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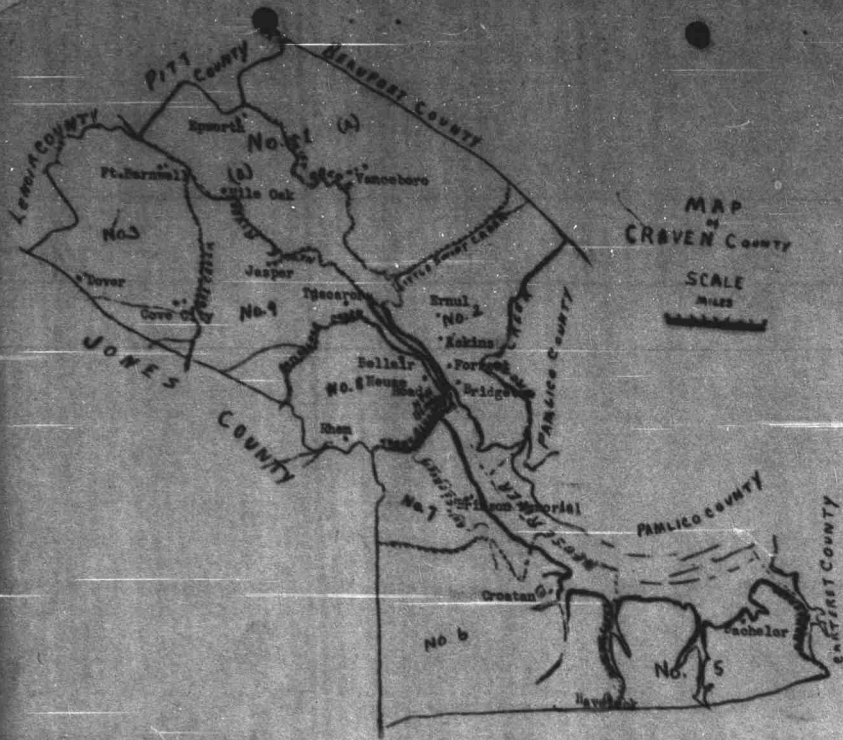
CHAVEN COUNTY

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#### IV. SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Craven County, located in the south-eastern section of North Carolina, has seen many changes in the past two years with so many farmers leaving their farms to go to work on defense projects, and so many of the wives working in town. The County employs a white County Farm and Assistant Farm Agent, and Home Agent; also a negro Farm Agent and Home Agent. These workers, with representatives of other farm organizations have formed the Agricultural Workers' Council, which has worked on all farm problems during the year.

There are 15 active Home Demonstration clubs in the County, which meet once each month for demonstrations in foods, clothing, home management, and other subjects pertaining to the home. These clubs compose the County Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs, which held one meeting during the year. A Flower Show and Health Pageant were also held at that time. The governing body of this organization is the County Council, which met three times during the year. The County Federation is a member of the State Federation, to which it paid dues this year. \$80.00 was given to the Jane S. McKimmon Loan Fund.

The State-wide program for Home Demonstration Clubs was followed by the Craven County club women. It is felt that this program met the needs of the club women very well at this time, and the women have voted to follow the State-wide program for the coming year.

The County has been divided into 15 committees and 39 neighborhoods, with leaders in every neighborhood. Through the leaders, the Victory Garden program, the Salvage Campaign, the Program to Control the Cost of Living, and others have been carried to the people in the county.

One of the major projects in the county this year was to have more food and feed produced on the farm. Results show

69,812 lbs. of food were canned during the year.  
151,110 lbs. of meat were cured during the year.

Craven County was represented by 23 persons at the Poultry School and Egg Show held in Trenton. 3 prizes were brought home for eggs displayed.

10 women entered the Kerr Canning Contest, with Mrs. A. L. Guthrie of Rhem winning first prize.

After a long time, Becheler community finally has an electric line which serves about 100 families.

The mattress and comforter project, begun in 1940, was closed in October 1942, with 2,134 mattresses and 1,571 comforters made.

The Home Demonstration Club women have cooperated in all defense programs, and plan to do even more in 1943.

## V. COUNTY EXTENSION ORGANIZATION

### A. POSE

Craven County is located in the south-eastern part of North Carolina, about 48 miles from the sea coast. It is about 90 miles long and 40 miles wide, and has a population of 32,000. Tobacco is the most important money crop produced in the County. The establishment of defense projects and industries in this area has made a great difference in the county, since many of the men have left their farms to work at the defense projects. This fact, and the scarcity of young men in the country has caused an acute labor shortage.

The Agricultural Workers' Council has been active in all farming problems. The Council meets once each month, and the members present their individual problems for discussion. Through the workers the Victory Garden program, Scrap Metal and Farm Machinery, Aluminum Campaign, Salvage Campaign, and Cost of Living Program have been presented to the neighborhood leaders, who, in turn, have taken them to their neighbors. The County Farm and Home Agents, both white and Negro, the Farm Security Administration Supervisors, the Vocational Agriculture, and Home Economics teachers, Secretary of the New Bern Production Credit Association, Secretary of the National Farm Loan Association, and representatives of the United States Employment Service are members of the Council.

The County Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs is composed of 15 active clubs with 379 women enrolled. Two clubs in the defense areas have disbanded for the duration, because the women have so many boarders that they do not have time to attend the meetings. The Federation had only one meeting during the year, the annual Achievement Day being cancelled.

The Annual Spring Federation meeting of the Craven County Home Demonstration and 4-H Clubs was held at the New Bern Women's Club in May. Although the number attending and exhibiting flowers was not as large as in previous years, there was a good crowd and the flowers showed careful selection. There were 90 present and 80 flower exhibits. Defense Stamps were given as prizes. The Flower Show was under the supervision of Mrs. Raleigh E. Bland of Spworth, assisted by Home Beautification, and House Furnishings Leaders. The program was given on the lawn, and Mrs. Herbert Beaman of Jasper presided. Certificates signed by Governor Broughton were presented to 48 families who produced 75% of their food and feed in 1941. There were additional families who were eligible to receive these certificates, but failed to send in a report.

