

Soil Conservation Gains In County Says G. W. Phelps

Nearly 20,000 Acres Taken
Care Of In Two Years.
Ellis Suggests Plans For
Cover Crop.

Complete conservation plans covering approximately 19,765 acres of farm land in Person County have been developed since the Dan River soil conservation district began operation in August 1939. Guy W. Phelps of the board of supervisors today reported.

Developing a complete conservation plan is the first step in bringing about actual conservation on the land. Mr. Phelps pointed out. Soil Conservation Service technicians assigned to the district assist farmers in working out their farm plans he explained.

Erosion cannot be controlled by any one remedy, Mr. Phelps continued. The purpose of conservation planning is to develop a plan for the farm as a whole, instead of trying to patch up the erosion scars here and there on the separate fields that make up the farm.

Before making a conservation plan, an inventory is made of the soil type, steepness of slope, degree and extent of erosion, and existing land use on every portion of the farm. With this information indicated on a map of the farm, the farmer and the conservation technician go over the farm field by field, working out land use changes and erosion control practices to hold the soil and provide a well rounded program for the farm.

In discussing the Person Conservation program Joe Ellis, Jr., work unit leader for the Soil Conservation Service in this area said that cultivation of Kudzu set out this spring is one of the most important requirements for survival and growth.

Unless clean cultivation is given, competition for moisture by other types of vegetation growing along the rows will seriously retard its growth the first year.

If necessary, weeds and grass should be hoed out of rows and sufficient plowing should be done along the rows to control other vegetation, to keep the soil well broken and to keep the vines dragged back to a relatively narrow strip along each row. By cultivating of this crop will catch each time, there is less danger of breaking the vines.

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New Troop Has Meeting At Its Regular Place

The newly organized Troop 63 met for its third time in its usual meeting quarters. Much business was cleared up and patrols formed. There are four patrols, but not yet organized fully. Frank Whitt was elected senior patrol leader, Burke Petty, bugler, and Wallace Kirby, troop scribe. The patrol leaders are Leamon Wilson, Bernard Petty, Reginald Jones, and Ralph Tingin.

"Going to Camp" was one of the main subjects which the boys discussed. Most of the boys in the Troop are going or at least expect to go. They also discussed the improvements that have been made at the camp.

After all business was discussed a game was played and then the meeting was dismissed with the great Scoutmaster's benediction.

BRITISH ENVOY ASKED TO COME TO FIRST SHOW

British Ambassador to Decide in June Whether He Can Attend Drama.

Washington, May 21—An invitation to Lord Halifax, the British Ambassador, to speak at Fort Raleigh on the opening night of "The Lost Colony," July 3, was extended by Representative Herbert C. Bonner.

The First District Congressman called at the British Embassy and conferred at great length with the Ambassador, who exhibited great interest in the proposal and has taken it under advisement.

Only the possibility that he may have to take a quick trip back to England deters him from giving an affirmative answer at this time, the Ambassador told Bonner. But he assured the Congressman that he would try to make necessary arrangements and would give him a definite answer about the middle of June.

"Lord Halifax is most anxious to accept the invitation," Bonner stated. "He asked many questions and expressed a deep interest in the spot where the English landed. I am very hopeful he will be able to accept the invitation. Whatever message he would choose to give the nation from Fort Raleigh would be delivered against an historically significant background which emphasizes the common origin of our two countries."

MRS. W. A. WOODY PASSES AT HOME IN BETHEL HILL

Rites For Well-Known Resident Conducted Today At Baptist Church, Of Which She Was One Of Oldest Members.

Funeral services for Mrs. Lucy Ranes Woody, 74, of Bethel Hill, whose death occurred Tuesday night at her home following an illness lasting two weeks, were conducted this afternoon at 4 o'clock at Bethel Hill Baptist church, of which she was one of the oldest members. Rites were in charge of the pastor, Rev. J. F. Funderburke. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Woody, whose death was caused by complications, was the wife of the late W. A. Woody, who until his death in 1925, was a prominent Bethel merchant.

