

Storage Facilities Wool Marketing Year Ends Tuesday

Perquimans County farmers who produced and will market wool or unshorn lambs by March 31 will have until the last of April to apply for payments under the Wool Program. Payments will be received this coming summer. If he makes his sale after March 31, the transaction will go over into the next marketing year and will earn a payment in the summer of 1960.

These payments are based on the percentage needed to bring the National average price received by producers up to the incentive price of 62¢ per pound. Most of the information needed to compute the National average price will come in through the Wool Program applications. The rate of payment can't be figured until after they are all in at the end of April.

George Beimon, Perquimans County ASC Office Manager, states that wool is different from most of our agricultural commodities today, in that we do produce all we use in this county, but are on a net import basis. The Wool Program is an incentive type program through which the government seeks to encourage increased production of domestic wool.

Bellmon says it is important that growers who sell wool and lambs to have accurate records of all sales of wool and both purchases and sales of lambs. This information is necessary in applying for payments at the county ASC office.

4-H Demonstration Given By Agents

"Mrs. Ant . . . The All-American Pest" was the title of the 4-H Club demonstration given by Richard Bryant and Ila Grey McIwean County Extension Agents at 4-H Clubs this month. The Agents stated that ants are irritating and undesirable in

and around the home. They bite and sting, damage lawns and gardens, and provide a general aggravation by their presence. The ant world is made up of eggs, young and adults. The males die after mating, leaving the responsibility of the colony to the females, caste system workers, soldiers and queens. Ants rank high in intelligence and they live in all climates inhabited by man. Man can strike back at the pesky ant with insecticides containing chlordane, available in many forms and sold under many trade names. It is well to apply insecticide to accessible places, along baseboards, on floors in the home, or to locate the nest and treat it in the house. It was hoped by the agents that 4-H members would follow hints given and say "Good-bye" to Mrs. Ant . . . The All-American Pest."

Assembly Program Given By 4-H'ers

The 4-H Clubs at the Winfall Grammar School presented a play, "The Story of 4-H From The Green Years To The Golden Years". The play was presented at assembly programs at Hertford Grammar School and at Perquimans High School.

At the Hertford Grammar School, Billy Williams, Tommy Harrell, Charles Woodard, Judy Reed and Marta Mathews were members of the cast. The devotional was presented by Sidney Ann Blanchard and Rachael Bass.

Becky Gregory acted as mistress at Perquimans High School, of ceremonies. Participating in the play were Vernon Winslow, Wayne Howell, Willis Williams, Phyllis Hendren and Carolyn Faye Rogerson.

March 18-25 4-H Demonstrations will be "Help Mother With House Cleaning"—for the girls, and "Forestry" for the boys.

Ambition is our idol, on whose wings

Great minds are carry'd only to extreme;

To be sublimely great, or to be nothing,

—Thos. Southern.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

I enjoyed reading about the exchange student from Switzerland in last week's Perquimans Weekly. I was especially interested in the statement that her movie produced ideas about America were all wrong. As I remember it the girl from France who spoke before the Rotary Club last year said a similar thing. Last summer as the North Carolina Methodist Caravan crossed the ocean going to Europe we met Hero David, a young man from India who said a similar thing. (Hero had been studying in America for five years and was going home.) The Caravan spent the summer in Europe working, praying, singing and fellowshipping with European and fellowshipping with European.

