

SUPPLEMENTAL COTTON PROGRAM ANNOUNCED BY SECRETARY WICKARD

Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard today announced a supplementary cotton program for voluntary reduction of cotton acreage below the 1941 national acreage allotment, and for increased consumption of cotton goods, to be brought about by compensating cotton farmers for their additional acreage reduction with cotton stamps which may be used to purchase cotton goods. This program is to be accompanied by an intensive campaign to encourage improved living standards through more gardens and food and feed production for home consumption.

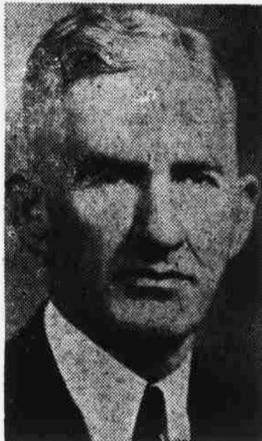
It was emphasized that this voluntary program announced today does not in any way change the basic conservation and parity programs already in effect under the AAA.

The supplementary program is being undertaken primarily because the export markets have been shut off by the war and to reduce further accumulation of Government stocks now amounting to nearly 12 million bales. It is estimated that under the proposed program the net effect may be a reduction in cotton production for the year of around 1,000,000 bales.

The program, which applies to the 1941 cotton crop, will be carried out by the Agricultural Adjustment Administration and the Surplus Marketing Administration. The AAA will administer the program in the States and counties and the SMA will provide and redeem up to 25 million dollars worth of cotton stamps which farmers will receive for their voluntary reduction. Farmers will receive stamps for planting less than their 1941 allotments or their 1940 measured acreage, whichever is lower, at the rate of 10 cents a pound times the normal yield of the underplanted acreage, up to \$25 per family in the case of share-croppers, tenants and owner-operators. Owners of more than one farm or of a farm operated by more than one tenant may qualify for up to \$50 worth of the stamps, based upon their share of the crop.

"This program offers an additional opportunity to improve the living standards of cotton farmers, to further reduce the acreage of cotton this year, and to provide more cotton goods for the people who produce cotton," Secretary Wickard said. "It is an ironical fact that many cotton producers have not in the past been able to buy needed cotton products. Equally important is the opportunity this program offers to offset nutritional diseases and poor health conditions among low income farmers through encouraging farmers to produce for home consumption more of the vegetables, fruits, dairy products and meat of which there is now a deficiency in many cotton areas. To emphasize and promote the production of food and feed for home consumption on cotton farms, additional small practice payments will be provided to increased food production for home consumption on

Legion's Guest



R. L. McMILLAN

Mr. McMillan, candidate for commander of the American Legion, will be the principal speaker at the organization meeting of World War Veterans at the Courthouse Tuesday evening.

The public is invited to attend this meeting.

those farms which qualify for cotton stamps in 1941."

R. M. Evans, Administrator of the AAA, said, "Any farmer, whether he receives cotton stamps or not, will be permitted to reduce plantings by any amount in 1941 and still receive full conservation and parity payments, and such underplantings will not affect his cotton allotment in 1942 and subsequent years. In addition to the reduction for which farmers may receive stamps, it is expected that as much additional acreage may also be taken out of production because of this provision. The supplemental plan gives farmers an opportunity to help improve the whole cotton situation, but it does not reduce the cotton acreage allotment in subsequent years. It is also an aid to soil conservation. The land farmers take out of cotton will be available for planting to soil-conserving and food and feed crops."

The cotton stamps which farmers will receive as compensation for participation in this program will be good for the purchase of cotton goods. The stamps will be identical with the stamps now used under the Cotton Stamp Plan which is already in operation under the direction of the Surplus Marketing Administration. The same general regulations which govern the use of the stamps under the Cotton Stamp Plan will govern the use of the special cotton stamps issued to farmers under the new program. They will be exchanged at retail stores for any cotton goods made entirely of cotton, grown and manufactured in the United

"Boom Town"



Clark Gable, Spencer Tracy, Claudette Colbert and Hedy Lamarr in "Boom Town" at State Theatre in Hertford Thursday and Friday, January 23 and 24.

States.

"Purchases made without the cotton stamp will not only provide additional markets for surplus cotton, but will also contribute materially to re-employment of labor in cotton mills, garment factories, wholesale and retail stores, and transportation systems throughout the country," Mile Parkins, Administrator of the Surplus Marketing Administration, said. "Something like 15 cents of the cotton stamp dollar spent at retail goes back to the cotton farmer directly. Most of the remaining 85 cents goes to employ labor, directly and indirectly. This has always been inherent in the process of distributing cotton goods. This re-employment aspect of the cotton stamp use is one of its major advantages. It means that not only farmers, but also labor, business and consumers profit from the operation of the program."

