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Scholarships For War Vet Orphans Can Be Obtained

Four-year scholarships are available to some orphans in Jones County and their guardians should see that they get the advantage of them, according to County Service Officer Daris Koonce at Trenton. They are the children of men who died of wounds in World Wars I and II, or thereafter from service-connected disability, he said.

Koonce said also that similar scholarships were available upon qualification to the children of war veterans with 100 per cent disability. He urged anyone with knowledge of young students in such circumstances to assist them to get the benefits by getting in touch with him at the Trenton Courthouse. He added that two such applications are now pending for the benefits.

Superior Court Term For Jones Cancelled

The term of Jones County Superior Court for the hearing of civil cases has been cancelled this week for the lack of cases ready for trial, it has been announced by Clerk of Superior Court Murray Whitaker. He had reported earlier that some 50 cases were lying on the civil docket of the court, some of them 20 years old.

Other investigation revealed that the cases were not ready for trial for a number of reasons, including vacations and a case of the shingles. State Senator John D. Larkins, Jr., in Trenton said he believed that the pre-trial conference procedure set up by the 1949 General Assembly should certainly be utilized to clear the jam of cases on the civil docket.

A criminal term of Superior Court is scheduled in Jones County

Fifteen Payments On FHA Loans In Jones Already Been Made

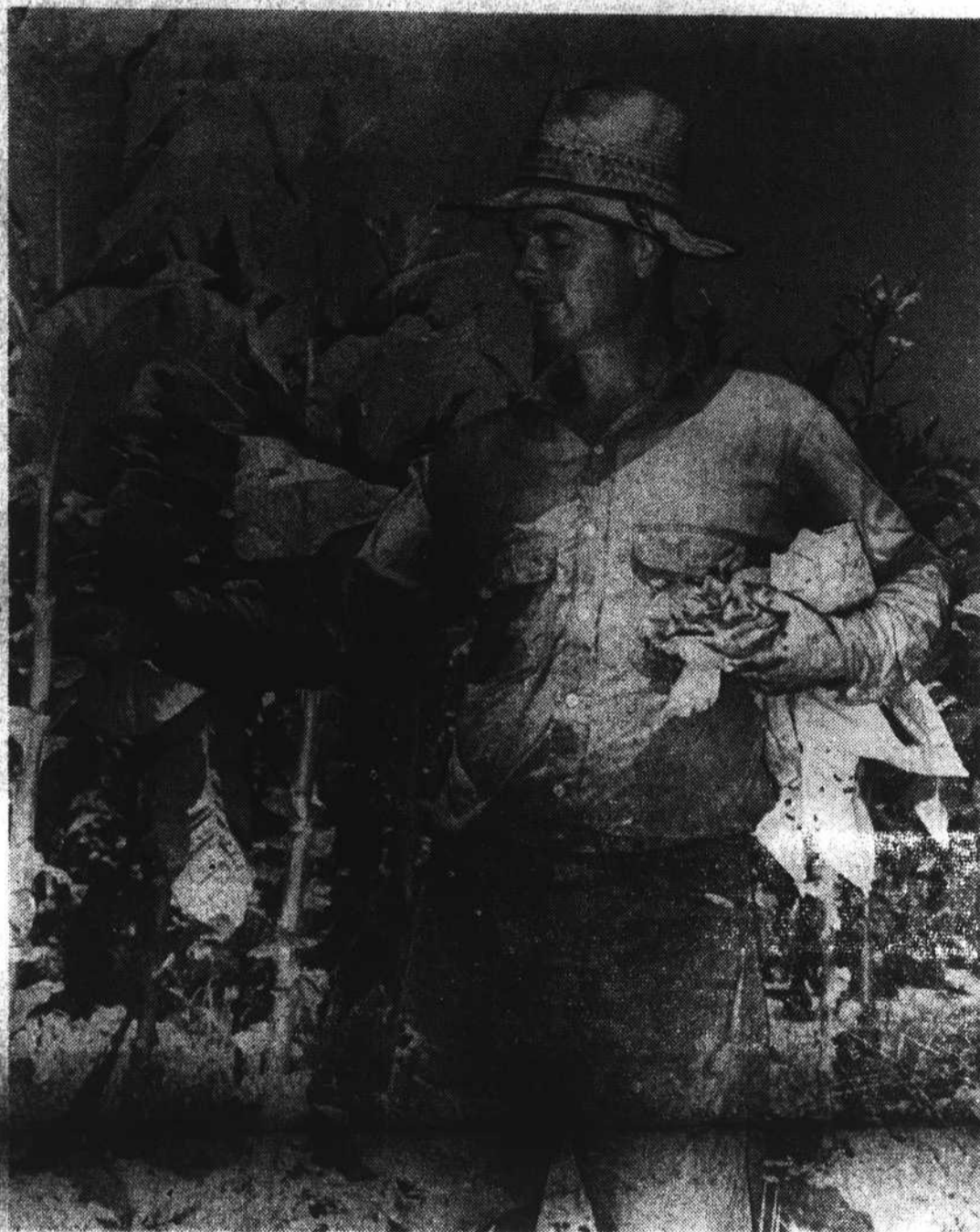
Prior payments have been received from 15 Jones County farmers for application on their Farm Home Administration loans, Supervisor Dennis Loftin has reported. The early money, he believes, has come from the sale of tobacco on Georgia and Border markets.