We closed our Berlin visit with a testimony meeting in a Methodist Church two blocks from the Russian zone. Three of our young people (one of them Miss Carolina Wright, our local public school music teacher) told our German audience what the Christian way of life means to her. Ten days later when we arrived in Rotterdam, Holland to get the ship home, we found a letter waiting for us. The letter was from the Berlin Pastor's 21-year-old son who was our guide and interpreter. He said, "After the meeting Tuesday night a lot of people came to

my father in order to thank him for your wonderful testimonies and hymns: Many said: 'This is an unforgettable meeting for us!' Brother Marinski said: 'It was very difficult to show them what we think and want, and to see what they think and want—but now I love all Americans double.' (There were other similar statements which I shall omit for lack of space). The letter continues, "The technical development of the last hundred years gives us the possibility of knowing more about people living outside our own country than ever before. But this knowledge about foreign people, as you know, is not a true one, because the reports given by papers, radio or television normally show only one side of the subject. So many people have wrong ideas about the U.S.A., and the people living there. If they hear the expression 'U.S.A.' they think of 'Golden West', 'Skyscrapers', 'Hollywood', 'Hot Music', 'Chewing Gum', and things like that—or perhaps they think of gift parcels. But what do they really know about your country and your problems, "This bad situation can only be changed by a personal contact between men and women from different countries. It seems to me that such a Youth Caravan is the best of all possible ways to build bridges of love between our nations."

Students from Switzerland, France, India and Germany all

have found the American way of life to be desired when they see it first-hand. Surely the student exchange program is a contributing factor to world peace, as it understands between nations, breaks down barriers and misunderstandings. The local Rotary Club is to be commended for having the exchange students here, and you Mr. Editor are to be commended for giving her testimonies full coverage.

Thank you,
James A. Auman

Negro 4-H Clubs Are Organized

Two new Negro 4-H Clubs were organized in the Durants Neck community, under the direction of 4-H club leaders and Mrs. M. B. Taylor, agent. The purpose of the clubs will be to improve project work within the community.

Officers of the Busy Bee 4-H Girls' Club are Joyce Mallory, president; Rita Mallory, vice president; Edith Whidbee, secretary; Dorothy Leigh, treasurer; Georganne White and Sarah Johnson, song leaders.

Heading the Durants Neck 4-H Community Meeting will be Walter Leigh, president; David Skinner, vice president; Dorothy Leigh, secretary; Ella White, assistant secretary, and Vernon Mallory, treasurer.

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ASC Urges Farmers To Install More

Specialists at N. C. State College have published information to the effect that North Carolina is falling far behind in the provision of storage for their annual grain crop. North Carolina, they say, produces about 120 million bushels of grain each year. Seventy percent of it is corn. Recent construction has brought the state's acceptable grain storage to about 27.8 million bushels. Some 20 per cent of our production is still sold at harvest time for relatively low prices. A recent study by college officials show that eastern North Carolina alone can now support 3½ million bushels of additional storage.

George Bellmon, Perquimans County ASC Office Manager, has stated that for the majority of farmers in this county, availability of suitable storage space could mean the difference between a reasonable profit and a loss on their grain crops. Actually, since farmers can't be sure that their crop will be early and they will not have grain to sell or store at the height of the marketing season, all farmers should examine their storage facilities now to see if they will be adequate to take care of this year's crop. If adequate stor-

age is not available they should take steps to provide the needed additional storage.

Bellmon says that loans are available at the ASC office which are designed to help farmers get needed farm storage and drying equipment. Under these loan programs, farmers can borrow money at a low rate of interest to cover a large part of the cost of additional farm storage space and drying equipment needed for grain. All interested farmers are urged to visit the local ASC office for full details of these loan programs.

Jaycees To Name Teenager Of Year

Preparations are under way by the Hertford Junior Chamber of Commerce for the selection of the "Teenager of the Year" for Perquimans County, it was announced by Walter Humphlett, Jr., Chairman of the committee for this event.

Mr. Humphlett stated nomination blanks have been sent to all civic organizations in the county, and that individuals desiring to nominate a teenager for this award may secure a blank from him or Keith Haskett. All nominations must be in the hands of the Jaycee committee by Friday, April 10. This annual program is part

of the state Jaycee project and the Perquimans winner will be a participant for state honors. The selection will be made by a group of impartial judges.

To be eligible as a nominee the teenager must be between the ages of 13 and 19, and a resident of Perquimans County. Selection will be made on basis of accomplishments, honors, positions held and club representation.