A Health Pageant was presented at this meeting by Cleon Avery and Jean Heath of Cove City, with the Kings and Queens of Health from the various county schools, using a Big "W" for a background. In this pageant Evelyn Mills of Farm Life School and Clyde Eborn of Croatan School were crowned County King and Queen of Health for the year, by Archie White, State Health King for 1941. The 4-H banner was presented to the Spworth 4-H Club.

The Craven County Federation is a member of the State Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs. A contribution of \$20.00 was made to the Jane S. Beckwith Loan Fund, and dues of \$4.25 were paid to the State Federation.

## County Extension Organization.

### B. GENERAL POLICIES

Craven County employs a white Farm and Assistant Farm Agent, and Home; and a Negro Farm Agent and Home Agent. Most of the work of the Home Agent is carried on through organized Home Demonstration clubs and through personal visits. The 15 active clubs in the county are attended by women from 27 neighborhoods. Each club has its officers, project leaders and standing committees; and the clubs meet once a month. The officers of each club are members of the County Council of the Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs, which met three times during the year.

County Council of the Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs met on December 6. Mrs. Herbert Egan, President, gave a summary of the work done in 1941. The Home Agent presented the suggested State-wide program for Home Demonstration clubs, and this was accepted by the Council. Plans were made for the observance of the 25th Anniversary of Home Demonstration Club work in Craven County at the Annual Achievement Day in the Fall. Each Club will have a Historian, and Mrs. J. B. Brown of Vanceboro was named County Historian. Mrs. L. B. Fate of Bellair-Spring Garden Club was elected treasurer succeeding Mrs. B. L. Witherington of Vanceboro.

The Spring meeting was held on Saturday, March 26, with 16 members representing 8 communities in attendance. Plans for the spring Federation meeting were made. The women felt that they should have a Flower Show this year, since with conditions as they are they might not be able to have one next year. Plans were also made for the 4-H Mobilization Week. Miss Verna Stanton, District Home Agent, was present.

The Program Planning Council meeting was held in October. 17 members from 6 communities were present. It was decided to have the officers and project leaders remain in office for another year. The State-wide Program was adopted. The annual County-wide Achievement day was cancelled.

The Farm Agents and the Home Agent have worked together in the Poultry and Garden projects, and in the Salvage Campaign, Cost of Living Program, and other Defense Programs. The Home Agent and Assistant Farm Agent have conducted the 4-H Club work.

### C. PROCEDURE

The Home Demonstration Clubs meet once each month. Some of the clubs meet in the homes, some in club houses or club rooms, and others in the schools. There are 10 Project Leaders in each club. These Leaders give seasonal reports on their projects, and when the Agent is absent, they give the demonstration. No Leaders' schools were held this year. At the beginning of the year, the Club members adopted families to whom they would take information during the year. By this method a large number of women who were unable to attend club meetings received the information given there.

There are 2,226 farms in the County with 1,518 white operators. The Home Demonstration Club work reached more tenant families through the Mattress project than any other way.

222 non-club members were influenced by club women  
66 of them had never been assisted by Home Demonstration club work before.  
No families were added through the Mattress Program.

## VI. COUNTY PROGRAM OF WORK

The State-wide Program for Home Demonstration Clubs was followed by the Club women of the County.

### A. NUTRITION AND HEALTH

No. families assisted in improving diets . . . . .	163
" " " " food preparation . . . . .	399
" " " " improving food supply . . . . .	
" " canning according to budget . . . . .	23 reporting
" " assisted in prevention of colds and other common diseases . . . . .	114
" " assisted with first aid or home nursing . . . . .	156
" " reporting use of whole wheat or enriched flour . . . . .	187
" containers of food canned . . . . .	69,340
" pounds of meat cured . . . . .	151,140
" families following recommendations for storage of food . . . . .	96

1. Foods and Nutrition was the major project for Craven County this year, and every effort was made to increase food production.

Better Food Habits and Victory Gardens were stressed in January, and throughout the year. At the January meetings the proper cooking of vegetables was demonstrated. Material was distributed to the Neighborhood Leaders by the members of the Agricultural Workers' Council, and the Leaders in turn gave this material to their neighbors. Garden Calendars for Spring and Fall plantings were sent to the Leaders for distribution. Practically every family had a garden, and reports at one of the meetings showed that every club member attending had enough planted in her garden for it to be classed as a "Victory Garden". The weather conditions prevented as large a supply of vegetables being produced as should have been. 48 Certificates were awarded at the Spring Federation Day to farm families who had produced at least 75% of their food and feed.

2. Milk Cows - There is a great need for more milk cows in this county, and the farm Agent had done a great deal toward getting more of the farmers interested in securing them. With the increase in population, there have been times when milk could not be bought in the town. During the year 210 cows have been brought in to the County, 2 farmers have started in the dairy business, and all of the dairy farmers have added to their herds.

3. Poultry - Craven County was represented by 23 persons at the Poultry School in Trenton. Mrs. Henry Williams of Vanceboro, Mrs. Jack Dail of Asper, and Rev. I. W. Thurston (Negro) of Phenix, brought home prizes for eggs exhibited at the Egg Show held in connection with the School.

The Assistant County Agent has done most of the poultry work in the County. Poultry notes were given at the Home Demonstration Club meetings. 3 demonstration flock records were kept.

Other women in the county, who kept records of their poultry and eggs, make the following comments:

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Mrs. M. F. Aldridge, Epworth: "In order to know just what we are doing on the farm, I have to keep records. I sold my flock of hens that were 2 1/2 years old, they were still paying with eggs; selling at 45¢ per dozen, but I was afraid of that old age. They brought \$99.60. I had 119 to begin with and had 78 when I sold them. I have their record all the way through. The record book makes it easier, it stays in the kitchen with me." Mrs. Aldridge sold all her poultry for \$205.52 and eggs for \$297.02. This money was used to purchase a bedroom suite, and a rug for the living room, to replace one that had been in use for 25 years.

Mrs. J. A. Lancaster, Spring Garden: "I sold 2,838 dozen eggs for \$960.90, and \$108.80 of chickens from October 1941 to October 1942, making a total of \$1,069.70 for the year."

