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Bacon LB. **49c** | **Swift's Premium Franks** 1-LB. PKG. **49c**

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CRISCO With Purchase of \$5.00 or more **3 LB. CAN 69c**

Rome Beauty Cooking or Eating

APPLES - - 3 LBS. 25c

Juicy Florida

Temple Oranges 2 Lbs. **25c**

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Oranges 8 LB. BAG **49c**

GORTON'S FILLET Fresher than Fresh LB. **49c**

FLOUNDER LB. **49c**

PINTOS 4 Pound Cello Bag **39c**

Mountain Farm **CHOW CHOW** Pint Jar **35c**

H-T Liquid **DETERGENT** 22 oz. Plastic Bottle **39c**

Family Pride

FLOUR 10 LB. BAG **59c** | 25 LB. BAG **1.45**

King Of Hawaii **CRUSHED Pineapple** NO. 2 CAN **27c**

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BLUE **BONNET MARGARINE** 2 1-LB. PKGS. **55c**

ARMOUR **STAR TREET LUNCHEON MEAT** 12 Oz. Can **47c**

Full-Fashioned First Quality 51-Gauge, 15 denier

Nylon Hose SIZES 8 1/2 - 11 Honey or Mist box 3 pr. **\$1**

Beston's Frozen Casseroles

SPAGHETTI & MEAT or **SPAGHETTI & CHEESE** 6 8 OZ. PKGS. **\$1.00**

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AGRICULTURE IN ACTION



By WALLACE PARKER, N. C. Farm Bureau Federation

Merritt Serving Aboard Ice Breaker

MCMURDO SOUND, Antarctica (FFITNC) — John O. Merritt, boatswain's mate third class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Merritt of 605 Landing street, Kings Mountain, N. C., spent Christmas, 1961, in one of the coldest and remote corners of the globe while serving with the icebreaker USS Burton Island — Antarctica.

As they read about Mr. Shuman's plea for less rather than more government in agriculture, many North Carolinians thought he was talking against such farm programs as the tobacco, peanut and cotton programs. If farmers had known what Mr. Shuman had said earlier at a press conference and about the American Farm Bureau's policies on these farm programs there would not have been any doubt in their minds about the organization's support of these programs.

During his press conference on Dec. 10, Shuman cited tobacco, cotton and peanuts as commodities which are exceptions to the general rule that farmers desire less control programs in agriculture.

Not only has the American Farm Bureau had policies over the years supporting these farm programs, it is the farm organization which was most instrumental in starting the first workable control program for an agricultural product — tobacco. Ed O'Neal, president of the American Farm Bureau, in 1936, came to North Carolina to help the discontented tobacco farmers organize into the North Carolina Farm Bureau Federation to aid them in getting their collective wish for a tobacco program presented to Congress.

The American Farm Bureau policies for 1962 reiterates the organization's longstanding support of the tobacco, cotton and peanut programs. For those that would like to see Farm Bureau in North Carolina become an ineffective organization in influencing agricultural legislation, it should be remembered that the American Farm Bureau could get along without the support of North Carolina; but agriculture

Being Average Not Enough For Farmers

With increasing frequency North Carolina farmers are hearing the phrase, "Being average is not good enough."

Recently compiled figures show that this statement is especially true in corn production. In 1961, for example, Tar Heel farmers averaged 48 bushels of corn per acre. While this equaled the state's all-time record set in 1960, chances are the average producer only "broke even" on his crop.

Take the case of Farmer C. He is an above average, mechanized farmer in Coastal Plain North Carolina.

In 1961, Farmer C. made an above average yield of 70 bushels per acre. And he was able to receive a reasonably good price of \$1.20 per bushel. This gave him a per-acre gross of \$84.

But what about net income? Well, here is what agricultural economists at State College say about Farmer C's per-acre production costs:

First, hybrid seed cost him \$1.91. Six hundred pounds of 5-10-10 fertilizer cost \$12.90, while 70 pounds of available nitrogen amounted to another \$8.40.

Farmer C. used chemical weed control which came to \$4. Tractor operating costs came to another \$2.48. Like many farmers in his area, Farmer C. customarily hired a two-row, self-propelled picker sheller to harvest his corn. The charge was 15 cents per bushel for a total cost of \$10.50.

By this time, Farmer C. had spent \$40.19 on his acre of corn. But this just took care of what the economists refer to as "variable costs."

He had to allow for such things as interest and depreciation on his tractor and other equipment, which amounted to another \$4.61. His land was worth something, too. Economists figured about 515.40 per acre.

Since he was a mechanized operator, Farmer C. produced his acre of corn with only 6.3 man-hours of labor. Valued at \$1 per hour, this amounted to a cost of \$6.30.

When Farmer C. totaled his expenses, he found they amounted to \$66.50, leaving him a net profit of \$17.50 per acre.

St. Nicholas, extension agronomy specialist at State College, said Farmer C. made a profit only because he made an above average yield and was able to avoid selling on the

low market. If he had sold his corn at \$1 per bushel, as many farmers do around harvest time, he would barely have met expenses. Or if he had made the average state yield of 48 bushels per acre, he would have lost money.

C. D. Stuart, extension agronomy specialist at the college, says it is quite evident that many Tar Heel corn growers are operating on the "edge or falling behind a profit."

"And," Stuart says, "many farmers don't realize what they are spending to produce corn because of incomplete records. They don't figure in such things as labor, tractor depreciation and land costs," he pointed out.

Stuart says North Carolina farmers do not have the high organic soils and large production units available to farmers in the Midwest.

But, he is convinced that Tar Heel farmers can produce corn at a profit. He pointed to commercial corn areas of the state, and many individual farmers who already are doing so.

He also cited the potentials of the high organic soils of Eastern North Carolina, many of which are now being reclaimed for agricultural production.

"Corn production," he emphasized, "depends on the type of farming a man is doing. If he wants to make 75 bushels of corn per acre, and will plan for such a yield, he can get it."

Consult

John Warlick or Wesley Bush

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KINGS MOUNTAIN BRANCH OFFICERS		ASSETS	
R. S. Lennon	Vice-President	Cash and Due From Banks	\$ 58,471,405.23
L. E. Hinnant	Asst. Vice-President	United States Government Securities	41,045,255.36
W. J. Jonas	Assistant Cashier	State of North Carolina, County, and Municipal Securities	16,770,659.48
Mrs. Helen R. Blanton	Assistant Cashier	Federal Agency and Other Securities	1,581,350.02
Mrs. Louise C. Lybrand	Assistant Cashier	Loans and Discounts	135,618,237.99
		Federal Reserve Bank Stock	480,000.00
		Banking Houses, Furniture and Equipment	3,503,103.79
		Other Resources	566,415.10
			\$258,036,426.97
DIRECTORS		LIABILITIES	
B. S. Neill		Capital Stock	\$7,937,500.00
Dr. L. P. Baker		Surplus	8,062,500.00
Glee A. Bridges		Undivided Profits	2,667,585.45
J. E. Herndon, Jr.		Reserve for Possible Loan Losses	3,300,000.00
R. S. Lennon			\$ 22,167,585.45
Charles A. Neisler		Reserves for Unearned Income, Taxes and Expenses	3,419,351.57
P. M. Neisler, Sr.		Deposits	232,449,489.95
John O. Plank, Jr.			\$258,036,426.97
F. A. Summers			