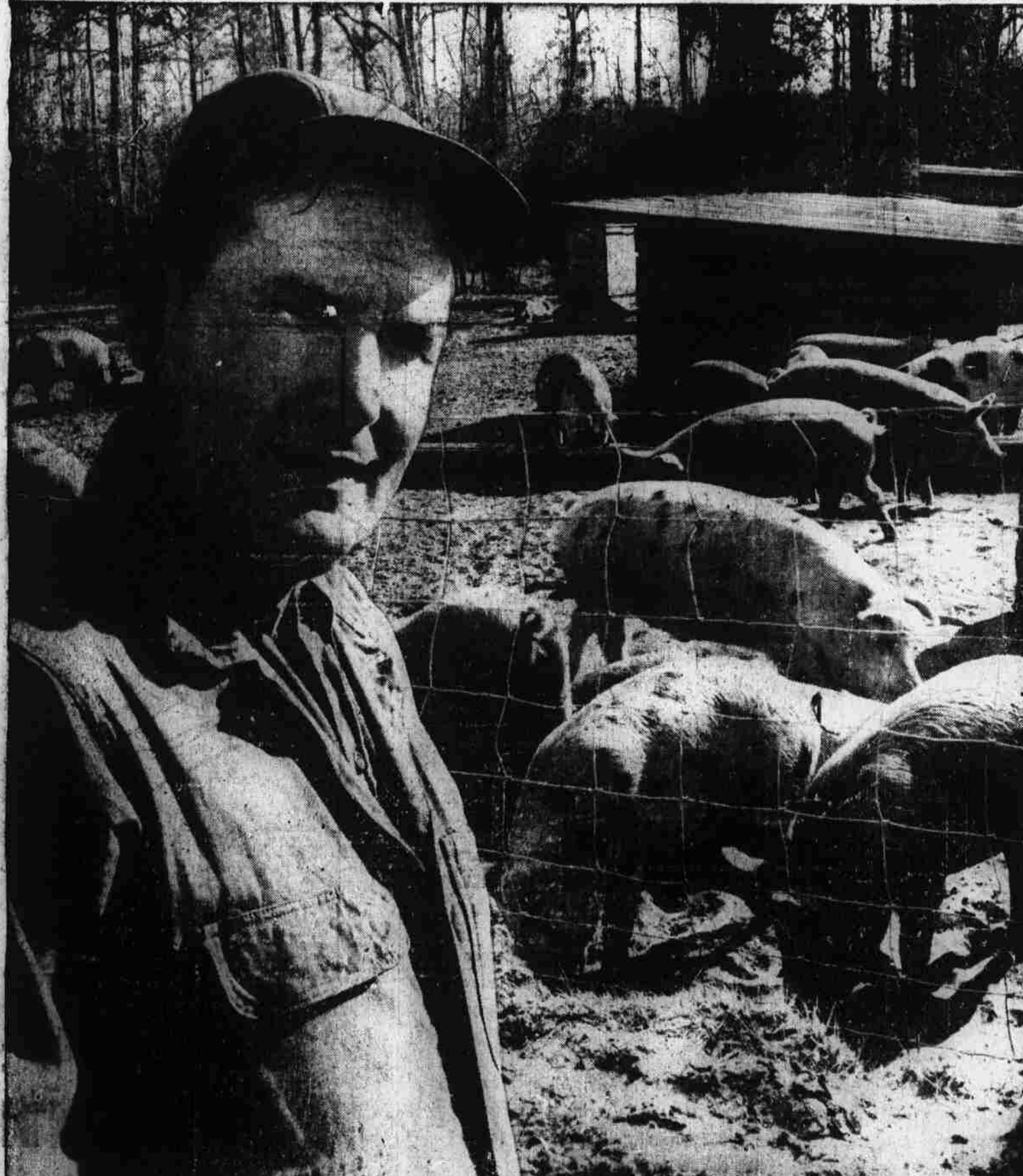
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