

Fire Prevention Subject Of Talks By County Ranger

Perquimans County Forest Ranger J. W. Nowell is making short talks on Fire Prevention in connection with his current program of distributing book covers to the sixth grade students of the county schools. These book covers, furnished by the Department of Conservation and Development, emphasize the importance of care in the use of fire. "Of course, everybody is interested in the damage wild fire does to our woodland," County Ranger Nowell said, "but experience has shown that sixth grade students are especially receptive to our book covers and their important message."

Mr. Nowell is also distributing the first poster in "The Little Tree" series to stores and business establishments through Perquimans County. Colorful and descriptive, the "Little Tree" series tells a picture story of the significance of tiny seedlings, nature's source of future timber. "We hear a lot about fires that destroy merchantable timber," County Ranger Nowell said, "such fires are destructive but people should also remember that it doesn't take a very hot fire to destroy tiny pine trees, and when you burn up the seedlings you destroy tomorrow's sawlogs."

New Hope News

(Left Over From Last Week)

Lawrence Spivey and daughter, Miss Betty Spivey of College Park, Maryland, spent the Thanksgiving holidays with relatives in and around New Hope.

W. E. Dail has returned home after visiting his children, Mr. and Mrs. Kermit Barclift, and Miss Celia Dail in Washington, D. C., and Mr. and Mrs. Austin Dail in Arlington, Va., for several days. He was accompanied home by his daughter, Miss Celia Blanche Dail, and granddaughter, Miss Patsy Barclift.

Mr. and Mrs. Murden Stokely were dinner guests of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ike Stokely, on Thanksgiving Day.

Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Perry were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Billie Winslow of Whiteston, N. C., on Thanksgiving Day.

Elmer Banks is in the Albemarle Hospital, Elizabeth City, for observation and treatment.

L. R. Webb, who has been sick for several days, is much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Forbes and Douglas Turner of Elizabeth City were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Turner during the Thanksgiving holidays.

Misses Celia Blanche Dail and Patsy Barclift returned to Washington, D. C., Sunday after spending Thanksgiving holidays with their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Dail.

BELVIDERE NEWS

(Left Over From Last Week)

Dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Stallings Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Simon King, Miss Syble King, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Pell and children of Shawboro, Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Bunch and children of Suffolk, Va., Mark Kenny USMC, stationed at Portsmouth, Va., Mr. and Mrs. Aaa Stallings and children and Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Stallings.

Mrs. George Riddick spent Monday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Lane.

Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay Stallings and son, Carl, visited Mrs. Stallings' father, Jordan Gregory, Thanksgiving Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Stallings and daughter, Dianne, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Chappell Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Stallings attended the funeral of Carl Parker Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Billie Stallings visited Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Stallings Friday afternoon.

noon. Mrs. Clifton Bunch and children and Mrs. Eddie Stallings visited their sister, Miss Anna King, Sunday. Miss King as some improved.

Governor Accepts Challenge Of Texas

Believing Tar Heels to be better turkey growers than Texans, Governor W. Kerr Scott has accepted a challenge from Governor Allan Shivers of Texas in which he expects to show him a North Carolina turkey that will outweigh any they produce in the Lone Star State.

The challenge, which is being issued to Governors in other leading turkey producing states, said in part: "It has been the practice of the Governor of the host state of the National Turkey Federation's annual convention to issue a challenge to the Governors of a few turkey producing states to compete for the heaviest turkey in the nation."

"Texas has always accepted this challenge. We, in Texas, believe in doing things in a big way and see no good reason why this competition should be limited to a few states, so as Governor of the great state of Texas where the world's best turkeys are grown, I hereby challenge you and your turkey growers to enter this competition for the heaviest turkey in the nation."

In accepting the challenge, Governor Scott said, "Texas is a big state and they grow a lot of turkeys down there, but I don't believe they grow them any bigger than we do here in North Carolina. We have always heard the Texans' tall tales about the bigness of their state and the things they produce in it. Now, we have an opportunity to make them back down a little bit and we are going to do it by showing them that our turkeys are just as big as the ones they grow."

Governor Scott has asked Ralph B. Kelly, poultry marketing specialist with the N. C. Department of Agriculture to select the "whopping gobbler", and Kelly is asking all turkey growers in the state to assist him by weighing and notifying him of any heavy turkeys they have on their farms.

"So far," Kelly says, "the heaviest turkey we have heard about is on the farm of Dan Jones in Johnston County. Jones has reported that he has one gobbler that tips the scales at 47 pounds."

"That is a good size turkey," Kelly said, "but it is quite possible that someone else has one a little heavier. The Governor would not have ac-

cepted the challenge unless he thought we had some turkeys here larger than they have in Texas. We do not want to let him down, so we would still be glad to hear from anyone who has a heavier turkey. We must find one that will outweigh the heaviest one they have in Texas."

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