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ASC Soil Payments To County Farmers Totaled \$23,721

An annual report for the year 1955 released this week by the local ASC office revealed a total of \$23,721.82 was paid out to 329 farmers in Perquimans County for carrying out soil conservation practices during the year. Farmers matched these payments with their own funds in carrying out the practices.

1955 conservation practices for which assistance was given through ACP included permanent pastures, cropland pastures, year around cover crops, application of minerals, winter cover crops, ditch drainage and farm ponds for livestock.

Perquimans County ASC Committee together with representatives of Soil Conservation Service, Farmers Home Administration, and Extension Service, developed the 1955 Agricultural Conservation Program for Perquimans County. The soil and water conservation practices most needed on farms in Perquimans County were selected from the State list of practices.

The program year began on January 1, 1955 and ended December 31, 1955. Farmers participated on a volunteer basis, however, they were required to secure prior approval of the County ASC Committee for practices to be carried out before any payment could be established for a farm. The practices had to be performed according to good farming methods and specifications and report the performance of the practice within the time specified.

Crops under allotments within the county during the year, the report pointed out, were wheat, peanuts, cotton and corn. Twenty-two farms had wheat allotments totaling 118 acres; 568 farms had peanut allotments for 3,796.1 acres; 604 farms had 1,627.5 acres to cotton and 961 farms had 18,589 acres allotted for corn.

Corn, wheat and wool were principal crops which benefitted from support loans during the year. Twenty-one farm storage loans and 2 warehouse storage loans were handled through the local office for corn; one wheat loan was processed through the office and 20 applications were filed for an incentive payment on wool, lamb and yearlings.

Theatre To Give Free Show Passes

Free passes to see current pictures at the State Theatre will be given to local residents for a period of time to be determined by the theatre management, it was announced by B. L. Gibbs, theatre manager.

Names of county residents will appear in the State advertisement in this newspaper from time to time and passes will be issued to persons whose name appear in the advertisement when that person presents the advertisement at the State Theatre box office.

Car Safety Check Given Support By County Motorists

The little green and white stickers seen on the windshields of most of the motor vehicles throughout the county this week give ample proof of the popularity of the voluntary motor vehicle safety check conducted in Hertford three days last week by the Town of Hertford and the Board of County Commissioners.

M. G. Owens, who served as coordinator of the program in Perquimans, reported Monday that a total of 1,348 vehicles were safety checked during the three-day project. This figure represented approximately 70 per cent of all cars and trucks registered in Perquimans County.

Each vehicle which passed through the safety lane was given a 10-point check for the safe operation of the car or truck.

Assisting Mr. Owens in carrying out this successful program were members of the Hertford Police Department, the Highway Patrol, and representatives from local garages.

In giving out a report on the results of the program, Mr. Owens expressed his appreciation to all those who assisted him with the project and the motorists who helped make the program so successful.

Value Of County's 1954 Farm Products Totals \$3,336,099

The value of products sold in 1954 by operators of 888 farms in Perquimans County was \$3,336,099, according to a preliminary report of the 1954 Census of Agriculture published by the Bureau of the Census, U. S. Department of Commerce.

The value of all crops sold was \$2,654,601 and included \$2,578,454 for field crops, \$79,802 for vegetables, \$1,345 for fruits and nuts.

The value of all livestock and livestock products sold was \$637,973 and included \$7,069 for dairy products, \$78,920 for poultry and poultry products, and 1551,984 for livestock and livestock products.

The value of forest products sold from the county's farms was \$43,525.

Information on the value of farm products sold is presented for each county in a preliminary State report, copies of which may be purchased from the Bureau of the Census, Washington 25, D. C., at 10 cents each.



THE BIG BANG—A 280 mm "atomic" cannon is fired on the west range at Fort Sill, Okla., to train crews and test weapons and crew for accuracy and speed. The long lanyard is pulled by the loader at the left on signal of the officer with raised arm. This is the Army's largest artillery piece. Fully mobile despite its 84-foot length, it will fire a shell to an effective range of 20 miles.

Wallace Baker, Jr. Winner In Safe Bus Driving Contest

Ann Rebecca Ferrell of Route 2, Elizabeth City, and Wallace Baker, Jr., of Route 1, Belvidere, were declared winners of the school bus safety driving contest for this district conducted Tuesday at the Maple Airstrip.

Mrs. Alice E. Futrell, field representative for District 2, Department of Motor Vehicles and Cpl. R. A. Tripp of the Highway Patrol, were in charge of the contest.

