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AGRICULTURAL TOUR PLANNED IN HYDE COUNTY

State and National Experts To Visit Six Hyde Farms On October 7th

A group composed of personnel from both the state and federal departments of agriculture will visit Hyde County on Thursday, October 7th, to have a look at pastures and forage crops on six Hyde farms, it was announced this week by Hyde County agricultural officials.

The group will consist chiefly of experts from the federal experiment station at Beltsville, Md., and the state experiment station at State College in Raleigh, State College Extension Service personnel, and a number of representatives of the Soil Conservation Service in North Carolina.

The farms to be visited are those of Warren Watson, Walter Lee Gibbs, Archie Berry, Arthur Bell Harris, Preston Swindell, and Howard Cahoon.

The visitors will spend Wednesday night at the Mattamuskeet Lodge at New Holland in order to get an early start on the tour Thursday morning.

FINDINGS OF AUTOPSY ANNOUNCED IN HYDE

Bridgetender's Death August 27th Was Apparently Due To Natural Causes

The death of Bland Gibbs was apparently due to natural causes, according to a report submitted last week by Dr. S. H. Williams, Jr., of Washington, the surgeon who performed the autopsy. It was stated that the findings were not absolutely conclusive, but that nothing was found to indicate otherwise.

The body of the man, a bride-tender at the Wilkerson Creek Inland Waterway Drawbridge, was found in the water beneath the bridge early on the morning of August 27th. He was wearing a life vest, and authorities were inclined to believe at the time that he had died of a heart attack while working under the bridge and fallen into the water. However, there was a slight possibility that he was alive but unconscious when he fell into the water and that death came as the result of drowning, and so it was decided to have an autopsy performed.

GIRL SCOUT MEETING SCHEDULE RELEASED

The following schedule for Girl Scout Troop meetings in Belhaven has been released by Scout leaders:

Troop 26, Brownies, second grade, will meet each Tuesday at 2 p.m. with their leaders, Mrs. James Younce and Mrs. E. X. Ross, Jr.

Troop 20, second-year Brownies, third grade, will meet each Thursday at 3 p.m. Leaders are Mrs. Russell Johnston and Mrs. G. C. Gwinn.

Troop 18, fourth and fifth grades, will meet each Monday at 3:30 p.m. Leaders are Mrs. E. L. Voliva and Mrs. Grady Fussell.

Troop 19, sixth, seventh, and eighth grades, will meet each Wednesday night at 7:30 at the Community Center. Leaders are Mrs. Milton Gunn and Mrs. Howard Voliva.

Troop 27, Senior Scouts, ninth grade, will meet each Friday at 3:30 p.m. at the home of their leader, Mrs. Bernard Voliva.

The first three groups will hold their meetings in the Girl Scout Room, located in the old elementary school building.

All girls in the community are invited to attend.

HYDE'S CANCER FUND REPORT IS RELEASED

North Carolina exceeded the quota assigned it by the American Cancer Society in the recent drive by more than \$8,000, according to Mrs. O. L. Williams, chairman of the drive in Hyde County. Hyde County's quota was \$350; the amount raised was \$326.56.

The workers canvassing in the county were: Swan Quarter township, Mrs. J. C. Williams, Mrs. W. G. Credle, Mrs. Evelyn Swindell, Mrs. Evelyn Jarvis; Currituck township, Mrs. Eugene Credle, Mrs. H. L. Raburn; Lake Landing township, Mrs. W. H. Cox, Fairfield township, Mrs. Mabel A. Roebuck; and Ocracoke township, Mrs. Elizabeth O. Howard.

HYDE NATIVE HOLDS HIGH-RANKING JOB



DR. HOWARD E. BLAKE, a native of Fairfield, recently became Curriculum Consultant for Florida's Pinellas County Schools, after having received his Doctor of Education degree from Columbia University in New York City in August of this year.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Blake of Fairfield. Born and raised in the Fairfield community, he graduated from Fairfield High School in 1939. He then entered Atlantic Christian College in Wilson, where he received his AB degree in 1943. Shortly after graduation, he entered the navy; in 1946, after three and one-half years of service, he was discharged as a lieutenant, senior grade.

