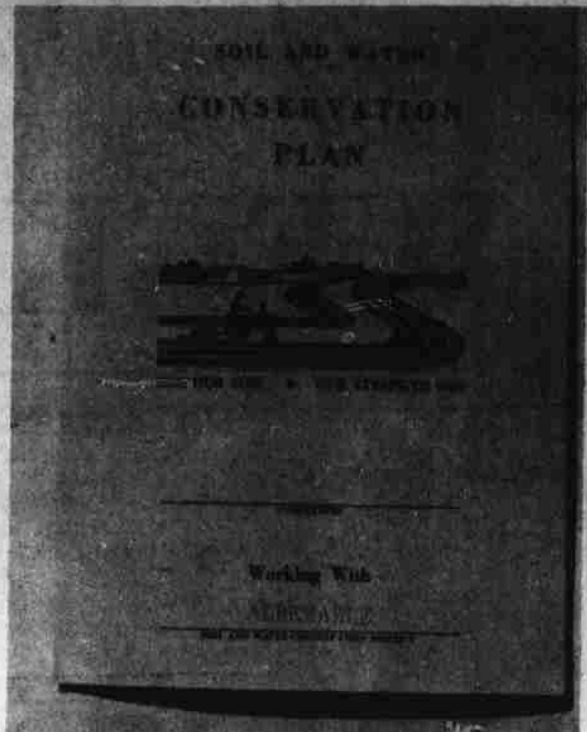


Letters—

TO THE EDITOR:
WANTED: TICONDEROGA VETERANS.
 I am seeking men and officers who served aboard the mighty aircraft carrier U.S.S. Ticonderoga, particularly those of World War II, while there is time left! Every man who served on this fine ship is entitled to join our group. We will be having our Fourth Annual Reunion this coming May, at Atlantic City, N.J.
 If interested, and for more details, write me, giving your rate-rank, division, and year on board.
JAMES H. MORGAN, JR.
 Big "T" Veterans' Assoc.
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EDITOR:
 Like everyone else we are hustling along into a new year with hardly a thought for the old one. However, a pause to reflect, makes me aware that the Social Security Office received assistance from many other agencies and businesses in 1974, not one of the least was the Perquimans Weekly.
 The past year was a trying one for the Social Security Office. This was because of a vast new program with



BASIC PLAN — The conservation plan is the basis for carrying out conservation practices.

vast new workloads. In addition, there was the job of trying to inform the public of this program. Of course, the Perquimans Weekly cooperated with us to the fullest extent. We would have been unable to really get the information to the public without the interest of concerned media.

Therefore, I would like to express my appreciation to you and the staff of the Perquimans Weekly for the tremendous job in publishing public service information for the Social Security Administration.

ROBERT W. ALFORD
 BRANCH MANAGER



LAND GRADING — The above photo shows a local farmer doing some land grading to improve drainage. (SCS Photos)

Practicing Conservation

By **FRANK JETER, JR.**
 North Carolina farmers ranked fifth in the nation in number of new farm conservation plans between individual farm operators and the state's 92 soil and water conservation districts, according to newly compiled statistics of the Soil Conservation Service.
 With 2,337 individual conservation plans on large and small farms during the past fiscal year, North Carolina ranks only behind Texas, Iowa, Arkansas and Kentucky.
 "This shows that the farmer in North Carolina continues his keen and demonstrated interest in conservation farming and in protecting our vital natural resources," said State Conservationist Jesse L. Hicks of Raleigh, who heads the Soil Conservation Service in North Carolina.
 The federal conservation agency works closely with the 92 soil and water conservation districts which serve all 100 counties in North Carolina. Other federal and state agencies also support the district supervisors in their conservation objectives.
 The new conservation plans bring North Carolina's cumulative total of district cooperators to 73,927 farms covering more than 10 million acres. Active conservation plans total more than 60 thousand with 7,317,278 acres.
 A total of 3,141 new district cooperators were reported in conjunction with the new statistics on conservation plans.
 A conservation plan is prepared with the individual farmer to accomplish conservation goals that fit his farming operation. After considering resources of land, water, equipment and other factors, a plan is prepared using an aerial photograph of the farm, and a program of activities that

