

Hoke ASCS

By Thomas R. Burgess

DO'S AND DON'TS FOR LEAF MARKET -- A reminder comes from the Hoke County ASCS Office as to the importance of using tobacco marketing cards properly. The grower is also warned about the proper identification of his tobacco.

The information on marketing tobacco, as given by the ASCS, is printed below.

1976 marketing season for flue-cured tobacco is underway. As farmers market their 1976 crop, there are certain precautions they need to observe to assure that their tobacco is properly identified.

When farmers use their marketing cards correctly, they can save time, trouble, and possible payment of penalties.

Please use the following simple guides to assure proper handling of tobacco: 1. Upon receiving the card examine it carefully to see that it is correct. Check to see that the name, address, farm serial number, and quota are correct. 2. Take the card to the warehouse when tobacco is to be weighed in. The card is to be left with the warehouseman until the check is issued to the farmer. Do not leave the card at the warehouse or with a trucker between sales. 3. After each sale check the card carefully to see that the entries for that sale agree with the sale bill. Also check to see that the balance is correct.

Report any error immediately to the marketing recorder at the warehouse or to the county ASCS office. The farmer is subject to penalty on any tobacco sold over 110 percent of his quota. It is his responsibility to see that any error is corrected so that his balance is correct.

Do not allow tobacco from another farm to be sold on your card. This will result in a penalty to you.

Veterans Corner

EDITOR'S NOTE: Following are representative questions answered daily by VA counselors. Full information is available at any VA office.

Q -- Does the VA offer special insurance for veterans with service-connected disabilities?

A -- Service-Disabled Veterans Insurance is available to veterans eligible for service-connected disability compensation of 10 percent or more who do not have nonservice-connected disabilities which render them uninsurable. Application must be made within one year from the date the VA notifies the veteran that his disability has been rated as service connected.

Q -- A 65-year-old veteran with a 10 per cent service-connected disability receives Social Security as his only other source of income. Does he qualify for VA pension?

A -- He may qualify for a disability pension as the greater benefit, in lieu of his service-connected compensation. He should contact his nearest VA office.

Q -- Can veterans, in-service students, and eligible dependents receive VA educational benefits while attending schools in other countries?

A -- Yes, where the course or program at the school is approved for training by the VA. Contact the nearest VA office for complete information.

Q -- My father, a World War II veteran, is 65. Is he eligible for a VA pension?

A -- VA pensions, based on need, may be granted if at age 65, a veteran's income does not exceed \$3,300, if he is single, or \$4,500 if he has dependents.

Q -- Are VA benefits subject to taxation?

A -- With two exceptions, no. Interest paid on accrued GI insurance dividends left on deposit is subject to income tax. Death settlement proceeds of such policies are subject to federal estate taxation.



PREPARING FOR CAMP—Elwood Walker, 12, Rt. 1, Raeford, has a blood sample drawn by Health Center Technician Ruth King, 109 Stable Place. Elwood will get a complete physical before leaving for Camp Monroe in Laurel Hill. He will join 24 other Raeford youths who, through the Raeford Woman's Club program to help underprivileged children, will also attend the week long camping session.

Housing Tips

By Willie Featherstone, Jr.
Assistant Agriculture Agent

Protecting Mobile Homes From High Winds

Mobile homes should be anchored securely to withstand high winds. To insure your safety during high winds do the following:

1. Position your mobile home with the narrow side facing prevailing winds. Check with local weather service on the direction of prevailing winds. Proper positioning alone won't assure safety, so your unit should also be tied down securely. Tie-downs should be installed by all mobile home owners. Tie-down systems are easy to install on existing units. When buying a new mobile home, be sure it has built-in-over-the-top tiedown straps which can be anchored to the ground. Two types of ties are needed: (a) Over-the-top tie - which keeps the unit from overturning.

(b) Frame tie, which prevents the unit from being blown off it's support.

For maximum protection use four sets of both over-the-top ties and frame ties to secure 10-12 and 14 feet wide mobile homes. Double units 24 feet wide need frame ties only.

Ties are made of wire rope or rust resistant steel straps attached to anchors embedded in the ground. Several types of ground anchors can be used: Screw augers and expanding anchors. The anchors are usually installed to a depth of four to five feet, depending on the soil's holding strength. Anchors should have a holding power of at least 48 lbs. Use only high quality materials, and install anchors exactly as specified by manufacturer, being sure to place the anchors deep enough.

(2) Install piers and footings under the supporting steel frame of your mobile home. Piers and footings should be heavy enough to carry the weight of the home. Construct piers of standard 8" x 8" x 16", concrete blocks placed on footing, with the long dimension of the blocks crossways (perpendicular to the main frame members and centered under them). Footings should have minimum dimensions of 16" x 16" x 8".

(3) Establish a windbreak, if possible. Natural barriers such as trees provide excellent windbreaks. Two or more rows of trees are more effective than a single row. Four rows are best. Trees which are at least 30 feet high are most effective.

(4) Seek shelter. Even if your mobile home is well anchored and you have established a wind break, seek shelter elsewhere when warned of an approaching tornado or hurricane. Know the location of nearby shelters.

For further information please contact your County Agricultural Extension Service, phone no. 875-3461.

Discount Signup Friday 2-5 P. M.

Senior citizens sixty years of age or older who have not signed up for the discount program may do Friday July 23 from 2-5 P.M. at the new county office building, senior citizen's coordinator Josephine Hall announced.

Social Security number and proof of age, such as a Medicare card or driver's license, must be shown at the time of signing up, Miss Hall said.



