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## Good Farming Practices Pay Big Dividends

### YANCEY COUNTY BORROWER IS LEADING GUERNSEY BREEDER

When C. M. Deyton applied with the Farmers Home Administration for assistance he was heavily in debt, in poor health, and with his family of ten living on the farm was difficult and unpleasant. His financial picture was as follows: Owned 84 acre mountain farm, valued at \$1620.00, one mule and one milk cow, valued \$140.00, with total assets of \$2080.00. Liabilities: National Farm Association, \$585.00, plus approximately \$100.00 county taxes and \$200.00 store accounts and doctor bills, leaving a net worth of \$1195.00. His total income the year prior to his acceptance on the FHA Program was \$283.00.

When Mr. Deyton and the County Supervisor analyzed his situation the following major items were agreed upon. In consultation with a representative from NFLA foreclosure was postponed for two years and a new repayment schedule worked out starting after this extension period. New sources of income were worked out. Mr.

Deyton agreed to try dairying. His farm was too steep to cultivate intensively, yet it would produce excellent pasture with good treatment. Fields were run down and eroded, all farm buildings were in need of repair.

When Mr. Deyton saw his farm changing almost overnight, his income increasing and his debts decreasing, his worries were over. He stopped visiting his doctors and in a period of three years his health had improved to the extent he can now do a full day's work, where earlier he was prohibited from working at all. His land is now producing 75 bushels of corn per acre where five years ago it produced only 25 bushels per acre and other crops production are in this ratio.

From the one cow Mr. Deyton owned when starting with FHA he now owns eight Registered Guernsey cows, twelve Registered Guernsey heifers and a Registered Guernsey bull, one of the most outstanding in Western North Carolina. He now owns one of the largest herds in the county. By using plenty of lime and phosphate, ladino clover, lespedeza, orchard grass, and red top Mr. Deyton now (Continued on page two)

### NORMAN CORDON WILL GIVE CONCERT HERE ON DECEMBER 18

#### Metropolitan Opera Star From North Carolina

Norman Cordon, who went from his native North Carolina to achieve fame with the Metropolitan Opera Association, will give a concert in Burnsville on Saturday evening, Dec. 18.

This was confirmed in a letter received this week from C. E. McIntosh, assistant director of North Carolina College Centers. The concert here will be sponsored by the Burnsville College Center.

Further details will be announced within the next few days, and tickets will go on sale the first of next week.

Robert Reuter will accompany Mr. Cordon.

#### Charles Gardner Enlists In U. S. Air Force

Charles Eugene Gardner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Gardner of Burnsville Rt. 1, enlisted in U. S. Air Force on November 30th, just six days before his 18th birthday. He will be stationed at USAF Training Base in Texas for 13 weeks for primary training and it is believed that he will elect to attend one of the Air Force technical schools at a later date.

Charles Gardner better known as "Gene" has been a student at Burnsville high school and plans to continue his education through the USAFI training program currently open to all service men.

Gardner was one of 82 men enlisted through US & USAF Recruiting Station in Asheville during the month of Nov. Columbia, S. C. district, which covers North and South Carolina, has reported a grand total of 1269 enlistments for the same period.

North Carolina's hybrid seed corn crop this year is 58 times as large as it was five years ago.

### WILL CAST VOTE FOR PRESIDENT

Dover R. Fouts, presidential elector for the 11th Congressional district, will go to Raleigh where the votes for president and vice president will be cast at noon Monday.

### COUNTY OFFICIALS TAKE OFFICE

Yancey County officials elected in the November 2 election were sworn in at noon Monday, Dec. 6.

Fred Proffitt, clerk of court, administered the oath of office to the following: W. M. Hall of Micaville, chairman of board of county commissioners; D. H. Harrison of Celso and S. C. Edwards of Bee Log, members of the board of commissioners; Yates R. Bennett, register of deeds.

### Program of Christmas Music Will Be Presented December 22

Final plans are being arranged for the program of Christmas music which will be presented at the Higgins Memorial Methodist church on Wednesday night, December 22 at 8 o'clock.

The choirs of the Methodist, Presbyterian and Baptist churches will present the program. Mrs. John B. Bennett is director and Mrs. Phillip Ray is organist.

A chorus of women's voices and a chorus of men's voices will present numbers. Several special selections will be given, and the audience will join in singing some of the best known carols.

A final rehearsal will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 21.

