

## Problem Of Diverted Acres Discussed At Agriculture Meet

Leonidas L. Lane, Helene W. Nixon and Ruby A. White represented the Perquimans County ASC at the State ASC Conference held in Asheville Thursday and Friday of last week. Some interesting and enlightening talks were reported by the County representatives. More than 400 committeemen and employees from 97 counties listened to discussions and talks by Hon. Ross Risley, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture and Dr. D. W. Colvard, dean of State College's School of Agriculture. Risley and Colvard pointed out the seriousness of the "diverted acres" problem faced by North Carolina farmers. Risley promised that "a decision may be expected soon as to whether there will be limitations on the use that may be made of diverted acres—whether there will be cross-compliance in the 1955 program." As more and more acres are taken out of crop production, Colvard said, it may be necessary to "transfer a lot of people out of farming" or else accept the prospect of lower per capita farm income. The only alternative to these steps, he added, is for farmers of the State to increase their volume of business and profit by producing greater crop yields per acre and per man.

State Agriculture Commissioner L. Y. Ballentine told the conference that the big farm problem is to produce enough but not too much. He further stated that farm surpluses have resulted from wider use of technology,

mechanization, government prodding, better management practices, and heavier use of fertilizer. "Under such conditions, if we hadn't overproduced, I would have been seriously concerned about our future supply of food and fiber." He said North Carolina has made tremendous agricultural progress since 1940 and will make much more in the next few years.

Other speakers were C. Brick Ratchford, Assistant Extension Director, and H. Brooks James, head of the Department of Agricultural Economics, both of State College, who discussed the pros and cons of farm price supports. They said that the functions of a price support program are to bring supply in line with demand at reasonable prices, and to aid the farmer in getting a fair share of the national income.

They said, "there are several reasons which can be substantiated by fact and logic for supporting the price of farm products. It is just as important to consumers as to farmers that price of farm products be supported." They pointed out that price support might be considered as one way of insuring an abundant supply of food and fiber. The cost of price support programs today is cheap insurance for the public.

Committee sessions and panel discussions on Agricultural Conservation Program, marketing quotas and acreage allotments, price supports and storage, and administration were attended by delegates from the 97 counties.

### CHAPANOKE NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Leigh of Colerain were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Boyce Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Pierce visited Mr. and Mrs. Mather Hurdle of Elizabeth City Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Blanchard of

Queen View, Va., and Mrs. George Whitehead spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Jackson. Mrs. Whitehead remained to spend some time with her daughter, Mrs. G. W. Jackson, and son-in-law, G. W. Jackson.

Mrs. L. B. Elliott, Mrs. C. P. Quincy, Mrs. A. H. Ross and Mrs. J. C. Wilson spent Thursday afternoon in Portsmouth, Va., where they visited J. C. Wilson at the Naval Hospital.

Mrs. George Jackson spent Tuesday in Windsor, where she attended a district executive meeting of the WSCS. Mr. and Mrs. Sam Sanderlin of Shawboro spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Maryland Boyce, Jr., also Mr. and Mrs. Willard Hurdle.

Miss Louise Wilson of Chowan spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. J. C. Wilson, and went to Portsmouth Sunday afternoon to visit her father, J. C. Wilson, who is in the hospital.

### WHITESTON NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Bauman and Mrs. Bessie Outlaw of Norfolk, Va., visited their sister, Mrs. L. L. Lane, Sunday.

Miss Sibyl Winslow of Washington, D. C., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Luther Winslow. She will return to Washington Monday.

The Men's Chorus motored to Newland Sunday evening, where they took part in the singinapration. Eighty-four from this community attended the singing, including the members of the chorus.

Mrs. Marjorie Stallings is spending sometime with her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Stallings.

The Harold Lassiter family of Norfolk, Va., is visiting relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Upton and children, Freddy and Susan, visited Mrs. Upton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Ralph White Sunday.

Willie Winslow of Belvidere is building a house here.

William Eugene Winslow is also building. His new house is located near his present home.

Messrs. Jasper, Branning and Alvah Winslow made a business trip to Littleton Friday.

After concluding a successful series of meetings here Dr. David Wilson of New York, left for his home early Monday morning, accompanied by the Rev. Jim Rahenkamp and Elwood White.

### BELVIDERE NEWS

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Copeland were Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Cannon, Jr., and three children of Denver, Col., and Miss Olive Layden.

Week-end visitors with Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Smith included Mr. and Mrs. Rhulader of Washington, D. C., and Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Chesson of Elizabeth City.

Mrs. Julian Chappell and son Johnnie spent Monday at their home here.

Saturday dinner guests of Misses Margaret and Lucy White were Executive Secretary Seth B. Hinshaw of Guilford College, D. Virgil Pike and the Harold White family.

Sunday visitors with the L. J. Winslow family were S. B. Hinshaw, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hinshaw of Ramseur and the R. M. White family of Norfolk.

Mrs. Flora Hurdle attended the commencement exercises of Guilford College. Her daughter Carolyn, one of the graduates, returned home with her Monday evening.

Week-end overnight guests of the D. Virgil Pike family were Secretary S. B. Hinshaw and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hinshaw.

Saturday evening and Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Willie Winslow and family were Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Winslow and family of Elizabeth City Route 3, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Riddick and two children of Whiteston, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Chappell and son James.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake White of Hertford spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Chappell and family.

Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Charlie T. Rogerson, Sr., included Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Ward and daughter Kay, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Chappell of Hobberville and the C. T. Rogerson, Jr., family.

### METHODIST CLUB MEETS

The Methodist Men of the Perquimans Charge met at Oak Grove Methodist Church Tuesday, May 25, for a dinner meeting. The WSCS served a country ham dinner that everyone present enjoyed.

Following the dinner the president, George W. Jackson, presided over a short business meeting which concluded with the election of officers for the coming year. Ralph F. Harrell was elected president, with Walter Symons as vice president, and Marvin Robbins, secretary-treasurer. Mr. Jackson expressed appreciation to the members for their help and cooperation in carrying out the various projects and programs for the year. There were 16 members and visitors present.

The Rev. Richard T. Commander, pastor of Riverside Methodist Church, Elizabeth City, was the guest speaker for the evening and he spoke on "faith healing," stressing the importance of complete faith and trust in God as a means of helping to be healed both physically and spiritually. The pastor, the Rev. H. M. Jamieson, closed the meeting with prayer. The next meeting is to be held at Woodland Church Tuesday, June 22 at 7:30 P. M.

## Rabies Inspector Warns Dog Owners

G. C. Buck, County Rabies Inspector, today issued a warning to dog owners who have not had their dogs vaccinated that time is fast approaching the deadline when this work must be completed. He urged them to comply with the law, and to bring their dogs to his residence any night between the hours of seven and nine.

## Final Cancer Clinic Planned For Friday

The last meeting of the Northeastern Cancer clinic until September will be held Friday, June 4, 1954, in Elizabeth City, N. C., at the Health Center with registration beginning at 1 o'clock.

A free chest X-ray will be given to anyone wishing it, along with the examination of the five areas of the body where cancer is most easily found and cured. There are no limitations as to sex, race, physical or socio-

economic status at the Center. However, there are age requirements. Women should be 35 or more; men should be 40 or over unless referred by a doctor, or unless one of the "Seven Dan-

ger Signals" or "Symptoms" are present. A priority may be secured by writing the Cancer Clinic, Elizabeth City. Examinees are asked to bring a robe or housecoat with them.

## To The Voters of Perquimans County

I wish to take this opportunity to express my thanks to all of my friends and supporters in the primary last Saturday.

Sincerely yours,

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