Regulations for the administration of the program by the AAA are being drafted. Details of the operation as they will affect cotton farmers, follow:

For planting less than the acreage allotment in 1941 or the measured acreage of 1940, whichever is less, stamps will be issued at the rate of 10 cents a pound time the normal yield of the underplanted acreage in 1941, but not to exceed \$25 per family in the case of sharecroppers, tenants and owner-operators. Owners of farms operated by tenants may qualify for a maximum of \$50 worth of stamps. Where a landlord received one-fourth of the crop, he will be eligible to receive one-fourth of the stamps, but not to exceed \$50 worth of stamps. For farms where the landlord received one-half of the crop, he is eligible to receive one-half of the stamps but not to exceed \$50 worth of stamps.

The agricultural extension service will carry on an intensive educational program in order that cotton producers may obtain the greatest benefits under the program.

The following is an example of how the new program would operate in the case of a farmer with a 10-acre allotment in 1941, and who planted 10 acres in 1940, and a normal yield of 250 pounds per acre. This farmer, if he planted within his acreage allotment of 10 acres, would receive full conservation and parity payments available under the program. However, if he wished to participate in the supplementary program, he could reduce his plantings by one acre, or have a total of 9 acres. For the acre reduced he would receive cotton stamps at the rate of 10 cents per pound for the 250 pound normal yield, or \$25 worth. If a farm with a ten-acre allotment had only 8 acres planted in 1940, a reduction to 7 acres for the 1941 crop would be necessary to earn \$25 worth of cotton stamps, if the yield were 250 pounds of lint cotton per acre. He could then exchange the stamps at his local retail store for cotton goods. The merchant would redeem the stamps, at face value, from the Surplus Marketing Administration.

BIRTHDAY SUPPER

J. H. Boyce was honored at a delightful surprise birthday supper on Tuesday evening, the occasion being his 59th birthday, by his wife, Mrs. J. H. Boyce, and two of his daughters, Mrs. A. M. Copeland and Mrs. Dallas White. The affair was held at the home of Mrs. Copeland.

Games and contests were enjoyed and later in the evening the guests filed into the dining room where a beautiful birthday cake centered the table. After a delightful supper, the guests returned to the living room, where the honoree opened and acknowledged each gift.

Those invited included the honoree, J. H. Boyce, Mrs. J. H. Boyce, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Miller, Jack Caddy, Mrs. John Caddy, Mr. and Mrs. Alden Caddy and son, J. H., all of Hertford; Mr. and Mrs. Ivy Cooper and children, Mr. and Mrs. Dave White and son, Mrs. Charlie Hobbs and son, all of Elizabeth City; Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Boyce and children, of Williamsburg, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Elliott and children, of Pentress, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Copeland, Mrs. Charlie Umphlett, Mr. and Mrs. Dallas White, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Harrel and children, Mr. and Mrs. Belvin Russell, all of Hertford.

EXTENSION NOTES

By FRANCES MANESS
Home Demonstration Agent

Let's begin now to plan our garden and not leave it up to one member of the family, but let's let every member have a part. With the war abroad and the Defense program at home, the garden should be given the most careful consideration. Let's not just plan for our family alone, but let's plan to have a surplus.

Mattress Project
Applications have been taken for 1,023 mattresses; 371 have been made. Within a few days we are opening up a new center to be used for colored families. The old center will be used for white families.

Schedule For Next Week
Monday, January 20 — Ballahack Home Demonstration Club meets with Mrs. M. M. Elliott.
Tuesday, January 21—Snow Hill-White Hat Club meets with Mrs. Raymond Eure.
Wednesday, January 22—Belvidere Club meets at the Community House.
Thursday, January 23—Helen Gaiter Club meets with Mrs. Tom Madre.

NEW HOPE NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Webb and children, of Norfolk, Va., visited Mr. Webb's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Webb, Sunday.

L. R. Webb has been ill, but is now improving.

Mrs. Tom Foster, who has been very ill, is now improving.

Marshall Sawyer and Harry Barber, U. S. Navy, visited the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Sawyer, Monday night.

Mrs. J. A. Sawyer and Miss Nita Sawyer visited the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Vann, of Somerton, Va., Sunday.

Mrs. J. A. Sawyer and Miss Nita Sawyer were in Elizabeth City Saturday.

Mrs. Tom LaSalle and little son, of Stony Creek, have returned home after spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. Pattie Sawyer.

Mrs. Mac Ward, of Edenton, spent Wednesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Webb.

Mrs. Alphonsa Chappell and little daughter, La Rue, of near Belvidere, spent Thursday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Webb.

Ervin Turner and his mother, Mrs. Joe Turner, were in Elizabeth City Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Speight, their daughter, Mrs. Fuller Taylor, and their granddaughter, of near Edenton, visited Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Benson Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Moody Haskett, of Nixonton, was the week-end guest of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Benson.

