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## Duplin Agricultural Income 96 Million Dollars

by Vernon H. Reynolds  
County Extension Chairman

Duplin County, the leading agricultural county in N.C., had a gross agricultural income in 1972 of \$96,539,952. The 1972 Duplin Agricultural income was more than 20 million dollars higher than the agricultural income of any other county in the state. Total sales of agricul-

ral products by Duplin County farmers amounted to an estimated \$94,895,978 in 1972. This was an increase of nearly 12 million dollars over the 1971 agricultural sales of \$82,915,038. Total government payments to farmers in 1972 amounted to \$1,643,974 which was considerably more than the 1971 government payments of \$940,216. Total crop sales in 1972 amounted to \$32,346,267 which was about three and one-half million dollars more than 1971 crop sales. Total sales from livestock in 1972 amounted to \$15,449,943 which was nearly five million dollars more than 1971 livestock sales. Poultry and poultry product sales in 1972 amounted to \$45,799,768. This was an increase of more than three million dollars over the 1971 sales of poultry and poultry products.

Duplin tobacco growers harvested 10,744 acres in 1972 with an average yield of 1,978 pounds per acre. The value of tobacco was \$18,599,045. In 1971 Duplin tobacco growers harvested 10,939 acres with a yield of 2,120 pounds per acre, and a value of \$18,089,476. The average tobacco yield in 1972 was 142 pounds per acre, less than

the 1971 average yield, but the price per pound was .09 1/2¢ higher in 1972 than in 1971; therefore, the 1972 income increased approximately one-half million dollars.

Duplin County corn acreage decreased from 70,000 acres in 1971 to 44,726 acres in 1972. The estimated yield in 1972 was 100 bushels per acre compared to 65 bushels per acre in 1971. Total corn production in 1972 was 4,472,600 bushels. It was estimated that 3,600,000 bushels of corn was sold and brought in an income of \$4,880,000. This was an increase of \$675,000 over 1971 corn income. 1972 was an excellent corn year with high yields and good prices. Most corn growers lost money on corn in 1971 and 1972.

The Duplin County soybean crop of 40,541 acres averaged 27 bushels per acre for a total

production of 1,094,607 bushels. The average price of soybeans in 1972 was \$3.55 per bushel which grossed \$3,885,855. Soybean acreage in Duplin County jumped from 21,000 acres in 1971 to over 40,000 acres in 1972. Soybean prices this spring have been in the \$6 to \$7 per bushel range, but most of the soybean growers sold at harvest time and did not reap the benefits of these tremendous price increases.

The total value of horticultural crops sold in Duplin County in 1972 was \$6,030,250. Blueberries, beans, pepper, cucumbers, squash, and green leafy vegetables accounted for most of the horticultural income. Income from pulpwood and saw timber was estimated at \$1,626,000.

Duplin County hog growers sold 290,000 head of slaughter

hogs for \$16,240,000 in 1972. This was an increase of 50,000 head over 1971 sales and an increase in income of over \$6,000,000.

Beef cattle sold for slaughter amounted to 3,500 head which brought in a gross income of \$980,000.

Poultry was the leading agricultural commodity in Duplin

County in 1972. The \$45,799,768 from poultry sales was nearly one-half of the total agricultural income in Duplin Co. Duplin County had more income from poultry than any other county in the state in 1972. The 42,621,400 broilers sold from Duplin County farms in 1972 brought in \$23,569,634. The income from turkeys in 1972 was

\$12,332,018 from the 3,696,648 head sold. Cull hens sold for \$611,736. Commercial eggs brought in \$3,135,480. Hatching eggs sold for \$6,150,900. Prices of most farm products have increased considerably in the past year, but production costs have also increased rapidly which means that the farmers net income is still low.

## L. S. Guy, Jr. Named New Assistant Superintendent

By: Ruth P. Grady

An enthusiastic and energetic young principal has been named Assistant Superintendent of Duplin County Schools, Director of Personnel and In-Service Training and Instruction. This announcement was made by Supt. of Schools, C.H. Yelverton on Wednesday morning after the decision of the Board of Education on Tuesday night. The new Asst. Supt. is L.S. Guy, Jr., principal of North Duplin High School, to fill the vacancy created by Mr. Byron Teachey who is retiring on June 30 from the position

which he has filled for the past 13 years.

L.S. Guy, Jr. was born and raised in Duplin County. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard S. Guy of Calypso. He was raised there and graduated from high school at North Duplin. Guy attended ECU from 1957 through 1961 and received a degree in Science, then he returned to ECU in 1960 and completed his Master's Degree in Education in 1971. L.S. taught science for 7 years at North Duplin High School and in 1963 was named principal of the same school where he has had a successful career since that time.