Mrs. E. L. Becton, North Harlow; - "I had 1,300 chickens and lost 325. I sold all but 100 pullets for about \$500.00 After paying my feed bill, my profit was \$200.00."

Mrs. T. E. Taylor, Bachelor; - "Although I have not sold any of my turkeys this year, I have had real good luck in raising them. Out of 80 I have around 60, which I hope to sell for \$250.00 or more. Last year I sold 20 for \$87.00. These turkeys have mostly eaten what they found in the field."

4. Edible Soybeans - were demonstrated at the November meetings. Very few had used them before, and most of the women were sceptical about them; however they tasted them at the meeting and many of them had a second helping. In several places the women took the remaining chili con carne, which was demonstrated, to their husbands. The women in several of the clubs are planning to entertain their husbands with a soybean chili con carne supper in December. Most of the women promised to plant soybeans in the spring garden.

5. Whole Wheat Products - were demonstrated by the Agent and Food Leaders in May, in an effort to get more people in the county to eat and enjoy foods made from whole wheat. Grinding the wheat for cereal and flour created quite a bit of interest, and the products made from the wheat were adjudged to be very good. The hostesses served cookies which were made from whole wheat. One hostess set a good example for all club women when she served whole wheat rolls, butter, jelly, and buttermilk - all products of the farm. Practically all the women present requested recipes to take to their neighbors, and requests for them have been made throughout the year.

6. Whole Grain and Enriched Flours were stressed, and their use urged during the year. Merchants in New Bern said that 7 out of every 10 women asked for the whole wheat or enriched bread today.

Substitution of honey and syrup for sugar was discussed at club meetings.

7. Canning Budgets - were made by the women attending the February meeting. 23 women reported that they had filled their budget this year. Most of the canning was done in the Fall, because of the poor gardening season this Spring.



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8. Storing Vegetables - The Garden Leaders gave suggestions for storing vegetables at one of the club meetings. Farmers in this County have stored very few vegetables, except potatoes, previously. The women were anxious to know how to keep onions, and those people who had kept them satisfactorily gave suggestions.

9. Lunch rooms were conducted in all of the schools. The Home Demonstration Club women have acted as managers under the direction of the W. F. A. supervisors, and they have cooperated by donating food and equipment.

10. A Nutrition Committee - composed of the Home Demonstration Agent and a member of the Health Department was appointed. Nothing has been done by this Committee to date.

Club women assisted the Rationing Board and the people in the communities by helping with the gasoline and sugar rationing.

The Home Agent taught 2 classes in nutrition for the Red Cross.

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B. FOOD CONSERVATION

In February, the Food Conservation Leaders urged the women to make out their canning budgets, and to get canning equipment. This year, however, when the people had more money and were very anxious to get pressure cookers, they were unable to procure them.

The Drying of Fruits and Vegetables was demonstrated at the July meetings. The women in the county had been drying a few fruits previously, however, the insects were so bad that they did not conserve any vegetables by this method. With the information received at this meeting the women are doing some indoor drying.

During the sugar-for-canning sign-up the women were given suggestions for canning with less sugar.

The Epworth Home Demonstration club won the county pressure cooker for having the greatest number of people present at Achievement Day, and this cooker has been used a great deal by the people in the community.

10 women entered the Kerr Canning Contest. Winners for the County were:

First Place	- Mrs. A. L. Cuthrie, Rhams;
Second Place	- Mrs. M. B. Simpkins, Jasper;
Third Place	- Mrs. S. E. Lancaster, Epworth.

## County Program of Work

C. HOME MARKETING

35 women reported	
11 sold dairy products for .....	\$2,254.00
11 sold fruits and vegetables for .....	698.00
30 sold poultry and eggs for .....	3,683.00

There is no farm women's curb market in Craven County. The Agricultural Workers' Council has been trying to secure the use of the cannery building, but so far has not been successful.

Mrs. I. L. Harrison of Rhem sold candy to make profit enough to buy 2 war bonds.

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B. Home Gardens

Garden notes were given at every Home Demonstration Club meeting.

Almost every family in the rural section of Craven county has some kind of garden. ( See Victory Garden report.)

Mrs. A. L. Malahorn of the Hills Oak Club has kept a record of her garden, as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Vegetable</u>
February 6	- Set out cabbage plants
March 6	- Sowed Kale, lettuce, turnips, spinach, cabbage, collards.
March 10	- Sowed English peas, onion,
March 11	- Planted Irish potatoes
March 13	- Sowed carrots, beets, mustard.
April 6	- Planted bunch beans
April 8	- Sowed tomato seed
April 9	- Sowed Corn
April 16	- Planted bunch butter beans, okra, and squash
May 3	- Set out collards, cabbage
May 6	- Planted pole beans, watermelons, cantelopes, cucumbers.
May 8	- Planted lady-finger peas
May 8-9	- Set out tomatoes, collards, cabbage.
May 28	- Planted pole beans
June 5	- Set out tomatoes
June 10	- Planted peas
June 12	- Set out collards
June 19	- Planted peas
June 30	- Planted pole beans and corn
June 30	- Planted bunch butter beans, bunch beans
June 30	- Set out tomatoes
July 2	- Planted peas, turnips
August 10	- Planted turnips, bunch beans

<u>Expenses:</u>	
Garden Seed	\$ 5.11
Labor	6.00
Fertilizer	5.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 16.11</b>

<u>Returns:</u>	
168 qts. canned @ 15¢ ea.	\$25.20
Used at home	50.00
	75.20
Less cost	16.11
<b>Net profit</b>	<b>\$ 59.09</b>

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Mrs. May Mollwean of Bellair, and Mrs. H. B. Simpkins of Jasper, both kept garden records this year.

Mrs. Mollwean reports: "I planted the Victory Garden collection, but several kinds did not come up, and the dry weather was bad for all". For 3 in the family she had 1 acre which was fenced. 2 drayloads of stable manure worth \$2.00, and 3 bags of commercial fertilizer worth \$5.10 were used; the seed cost \$5.00, and the spray \$1.50, making a total cost of \$13.60. She had 23 vegetables, 2 berry bushes and 1 grape vine, with vegetables 11 months in the year. 69 quarts of vegetables were canned, 6 quarts of berries, and 52 bushels of potatoes were stored.