Dr. Blake then became a teacher at Leaksville, N. C. In a short while, he took a job with the Western Electric Company as a cost consultant, but this job did not satisfy him, and he soon returned to teaching at Leaksville. He became principal of the Spray Graded School, and later of the Leaksville Vocational High School and the Draper Elementary and Junior High School, while at Leaksville. He attended the University of North Carolina during the summer, and in 1952 he was awarded his master's degree. In the spring of 1953, he resigned at Leaksville, and entered Columbia University in order to get his doctor's degree.

Dr. Blake and his wife, the former Betty Miller of Cumberland, Md., whom he married in 1943, are now making their home in Clearwater, Florida.

HYDE'S BOOKMOBILE SCHEDULE RELEASED

The winter schedule of Hyde County's visits of the Beaufort-Hyde-Martin Regional Library Association's bookmobile was announced this week by the association's headquarters in Washington. The complete schedule is as follows:

Monday, Sept. 27, Oct. 25, Nov. 22, Dec. 20, Jan. 24, Feb. 21, Mar. 21, Apr. 18, May 16; 9:30 Swan Quarter School, 11:00 Cahoon gate, 11:20 Faye Harris, 11:45 Brickhouse gate, 12:10 Jarvis gate, 12:30 Cowan's, 12:45 Helen Harris, 1:30 Baum's store, 1:50 B. F. Mason, 2:10 Cox gate, 2:30 Mason gate, 2:50 S. B. Harris, 3:15 Carawan store, 3:45 Cahoon's gate, 4:00 Tunnell's store, 4:15 Swindell's stop, 4:30 Lee's gate, 4:45 Audrey Cahoon, 5:00 Janie Swindell, 5:30 Bonner's gate, 5:45 Sanderson's gate.

Tuesday, Sept. 28, Oct. 26, Nov. 23, Dec. 21, Jan. 25, Feb. 22, Mar. 22, Apr. 19, May 17; 9:00 Scranton Post Office, 10:00 Brinn's, 10:45 Fisher's gate, 11:45 Sladesville School, 12:15 Harris gate, 1:00 Spencer store, 1:45 Carawan gate, 2:45 Edgar O'Neal, 3:35 Mrs. Annie Williams, 3:55 Donnie Lupton's gate, 4:15 L. Fisher, 4:35 Swindell Fork, 5:10 Dillon's store, 5:40 Lucille's gate, 6:00 Clapp's gate, 6:15 Hodges Fork.

Wednesday, Sept. 29, Oct. 27, Nov. 24, Dec. 9, Jan. 26, Feb. 23, Mar. 23, Apr. 20, May 18; 8:30 Gladys Cahoon, 9:15 Engelhard School, 10:30 Engelhard Library, 11:40 Carters, 12:15 Middletown, 12:45 Gibbs store, 1:05 Baum House, 1:20 Payne House, 1:30 White Plains, 2:45 Dudley gate, 3:00 Marshall house, 3:25 Last Chance, 3:40 Gulrock, 4:15 Gibbs store, 4:45 Marshall house, 5:00 Edith Pugh, 5:30 Barber Shanty, 5:45 Weston store.

Thursday, Sept. 30, Oct. 28, (will not run Thanksgiving Day), Dec. 30, Jan. 27, Feb. 24, Mar. 24, Apr. 21, May 19; 8:00 Harris gate, 9:00 Rena Cox, 9:30 Selby gate, 10:00 Marilyn Gibbs, 10:30 Agnes Gibbs store, 11:00 Maud Gibbs, 11:30 Armstrong store, 12:00 Maud Spencer, 12:20 Gibbs gate. See BOOKMOBILE, Page Five

ACCIDENT KILLS LOGGER TUESDAY IN HYDE COUNTY

Negro Dies As a Result of Being Struck on Head by Falling Limb

Dennis Randall, 46-year-old Ransomville colored man, died in Pungo District Hospital in Belhaven Tuesday afternoon at 4:44 p.m. from an accidental blow that he received on the head while working in the woods in Hyde County early Tuesday morning.

Randall, who was employed by Eureka Lumber Company, was working with a logging crew in the Montgomery section of Currituck township near Sladesville. As a tree was being cut down, a limb lodged in the top of the tree fell, striking the man on the head. The accident occurred about 9:30 Tuesday morning; the victim died about seven hours later in the hospital.

CASES SETTLED BY BELHAVEN COURT LISTED

C. E. Ricks, clerk of the Belhaven Recorder's Court, this week released the following list of cases settled by the court:

Ben Cox, Jr., reckless driving and no brakes, 6 months suspended, \$25 fine and costs, also pay damages and hospital bill.

