

College News



Sarah Cecelia Ropp



Margaret Julia Augustoni

Sarah Cecelia Ropp of Raeford was among the record 189 graduating seniors receiving baccalaureate degrees at Presbyterian College's 94th Commencement June 2, in Clinton, S. C. U.S. Commerce Secretary Fred B. Dent delivered the main address.

The daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. John C. Ropp of 326 Magnolia, Sarah received a BS with a major in mathematics.

Linda Kaye Teal, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Teal, 312 N. Jackson St.; Ann S. Upchurch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Joe Upchurch, 711 N. Main St.; and Jane Barnes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Julian Barnes, Rockfish, were among students named to the dean's list for the spring semester at Meredith College, Dr. Allen Burris, vice president and college dean, announced.

For a student to be named to the dean's list at Meredith, she must have a semester grade average of at least 3.2 out of a possible 4 and must have completed a minimum of 12 semester hours and passed all courses taken at Meredith.

Claire R. Davis, Rt. 1, recently completed a three-month nurses assistant course at Sandhills Community College. She is the wife of David A. Davis and the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Carl Rose of Raeford.

Miss Linda Kaye Harrell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Harrell, 128 W. Elwood Ave., has been named to the dean's list at University of North Carolina Chapel Hill, for the spring semester. Miss Harrell earned a 3.24 average for the semester and a 3.013 for the year.

David Shiel Wood, son of Mr. and Mrs. A.W. Wood Jr., 835 E. Prospect Ave., was among 295 Elon College students earning places on the college's dean's list for the Spring semester.

The dean's list includes students who made no grade below a "B" in all course work taken during the term.



Jean Stephens Daniel



John Daniel

Among 815 graduates receiving degrees June 7 during Western Carolina University's spring commencement exercises were Margaret Julia Augustoni, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Augustoni, 109 E. 6th Ave., B.S. degree in home economics, cum laude; Mrs. John Ray Daniel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James D. Stephens, 704 N. Stewart St., B.S. degree in middle grade education; and John Ray Daniel, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Daniel, Spring Lake, B.S. degree in political science.

Lumber Bridge

By LIB SUMNER

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Edwards of Fayetteville spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Cox.

Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Graham have returned to their summer home at Chadwick Beach, New Jersey, after spending three months at Lumber Bridge.

Mrs. Henry Crawford of Rowland and Lib Sumner spent last week in Charlotte with Mrs. Crawford's daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Howell and sons, David and Mark.

Mrs. Ralph Pandure and children, Denise, Ralph, Jr., and John, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Koonce and children, Jeffrey and Michael of Apex, spent Sunday with Mrs. Koonce's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny McGougan. Jeffrey spent last week with his grandparents.

Joseph F. (Joe) McMillan, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. McMillan, Sr., who is employed with CP&L in Sanford, has been promoted to Senior Engineer. He

has been employed with CP&L for the past three years.

Mrs. Ethel Gibson and daughter, Mrs. S. E. Sumner, spent Tuesday in Florence. They visited Mrs. Gibson's aunt, Mrs. Mary Belle Bethea, in Latta, S. C.

Rev. Stewart Smith, pastor of Lumber Bridge Baptist Church, resigned Sunday, effective June 30. Rev. Smith has accepted pastorate in Mt. Vernon. Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Boykin of Alexandria, Virginia, spent several days this week visiting the Sumner families. They visited relatives in Lumberton, Raeford, Rowland, Maxton and Laurinburg. Last weekend they attended the Shrine Convention in Greenville, N. C.

Mrs. Fulford McMillan and granddaughter, Catherine Smith, and Miss Annie McMillan spent Wednesday with the Sumners.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Horton are spending this week in Baltimore with their son, Tom Horton.

Circle No. 2 of The Presbyterian Church met with Mrs. Edwin Clifton Thursday afternoon. The Bible Study was given by Mrs. Clifton. Those present were Mrs. A. F. Tolar, Mrs. Annie Williford and Mrs. John Covington. The hostess served strawberry shortcake and tea.

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Ammons and children, Stevie and Wanda of Whiteville, moved their letter back to the Baptist Church Sunday. They moved to Whiteville several years ago due to Mr. Ammons' work. They will move into the Ammons' home. The community welcomes Mr. and Mrs. Ammons and family back.

Miss Mildred Williford spent Monday and Monday night with her sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Tolar in Lumberton. She visited Miss Lula Graham at S.E.G. Tuesday.

T. C. Chason and Hunter Forbes had beans harvested this week. The people in the community were looking forward to this day as they are so thoughtful to let everyone that would like to gather beans for canning and table use. The beans were nice and are being enjoyed by lots of people.