The winners will receive a trophy and will be given a free trip to Chapel Hill where they will compete against winners from the 29 other districts in North Carolina. The two State winners will be given a \$500 scholarship each.

Mrs. Futrell reported that there was much enthusiasm in the contest with 22 contestants from the seven counties in the district competing.

Miss Ferrell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Ferrell, has been driving a school bus for Central school for two years and three months.

Baker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Baker has been driving for two years for Perquimans High School. Miss Jean Long of Perquimans High School was second place winner in the girl drivers' contest and Frank Locke, driver for Buckland High School, was second high for the boys.

More Volunteers Needed For Local Observation Post

The Perquimans County Ground Observer Corps is now an important part of the defense system of the United States; all members are responsible for the safety of people in this area, it was reported by Billy White, chief of the local post. "This should increase the sense of responsibility on the part of those who have taken the time and put forth the effort of becoming a member of the G.O.C.," White said.

With the G.O.C., playing such an important role in Civil Defense it needs more and more volunteers to maintain the quick warning system. Mr. White stated the local post is in need of more members to relieve the present roster of members as to time served at the post. He pointed out that illness, vacations and other matters make it necessary to have replacements for members of the post.

White announced that individuals who can serve as a volunteer observer any time between 6 A. M. until midnight, Monday through Sunday, for only two hours a week, or maybe every two weeks, should contact him or Mrs. Marion Swindell and volunteer their services.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT
Lieut. and Mrs. Lucious C. Butt, of Enid, Okla., announce the birth of a daughter, Catherine Lee, on April 20, 1956. Mrs. Butt is the former Miss Frances Ann Rountree of Hobbesville.

Governor Hodges Given Huge Lead By County Voters

Governor Luther Hodges, seeking a full term in the Governor's chair, was given a commanding majority by Perquimans voters in the primary election held last Saturday. Unofficial returns tabulated Saturday night showed Hodges receiving 515 votes while his three opponents garnered only 98. Harry Stokely received a total of 53 votes for the office while Tom Sawyer polled 27 and C. E. Earle, Jr., received 18.

In the five-man race for the office of Lieutenant Governor, Luther E. Barnhardt received 393 votes, Alonza Edwards 138, Gurney Hood 45, J. V. Whitfield 28 and Kidd Brewer 14.

Senator Sam Erwin, Jr., seeking re-election to the U. S. Senate, had a total of 453 votes while his opponent, Marshall C. Kurfess, got 89. Y. L. Ballentine had 423 votes to 121 for Kermit Gray, in the race for Commissioner of Agriculture.

In the contest for the office of Commissioner of Insurance Charles F. Gold, seeking re-election, received 414 votes while his opponent, John N. Frederick received 104. The three-man race for the office of Commissioner of Labor ended with the incumbent, Frank Crane polling 242 votes to H. D. Lambeth's 146 and James Farlow's 108.

The only local race in the primary centered around filling three positions on the Board of Education and resulted in the incumbents, D. H. Eure, S. M. Long and George Caddy receiving the nominations. Herbert N. Nixon was the fourth candidate in the contest. Votes received by the four were Eure 398, Long 385, Caddy 461, Nixon 323.

4-H Picnic Planned For County Youth

A county-wide picnic for all 4-H Club boys and girls in the county will be held on Friday, June 8, at 4:30 o'clock at Camp Perry. Miss Nancy Henderson, Assistant Home Demonstration Agent, stated that all 4-H boys and girls are invited to attend and there will be lots of food and fun for all. It will not be necessary to bring food as this will be provided.

Board Of Education To Meet Friday P. M.

The Perquimans Board of Education will meet Friday night at 8 o'clock in the office of the superintendent of schools with a number of important matters to be considered. The Board is expected to take action on approval of teachers for Perquimans Training School and pass upon other items pertaining to the close of the present school term.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT
Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Reed, Jr., announce the birth of a son, Gary Bryan, born Monday, May 28, at the Albemarle Hospital.

Perquimans Class Of 1936 In Reunion Here Last Saturday

The class of 1936 of Perquimans High School held a reunion in the form of a banquet, at noon on Sunday, May 27, at the school cafeteria. A color scheme of blue and gold was carried out in the decorations and floral arrangements.

O. C. Long gave the invocation. Henry Stokes, Jr., acted as toastmaster and welcomed the other members of the class. He read portions of letters from classmates who were unable to attend the reunion. Members of the class introduced their husband or wife and told briefly of their families and present location. F. T. Johnson gave a few recollections of his association with the class.