Married to the former Barbara Ann Ellis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C.P. Ellis of Faison, Mr. and Mrs. Guy have made their home in Faison for the

past 10 years. They have two lovely children, Nicki Nicole, age 5, and Ellis Steele, age 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy are members and active workers in Faison United Methodist Church where Mr. Guy is a Sunday School teacher and a member of the choir. He is also a member of the Faison Fire Dept., and a Commissioner of the Town of Faison. The couple will continue to live in Faison where they are presently building a new home.

On being asked his philosophy on education, Mr. Guy said, "I believe in good solid planning toward in-service training, staff development, and instruction and to give the best opportunity possible. I would like to see that the goals we are trying to reach are based on planned objectives."

## Henderson Seeks Aid For Fuel Oil And LP Gas For Farmers

Congressman David N. Henderson said Monday that he has called upon the Office of Emergency Preparedness and the Dept. of Agriculture to ask the President to act upon the emergency plan to help with the economic Stabilization and Control Act, to insure geographical distribution of gasoline and other fuel products and to require all major oil companies to provide to their dealers and distributors in the fuel-cured tobacco-producing areas at least as much fuel oil and LP gas as they provided last year.

"The tobacco allotment is up 10 per cent," Henderson said, "and we are going to need more oil and LP gas to cure the crop, not less. Several companies have already announced their intention to pull out of eastern N.C. and others are cutting back on their allocations. The

farmers have to have fuel when the crop is ripe. We cannot wait until the last minute and hope everything works out."

Henderson said that he had called upon all Congressmen and

Senators from the fuel-cured tobacco producing areas to join him in his request to the Office of Emergency Preparedness and the Dept. of Agriculture for relief.



## Clean Sweep 1973

your surroundings - who are not setting good examples for yourselves and the younger generation by littering, who will cast litter on roads, streets, homegrounds, public grounds, and dump garbage and trash on our roadsides, who will abandon useless cars almost any place, who will allow their places of business to look like a pig-pen, who have no feelings or appreciation for those God-given things put here for us to enjoy and not destroy - Then this is a challenge to

you - let us as citizens of Duplin Co., clean up our mess. We have a great county, in fact, all reports show that our overall economical growth has been very good. To increase this economical growth, let us clean sweep to clean up to present a better view of our county to make it more desirable for people and industry to move in. Also for our enjoyment.

Let this article be a request to all churches, civic organizations, youth groups, communities, towns, businesses, schools, and industry to make everyone aware of "clean sweep" month which is May 15 through June 15, 1973. Everyone will gain, nobody loses. Let me remind you that this is one problem we can lick, if we are all willing to "pitch in" with clean sweep.

NORTH CAROLINA  
DUPLIN COUNTY

WHEREAS, there exist a need for the County of Duplin to be cleaned up, and

WHEREAS, the County of Duplin could be clean and green, and

WHEREAS, the health and happiness of the citizens of the County of Duplin could be improved by a cleaner county, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Duplin County Board of Commissioners that the month of May 15, 1973 through June 15, 1973 be declared "Clean Sweep" month in the County of Duplin, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the citizens of Duplin County are to be encouraged to help clean up the County of Duplin. This the 7th day of May, 1973.

DUPLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
J.W. Hoffer - Chairman  
ATTEST: B. Tucker - Clerk



David Thomas Phillips of Kenansville is congratulated on his election as president of the junior class for 1973-74 at Campbell College by Dr. Norman A. Wiggins, the college president.

## Phillips Elected Class President

David Thomas Phillips of Kenansville has been elected junior class president for 1973-74 at Campbell College.

Phillips, a Dean's List student, is a sophomore majoring in pre-law. He is a Cub Scout

Leader for Pack 794 and is a member of the National Guard at Warsaw

A graduate of JK High School, he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H.E. Phillips of Kenansville.

## Seven Year Old Boy Killed

Larry Best, age 7, was killed Monday morning at the intersection of West College St. and Cross St., in Warsaw. Chief of Police Skelton said the Best boy ran across the street in front of a car driven by Mrs. Pearl May of Warsaw.

Warsaw Rescue Squad answered the 7:50 a.m. call.

Chief Skelton said no charges were being made.

Funeral services will be held Friday. Larry was the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hall of Warsaw.

## Rescue Squads Answer Call

Leslie Faison of Turkey was seriously injured Monday A.M. when a truck from at Warsaw, Block Co. fell on his head on the head.

The Warsaw Rescue Squad was called. The Warsaw Rescue Squad was out on another call at the time. Duplin County ambulance service transferred Faison from Duplin General Hospital to S-

18 Days Left Before June 5th



## Tuscarora Council To Celebrate 50th Anniversary

Several reunions of different categories of scouts are planned during the celebration of Tuscarora Council's 50th anniversary and dedication of Tuscarora's new reservation in Johnston County, June 5-10.