SCS Activities

By FURMAN O. CLARK
DISTRICT CONSERVATIONIST

In our continuing articles we are now discussing different types of conservation practices. Last week we mentioned contour farming, stripcropping, terraces, grass waterways, and farm ponds. We continue this week:

Along the edge of a cultivated field runs a strip of land on which crops do not grow well. This strip, called a field border, often erodes faster than the rest of the field because excess rainwater flows from the crop rows to the edge of the field. Sometime's a gully starts in just this way. By planting field borders to some useful plant the farmer can prevent erosion and at the same time provide food and shelter to helpful birds and other small animals.

Legumes, grasses, and shrubs are planted as field borders. Bicolor lespedeza, a shrub that is also a legume, is common in the South. A legume takes nitrogen from the air and adds it to the soil.

Crop rotation is a good conservation practice for soils that are predominantly used for cultivated crops. Crop rotation is a systematic changing of crops to help prevent soil exhaustion - a tilled crop followed by a small grain and then by grass and a legume. The rotation may take three to five years or more to complete, depending on the type of the soil and the needs of the farmer or rancher.

An example of a three-year rotation is corn the first year, wheat the second year, and a legume the third year. In this rotation the field is disturbed by cultivation only 1 year out of 3 - when it is in corn. The many fibrous roots of the wheat, grass and legume, add nitrogen, and the roots help hold the soil in place. Experiments have shown that there is much less erosion under rotated crops than there is under a crop like corn grown year after year on the same land.

Leaving the stalks or stubble of plants like wheat on the surface also helps to hold the soil in place. This practice is called by several names, including mulch tilling and stubble mulching. The stubble helps to prevent the wind from drying and blowing the soil. It gradually decays and turns into humus. Soil with humus does not wash or blow as easily as soil without humus. Stubble mulching is used in the Great Plains to help reduce wind erosion. But it helps in any part of the country. Scientists have proved that this practice is good for the soil, and farmers using soil conservation methods now make full use of any plant leftovers they have.

Especially on the open prairies and plains, the winds get a good sweep across the land. If soil is bare and exposed, wind erosion can be serious. One way to help cut down the effects of wind is to plant tree windbreaks, or shelterbelts, across their path. In some places a single row of trees is enough, but in most places several rows with shrubs on the outer sides are needed. Windbreaks protect crops as well as soil and help to shelter animals and the farmhouse and other buildings.

A good pasture or range is a fine protector of soil. But pasture and range must be given good care. If livestock eat forage plants too closely, these plants cannot grow fast enough to keep the soil from becoming bare and exposed to wind and water. Good pasture and range management requires knowing when to put the grazing animals on, how many to put on, and when to take them off.

A woodland that is properly managed offers almost perfect protection to soil. The trees slow the force of the raindrops, and the soft thick mulch of dead leaves and twigs cushions their fall.

Because fire destroys the mulch in addition the trees, woodlands must be protected against fire.

On many farms the most productive

Firemen Plan Two Meetings

Two area firemen's meetings have been scheduled.

The Hoke County Firemen's Association's quarterly meeting is tonight (Thursday) at 6 p.m. at the Stonewall Rural Fire Department, Jeff Davis, secretary, announced.

The Stonewall Rural Fire Department, Inc., will hold the annual membership meeting 8 p.m., June 18, to elect officers. Chief Marty Jones urges members to attend.

soil is too wet to grow good crops so the farmer has to cultivate his hillsides, or low-producing areas to grow enough crops. By draining his fertile land the farmer can plant the steep, hillsides and the low-producing areas to grass and trees - a much better use. Drainage used this way is a conservation practice. It allows the farmer to use his land efficiently.

Wetlands can be drained either by open ditches or by underground drains, usually tile. Each method has its place, and each has advantages and disadvantages.

One requirement for drainage is an outlet. If the area is so low that there is no outlet and the land is valuable enough, the water can be allowed to collect in a low place and then pumped off.

In open-ditch drainage, surplus water moves over or through the soil to the ditches, which are spaced according to the soil, and is carried to the outlet. In tile drainage, water seeps through the joints between the tile and flows through the tile to the outlet.

Conservation irrigation means using irrigated soils and irrigation water in a way that will insure efficient production without wasting either water or soil. Soil erosion is as great a menace to irrigated land in arid regions as it is to land in humid regions. Moreover, arid

soils are generally low in organic matter, which leaves them highly susceptible to both wind and water erosion. Much of the erosion results from the misuse of irrigation water-using too much and applying it improperly.

There are other conservation practices not discussed here; and not all practices are techniques for conserving water and protecting soil. Conservation activities touch the lives of everyone, so we must consider the total environment. (to be concluded next week)

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Hoke Forum Is Article Subject

The June issue of Carolina Country, a monthly magazine published by the N.C. Electric Membership Corporation, contains an article entitled "Traditions in Transition" about the recent Hoke County Forum sponsored by the Raeford Woman's Club.

The article, written by Owen Bishop, associate editor of the publication, cites the forum as an example of what communities can accomplish through the North Carolina Committee for Continuing Education in the Humanities, which provided a \$3,000 grant to fund the project.

The article includes Hoke Countians' opinions on the effectiveness of the forum.

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