Millard E. Hickman, worthless check, 30 days suspended, pay amount of the check and costs of court.

Thad Credle, Jr., assault, 6 months suspended, \$50 fine and costs. (Placed on 12-months good behavior.)

Horace Swain, public drunkenness, 30 days suspended, \$10 fine and costs.

Murray Cahoon, public drunkenness, 30 days suspended, \$10 fine and costs.

Fritz Alexander Woolard, no operator's license, 30 days suspended, \$25 fine and costs.

Nathan Slade, assault, 30 days suspended, \$10 fine and costs.

Leon Jennette, failing to give hand signal, 30 days suspended, pay costs of court.

Nicola W. Whitchard, reckless driving and failing to report an accident, 90 days suspended, \$25 fine and costs.

E. M. Jones, worthless check, 30 days suspended, pay amount of the check and costs of court.

Hallet Ward Webster, unlawful parking, 30 days suspended, \$10 fine and costs.

Arthur Rome, allowing unlicensed minor to operate a motor vehicle, 30 days suspended, \$10 fine and costs.

Rebecca Credle, possessing non-tax-paid whiskey, 6 months in Woman's Prison suspended, \$50 fine and costs.

Preston Leroy Miller, speeding and careless and reckless driving, 30 days suspended, \$10 fine and costs.

Rosevelt Windley, Jr., no operator's license, 30 days suspended, \$25 fine and costs.

Eddie Corbett, following another vehicle too close, 30 days suspended, \$16 fine and costs.

Walter Branch Swindell, public drunkenness, 30 days suspended, \$10 fine and costs.

Jessie Donald Brown, public drunkenness, 30 days suspended, \$10 fine and costs.

Haywood Warren, assault, 6 months suspended, \$25 fine and costs, also pay damages and hospital bill.

Leander Linton, allowing a minor to operate a motor vehicle upon the public highways, 30 days suspended, \$10 fine and costs.

OFFICERS ELECTED BY SWAN QUARTER F.F.A.

New officers were elected by the Swan Quarter Chapter of Future Farmers of America last Wednesday. The officers selected to serve during the 1954-55 school year were: Jimmy Spencer, president; Mack Carawan, vice-president; Ed Glenn Cutrell, secretary; John Brickhouse, treasurer; Roger Spencer, reporter; and Buddy Wheeler, sentinel. J. W. Worrell, the agriculture teacher, serves as advisor or the chapter. Each of these officers is to buy an official FFA jacket. The chapter decided to attend the State Fair on Wednesday, October 20th, by chartered bus. Plans were also made for having a chapter weiner roast and FFA degree advancement at the Hyde Memorial Park at Mattamuskeet Lake.

GULROCK MAN SHOWN WITH COMMENDATION



JOSEPH PUGH, Navy boilerman first class and the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Pugh of Gulrock, is shown above with a commendation for heroism he received from Navy Capt. W. F. Raborn, Commanding Officer of the attack aircraft carrier USS Bennington. The commendation cited his actions during the disaster which occurred aboard the Bennington on May 26th.

BELHAVEN LIBRARY JOINS JUNIOR LITERARY GUILD

Young patrons of the Fanny Mebane Ralph Memorial Library in Belhaven may look forward to a year of good reading. The library is now a member of the Junior Literary Guild plan, by which new books for various age levels will be sent to the library each month. Under this system, one new book will be received each month for each of the following reading groups: primary, boys and girls five and six years old; easy reading group, seven and eight year olds; intermediate group, nine to twelve year olds; older girls group, twelve to sixteen years old; and older boys group, twelve to sixteen years old.

Junior Guild books are chosen from hundreds of publishers' manuscripts by Helen Ferris, in cooperation with Mrs. Sidonie M. Gruenberg, Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, Angelo Patri, and Albert B. Tibbets. The Guild has long enjoyed the reputation of selecting the finest books available for young readers.

NEWS OF HYDE HOMEMAKERS

By CARRIE S. JOYNER, Home Agent

Hi, folks, this week really started off like fall, didn't it? Here's hoping for continued cool weather and a very rapid decrease in the mosquito population. People have been telling me about mosquitos since I came to Hyde County, but now I've seen them for myself. And I hope we have seen about the last of them for another fifty years.

Mr. Topping and I had a rather busy week getting 4-H clubs organized last week. We met in all the schools and I must say, we had a very good attendance in all clubs. We hope the interest shown at these meetings will continue through the year, if so, we're in for a wonderful year in 4-H Club work.