The payments have not been substantial, but in "dribbles", Loftin said. He added that he expects the number of such payments to increase considerably should there be any delay in the opening of the Bright Belt markets in this area.

Tobacco Opening

The Board of Governors of the Bright Belt Warehouse Association in a lengthy session Saturday night in Raleigh voted after heated debate to delay the opening of the New Bright Belt Warehouses until Monday, August 21, rather than the tentatively set date of August 18th. This change was made in order to give more time to buyers on Georgia-Florida markets where an unusually late crop has delayed sale of a goodly percentage of the crop. During the first week the New Bright Belt is open an additional hour of sales time has been granted to each market. This situation arises annually and smolders in between seasons with charges and counter charges flying back and forth between Georgia and North Carolina. The Carolina warehousemen are eager to get their sales going to stop tobacco from going to the border markets. Warehousemen who operate houses in Georgia and North Carolina are caught squarely in the middle on this deal and usually have to walk a tight rope when the voting is being done.

One of King Tobacco's Many Subjects



Abraham Lincoln was supposed to have liberated the slaves on January 1, 1863, but there is one tyrant left in these United States who still holds thousands of slaves in his harsh grip. The fellow pictured here is known to his friends as Bob Hardison and he lives in Neuse Township of Lenoir County. At this time of the year, for the sake of the season, let's be a little more romantic and call him one of King Nicotines many slaves. Toiling in the hot sun, bowing low ten thousand times a day to all the golden leaves from the tall, straight body of the slender stalk that means so much to this part of the world and contributes the principal ingredient to those little white sticks that hang upon the lips of just about everyone between the ages of 12 and the grave. At this time of the year Bob, and his fellow

slaves, await a brief emancipation, from the toil and sweat of the tobacco fields. They wait for the enchanting cry of the auctioneer who will tell them just how free they really are. If they have been lucky and have done a good job in tending to King Nicotine they will be richly rewarded, and for a time they may feel as free as the slaves in 1863 when Lincoln issued his Emancipation Proclamation, but they will not for long enjoy this new-found joy because in October they must again return to the job of fixing the plant bed with chemical weed-killers. From then until next August when the auctioneer speaks his liberating chant again, Bob, and all the rest, will return to the unseen shackles that bind them so closely to this sometimes benevolent despot named tobacco. (Whitaker-Leffew photo).

Representative Parrott Still Opposed To Stream Pollution Board; too Much Government by Commission, He Says

Lenoir County Representative Marion Parrott was one of the members of the 1949 General Assembly who fought successfully to kill the Stream Pollution Bill presented to that session. Recent state-wide publicity on this subject makes relevant Representative Parrott's views on that particular subject.

Parrott, in spite of being tagged as "in favor of stream pollution" by some of the "fighting liberals" of the 1949 assembly reminds that he is assuredly in favor of doing everything possible to eliminate stream pollution, but in an effort to correct this longstanding problem, he points out that he doesn't want to help create a worse situation. His position is clarified in the statement, "I don't want to kill the patient in order to cure him of his illness."