Mrs. Fannie Eure Hurdle, who was class prophet in 1936, re-read the prophecy of their class night, entitled "Twenty Years Hence" and compared it with the members' actual accomplishments. Mrs. Prue Newby Reed, who was class gift-officer, presented gifts to Mrs. Syble Lamb Perry, who has the oldest child; to Henry Stokes, who has the youngest child; to Mrs. Mable Spivey Keel who has the most children; to Roy Reed who traveled the most miles attending the reunion; and to Haywood Umphlett, the mostly recently married. Door prizes were awarded to Mrs. Lillian Rae Perry Zerosa and Mrs. Ruth Nachman Stephenson.

The Keel Sisters Trio entertained with several musical selections. The group, after making plans for future reunions, sang the school song.

Attending the reunion were: Mr. and Mrs. Roy Reed of Covington, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. John Robert Eure of Richmond, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Whitney of Holland, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Perry of Carrsville, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Godwin of Suffolk, Va.; Miss Ruth Spivey; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wilder, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Henderson.

Cartwright Rites Held Last Sunday

Funeral services for Mrs. Delilah Monds Cartwright, who died early Friday morning, were conducted on Sunday afternoon at three o'clock in the Mt. Sinai Baptist Church by the Rev. Carl Chandler, pastor.

The church choir sang "The Old Rugged Cross" and "What A Friend We Have In Jesus," accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Ernest A. Morgan.

The casket was covered by a pall of white carnations, white gladioli, Easter lilies and fern.

Pallbearers were Harmon Lowe, William Lowe, Allen Lowe, Bruce Lowe, Elton Albert Umphlett and Donald Cartwright.

Burial followed in the family cemetery near Chappell's Hill.

Mrs. Cartwright was a native of Chowan County but had lived on Hertford, Route 2, for the past 33 years. She was the daughter of the late Jeffries and Rebecca Lane Monds and the widow of the late Henry E. Cartwright and was one of the oldest living members of Mt. Sinai Baptist Church.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Lucy Lowe of Hertford, Route 2, and Mrs. Ida Umphlett of South Norfolk, Va.; six sons, Albert Cartwright of Grandy, Henry Cartwright of South Norfolk, Va., Oscar Cartwright of Norfolk, Va., George Cartwright of Hertford, Route 2, James Cartwright of Orlando, Fla., and John O. Smith of Route 2, Hertford; two sisters, Mrs. Sara Lane of Tyler and Mrs. Nettie Dail of Center Hill; one brother, Reil Monds of Portland, Oregon; 27 grandchildren, several great-grandchildren and nieces and nephews.

Fifty Four Seniors Awarded Diplomas Here Tuesday Night

Wins 4-H Honors



Miss Rachel Spivey has been chosen to represent the 4-H Club girls of North Carolina at the 4-H Short Course at VPI, Blacksburg, Va., June 18-23. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carson Spivey of Route 3, Hertford.

Rachel has won many honors in the 4-H Club, such as being State winner in Room Improvement and a trip to Chicago. It is by these honors, that she has earned and her entire record in 4-H work, that she has been selected to represent North Carolina.

Albemarle League To Open Tuesday With Chowan Here

The first round of games in the Albemarle League will get under way next Tuesday, June 5, with a game being played in Hertford between the Perquimans Indians and Chowan. Game time is 8 o'clock.

The Indians will also play Camden in Hertford next week, playing the contest on Friday night.

Claude Brinn, business manager for the local club, stated season tickets for the 15 home games to be played by the Indians are now on sale and may be purchased at a discount price. These tickets are good for games played in Hertford but will not be good for play-off contests at the end of the season.

Hank Christgau, manager of the Indians, reports the local team is rounding into shape for the opening contest although the team will not be up to full strength until some of the prospective players arrive home from college. Christgau said the 1956 Indian outfit will be composed of many of the players who performed here last season.

A. W. Hefren, president of the league, stated he is anticipating a fine season for the league which will operate under similar rules used in the past two years. These rules provide for each team to use non-paid players, mainly of the home-talent type.

Teams making up the league this season include the Indians, Camden, Elizabeth City, Chowan, Coleman and Williamston.

Light Docket In Recorder's Court

A light docket, consisting of only four cases, was disposed of in Perquimans Recorder's Court here last Tuesday morning.

Herman Jones entered a plea of guilty to charges of speeding and paid the costs of court.

Furman Brickhouse, Negro, was fined \$10 and costs after he entered a plea of guilty to a charge of assault.