may cover several years is planned.
 Decisions to be made include those on land use — cropland, pasture, woodland, ponds and other waterways — and agricultural goals are considered. Some farmers may want beef or dairy animals on pasture; others may wish to concentrate on corn, soybeans, tobacco or other crops.
 Conservation work is emphasized in every plan.
 Popular practices in North Carolina include conservation cropping, with 98,980 acres; tree planting, with 23,296; contour farming, with 18,193, and stripcropping with 4,316 acres.
 With too-abundant water a problem in many areas of North Carolina, especially in the Coastal Plain, drainage is also a major consideration. Some 335 miles of tile drainage (placed underground) was installed during the year, while 533 miles of open drains were installed on farmland.
 Irrigation, in contrast, was a rather small practice in North Carolina, in relation to some arid areas in the Western United States.
 Most agricultural counties in the entire nation are served by conservation districts. With a total of 3,141 counties in the nation — some completely urbanized — 2,931 soil and water conservation districts have been organized to serve them.
 North Carolina's 92 districts serve all hundred Tar Heel counties.

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Looking Backward

MARCH 1937
 By **VIRGINIA WHITE TRANSEAU**
NOTED SURGEON SON OF HERTFORD DIES SATURDAY: Dr. Randolph Winslow, distinguished son of Perquimans, whose life was closely linked with the development of the University of Maryland School of Medicine, a surgeon, traveler, and author, died on Saturday at his home in Baltimore, after a week's illness. He was 84 years old. At the time of his death he was professor emeritus of surgery of the university, having retired from active teaching in 1920. He was associated actively with the medicine school there for forty-nine years and had held a series of teaching positions during that time. Dr. Winslow was born in Hertford, the son of Dr. Caleb and Mrs. Jane Paxson Perry Winslow. He attended the Hertford Academy, Rugby Academy, Haverford (Penn.) College, where he received his A.B. in 1871 and his M.A. in 1874, and the University of Maryland School of Medicine, taking his medical degree there in 1873. The following year he joined the medical staff, serving successfully as assistant demonstrator of anatomy, demonstrator, lecturer on clinical surgery, professor of anatomy and clinical surgery and professor of surgery. He retired in 1920 while professor of surgery. In the interim, from 1882 to 1893, he served with the Woman's Medical College, which he founded at Druid Ave., and Hoffman street, and in 1883 he was professor of operative surgery and topographic anatomy at the Baltimore polyclinic. He studied further at Berlin, Vienna and Paris in 1883 and in 1907. Dr. Winslow was a fellow and founder of the American College of Surgery in 1912. In the same year he became an officer in the United States Army Medical Reserve Corps. He was one of the first to introduce antiseptic surgery in Maryland and according to the Maryland Medical Journal, was the first in Maryland to resect the pylorus for carcinoma, to shorten the round ligaments (1804), to perform vaginal hysterectomy (1888).

ENTERTAIN AT PARTY: Misses Elizabeth and Dot Trueblood, Eula White, Jane Lowe and Daisy Proctor delightfully entertained at a party at the home of Miss Proctor in Winfall Friday. Guests were: Misses Helen Morgan, Jessie and Polly Baker, Nina Mae Pierce, Nellie Rae Haste of Edenton, Mary Ruth Stallings, Margaret Madre of Hertford, Addie Ruth Morgan, and Lucille White, John Haste, Stanley Sprull, William Cayton, Roy Sprull of Edenton and Edmond Lane.

BRIDGE CLUB ENTERTAINED: Mrs. R. M. Ridick was hostess to members of her bridge club and a few other friends on Friday night. Those playing included Mesdames Clarence Goodwin, J.W. Jackson, Miss Rebecca Webb, of New Hope; Mrs. John Zachary, Mrs. T. B. Sumner, Mrs. B.G. Koonce, Mrs. J.G. Roberson, Mrs. E. W. Lordley, Miss Carolyn Riddick, Mrs. V.N. Darden, Miss Kate Blanchard and Miss Mary Sumner.

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Charles E. Woodard

The FDA Wants Your Vitamins!

Thanks to Senator Proxmire, Congress has temporarily forced postponement of the Food and Drug Administration's effort to make the purchase of high-potency vitamins illegal without a written prescription.
 But we must still register our protests, because further action to classify our vitamin supply as unfit and dangerous for over-the-counter purchase is scheduled for June of this year.
 I hope many will join me in submitting their protests. By enclosing 50 cents in coin to our Clipping Service (Box 5051, Raleigh, N.C. 27607), you can acquire a definitive 24-page book entitled *Vitamins: Federal Bureaucrats Want To Take Yours!* This book discloses the whole disgusting truth behind the FDA's efforts. Accompanying protest letters will be forwarded to Washington. Thank you.

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