Fellowship, recognition and good will will be the order of the day when Silver Beavers, Veteran Scouters, Eagles and past and present members of the Order of the Arrow get together.

The Silver Beavers reunion will be held on June 5 at 6:30 p.m. in the Mess Hall on the reservation. Approximately 50 of the holders of the highest scouting award on the council level are expected to attend.

Among the holders of the Silver Beaver was the late Bruce Boyers, former Tuscarora Council scout executive who died recently.

Bill Kemp, Sr., is chairman of the Silver Beavers reunion. Holders of the award who plan to attend should call him at his Goldsboro office, 735-2801, or at home, 734-4970.

The Veteran Scouters reunion is for any registered Tuscarora Council member or scout leader in any capacity. It will be held June 6 at 8:30 p.m. in the headquarters area of the reservation.

Overall chairman is P.B. Raloff of Kenansville. He may be contacted at his office, 296-4831, or at home, 296-6271. District chairmen are John Hall of Kenansville, Croston; Joe Williams of Clinton, Elangomat; L.J. Worthington of Princeton, Neustok; and Charles Liles of Goldsboro, Torhunta.

Lodges from all over the state are expected to perform in a dance festival that will highlight the Order of the Arrow reunion on June 8 at 8:30 p.m. Approximately 1,500 are expected to attend.

Order of the Arrow Chief Buriette Raper, Jr., of Mt. Olive may be contacted by calling 856-3855. Rod Dew of Beulaville is Lodge Advisor.

A meal and special program will be included at each reunion. Those who plan to attend should call the respective chairmen.

Jo Carol Jones

## Council on Aging Formed

Duplin County has a Council on Aging which was organized on May 9. The purpose of this organization is to make senior citizens aware of benefits, programs, and services available to them.

Members of this informal group come from most areas of the county and include representatives from senior citizen clubs, public agencies, civic organizations, ministers, and members at large.

Officers of the Council are President: Mr. Windsor Johnson, Rose Hill; Vice-President: Miss Viola Westbrook, Albertson.

## Jo Carol Jones

Jo Carol Jones, a senior at JK High School, has joined the Duplin Times newspaper staff. Jo Carol will be writing articles about any and all interesting events that occur in Duplin County this summer. She is presently co-sports editor of JK's student paper, and has won several writing awards. Jo Carol is also the



Jo Carol Jones

SERVES AS PAGE-Bubba Grant, son of Mr. and Mrs. William L. Grant of Kenansville served as page of N.C. Senate May 7th through May 11, 1973. He was appointed by Lt. Gov. Jim Hunt. He is shown above with the Honorable Lt. Gov. Hunt.

Bubba is a junior at James Kenan High School. He was manager of the baseball team and a member of the Chess team.

## Aviation Administration Approves Airport Funds

On Monday, May 14, Francis F. Oakley, Chairman, Duplin County Airport Commission, was advised by Sen. Jesse Helms and Rep. David Henderson that the Federal Aviation Administration had approved \$178,772.00 in matching funds which represents 50% of the total cost of constructing an airport on a 181-acre site located between State Roads 1501 and 1380 east of Duplin Country Club.

These funds will be used in the Acquisition of Land, Clearing Zones and Access Road, Constructing and Marking Runway (3,700 x 75), Stub Taxiway and Apron; Installing Wind Cone, Segmented Circle and Fencing; Installing Medium Intensity Runway and Taxiway Lighting, Beacon and Tower, Obstruction Lights and VASI System; and installation of Non-Directional Radio Beacon. Aviation Systems, Inc., of Raleigh, is finalizing the engineering plans and it is anticipated that a contract will be let at an early date.

## May Is Mental Health Month

One of the services offered at the Mental Health Clinic is Alcoholism Counseling and related services. Alcoholism is a family illness. For every case of alcoholism, from three to five persons are adversely affected - wives, husbands, sons, daughters, mothers, fathers, sisters and brothers. The family as

well as the alcoholic suffers alcoholism strikes. Most of us have heard of alcoholism. Perhaps we even think we know an alcoholic. But very few of us really understand this illness.

The Duplin County Mental Health Clinic will be glad to counsel with problem drinkers and their families.

4-H COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS FROM DUPLIN CO. ANNOUNCED - Jennings Orlew and Cathy Smith were recently named recipients of a college scholarship each. Jennings, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ramon Orlew and a member of the Pleasant Grove 4-H Club, will receive the Smith-Douglass Scholarship. Cathy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jennie Smith of the Woodland 4-H Club, will receive the Smith-Douglass Scholarship. These scholarships were awarded on a basis of their scholastic achievement and leadership.