Survivors include one son, R. B. Woody, of Bethel Hill, four daughters, Mrs. C. S. Walters of Blanche, Mrs. E. C. Cline, of Granite Falls, and Misses Marie and Lucille Woody of Bethel Hill, and two brothers, Newton Ranes, of Lacross, Va., and Charles Ranes, of Bethel Hill, also two grandchildren.

MUCH BETTER

J. A. Long, prominent Roxboro resident, who has for several weeks been a patient at Duke hospital, Durham, continues to improve, although it is expected to be some time before he will be able to return to his home here.

MISSION UNION TO MEET NEXT MONTH AT LEA'S

Mrs. W. R. Stone, Superintendent of Raleigh Division, Will Address Annual Meeting At Lea Bethel Baptist Church.

Thirty-ninth annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Beulah Baptist association, with a number of speakers from various churches in the association, will be held at Lea Bethel church, Tuesday, June 3, according to announcement made today.

At the morning session, which will begin at 10 o'clock, the devotional will be led by the Rev. J. N. Bowman, and the superintendent's report will be presented by Mrs. R. L. Wilburn. Greetings will be extended by Mrs. J. R. Williams and response will be by Mrs. L. A. Goodson. General theme of the conference will be, "Our Continuing Task, Making His Way Known." Divisional reports will be made by Miss Nina Rogers, secretary-treasurer, and by Mesdames W. F. West, Paul Worrell, A. F. Yarborough, Miss Ella Thompson, Mrs. Hester and Mrs. Garrett.

Luncheon will be served at 12:30 o'clock and at the afternoon session, beginning at 1:30, Mrs. W. D. Briggs, secretary of the State Woman's Missionary Union will hold an open conference. Leading address at the morning session will be given by Mrs. W. R. Stone, superintendent of the Raleigh division, who will have as her theme, "Continuing In Witnessing."

In the afternoon particular attention will be paid to young peoples' work and a report on this phase of activity will be given by Mrs. L. V. Coggins. A program feature will be a playlet, "No Time," presented by the young peoples' groups and directed by Miss Hursh. Special music will also be given and adjournment prayers will be offered by the Rev. A. F. Yarborough and the Rev. C. L. Sullivan.

T. E. STAINBACK WILL COME TO DRUG FIRM HERE

Henderson Man To Be At Roxboro Drug Company. Byrd Goes To Danville Store.

In this city today was T. E. Stainback, Henderson druggist, who will next Monday come to Roxboro to be associated with Roxboro drug company as pharmacist. Mr. Stainback will take the position now held by Clement Byrd, who is to be transferred to Johnson Drug company, Danville, Va., which is one of a number of stores operated by the owners of Roxboro Drug company.

Mr. and Mrs. Byrd have been popular residents here and many friends will regret to see them leave this city.

Mr. Stainback and his wife will establish residence here at once. They have been Henderson residents for ten or fifteen years, where Mr. Stainback has been associated with the Parker Drug company.

NOW IN CITY

H. M. Kennedy, formerly of Chatham, Va., arrived in this city and will have charge of the meat market at Pender's. Mr. Kennedy has the position formerly held by Horace Faulkner.

BOYS RECRUITED FOR FARM WORK

Experience With First Truckload Leads Raleigh Job Office to Policy of Caution.

Raleigh May 21—Unhappy experiences with a truckload of Raleigh Negro boys who went to the strawberry fields near Chadborn apparently have caused the Raleigh office of the State Employment Service to adopt a policy of extreme caution in recruiting such labor, particularly among children.

"It is the first truckload which has gone from here and is likely to be the last," L. J. Craven, manager of the office asserted.

Some ten days ago, the Raleigh office cooperated with strawberry growers to the extent of selecting a "runner" to round-up labor for the strawberry fields. The "runner" selected, one Lester Evans, reputedly an ex-convict according to reports to Randolph Johnson, Negro consultant with the State Board of Charities and Public Welfare, was to be paid 50 cents a head and went along as a picker himself.

The State child labor law exempts agricultural labor, but requires the permission of parents in such cases. J. Robbins Bacon, the farm placement officer of the Raleigh office, personally obtained the consent of some of the parents of the children, some of whom were only 12 years of age. But, in some cases, Bacon relied upon the statement of Evans that consent had been given. It now develops that parents of four of the boys deny flatly ever giving such consent. A few days after the boys left, complaints were made to the Wake County Welfare Department and when Craven heard of it, he spent \$13 sending for the boys and getting them back.

