. Walters, Mrs. H. B. Walter, Mrs. Jimmy Seals, Mrs. Fulford McMillan, Mrs. Alex Norton, Frances Furell, Mrs. J. Russell, Mrs. Alfred Leach, Mrs. W. D. Morrison, Sunset Hills, College Drive.

Mrs. Weaver's

Mother Dies

Mrs. Vernon C. Daniels, 67, died Friday at Cape Fear Nursing Center in Fayetteville.

She was the mother of Mrs. Robert W. Weaver of Raeford. Funeral services were conducted at 3 p. m. Sunday at McDougald Funeral Home by the Rev. Charles Mercer. Burial was in Hillside Cemetery.

Other survivors are one son, Ernest Daniels of Laurinburg; one brother, Layton Carlisle of Ash; five sisters, Mrs. Willie Quick and Mrs. M. M. Hildreth, both of Laurinburg, Mrs. Julia Gore and Mrs. Pearl Jones, both of Ash, and Mrs. Blaney Hickman of Red Springs, and four grandchildren.

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