Mrs. Simpkins' garden was  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre for 3 persons. Her seed cost \$4.00. 109 quarts of vegetables were canned.

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E. HOME MANAGEMENT

No. families assisted	
(a) With time-management problems (best use of time in home) ..	78
(b) With home accounts ( record of home expenses) .....	15
(c) With financial planning ( using budgets).....	9
(d) In improving use of credit for family living expenses....	15
(e) In developing home industries as a means of supplementing income (selling things made in home) .....	7
(f) Improving equipment for home care of sick .....	23

1. 14 of the Home Demonstration Clubs met in January with an attendance of 135 women. At each meeting a playlet "The Farm Family Faces 1942" was presented by the members, and following the play a round-table discussion was held. At these discussions it was shown that although more of the Club women are keeping records of some things such as poultry, clothes, food, etc., too few are keeping accounts of all expenditures during the year. 8 women kept accounts for 1942. Mrs. George Simmons of Shen Club reported that her eight-year old daughter had started keeping records too, and every penny she spends for candy, etc., must go into her account book.

Mrs. Herbert Beaman of Jasper, says that she has kept a record of her expenses this year, and that this record has really made her spend her money more wisely.

2. A playlet on "Controlling the Cost of Living" was given by the employees of the A. A. A. over the radio. This playlet was also given at the Home Demonstration Clubs, and a discussion of this program was had. The Cost of Living Program was presented to Neighborhood Leaders by the Agricultural Workers' Council; the Leaders, in turn, took the information to their neighbors.

3. 149 Home Demonstration Club members met during April to study Future Security Through Conservation. The purpose of this demonstration was to show the women how they can take better care of their household articles which they have, and those which they are fortunate enough to get during the year. The care of stoves, refrigerators, pots and pans, rubber articles, wool, and furniture was shown. The women were especially interested in refreshing the furniture, and in the cleaning of rugs and upholstered furniture.

4. Through the courtesy of the County Health Department, the Club women had Miss Genevieve Burton, Public Health Nurse, given a demonstration on Home Care of the Sick. Miss Burton discussed simple home remedies and demonstrated the making of equipment for the sick room. She urged the women to have community kits. There are such kits in 3 of the communities which are being improved, and several other communities are planning to have them.

The Jasper Home Demonstration Club has begun a First-Aid Closet in a room of the teacherage.

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5. Planning Your Time for Victory was the subject for September. Although the number attending the meetings was very small, those who were present entered into the discussion; and it was decided that, at the present time, they are overworked because of the scarcity of labor, and lack of organization in some instances. Women reported that they had taken rest periods during the day, and that they were better able to do their work because of the rest. Women organized a single household task.

The year by year improvements which Mrs. John Clark of the Epworth section has made in her home have been interesting. (A complete story of this dwelling, which negroes formerly lived in, was in the 1911 Narrative of Craven County.) A picture at the back shows the house as it looks today. Improvements made were:

November 1936	- Patched walls and painted inside house	\$ 20.00
Octob-- 1939	- Added 3 windows to house, and made breakfast nook out of old pantry in kitchen	17.00
November 1941	- New flooring laid	50.00
	- New front porch	65.00
	- Underpinned house	--
March 1942	- Painted house outside and added blinds, etc.	35.00

Scrap material and pine from the farm were used, and Mr. and Mrs. Clark did all the work themselves.

Mrs. W. J. Cox of Jasper, has made a great improvement in her home during the past year. She had cabinets made in the kitchen for storage, built a side table and bought a new range. Closets were built in the bedroom, and a small room was turned into a combined linen closet, clothes closet and bathroom. In the living room the settee and three chairs were slip-covered for \$8.75.

Mrs. F. L. Hooker of Rhem had done her bit of conserving by remodeling her furniture. She had a 3-piece living room suite with cane backs, which she had planned to discard. After talking about its possibilities, she decided to upholster it. The backs and arms of the furniture were padded, and the springs were tied. Material on hand was used. Then the three pieces were slip-covered, and Mrs. Hooker now has a good-looking sofa and two chairs which appear to be new at a total cost of \$19.98. She was so delighted with her handiwork that she has slip-covered three additional chairs. With the money that she saved, she bought a rug, material for curtains, lamps and other accessories for her living room. Since seeing her furniture, three people have asked that she cover their furniture.

Mrs. R. E. King of Bachelor says that the most outstanding improvements that she has made is having electricity installed. The electricity in this section was turned on one day when the Home Demonstration Club was meeting and I have never seen a group of women any more delighted. They have worked for this line for a long, long time. Mrs. King's wiring cost \$90.00 and her fixtures cost \$19.00.

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6. The Mattress and Comforter Project, which was begun in this County in 1940 was completed in October 1942. There were 2,134 mattresses and 1,571 comforters made by 1,664 families. These mattresses and comforters were made in 6 different communities under the supervision of Home Demonstration Club women.



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F. CLOTHING AND TRIFLES

No. Assisted in		
(a) Making clothes at home .....	168	
(b) Selection of clothing and material .....	210	
(c) Care, renovation and remodeling of clothing ..	357	
(d) Clothing accounts or budgets .....	7	
No. making clothing plan for self .....	11	
No. making clothing plan for family .....	6	
No. articles remodeled:		
dresses .....	71;	hats .....
coats .....	12;	children's garments 40
		total .....
		130
Avg. cost of clothing made (self) .....		\$33.60
" " " " (family) .....		\$ 156.50
No. supplementing income by taking in sewing .....		5
Average amount made .....		\$5.00

My Clothing Needs were demonstrated in March, and the women were especially interested in the work garments for women. Several women in each Club promised to keep clothing accounts during the year. 7 women reported that they had.

The demonstration on remodeling clothes which was given in October was very timely. The women were asked to bring something to remodel, to their Club meeting. Some of the women said they had nothing to bring, but during the demonstration most of them had remembered an old suit or dress which was packed away, and they decided how to make it over.

