# Agriculture

### **Farm-City activities set**

Hertford Mayor Bill Cox has proclaimed Nov. 21-27 as Farm-City Week in Perquimans County.

Among activites slated for the week-long observance are a tour of industsry and farms, as well as a contest for local school children.

According to R. L. Stevenson, Farm-City Week Chairman, and W. R. Jester, County Extension Chairman,

A total of 11,671 feeder pigs

were sold on 13 state graded

sales during week of

November 10, according to the

Market News Service of the

North Carolina Department of

mostly \$3 to \$5 higher per

US 1-2 pigs weighing 40-50

pounds averaged \$76.46 per

hundred pounds with No. 3s

\$56.95; 50-60 pound 1-2s

averaged \$72.47, No. 3s \$53.61;

60-70 pound 1-2s \$65.02, No. 3s

\$49.39: 70-80 pound 1-2s \$57.87

per hundred pounds with No 3s

At weekly livestock auctions

held within the state, prices

hundred pounds.

\$45.34.

a tour of Don Juan other's way of life. Manufacturing Company and the Harrell Farm will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 25. Persons interested in participating in the tour should meet at the

Market summary

Agriculture. Prices were Jumbo \$600 to \$6.50. Prices

Perquimans' County Extension Office at 2 p.m. According to Jester, the purpose of the tour is to give people on the farm and in the town an opportunity to share

moderate to short. Demand

seasonally good. Fifty pound

cartons of cured US No. 1s on

Nov. 13 were quoted at \$9.75 to

\$10, some \$9.50, occasional

preferred brand \$10.50 to \$11.

paid to growers for No. 1s

packed out at end of belt \$7 to

The broiler-fryer market is

higher for next week's

trading. Supplies are

moderate with some plants

short. Demand is good. The

North Carolina dock weighted

average price is 47.98 cents

per pound for less than

truckloads picked up at

processing plants during the

week of November 17. This

week 8.4 million birds were

processed in North Carolina

with an average live bird

weight of 4.01 pounds per bird

higher this past week. Sup-

plies were fully adequate and demand good. Heavy type hen

prices were mostly 26 cents per pound at the farm with

Egg prices were 2 to 3 cents

per dozen higher to those of

Heavy type hens were

on Nov. 12.

buyers loading.

\$8 per carton.

A poster contest is also being sponsored by the Farm-City Week Committee, the Perquimans Agricultural **Extension** Service and Perquimans County Elementary Schools. Jester said the object of the poster contest is to develop the child's concept of the inter-

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cents per dozen for large,

Medium 78.58 and smalls

For the period Nov. 10 to 14,

gross tobacco sales on

Eastern Belt totaled 8.6

million pounds and averaged

\$126.25 per hundred, down

\$11.94; Old and Middle Belt

\$1.5 million pounds were sold

for an average of \$117.19 per

hundred, down \$12.88. For this

period the Stabilization

**Corporation** received 30.3

percent on the Eastern Belt

and 38.3 percent on the Old

Market hogs at daily cash

and Middle Belt.

dependence of farm and city. experiences and develop a Trophies will be awarded to the winners. better understanding of each

#### Check your sprayers for any solution left in them. Throw it away, as it will be ineffective by next growing season, and

will possibly corrode the container. Prepare rose beds now. The soil needs to settle before

Perguimans

Gardenina

planting during the end of December and into January. It is still too warm to move trees. Wait until they are

totally dormant. I've found that a wet January is ideal planting time for seedlings, especially.

Susanquas, of the camellia family, are in bloom now, and must be kept watered.

Keep leaves raked. They mat, and will kill even the best stands of grass if left to settle. Use them for compost.

Check evergreens for iron deficiency. State horticulturists suggest checking with our extension office for testing of soil. In this area, soil naturally runs acid, which is what evergreens like, but if, for some reason, the soil becomes too "sweet." correction is in order.

#### TO ADJUST pH

•Use sulphur or aluminum sulphate to lower pH (make •Use lime to raise it (make more alkaline). While iron makes up a

Jean Winslow

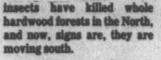
of soil, it is needed to make chlorophyll. If there is too nuch calcium or lime, the iron becomes unavailable. This may be ascertained by

the green color of the plant. Yellow leaves spell bad news.