Each club elected officers for this school year and I would like to give them here. The officers are as follows:

Sladesville Club: President, Allen Spencer; Vice-president, Betsy Cahoon; Secretary, June Jennette; Head Group Captain, Charles Parker; Health Captain, Elvis Carawan; Hands Captain, Annette Richards; Health Captain, Virginia Sadler.

Swan Quarter Junior Club: President, John Jay Harris; Vice-president, Bobby Spencer; Secretary, Gloria Jean Smith; Head Captain, Bobby Mayo; Heart Captain, Bill Tate; Hands Captain, Betty Jean Smith; Health Captain, Judy Spencer.

Swan Quarter Senior Club: President, Roger A. Spencer; Vice-president, Carol Williams; Secretary, Betty C. Mann; Head Captain, Jimmy Fortescue; Heart Captain, Charlie Roberts; Hands Captain, Barbara Parker; Health Captain, Jean Williams.

Engelhard Junior Club: President, Hoyt Whidbee, Jr.; Vice-president, Lynda Sue Williams; Secretary, Nancy Baum; Head Captain, Sandy Gibbs; Heart Captain, Bernard Midgett;

DRIVER DIES IN WRECK SUNDAY NEAR BELHAVEN

S. R. Roberts of Greenville Killed Instantly; Two Others Not Injured

A 43-year-old farmer of Route 3, Greenville, died in an automobile accident 4 1/2 miles east of Belhaven on highway 264 about 4 p.m. Sunday evening. The man, Simpkins Alonzo Roberts, was thrown clear when the car he was driving turned over, and died instantly of a broken neck.

Roberts was returning from a fishing trip to Hyde County. His car was apparently going at a high rate of speed; it left the pavement on the left-hand side of the road, came back onto the pavement and went into a 475-foot skid. It then turned over and skidded an additional 75 feet. The car, a 1953 four-door Plymouth, was damaged an estimated \$700.

Two passengers in the car, Walter Branch Swindell and Jessie Donald Brown, escaped without injury. Highway patrolman John Thomas, who investigated the accident, reported that both Swindell and Brown told him that Roberts was under the influence of intoxicants when the accident occurred. They admitted that all three members of the trio had been drinking.

(Both Swindell and Brown were arrested following the accident and charged with public drunkenness.)

METHODIST CHARGE TO HAVE REVIVAL

The four churches on the Swan Quarter-Fairfield Methodist Charge are joining together to hold a two-week revival which will get underway Sunday night, September 26th, at 7:30 p.m., at Providence Church in Swan Quarter. The preaching will be done by the charge pastor, Rev. Amos H. Stone. A cordial invitation has been extended to the public to attend any or all of these services.

The services at Swan Quarter will continue through Tuesday night, September 28th. They will move to Fairfield Church Wednesday night, and run through Friday night. Then they will move to Soule Church for services Sunday night, October 3rd, through Tuesday night, October 5th. Services Wednesday night, October 6th, through Friday night, October 8th, at Epworth Church at Sladesville will conclude the meeting.

CELEBRATION AT PANTEGO THIS PAST WEEK END IS ATTENDED BY AROUND 1500

Occasion Observes Eightieth Anniversary of Pantego's Public School; Chancellor Robert B. House of UNC Is Main Speaker at Formal Program Saturday Afternoon.

HOME FROM ABROAD



RAYMOND G. JOLLY, the executive-trustee and director of the Laymen's Home Missionary Movement, has recently returned from Europe, where he visited the branch offices of this religious movement, also giving public Bible lectures and services in England, Scotland, Norway, Denmark, Germany, Italy, Switzerland, France, Belgium and Holland.

The Laymen's Home Missionary Movement is said to be unsectarian, its main object being to promote home Bible study. Much interest has been aroused in America and Europe in connection with the "Bible in Films" program introduced for the first time this year. Mr. Jolly introduced this work in Europe on his recent trip. Its purpose is to arouse interest in studying Bible by means of sound and color moving pictures of important Bible incidents and their relationship to Christ and His ransom-sacrifice and offer of salvation unto eternal life. The showings are usually made in Protestant churches, regardless of denomination, and free of charge. Mr. Jolly reports many advance bookings.