Mrs. A. L. Guthrie of Rhem Club showed a dress which had been remodeled. She needed a dress for a special occasion, and found one for \$16.00. However, before buying it, she went home and looked at an old dinner dress that she had discarded and decided to use it. Sleeves were made from the part of the skirt which was cut off, and a few alterations made the dress into a very practical one. Mrs. Guthrie not only has her remodeled dress at a cost of 75¢, but the dress she first looked at in the store was reduced to \$5.00 and also has that.

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G. HOME BEAUTIFICATION

Home Beautification was the major project in this County in 1939, and the demonstrations started are still being improved.

Mrs. Donald Witherington of Vanceboro has made improvements as follows:

November	1941	- Planted 5 azaleas	\$1.00
March	1942	- Fertilized lawn and shrubs	2.50
		Planted:	
		12 gallberry and myrtle (native)	
		1 snowball	
		2 syringa	
		1 deutzia	
		2 spirea (gifts or rooted)	3.50

Mrs. Wade Adams of the Mile Oak section has worked hard this year to improve her home. She says, "The most important change we are making is to put up a new fence to replace the old one. We have moved the large gate, which made the drive directly in front of the house, over to the side, and put a smaller gate in its place. We have put up a new lot fence and planted screen planting. I set out shrubbery at each side of the gates, and at the fence corners; and put screen planting at the back of the house to screen the hen house, and to stop a wash."

## VII. NEIGHBORHOOD LEADERS

Craven County has been delineated into 39 neighborhoods and leaders have been selected in each neighborhood - 70 men and 50 women, 37 of whom are Home Demonstration Club members. The Leaders have helped in the different programs for the year.

The Victory Garden Campaign was conducted in February. Members of the County Agricultural Workers' Council were given charge of sections of the county, which had previously been divided into neighborhoods, and a list of the leaders in these sections as selected in the Land Use Planning Project some time ago. Some of the Council members called meetings for the leaders, some made the leaders responsible for getting the people of the communities to the meetings, and others met with the leaders individually and asked them to personally contact the families in their communities. The newspaper carried articles about this project. In the Fall, garden calendars were sent to the leaders from the County Agents' office, to be given to the farm families. Through this campaign, the people of Craven County definitely became more food conscious.

Only a few of the Leaders made a report on this campaign. 17 leaders from 7 communities reported that 8 meetings had been held, with 106 persons attending; 138 people had been contacted; 204 bulletins had been distributed; 109 gardens had been planted; 25 seed packages had been bought.

All organizations have assisted in the Scrap Metal Campaign. A meeting for leaders in farm machinery was held in New Bern for the purpose of acquainting the people with the necessity for machinery repair and to collect scrap metal. Following this meeting, 10 neighborhood meetings were held, and 26 community meetings were held. 54 leaders were contacted individually. These leaders presented the material to people in their communities. A large amount of scrap was collected, but all of it was not moved. During W-E Mobilization week the boys and girls were asked to make a survey of the scrap in their homes. This scrap was later brought to the schools during the county-wide drive. The leaders were asked to assist in this drive, which they did. The County Salvage Committee Chairman estimated that there have been one million pounds collected in the County, although only 750,000 pounds have been moved because of lack of transportation.

The Program for Controlling the Cost of Living was explained to the Agricultural Workers' Council, who in turn took this information to the neighborhood leaders. 19 meetings were held, 76 leaders were contacted individually. The leaders made lists of the people in their communities and distributed material on this program. A playlet on this subject was given at the 15 Home Demonstration Club meetings, which 149 women attended, and it was also broadcast over the radio.

## VIII. CIVILIAN DEFENSE

The Agent met in conference with Mrs. John D. Whitford, County Welfare Superintendent, and Mr. Geo. W. Ipoek, Chairman of the County Board of Commissioners, to discuss Defense plans; and also attended a meeting on Defense called by Mayor Henderson of New Bern.

Members of the County Council were called to a meeting in New Bern under the auspices of the Red Cross, to plan for organization of the County for War Disaster Relief. The 25 women who attended this meeting helped to organize their communities.

4 Home Demonstration Club women have been appointed to the Women's Health and Defense League of Craven County. 2 women told over the radio what had been done for Defense in the County.

Leaders in every community have been invited to come to the meetings of the Craven County Council of Social Agencies, and they have attended some of these meetings.

In cooperation with the County Health Department and their Defense Program, a part of the July Home Demonstration Club meetings was given over to Mrs. Herbert Lane who discussed malaria control.

Most of the rural families contributed to the Red Cross through the schools. Only a very few of the women have been able to obtain materials to make garments for the Red Cross, but this material will be distributed in the next few weeks. Five classes in First Aid have been given in the rural communities, and the Club women have taken advantage of these classes. Two women have had courses in Home Nursing.

A special church service was held for the Service men at Rhem, and the women served dinner to them.

The Club women in two of the communities donated cookies, candy, and magazines for the boys at Camp Battle.

The Home Agent taught two classes in Nutrition, with 6 women receiving certificates.

## II. COOPERATION WITH OTHER AGENCIES

The Home Agent and the W. F. A. use the same kitchen, which is located in the Old City Hall building. This room was obtained several years ago with the aid of the Welfare Superintendent, and the stove was secured through the City Electrical Department.

Representatives of the Farm Security Administration, County Welfare Department, Vocational Education Department, Production Credit Association, National Farm Loan Association, Employment Service, as well as others, are members of the Agricultural Workers' Council; and have worked together on all farm problems.

Cooperation with other organizations is shown under Civilian Defense, and elsewhere in this report.

## X. COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

**A. Libraries** - There are 2 public libraries in Craven County, one in New Bern, and one in Yanceyboro. Practically all of the school libraries have been closed. The New Bern Library is planning to secure a Bookmobile for the County. Until this is secured, the Home Agent is taking books to the Home Demonstration Clubs, where they are distributed. This service was begun on November 1st.

**B. Club Activities** - Rhem Club has had some money in the Bank for a number of years, and at a club meeting they voted to buy a Defense Bond with it.

Jasper club house has been painted, which greatly improved its appearance. The money to pay for the painting was raised by serving suppers to the Farmers' Club.