PLANS BEING MADE FOR PERSON FAIR

R. L. (Bob) Perkins, Manager, Announces Dates And Says Stock Facilities Will Be Improved.

Plans are now being made for the 1941 Person County Agricultural fair, to be staged at the fairgrounds north of this city, September 29 to Oct. 4 and according to R. L. (Bob) Perkins, manager, particular improvements are being made for facilities for the exhibition of livestock so that this feature of the fair will be larger than ever.

Mr. Perkins, who has for several years been manager of the fair, today said that premium books are being prepared and will soon be released. Listed in the book will be numbers of attractive premiums and prizes in various classifications, with special emphasis upon awards for farm products.

Entertainment features will also be provided, with many free acts. W. C. Kaus Shows, Inc., regarded as entertainment of high order, will furnish midway shows and attractions. The fair, said Mr. Perkins, will be operated in the same location.

HAS OPERATION

Miss Mary Virginia Clayton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Lester Clayton, who on Monday morning underwent an operation for appendicitis at Community hospital, is reported to be rapidly improving.

DEFENSE STUDY MADE BY CLUBS

Home Club Women in Piedmont Section Anxious To Aid In Defense Plan.

Home demonstration club women in Piedmont North Carolina are anxious to help in the preparedness program.

They realize that there is no place on earth where they would have a greater chance of happiness than in rural North Carolina—a land where each wants the best not only for members of her family but for the neighbors' family, too.

They have soils and climate to produce rich harvests; a section where many crops are grown, and where an abundance of food for the family and feed for livestock can be grown.

Realizing these privileges, and many others club women are anxious to do their part in a program to defend their nation.

Meals that are ample, meals that are well balanced, meals that taste good, meals that provide an abundance of protective food—all these play an important part in defense.

At the Lee Home Demonstration Club meeting the need for more dairy cows to increase the milk supply was discussed.

In Gaston County members expressed their willingness to help at least three of their neighbors in planning and conserving a food supply.

The planting of larger gardens and canning early to avoid droughts later on in the season are being stressed.

There were 2,964 persons who attended meetings in Caldwell County to discuss and plan for growing food and feed crops so that they might be as far as possible self-sustaining in the coming year.

It has shocked farm women that three out of every five men in North Carolina examined by the draft boards have been turned down because of physical unfitness. If the people are lacking in health in a nation all other forms of preparedness are worthless.

Because of these health conditions it is the intention of the club women to grow, produce and conserve an abundance of food so that they may serve well-balanced meals to their families and also encourage their neighbors to do likewise.

Even though it is gardening time club women are sewing for the Red Cross, and, as is true in many counties, Anson County Home Demonstration Club members offered their services and have completed for the Red Cross garments which have been sent out.

So, as emergencies arise, organized farm women will rise to meet the occasion.

School Library To Be Open On Alternate Fridays

Beginning tomorrow morning the Olive Hill school library, at request of patrons of the school, will be open on alternate Fridays from 10 to 10:30 o'clock in the morning. Children desiring to obtain books must have same signed for by their parents.

In charge of the library is Mrs. Maurice Daniel, Alive Hill parent teacher association president, who today said that she hopes the entire community will take advantage of the summer schedule for the library.

Griffin Has Not Heard Of Any Action Taken By Group

HERBERT C. DAY VICTIM OF HEART ATTACK TUESDAY

Rites Conducted Yesterday At Lea's Chapel Methodist Church For Reams Avenue Man.

Herbert C. Day, 38, of Reams avenue, this city died Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock at his home following a sudden heart attack, suffered a few minutes earlier while riding on a truck near the city limits. Mr. Day, an employee of Hyco warehouse, with Albert Jones, Negro truck-driver, was hauling lumber at the time he was stricken, near the Sam Barnette service station.

At Mr. Day's request Jones took him home, but the stricken man had to be carried into his house when they arrived. A physician and an ambulance were immediately summoned, but the physician, who was also acting coroner in the absence of Dr. A. F. Nichols, reported Mr. Day died shortly after being taken to the house.