Mr. and Mrs. George Cluff and two children and Mr. and Mrs. Lon Perry left Sunday for their homes in Clifton, N. J., after visiting with Mr. Perry's mother, Mrs. Minnie Perry, for several days.

CLASS MEETING

The Judson Memorial Sunday School Class of the Hertford Baptist Church held its regular monthly meeting Tuesday evening, the hostesses being Mrs. Hudson Butler and Mrs. D. M. Jackson. After a short but interesting program and business session, the hostesses served dainty refreshments.

During the business session new officers for the year were elected as follows: President, Mrs. Thomas Tilley; vice president, Mrs. Norman Elliott; second vice president, Mrs. Arthur White; secretary, Mrs. Josiah Elliott; treasurer and pianist, Mrs. Charles Johnson; publicity chairman, Mrs. Tommy Miller.

Members present included Mrs. Charles Johnson, teacher; Mesdames Josiah Elliott, Thomas Tilley, D. M. Jackson, Leonard Winslow, Norman Elliott, Clinton Eley, Arthur White, Misses Alma Leggett and Reba Spivey.

The February meeting will be held at the regular time, 3:30 o'clock, in Room Number One at the Church, Miss Alma Leggett and Mrs. Arthur White will act as hostesses.

CHAPANOKE NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Smith, of Winfall, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Byrum.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. White, of Norfolk, Va., visited Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Quince Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. John Asbell and daughter visited Mr. Asbell's sister, Mrs. Virgie Lane, of Tyner, Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Lane fell on Friday, December 26, and broke her leg.

Mrs. Roy Branch and son, Arthur, of Portsmouth, Va., spent Wednesday with her mother, Mrs. P. L. Griffin.

Mrs. Bertha Whitehead and daughter, Al, visited Mr. and Mrs. Walton Whitehead, in Elizabeth City, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. J. C. Wilson was in Elizabeth City Monday.

Mrs. John Symons was in Hertford Monday on business.

Rev. Percy Trueblood, of Belvidere, visited friends here Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. White and daughter, of Chowan, spent Tuesday with their daughter, Mrs. Earl

Wilder, and Mr. Wilder.

Emmett Stallings, of the Portsmouth Navy Yard, spent the week-end with his family.

L. B. Sitterson, of Hertford, was here on business Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hill, of Hertford, called on Mr. and Mrs. John Asbell Monday evening.

Mrs. Earl Wilder, Mrs. John Asbell and daughter and Miss Lydia White were in Elizabeth City Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elisha Russell, of Pasquotank County, visited Mr. and Mrs. Elihu Lane Sunday afternoon.

BETHEL Y. W. A. MEETS

The Y. W. A. of Bethel Baptist Church met Friday evening with Miss Evelyn Long. The meeting was opened with a hymn, O. C. Long, Jr., conducted the devotional. Roll call was followed by the reading of the minutes. New and old business was taken up. Miss Madge Long gave an interesting program with several of the members taking part. The meeting was closed with a prayer.

The hostess served fruit and candy. Those present were Misses Ruby Keaton, Eunice Long, Cornie Lee Ward, Madge Long, Della Evans, Marjorie Proctor, Evelyn Long, and Lloyd Overton, O. C. Long, Jr., Edgar Long, Lloyd Evans, Emmett Long, Julian Long, Vance Proctor, Howard Long, Ernest Long, and Mrs. W. P. Long.

BETHEL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Graham Moore and children, of near Elizabeth City, visited Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Perry on Sunday.

Miss Frances Gertrude Fleetwood, of the Bailey High School faculty, of near Wilson, spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. J. M. Fleetwood.

Mrs. W. E. Hoffer and son, Jack, of Hertford, are visiting Mrs. W. P. Long.

Mr. and Mrs. Preston Rogerson, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Rogerson and daughter, of Ballahack, visited Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Cnappell on Sunday evening.

Mrs. Murray Perry has returned to her home in Norfolk, Va., after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Goodwin.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Davis and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe White Sunday afternoon.

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Baby Lima Beans	4 lbs.	25c

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CATSUP	Southern Manor	2 14 oz. bottles	25c
SYRUP	Old Virginia Cane and Maple	2 12 oz. bottles	25c
CHEESE	Land o' Lakes American	Per Lb.	21c
CORN	New Pack Cream Style	3 No. 2 cans	20c
SOUP	Habitant Pea No. 2 1/2 Can		10c
BREAD	Triple-Fresh Our Pride	2 large loaves	15c
COFFEE	Double-Fresh Golden Blend	2 lbs. for	25c

SOUTHERN MANOR

PEACHES	Fancy Yellow Glog Sliced or Halves	2 No. 2 1/2 Cans	29c
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