Every person present at the February meetings selected a project on which she would keep records through the year, and a family to assist during the year. At subsequent meetings the women answered to the roll call by telling what they had done in their project, and how they had helped their adopted families. Many interesting reports were given, such as one club woman had taught her neighbor to use wholewheat flour which she had formerly been giving to the chickens; two had taken care of their neighbor's children; others had helped with the sewing; and one entire Club gave clothes and food to a needy family. The Victory Garden schedule had been distributed, and several of the women who had been adopted came to the March meeting, and adopted a family of their own.

**C. Publicity** - The radio and the newspapers have been used for publicity in the County. The Radio Station - WHIT - has been in operation for the past year, and the Manager has been most cooperative in allowing organizations to have programs. In cooperation with the Women's Health and Defense League, 2 programs have been given, and the Agent has assisted in three of those sponsored by the County Health Department. Monthly reports, special interest meetings, and other news stories have been carried in the New Bern newspapers.

### D. Agricultural Engineering

(Stories under Home Management)

**E. Recreation** - Christmas parties were held by the Home Demonstration Clubs, during December. Tuscarora Club had an oyster roast. The covered dish suppers which Croatan Club has given for several years have proved so popular that 4 of the Clubs gave them this Christmas. There seemed to be a conflict of opinions regarding the Christmas parties, some members feeling that because of the war situation they could not enjoy attending, while others said they found them a respite in this time of stress and strain. 325 attended the parties, at which home-made gifts were distributed.

Every year the Home Demonstration Clubs have held recreational meetings in August. This year a County wide picnic was planned, and some of the Club members and their families spend supper at Camp Croatan at the end of the 4-H Camp.

## XI. 1942 GOALS AND RESULTS

### GOALS

### RESULTS

#### ORGANIZATION:

1. Active Club members increased by 100
2. Interest women recently moved to County in Club work.

29 members added to Roll  
Members report they have interested 66 women in Club work who had never before been interested.

#### CLOTHING:

1. 300 Club women raising standards of dress through selection of material and ready made clothing.
2. 300 Club women increasing use of cotton by wearing cotton dresses and hose to Club meetings
3. 200 Club women improving appearance by wearing approved types of foundation garments and by more careful grooming
4. 200 Club women saving money by remodeling clothes and by better care of clothing.
5. 17 Club women making a clothing plan for family.

168 followed recommendations in clothing construction

This has been done.

Many women have done this.

192 women followed recommendations

7 women reported doing this.

#### FOODS AND NUTRITION:

1. Better balanced meals and more careful preparation for the family.
2. Reduce food costs by using home-produced food, and by serving home-produced food at Club meetings.
3. Growing of wheat for home use to be urged.
4. Every family with a year-round garden and at least 3 green vegetables at all times.
5. Dairy and poultry products sufficient for home use and surplus to sell.
6. 200 Club members filling approved canning budget.
7. Bread Campaign in May.

463 families in the County have improved diets. ( Families of Home Demonstration and H-H Club members.)  
Home production of food has been urged throughout the year

A few families have planted wheat for home use.

This has been done.

Dairy products in County are still insufficient.

138 members made budgets.

Demonstrations of whole-wheat products were given in May.

11. 1942 Goals and Results

GOALS

HOME MANAGEMENT:

1. Bedding of 1,728 families improved by completion of Mattress Project.
2. 50 kitchens improved.
3. 10 women keeping records

HOUSE FURNISHINGS:

1. 50 families improving furnishings by repairs, etc.

HOME BEAUTIFICATION:

1. Home Beautification Projects begun in 1939 to be continued.

MARKETING:

1. 50 farm families assisted in the selling of produce.

AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING:

1. 5 water systems installed.

HOME, HEALTH, AND SANITATION:

1. Club women in every community assist with Health and Dental Clinics.
2. Simple instructions in First Aid to be given.
3. Sanitation stressed at Club meetings.

RECREATION:

1. A county-wide picnic in August.
2. Recreation for husbands in December.

RESULTS

- 1,694 families have improved bedding as a result of Mattress Project.  
23 reported kitchens improved.  
15 women reported keeping records.

119 families reported improving furnishings.

23 Home Beautification Projects continue to make improvements.

30 were given assistance.

2 water systems were installed.

Health Clinics were conducted in most communities.  
Dental Clinics through schools.  
Lessons on Home Care of Sick given by Public Health Nurses.

5 Classes in First Aid were given.

Malaria Control discussed.

A county-wide picnic featured the closing of h-R camp.

Recreational meetings to which husbands were invited were held by most Clubs.



### XIII. OUTLOOK AND RECOMMENDATIONS

At the Club meetings in May the needs in the communities were discussed by the women, and representatives from the Clubs met with County Council to plan for the 1943 program. The State-wide program for Home Demonstration Clubs was adopted, and plans were made for the coming year.

When possible, it seems to me that a meeting with representative men and women from the County held to work out a program for the year would be better than having the programs worked out separately. If the groups met together to work on their joint projects, they would be better able to assist each other. Before this meeting, a simple survey of the County, using the form suggested in visiting the neighborhood leaders, would be helpful in determining the needs of the people.

More personal visits to neighborhood leaders are needed in this County, in order to have the leaders functioning more efficiently. In some instances the leaders still do not understand exactly what is expected of them. The Agents are planning to visit every leader as soon as possible and explain the Neighborhood Leaders' system. Some of the leaders have not been able to attend any of the community meetings, and so do not know how the others are working.

More families have been reached this year by leaders, clubwomen, and through the Mattress Program, than ever before.

### III. Outlook and Recommendations

#### A. GOALS FOR 1943

##### ORGANIZATION

1. Organize Home Demonstration Club at Caton, Ernal, or both.
2. Organize "sister" or junior clubs in five communities.
3. Increase number of active Club members by 100.

##### CLOTHING

1. 200 club women improving appearance by wearing the approved type of foundation garments, and by more careful grooming.
2. 200 club women saving money by remodeling clothes, thereby relieving fabric, manpower and transportation needed in the war program.
3. 50 club women planning long-time wardrobe according to a plan that fits present day needs and income of the family.