Herman Haynes, Negro, was found guilty on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon. He was ordered to pay a fine of \$25 and the sum of \$18.50 for a hospital bill incurred by Fred Rountree, Negro.

A sentence of one day in jail was handed down in the case in which George Davenport, Negro, was found not guilty on a charge of reckless driving but guilty of resisting an officer.

Closing exercises at Perquimans High School for the current school term were concluded Tuesday night when 56 members of the graduating class were awarded diplomas by J. Edgar Morris, chairman of the Board of Education.

The commencement program was conducted by members of the graduating class, Jesse Ray Mansfield, Judy Winslow, Lois Violet Winslow, Wallace Baker and LaRue Chappell.

Following presentation of the diplomas, E. C. Woodard, principal, announced the winners of a number of awards and medals and presented these to the honorees. Judy Winslow was the winner of the chief medal for scholarship and achievement; sportsmanship medals went to Barbara Jean Russell and Julian Howell; activity medals to Bobby Matthews and Jo Pat Stokes; citizenship medals were awarded to Katherine Sawyer and Charles Whedbee; dramatic awards were won by Jesse Ray Mansfield and Annie Reed Stokely; outstanding undergraduate student was Edgar Fields; debate medals were won by Bobby Matthews, Jean Edwards, Mable Keel and Rachael Spivey; Lois Violet Winslow won the medal for outstanding work in journalism; Wallace Baker received the award for being most valuable to Student Council; Ray Winslow was awarded a medal, presented by Mrs. B. G. Koonce, for the highest grades; BPW Club commercial medal was won by Annie Lou Lane; Joe Rogerson won the Buck Plaque awarded for outstanding work in Agriculture; Joseph Proctor won the William C. Chappell award for highest grades in Agriculture in the freshman class. Jesse Ray Mansfield won the DeKalk award for excellence in agriculture.

The school held eight grade promotion exercises on Wednesday morning during which perfect attendance certificates were presented and awards made to graduating athletes and cheerleaders. Lions Club pins were also awarded to school bus drivers.

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

A new farm law, signed this week by the President, is expected to help bolster sagging farm prices, according to reports from Washington. The law retains many of the sections previously used for the farm program and also includes a new proposal incorporating a soil bank aimed at taking land out of production, as a means in cutting down surplus commodities.

Incomplete returns from the Florida primary, held Tuesday, showed Senator Kefauver holding a slight lead over Adlai Stevenson for the presidential nomination on the Democratic ticket. Reports stated Stevenson was expected to overcome this lead when all reports were complete. These two leading candidates are now in California bidding for delegates from that state, the last big primary prior to the party convention.

Top Russian leaders will not be invited to visit the United States, at least not for the present time, it was reported from Washington this week. A decision was reached among U. S. officials following hints by the Russians seeking an invitation.

Three major bills pertaining to foreign aid, a federal highway program and changes in social security laws are expected to receive attention from Congress prior to adjournment in July. Congressional leaders say new laws on these subjects will be enacted before Congress adjourns.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT
Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Landing announce the birth of a son, Emmett Eugene Landing, Jr., born May 22 at the Albemarle Hospital. Mrs. Landing and son returned home Saturday and are getting along nicely.

COUNTY VOTE BY PRECINCTS

	Hertford	Bethel	Belvidere	Parkville	New Hope	Niecanor	Total
Governor:							
Hodges	328	31	24	74	35	23	515
Sawyer	15	1	1	8	2		27
U. S. Senate:							
Stokely	31	11		4	2	9	53
Earle	12	4		2			18
Erwin	290	40	18	56	32	17	453
Kurfess	58	4	6	18	1	2	89
Lieutenant Governor:							
Barnhardt	265	26	10	41	20	22	393
Edwards	68	15	15	30	6	6	138
Hood	18	7	1	14	3	1	45
Whitfield	24			2			26
Brewer	10	2		1	1		14
Commissioner of Agriculture:							
Ballentine	293	26	18	58	27	13	423
Gray	67	16	5	18	9	6	121
Commissioner of Insurance:							
Gold	284	26	15	51	26	12	414
Frederick	58	12	5	16	5	8	104
Commissioner of Labor:							
Crane	172	20	5	24	14	7	242
Lambeth	105	7	7	18	7	2	146
Farlow	52	11	10	21	6	8	108
Board of Education:							
Eure	332	30	18	56	32	20	398
Caddy	293	34	16	72	39	21	461
Long	222	32	25	65	28	13	385
Nixon	206	29	13	39	18	19	323