Buy Christmas Seals

### Pvt. Homer Peterson

The remains of Pvt. Homer Peterson who was killed in France on Sept. 29, 1944, will arrive at the Holcombe Brothers funeral home on Friday afternoon.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p. m. Sunday afternoon at Clearmont high school with the Rev. Gibson Atkins officiating.

Burial will be in the Peterson family cemetery and the Burnsville Post of the American Legion will be in charge of the military rites at the cemetery.

Pvt. Peterson entered service Oct. 20, 1942. He was 49 years old at the time of his death.

Surviving are the parents Mr. and Mrs. Criss Peterson of Windom; three sisters, Mrs. Grace Cooper of Poplar, N. C., Mrs. Oma Silvers and Miss Ethel Peterson of Windom; five brothers, C. R. and Fred of Windom, Jeff of Pennsylvania and Brite of Erwin, Tenn.



## JOIN NOW

### Schedule for Special Christmas Services

At the Presbyterian church in the following communities a special Christmas worship service will be presented in color and song. Fitting music has been planned for each service and two stories, "When the Littlest Camel Knelt" and the "Holy Child" will be presented by the pastor. All members of each community are cordially invited.

Services begin in each at 7:30.

Upper Jacks Creek, Thursday, Dec. 16th.

Lower Jacks Creek, Saturday, Dec. 18th.

Low Gap, Monday, Dec. 20th.

Higgins, Tuesday, Dec. 21st.

Mine Fork, Thursday, Dec. 23rd.

Banks Creek, Friday, Dec. 24th.

Miss Hazel Shelton of Carmen - Community in Madison county has accepted a position under the Board of National Missions of the Presbyterian Church U. S. A. here in Yancey county. She will share the responsibilities of the Sunday School and youth activities in the six rural communities with the Rev. and Mrs. David F. Swartz.

Miss Shelton is a graduate of Warren Wilson College and has been employed during the past year with the Bell Telephone Company. While at Warren Wilson College, she majored in business administration, was outstanding in sports, and received the Bible Award her senior year. Miss Shelton will be living with Mr. and Mrs. John S. LaFevre.



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gress as a national winner in recreation and rural arts. The sectional winner was James Wright Jackson, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jasper D. Jackson of Godwin, Sampson county. James Wright was honored for his work in soil conservation and received a free trip to the National Congress.

## AAA Committeemen Named

At the recent AAA elections in Yancey county, the county committee was named as follows: W. M. Hensley of Bald Creek, chairman; S. B. Randolph of Green Mtn., vice chairman; Paul Higgins of Higgins, member; Glenn Bailey of Burnsville Rt. 1, first alternate; C. M. Deyton of Green Mtn., second alternate.

The following community committee had been elected earlier: East Burnsville: G. C. Hunter, Joe Lewis, Edward Harris; West Burnsville: W. L. Wright, Mack McIntosh, W. L. McClelland, Cane River: J. R. Ferguson, S. P. Doane, W. H. Peterson; Upper Egypt: Dewey Higgins, Hiram Higgins, Alvin Pate; Lower Egypt: Coy Williams, Bruce Mel-

tosh, Arthur Edwards; Ramseytown: M. W. Higgins, Conway Higgins, Lester Peterson; Green Mtn.: I. T. Bailey, C. M. Deyton, Gus Bailey; Upper Jacks Creek: Glenn Bailey, Calvin Evans, Ben Wilson; Lower Jacks Creek: Carl T. Young, T. B. McCurry, Sid Laws; Brush Creek: R. C. Deyton; L. D. Thomas, Angus Masters; East Crabtree: R. T. Ensley, Bill Edge, Edd Burleson; West Crabtree: D. T. Gibbs, J. S. Young, Percy Hughes; Upper South Toe: B. F. Gibbs, Frank Bowditch, Rhonda Westall; Lower South Toe: W. F. Bennett, G. C. Bailey, Walter Young; Pensacola: Wayne Ray, J. E. Byrd, Pearson Riddle; Prices Creek: D. L. Hurst, T. H. Phoenix, Harmon Edwards.

### Attend Meeting

J. Frank Huskins, Yancey county member of the 1947 State Legislature, and C. P. Randolph, chairman of the Democratic executive committee, attended a meeting of Western North Carolina members of the Legislature and party leaders in Asheville last Saturday.

### HALIFAX FARMER MAKES RECORD YIELD OF CORN

A new record in North Carolina corn production for 1943 was reported this week from the farm of a Halifax county farmer, H. F. Hudson of Enfield.