At present Mr. Jolly is visiting his family in Gulrock, Hyde Co., where he is enjoying a two weeks' rest, after which he plans to visit the Western States, where he will speak at several Bible conventions. The movement's international headquarters are located at 2101.13 South 11th St., Philadelphia, Pa., where See JOLLY, Page Five

A three-day celebration at Pantego last week end was attended by an estimated fifteen hundred persons. Many alumni of the old Pantego Academy and Pantego High School returned to Pantego for the occasion, the celebration of the eightieth anniversary of the founding of a public school in Pantego.

An address by University of North Carolina Chancellor Robert B. House highlighted Saturday afternoon's formal program. Another event that went over big with the crowd was Saturday night's informal talent show put on by alumni and students; the High School Auditorium was filled so that there was barely standing room left.

A concert by the N. C. State Prison Band Friday night was the first big event of the program. This was followed by a big round dance in the gymnasium. At 2 p.m. Saturday, the various graduating classes assembled individually; in addition, many of the classes had special luncheons or dinners during the week end.

At Saturday afternoon's formal program, P. H. Johnson, Sr., former State Senator from Pantego, gave the welcome address. Mr. House was introduced by William B. Rodman, Beaufort County representative in the State legislature. Judge Malcolm Paul presided over the program.

A ham supper was served from the school lunchroom, located in the old Academy building. Much outstanding talent was displayed during the informal program Saturday night. The recitations given by some of the graduates of the old Pantego Academy were especially well received.

Following the talent show, an old-fashioned square dance was held in the school gymnasium. Chancellor House assisted with the music by playing his mouth-harp.

The final event of the celebration was a non-denominational religious service held Sunday morning in the school auditorium. Rev. Herman Shavender of pantego conducted the service. See CELEBRATION, Page Five

HERE'S A MESSAGE FROM HYDE'S ASC OFFICE MGR.

Joe C. Williams, Jr., Hyde County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation office manager, this week made the following statement concerning the coming election of ASC committeemen:

It's Voting Time Again

Very soon you and your neighbors will be electing the ASC-farmer-committeemen who in 1955 will be responsible for the local administration of such national farm programs as the Agricultural Conservation program, price supports, acreage allotments, marketing quotas, storage facility loans and others.

It is these men who will see to it that such national programs are properly adapted to conditions in Hyde County and to your farm, and it is the background and experience of these same men that will be mingled with that of the 135 thousand ASC farmer-committeemen in the United States in the formation of any new program that developments in the coming year may require. This double-hatted function of your farmer committee system has kept it vigorous through the years and has been largely responsible for the truly democratic development and operation of your national farm programs.

You participate by helping to elect your committeemen, by keeping them informed of the problems facing you and your community, by giving them your full support and cooperation in their job of program formulation and administration.

Nominating meeting will be held in Hyde County as follows: Currituck "A," Monday, Sept. 27th, at Gilbert Richards' Store; Currituck "B," Monday, Sept. 27th, at the Double N Trading Post at Scranton; Fairfield, Tuesday, Sept. 28th, at C. M. Swindell's Store; Swan Quarter, Tuesday, Sept. 28th, at the County ASC office; Lake Landing, Wednesday, Sept. 29th, at J. S. Jennett's Store; and En- See MESSAGE, Page Five

W. G. CAHOON MADE HYDE C D DIRECTOR

Willie Grey Cahoon of New Holland has been made Director of Civil Defense for Hyde County. In a recent letter, Edward F. Griffin, State Director of Civil Defense, commended Mr. Cahoon for his willingness to serve the county by directing this vital program.

Mr. Cahoon, who is refuge accepted the Civil Defense post manager at New Holland for the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, at the request of the Hyde County Board of Commissioners.

BELHAVEN BAPTISTS ARE TO HEAR GUEST SPEAKER

Paul H. Russell of Wake Forest will bring the morning and evening messages at the Belhaven Missionary Baptist Church Sunday, September 26th, in the absence of the pastor.

Mr. Russell is a native of Stanley County, the son of Rev. W. J. Russell. He is married to the former June Whicker of Kannapolis, and they have one daughter, Elaine.

A veteran of World War II, he graduated from Wake Forest College in 1933, and is now a second-year student at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary.

FAIRFIELD MAN NOW STATIONED IN BERMUDA

Bermuda, B. W. I. (FHTNC)—Robert C. Simmons, radioman third class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Pat C. Simmons of Fairfield, is now serving at the U. S. Naval Station here.

Simmons, who entered the Navy on April 7, 1952, reported here from the USS Roanoke. Before entering the Navy, he attended the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.