

# Jones Journal

"A BETTER COUNTY THROUGH IMPROVED FARM PRACTICES"

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## NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS FOR THURSDAY'S VOTING

Following here is a list of nominees for delegate to the county convention in the annual Jones County Production Marketing Association election. Eligible voters will go to the polls Thursday and select one delegate and one alternate delegate. These will in turn name the county committee for the coming year. In the same election voters will elect a three-man committee to supervise the AAA activities in their township for the coming year.

**Pollockville Township, delegate nominees, E. D. Howard, Lee F. Jones, W. J. Jones. Committee nominees, Lee Fordham, James Alva Howard, Spence Martin, Ed Craft, J. C. Woot-**

**Spring Creek, delegate nominees, Albert L. Scott, Hugh S. Jones, Durwood Andrews. Committee nominees, Hugh Quinn, James J. Banks, E. Lee Metts, Albert Scott, Billy Wiggins, Durwood Andrews.**

**Pollockville, delegate nominees, J. Manley Foscutt, Hugh Martin, W. G. Mallard. Committee nominees, J. Manley Foscutt, Harry S. Waller, W. G. Mallard, Charlie L. Davis, Harry C. Mallard, W. R. Bender, William M. Johnson, William M. Kime.**

**White Oak, delegate nominees, C. M. Matlocks, G. S. Pelletier, Guy N. Jones. Committee nominees, C. M. Matlocks, James H. Jones, Guy N. Jones, R. M. Jones, Eugene Simpson, Jeff Phillips.**

**Chinquapin, delegate nominees, Paul Gilbert, Willie West, Frank E. C. Gray. Committee nominees, Tommie Smith, Reynolds McDaniel, James Nicholson, Henry Shelby, Ralph Scott, Nathan Gilbert, B. C. Gray, Mike Phillips.**

Voters will vote for two of the delegate nominees and for three of the committee nominees.

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Lenoir County's Production and Marketing Committee probed in vain Monday for 25,671 pounds of tobacco missing in the 1949 report of Landlord John D. Baker, in the more than 100 per cent overplanting of a 23.4 acre allotment. Baker, well-known Kinston funeral director, is shown signing names for evidence. They were names of tobacco growers whose marketing cards the committee believes Baker used to avoid paying the 20 cents per pound penalty on the sale of his surplus tobacco. Similarly in the signatures was admitted even by Baker's attorney, George

B. Greene, back to camera. The committee cut Baker's allotment to 1.8 acres for the coming year because he said he could not tell them what happened to the tobacco. Standing at left is Committee Chairman Roland Davis. County PMA Secretary Horace Mewborn is seated at the far end of the table. And behind Committeeman W. Ralph Taylor at right is Field Officer J. N. Bryan of the PMA state office, and Mrs. Jane Stocks, who took notes on the hearing. (Whitaker-Leffew Photo)

## Lenoir Planter Loses Practically His Entire Tobacco Allotment For Failure To Show Crop Disposition

Lenoir County this week...

...because it failed to account for some 25,671 pounds of the golden leaf. The accounting was not furnished to the county Production and Marketing committee in a Monday hearing by John D. Baker, Kinston, undertaken, accused of planting 49.3 acres of tobacco in 1949 in spite of his allotted 23.4 acres.

The 100 per cent plus overplanting was discovered at harvest time by the committee, and a 20 cents per pound penalty was assessed against Baker. He has paid \$1,762.79 in penalties for tobacco sold on his "red" marketing cards, but the remaining penalty bill against him is \$2,707.02. PMA County Secretary (Continued on page 5)

## BETTER FARMING WINNERS IN JONES



The smiling couple here is Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Phillips of the Chinquapin Township of Jones County, shown as they received their first place certificate and prize for winning the county contest in the Better Farming for Better Living program of the Tide Water Power Company. Doing the presenting is BFBL County Council President M. E. Hines. Mr. and Mrs. Phillips will now enter the District Better Farming Contest for a try at the county award. The award was made to them and 18 other farm families given in their home by the Maysville, Trenton and Pollockville Rotary Clubs at Trenton. (Whitaker-Leffew Photo)

## WINNERS AT DINNER

The progressive farm work of the year by 19 Jones County farm families and three agricultural organizations of the county was fittingly recognized last week. They were the winning contestants out of 117 original entrants in the Better Farming for Better Living program of the Tide Water Power Company.