One thing to watch for is the color of plants close to brick, stucco, or cement blocks. Lime in mortar can be death on plants if it leaches out over a period of time.

"Coastwatch" is a periodical published by the North Carolina Sea Grant College Program, and a good source of information. (I signed up for it while visiting the Marine Resources **Museum** between Manteo and Mann's Harbor.)

In the last issue was a report on the progress of the gypsy moth. The larvae of these



The department set out traps baited with a synthetic sex hormone which attracts male moths. No need for hysteria yet: even though traps in Currituck, Camden, Dare, Perquimans and Pasquotank yielded over 4500 males this summer, it is suspected they literally "blew-in" on strong winds from the north, mainly from the heavily infested Cape May, N.J. area.

Since, at that time of the year, females are hopefully too heavy with eggs to be transported by winds, it is assumed that the coast has not yet been picked by the gypsy moth for its first major assault on the South.

### Forest land care, management urged

by TONY R. SHORT DISTRICT

CONSERVATIONIST

Almost 60 percent of forest land in this country is in farm and private holdings. The demand for wood products will double by the year 2000. What does this mean?

It means that the future looks good for you, the forest landowner. But many of our forests are in poor shape. They need upgrading as a result of years of overcutting. Forestland is like any other asset it must be managed to produce good yields. Assistance is available to

help provide management. The N.C. Forest Service can help provide a management plan. This includes detailed recommendations for work. The Soil Conservation can provide basic planning. The paper companies offer assistance also.

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There are cost-share programs to help with a cutover tract. This can be carried out with technical be from the Forest Service.

Farmland woods are a more than scenery. The provide jobs for 80,000 pe in North Carolina. It is a multi-million dollar busin bringing in over \$40 million to the state annually.

**Proper management of your** forest land will provide profits in later years, but in the meantime, it offers a recreation potential at habitat for wildlife. These the have a value.

Consider starting; a management program on your woodland. The N.C. Forest Service, the Soil Conservation Service and the N.C. Extension Service can help.

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for slaughter cows were steady to \$2 higher and feeder calves \$1 to \$4 lower. Utility and Commercial cows brought \$42.25 to \$51; Choice Veal 150-250 pounds \$61 to \$70. Medium frame No. 1 muscle steers 400-500 pounds brought \$64 to \$76.50 per hundred pounds and same grade heifers 400-500 pounds sold \$51 to \$59.50. No. 1 muscle feeder cows sold from \$40 to \$49.50. Baby Calves under 3 weeks of age brought \$40 to \$100 per head. Market hogs brought mostly \$44 to \$47.90 per hundred weight and 300-600 pound sows \$37.75 to \$42.

Corn prices were steady to 3 cents lower per bushel and soybeans 7 to 39 cents lower through Thursday, Nov. 13 delivered to stores was 80.51 compared to the same period of the previous week. No. 2 I.S.L vellow shelled corn ranged mostly \$3.52 to \$3.78 in the Tree Eastern part of the state and \$3.63 to \$3.70 in the Piedmont. No. 1 yellow soybeans ranged mostly \$8.51 to \$8.74 in the East and \$8.30 to \$8.51 in the CHARLES (CAR) Piedmont: No. 2 red winter Debyidere, R. C. wheat \$4,30 to \$4,60. Sweet Potato prices were steady this week. Supplies are 919/297-2507 **CAREER CLUB**° ·16º

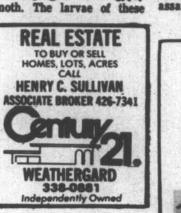
the previous week. Supplies were moderate, instances of shortage. Demand was very good. The North Carolina weighted average price quoted on Nov. 13 for small lot sales of cartoned grade A eggs



buying stations about the state sold \$1 to \$1.25 lower during more acid); the week of Nov. 10 and ranged mostly \$46.75 to \$48. per hundred pounds. Sows 300-600 pounds ranged \$33 to \$44.



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