##### FOODS AND NUTRITION -(Includes Conservation, Garden, Poultry and Dairy)

1. Better balanced meals for the family, with emphasis placed on the preparation of food to conserve food value.
2. Reducing food costs by using home-produced foods.
3. The growing of wheat for home use being urged.
4. Every family having a year-round garden, with at least 3 green vegetables at all times. (Victory Garden)
5. Dairy and poultry products sufficient for home use and a surplus to sell.
6. 200 club members filling the approved canning budget by approved safe methods of food preservation.
7. 100 club members having at least one small fruit in garden.
8. Special interest community meeting in Insects in Orchard and Fruit.
9. 5 Home Garden demonstrations.

##### HOME MANAGEMENT

1. 50 women making a special effort to learn more about financial management in the home.
2. 50 women organizing household tasks and work areas to conserve time and energy.
3. 100 women checking on the safety of their homes, and removing hazards.
4. 5 women keeping home accounts and using them to help adjust their family living.
5. 1 Farm and Home Demonstration
6. 1 Cooperative Federal Land Bank Demonstration.

##### HOME BEAUTIFICATION

1. Home Beautification Projects begun in 1939 continued.
2. Home Beautification Leaders assisting at least one family in planning yard improvement.
3. Home Beautification Leaders giving monthly home beautification suggestions.

## XII. Outlook and Recommendations

## B. 1945 HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB PROGRAM

Date	Meeting	Leader	Topic or Demonstration
Jan.	- Local Clubs	- Home Agent	- The Home Front Plans for Action
		- Clothing Leader	- Outlook - Family Planning
		- Foods Leader	- The Home Front Plans for Action
		- Foods Conv. Leader	- Canning Budget (Check sheet for Neighborhood Leaders)
		- Garden Leader	- Small Fruits
"	- Agents' Training School-	- Specialists	-
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Feb.	- Local Clubs	- Home Agent	- Three Square Meals a Day
		- Garden Leader	- Garden Notes
		- Poultry Leader	- Poultry Notes
		- Home Beautification Leader-	- Home Beautification Notes.
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March	- Local Clubs	- Home Agent	- Quick and sure Methods of Making a Dress
		- Garden Leader	- Garden Notes
		- Poultry Leader	- Poultry Notes
		- Home Beautification Leader-	- Home Beautification Notes
"	5 - County-wide	- House Furnishings Leader	- Refinishing Furniture
"	- Agents' Training School-	- Specialists	-
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April	- Local Clubs	- Home Agent	- Clean to Save
		- Garden Leader	- Garden Notes
		- Poultry Leader	- Poultry Notes
		- Home Beaut. Leader	- Home Beautification Notes
"	10 - County Council	- Home Agent	-
"	- Agents' Training School-	- Specialists	-
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May	- Local Clubs	- Home Agent	- Milk for Strong Bodies
		- Garden Leader	- Garden Notes
		- Poultry Leader	- Poultry Notes
		- Home Beaut. Leader	- Home Beautification Notes
"	8 - Spring Federation	- Home Agent	-
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June	- Local Clubs	- Home Agent	- Food Conservation
		- Garden Leader	- Garden Notes
		- Poultry Leader	- Poultry Notes
		- Home Beaut. Leader	- Home Beautification Notes
"	12 - District Meet'g-	- District Agent	-
"	1-4 - Camp for Women	-	-
"	1 - Community	- Specialists	- Insects in Orchard and Small Fruits.

## XII. Outlook and Recommendations

## 1943 Home Dem. Club Program

Date	Meeting	Leader	Topic or Demonstration
July	- Local Clubs	- Home Agent Garden Leader Poultry Leader Home Beaut. Leader	- Easy Day Meals - Garden Notes - Poultry Notes - Home Beautification Notes
August	- Local Clubs	- Home Agent Garden Leader Poultry Leader Home Beaut. Leader	- When Neighbors Meet - Garden Notes - Poultry Notes - Home Beautification Notes
"	- Farm & Home Week	- Extension Specialists	-
"	- Agents' Training School	- Specialists	-
Sept.	- Local Clubs	- Home Agent Garden Leader Poultry Leader Home Beaut. Leader	- How Safe Is Your Home? - Garden Notes - Poultry Notes - Home Beautification Notes
"	25 - County Council	- Home Agent	-
October	- Local Clubs	- Home Agent Garden Leader Poultry Leader Home Beaut. Leader	- Repair It and Wear It - Garden Notes - Poultry Notes - Home Beautification Notes
"	- Agents' Training School	- Specialists	-
November	- Local Clubs	- Home Agent Garden Leader Poultry Leader Home Beaut. Leader Foods Consv. Leader	- Ways To Do More With Less - Garden Notes - Poultry Notes - Home Beautification Notes - Storage ( Campaign, through Leaders)
"	11 - Achievement Day	- Home Agent	-
December	- Local Clubs	- Home Agent	-
"	11 - County Council	- Home Agent	- Living With Your Family

## SECTION II. 4-H CLUB NARRATIVE REPORT - 1942

## CRAYER COUNTY

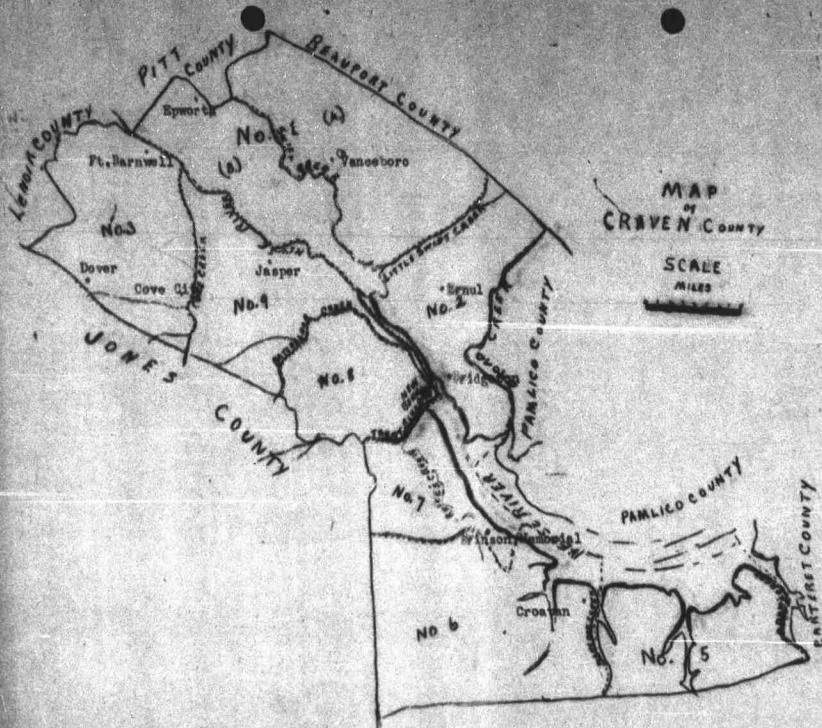
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MAP  
OF  
CRAVEN COUNTY