The group was honored at a joint dinner of the Pollockville, Maysville and Trenton Rotary Clubs in the Trenton Agriculture Building. The winning couple of the 1949 period in Jones County was Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Phillips of Chinquapin Township. They received from Tide Water Agricultural Agent Neil Bolton and County BFBL Chairman M. E. Hines \$10 in cash and a handsome radio for their home.

Placing second in the contest with respective awards was Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Mallard of Mallardtown, and in third place was Mr. and Mrs. James Barbee of the Black Swamp Community. Winner in the younger Veterans classification was Mr. and Mrs. Duffy Trott of Maysville. Second and third place winners in the Veterans class, respectively, were Mr. and Mrs. James Nicholson and Mr. and Mrs. David Evans.

Other winners in the 1949 county contest were Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Mallard, Mr. and Mrs. Rom Mallard and Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Duval in the activities classification; Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Waller, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Jones, Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Mallard in the feeding the family classification; Mr. and Mrs. Albert Taylor and Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Simpson for field crops; and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. West and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Killingsworth for livestock.

## Comfort Officers

The Comfort Farm Bureau has elected the following officers to serve for the coming year: J. D. Pollock, president; Alba Howard, vice-president, and J. M. Hargett, secretary and treasurer.

## RUNNERS-UP IN BETTER FARMING CONTEST



Among the 19 farm families honored by the dinner given by the Maysville, Trenton and Pollockville Rotary Clubs in Trenton last week was the quartet above. They are, left to right, Mr. and Mrs. James Barbee of the Black Swamp Community and Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Mallard of Mallardtown. They were the runners-up in the Better Farming for Better Living contest of the Tide Water Power Company. All of the successful contestants present received awards of cash, merchandise or service. (Whitaker-Leffew Photo)

## EXPANDING ACREAGE IN SWEET POTATOES NEEDS LOCAL PLANT

By Jack Rider

Two widely separated but closely allied conversations during the past week offer a lot of food for thought, not only for me, but for everyone interested in the betterment of this section.

Ralph Wooten of Vance Township in Lenoir County (almost in Greene County) threw this fat in the fire first by suggesting that one of the services that this area needs badly is a dehydrating plant for processing of sweet potatoes for animal feeds. With the slowly expanding sweet potato acreage this section is now experiencing, the day is marching nearer and nearer when such a processing plant will be absolutely necessary, Wooten intelligently pointed out.

Later in the week, Jones County Agent Virgil Thomas told me about seeing a tenant's check for his share in ten acres of these succulent yams. The check was for \$1,119, which is by no stretch of the imagination something to be sneered upon.

Thomas pointed out that this check was just for the Grade A yams that had come from the acres of this farmer and that the income to this particular individual would have been much higher if he had been able to dispose of his "slips" and "jumbos" at a processing plant such as Wooten mentioned earlier to me.

Thomas said that a year or so ago a Trenton group got together and investigated the possibility of setting up such a plant in Trenton. The need of at least one such plant in the section could muster and the idea died almost before it had seen the light of day.

Thomas says that a plant in Kinston would most certainly draw the potatoes from Jones, Craven, Duplin, Onslow, Carteret and Pamlico counties and possibly Greene, Pitt and some other parts of Wayne since the nearest plant of this type is in Johnston County, near Four Oaks.

There is small chance of a single individual going out on a limb with one of these yam processing plants due to the fact that it is likely that the first (Continued on page four)

# Santa in Trenton Thursday Afternoon