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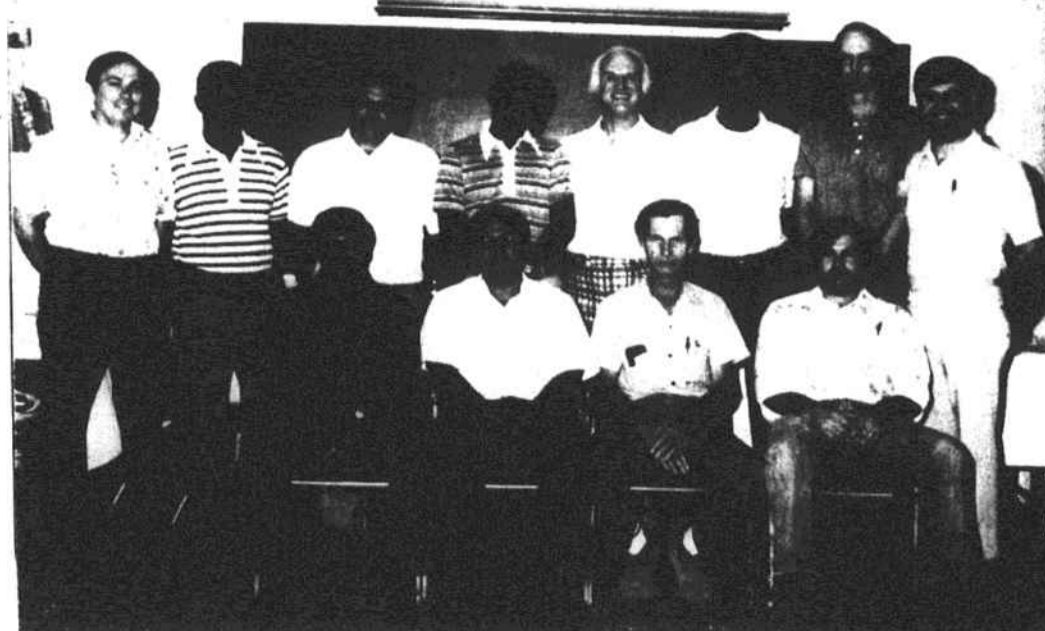
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FIVE YEARS—Knit-Away workers who reached the five year mark of service were honored recently. Front row, left to right, shown Tommy Greene, Ralph Slate, John Stewart and Danny Lewis. (Back row) Ernest Crawford, Prince Davis, Britt Clark, John Gillespie, Dr. Loren Young (special guest), Henry Lloyd, Willie Harrell and Joe Rackley.

Knit-Away Honors Workers

Knit-Away, Inc. paid tribute to a special segment of their employees at their first Five-Year Service Awards Luncheon recently. 89 honorees from the Raeford and Mt. Gilead plants assembled in the Main Conference Room at the Raeford plant for a seated luncheon of barbecue and fried chicken.

Fred Williams, vice president of personnel, greeted the veteran employees and Richard P. Bruce, chairman of the board, expressed his appreciation for their longevity and loyalty.

Dr. Loren Young of Atlanta was the speaker and the department heads awarded to each honoree a jeweled token.

Knit-Away, Inc. began its operation in 1970.

Those employees receiving their five year awards were Joe Rackley, Pat Wilkes, Brenda Black, Jackie Williams, Laura Baker, Joe Belcher, Sherry Osborne, Tommy Shapard, George McLaurin, Betty Brown, Louise Caulder, Frances Tew, Maudia Ashburn, Ernest Crawford, Prince Davis, Britt Clark, John Gillespie, Henry Lloyd, Willie Harrell, Tommy Greene, Ralph Slate, John Stewart, Danny Lewis, Carl Dooley, Sid Tomlinson, John Glisson, Oliver Powers, Dan Haney and Bob Leach.

Also Bob Peele, Johnny McDiarmid, Charles Tew, Rossie Cox, Max Merritt, Leon Hall, Inge Whyte, Floyd Slate, Vernon Thornton, Ed Hart, Ted Lunsford, Jimmy Allen, Ronnie McVickers, Wouter Guerts, Jim Whetstone, Billy James, John Vinson, Ed Brown, Jimmy Harrell, Ed Hood, Bob Floyd, Tim Locklear, Mary Gales, Lib Bundy, Margaret Freeman, Ralph Callahan, John Riley, Jerry Johnson, Neechie Bounds, John Lowry, Danny Hendrix, Ken Dees, Cecelia Weston, Earl Smith, Barbara Barefoot, Joe Kirby, Terry Johnson, Doc Morrissy, Leslie Edwards, and Mary Stanley.

Also Euliss Wyrick, Thomas

DESSERT TIP

Ice cream with hot sauces can be a very impressive dessert. Consider preparing the sauce at the table in a chafing dish or make the sauce ahead and keep it hot at the table over a candle warmer.



AWARDS—Leslie Edwards and Mary Stanley (front row) were among the Knit-Away employees receiving five year service awards recently. Standing are Richard K. Bruce, Knit-Away board chairman, and Dr. Loren Young, special guest.

Hollingsworth, Agnes Dees, Seavy Barefoot, Dennis Teasley, Jerry Andrews, Barry Pittman, Carolyn Blanton, Ailene Thompson, Geraldine Dalton, Willard Byrd, L.C. Graham, Frank Brown, Worthy Kelton, Wayne Spencer, Carl Seagraves, Phil Foxworth, Charles Barfield, Donald Biggs, Darryl Chapman and Richard Norris.

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