His yield, according to Dr. E. E. Collins, in charge of agronomy extension at State College and chairman of the State Corn Contest Committee, was approximately 143 bushels of shelled corn on one acre. The exact yield will not be known until the moisture content of the corn has been determined in laboratory tests.

The best previously reported yield this year was 136.24 bushels per acre, made by 77-year-old J. R. Simpson of Union County.

Buy Christmas Seals

Raleigh. — Which vehicles operating on our highways should be equipped with turn signals (directional lights)?

Some vehicles on the roads, where even if the driver gave the proper hand and arm signals, they would not be visible, especially to the vehicles to the rear, because of the construction or of the load being carried. For this reason, the law provided that a vehicle so loaded or constructed that the hand and arm signals are not clearly visible both to the front and rear of the vehicle shall be equipped with directional signals.

## Friendship Train Collections Will Be Made

### CROP Drive Is Planned

Plans are being made this week in 17 Western North Carolina counties to collect carloads of farm produce for the North Carolina Friendship Train.

The train is sponsored by the Christian Rural Overseas Program (CROP). This is an interdenominational overseas relief organization designed to primarily to give farm people the opportunity to contribute

foods raised on their own farms to the hungry overseas.

In North Carolina the program is sponsored by leaders of major church groups and by farm leaders. The first meeting to lay plans will be held tomorrow at 2 p. m. at the Methodist church. All interested persons throughout the county are urged to attend.

(See page 2 for further details about the organization.)

### G. A. Caronation Service Will Be Held

A Caronation Service of the Girls' Auxiliary members will be held at the Burnsville Baptist church at 7:30 Monday evening, December 13.

Miss Lucille Sawyer of the Mars Hill college faculty will preside at the service.

Those who will be crowned queen are Betty Pate, Frances Wilson, Dorothy Smith, Nancy Buckner, Sue Banks, Rhita McCurry, Pat Laughrun, Sallie McRae, Polly Peterson, Mary Lou Fox, Nelda Peterson, Lynn Hart Laughrun, Bobbie Ruth Banks.

Ladies-in-waiting are Barbara Ann Peterson, Genevieve Bailey.

Princesses include Jean Ray, Jeraldine Ray, Athlene Jamerson and Glenna Banner.

Maidens are Norma Banner, Frances Robinson, Mary Lee Hall, Margaret Allen, Helen Allen.

### Presbyterian Church

10 a. m. Sunday School. 11 a. m. Morning worship. Sermon: "Life's Supreme Satisfaction." Dr. Harris will speak on December 12 and 19th. Christmas exercises on Dec. 26th.

A cordial invitation to worship with us.

### Baptist Church

The Rev. M. H. Kendall will speak at the 11 o'clock service on Sunday. There will be no evening service, but a rehearsal for the Christmas music program will be held at 7:30.

### CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

Christmas holidays for Yancey county schools will begin after classes on Friday, December 17.

Classes will begin again on Thursday, December 30.

### Attend Farm Meeting

Rex McIntosh of Bee Log has been named the delegate from the Yancey County Farm Bureau to attend the annual meeting of the American Farm Bureau Federation in Atlantic City.

Dr. Gus Laughrun who has been ill for the past week has returned home from the hospital and is improving at his home.

## E, F, and G Drivers Must Get License By December 31

The time is fast running out for E, F, and G drivers, the Motor Vehicle Department announced today.

All drivers with last names beginning with either E, F, or G, are required to take an examination for a driver's license by December 31, as a part of the Highway Safety Act passed by the 1947 General Assembly. The Department reported that this group of drivers had been very slow to report, and that if they procrastinated much longer it would mean they would have to wait in long lines to take their tests during the last few days of December.

Department officials also announced that the 100 examining station located throughout the State would be closed several days around Christmas, and that

motorists who put off their tests might find it impossible to get them later.

There will be no extension to the deadline, the Department said, for E, F, and G motorists have had since last July to get these examinations.

Beginning January 1, 1949, persons with last names beginning with H, I, J, and K will begin taking their tests.

Taking drivers, in alphabetical groups, the re-examination program will be completed June 30, 1951.

The Department reported that any E, F, or G driver caught driving on an old license after January 1 will be found guilty of a misdemeanor and will be subject to a fine of not less than \$25, or 30 days imprisonment, or both, in the discre-