"The problem of stream pollution in North Carolina is principally one caused by the dumping of untreated sewage into the

streams by municipal corporations," Parrott declares.

Parrott admits that a great part of his opposition to the 1949 bill came from his belief that "we have too much government by commission today." Parrott and his colleagues who opposed the 1949 bill offered a substitute measure, calling for scientific examination of the subject by competent experts and specific recommendations to the 1951 Assembly as to what kind of laws were needed to do the most good toward easing the problem of stream pollution.

This measure was unceremoniously rejected by the "fighting liberals" who were obstinately set upon creating a commission with regulation-making powers and police authority—police authority which included "the right to enter at all reasonable times in or upon any private of public property from which they believe materials harmful to water may be discharged, for the purpose of making inspections with-

in the scope of their duties."

Parrott says that he is still opposed to the creation of a commission with such powers and feels that the proper method of approach is the writing of specific law by the General Assembly, setting forth the requirements for new establishments and retaining legal and police powers in the department already provided under the State Constitution.

Parrott maintains that correction of the stream pollution problem is important but that it cannot be done merely with the creation of a commission and he feels that there is plenty of room within the framework of the present constitutional processes to work toward ultimate correction of the situation.

"As a lawyer, however," Parrott asserts, "I'm foolish to oppose passage of such a legal booby trap because I'd get a lot of fees out of the litigation that is bound to come from such a commission."

Fred Whitaker Now District Veterans Service Officer

Fred Whitaker, who for the past year has been associated with this paper, has resigned to accept a position with the Veterans Administration in Kinston. Whitaker assumed the duties of his new position Tuesday of this week. He will serve an area embracing Greene, Craven, Jones, Onslow, Carteret, Pamlico and Lenoir Counties.

As District Veterans Service Officer Whitaker will assist veterans from these counties in filing claims against the government, in problems arising from their GI insurance and other aspects of the GI Bill of Rights. His office is in the Pearson Building at the corner of Blount and Queen Streets in Kinston.

Named to FHA Board

The membership of the Jones County committee of the Farm Home Administration has been completed by appointments to fill one expired and one unexpired term, it has been announced by Dennis Loftin, county supervisor. The two new members to join incumbent member W. E. Phillips of Trenton Route One, are Eugene T. Simpson of Maysville Route One and John M. Hargett of Trenton Route Two.

The county committee must approve all applications for FHA loans and acts in an advisory capacity to the FHA in the county, Loftin said. All committee appointments are on a staggered three-year basis so only one appointment is normally made each year. No committee member may succeed himself in the office.

Simpson's appointment will run until June 30, 1952, when the term of James L. Barbee of Maysville, who resigned, would have expired. The new, full period appointment of Hargett, replacing Dock A. Jones of Pink Hill Route One, runs until June 30, 1953. The term of the incumbent committee member expires after next year.

Premature Baby Is Now Doing Fine

One new Jones County citizen who began his earthly existence too early is now in his home in the Oak Grove community and doing nicely, the Jones County Health Department has reported. He is Alfred Hargett, Jr., who has just returned from the premature baby clinic supported by the State board of Health in Rex Hospital, Raleigh.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hargett, Sr., weighed only three pounds, one ounce when he was rushed to the center for a one month's stay. Now, however, young Alfred is a strapping youngster of six pounds and one-quarter ounce, the Health Department has reported.

See Lost Colony

A holiday by bus was taken this past week-end by 28 Jones County citizens, who visited Roanoke Island. The group, under the direction of County Agent A. V. Thomas, attended a performance of "The Lost Colony", spent the night on Saturday at the 4-H Club camp on the island and made a tour of the sightseeing area before returning to Trenton on Sunday.

Home Club Picnic

The Lenoir County Council of Home Demonstration Club Women will hold its annual county-wide picnic at 6 p. m. August 24th at Southwood School. Several hundred club-women and their families are expected to be on hand for this occasion which will be highlighted by a musical program under the sponsorship of the Southwood Home Demonstration Club. Dean Robert Smith of the School of Music at Flora MacDonald College will be the featured participant in this musical part of the program.