Only member of the family at home at the time was a young daughter, Mrs. Day having gone to visit Mr. Day's mother, Mrs. Sallie Day, who had just been taken home from a hospital.

Funeral services for Mr. Day were conducted at Lea's Chapel Methodist church, at 3 o'clock yesterday by the pastor, the Rev. F. B. Peele, assisted by the Rev. W. F. West, of Roxboro First Baptist church. Interment was in Ebenzer Church cemetery.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Ollie Chambers Day, one son, Albert Day, three daughters, Misses Elizabeth, Frances and Eva Day, all of Roxboro; his mother, Mrs. Sallie Day, and a brother, Toppin Day, both of Person county, two other brothers, Bradsher Day, of Burlington, and Charles Day, of Norfolk, Va., and two sisters, Mesdames Effie Dixon and Minerva Wrenn, both of Danville, Va.

Rites Held For Edward Booth Of Caswell County

Funeral services for Edward Benjamin Booth, 63, of Milton, whose death occurred Sunday night in a Danville, Va., hospital, after a brief illness, were conducted yesterday morning at 11 o'clock at the late residence in Milton. Officiating was the Rev. S. F. Nicks, Methodist minister, of Hillsboro, assisted by the Rev. N. R. Clayton, of Milton Presbyterian church, by Al Yarborough and Mr. Patterson, also of Milton. Interment was in the Christian church cemetery at Semora.

Mr. Booth, who was taken to the hospital on Saturday, was an employee on Saturday, was Railway company. He is survived by three daughters, Miss Minnie Sue Booth, of Milton, Mrs. G. A. Williamson, of Rockville, Md. and Mrs. R. H. Voigt, of Washington, D. C., and two sons, Willis S. and E. B. Booth, Jr., both of Washington, D. C.

THANKS

The inmates of the Person County Home wish to extend their sincere thanks to the visitors Monday evening for the many nice things they brought. The inmates are glad to be among so many good Christian people.

Helena School Situation Still Unsettled, Bushy Fork Committee Met This Afternoon, Other Matters Being Considered.

Although Person Superintendent of Schools, R. B. Griffin this morning reported no new developments in the Helena high school controversy, which developed two or more weeks ago after the district school committee, of which J. G. Chambers is chairman, failed to re-elect four teachers previously employed there, it is understood that a second petition asking for re-instatement of one or more of them is being circulated and that definite action may be taken soon by the committee.

J. L. Hester, recently elected to serve as principal at Helena, in place of R. C. Garrison, resigned, has this week been in conference with Mr. Griffin, but no announcement has been made regarding Mr. Hester's successor at Bushy Fork, although several applicants, some of them from Person county, conferred today and yesterday with Robert Hester, chairman of the Bushy Fork committee, which met this afternoon.

No definite announcement as to successor to H. L. Price, principal of Person County Training School for Negroes, has yet been made, although applicants are being considered for this position and for four teaching positions at Roxboro high school.

Helena teachers not re-elected were Mrs. Penn Noell, Miss Gertrude Holt, Miss Eloise Pearce and Miss Margaret Warren, all of whom with exception of Miss Warren, had been with the school, for several years.

Scout District Group Meets On Tuesday Night

With C. A. Harris, district president presiding, regular monthly meeting of the Person Scout Leaders group was held in the office of Dr. A. F. Nichols Tuesday night. Discussion of plans for participating in activities at Camp Cherokee, which opens in July, was held and consideration was also given to the financial program evolved for purchase of the camp.

Leaders were urged to see that boys going to camp make reservations in advance. Regular reports of troop activities were presented, with particular emphasis upon the newly organized troop at Brooksdale.

Charlotte Has Quiet Holiday

Charlotte, May 21—The 166th anniversary of the day that a band of spirited Mecklenburgers repudiated the rule of King George III of England, passed without fanfare.

The city and county governments gave their employees a holiday, and the banks closed.

And in mid-afternoon several hundred Boy Scouts and the city school bands paraded through the business districts.

But otherwise, the day was very much as the others—except that it was hotter. The temperature was 93 degrees in mid-afternoon.