SCALE  
MILES



I. MAP OF COUNTY



• Junior L-H Clubs  
○ Senior L-H Club

### III. INTRODUCTION

There are 10 Junior and 1 senior 4-H Club in Craven County. These clubs meet once each month at the schools. The meetings, which last 45 minutes, consist of a joint business meeting and a program, after which the boys and girls separate for project work.

In past years the older boys and girls were organized in a combined senior 4-H and Service Club, but this club was discontinued the first of the year because so many of the boys were in the Service or elsewhere.

Senior Clubs should be formed in this County, and it is hoped that one additional one can be formed during the year.

### IV. ORGANIZATION

10 Junior Clubs	- Enrollment 237 girls
1 Senior Club	- " 17 "

Local Achievement Days were held in each Club in April, with 398 members attending. At this time a Health Program was given, the King and Queen at each school was crowned, and Victory pins were awarded to those who had participated in the 4-H Victory Program.

The annual spring Federation Meeting was held jointly with the Home Demonstration Clubs in May. The program was given on the lawn of the New Bern Woman's Club and 90 people attended. Cleon Avery and Jean Heath of Cove City, with the kings and queens of Health from the County Schools presented a Health Pageant, using a large "V" for the background.

Evelyn Mills of Farm Life School and Clyde Eborn of Creatan were crowned County Queen and King by Archie White, the 1941 State Health King.

The 4-H Club banner was presented to Epworth Club.

The 4-H Clubs meet once each month for a 45 minute session. These meetings are held the fourth week in the month. During summer months the Leaders hold group meetings for the girls, and some of the Leaders have held these meetings during the year.

### V. MONTHLY PROGRAMS AS EXECUTED

The Clubs meet together for the business and joint program time. During the year two health programs were given, one on Mobilization Week, one on Forest Fire Prevention, and a playlet on Victory Gardens. At the other meetings the clubs were re-organized, and local achievement days were held.

The girls had their project programs every month. The Agent gave demonstrations and lectured in presenting the project material.

## VI. PROJECTS

Clothing - Enrolled - 9; Completing - 6.

The girls who took clothing this year were given individual assistance as the project time in club meetings was spent on Food and Nutrition. The girls brought what they had made to the club meetings, where they were shown and judged.

A Dress Revue was held at the Spring Federation meeting, which 5 junior girls entered. Since there were so few entrants, another revue was planned for the June Council meeting which was cancelled. The other girls showed their dresses at the local Home Demonstration Clubs and the best in the County were selected from these.

Ruth Powell of Bridgeton had the best dress in the County. Her's was a simple cotton dress. She was too young to enter the District Revue, so Mohn Dixon of Para Life School represented the County there, and in the Clothing Record Contest. Mohn's dress was a brown spun rayon two-piece dress with a blue dickey.

Foods and Nutrition

Enrolled - 167; Completing - 99

Foods and Nutrition was the major project. The Agent gave the demonstration in planning meals and keeping the food and health records at one meeting. All of the projects were based on health, viz; Foods and Nutrition, Gardening, and Health. The Agent also gave demonstrations in Salads, and Salad Dressings, and Vegetable Cookery, and Setting the Table. Judging from the record books, these girls need more work in planning meals; their menus lacked variety.

After a discussion on Whole-grain products by the Agent, two girls in each Club gave a demonstration in Whole Wheat Muffins. The following month a Muffin Contest was held at each school. 19 girls showed muffins, and Evelyn Summrell of Vaneboro was adjudged the County winner.

The girls did most of their actual cooking during the tobacco season, when their mothers were busy elsewhere.

In checking through the record books it was found that too few children had enough milk to drink, and some of them drank none at all. The Milk Program in the schools should do a great deal to improve this situation.

Room Improvement

Although 3 girls improved their rooms, there was no demonstration in this project.



## VI. Projects

Food Conservation

Every year the Food Preservation work is done in group meetings under the supervision of the Agent and Leaders. Fewer meetings were held this year because of the scarcity of labor, both leaders and girls were working at home. 53 girls reported that they had helped their mothers to can 5,297 qts., and that they had canned 472 qts. themselves.

Home Gardens

As a part of the 4-H Victory Program 60 girls signed up for gardening projects. 9 girls turned in garden reports, and 96 girls reported that they had assisted with the garden at home. This was the first time that any of these girls had kept records, and some of them were very good.

Kattie Forrest, a member of Jasper 4-H Club, reports that she had an one-acre garden which was fenced. She used regular garden fertilizer which cost \$3.10 per hundred; seed which cost \$2.50; and spray material costing \$1.30, making a total cost of \$6.90. 20 vegetables and 2 berries were planted. From this garden her family of 6 had vegetables for 8 months.

Peggy Sermons of Fort Barnwell, had 3/10 acre, fenced. There are 6 in the family. The fertilizer cost \$3.00; seed \$1.30; spray 15¢, plowing \$1.70. There were 2 vegetables from this garden in March; 3 in April; 6 in May; 6 in June; 11 in July; 10 in August; 7 in September, and 4 in October. 62 qts were canned from it, and Peggy says that they have had vegetables twice a day from the garden.

Marjorie Lee Hardison of Jasper, had a half-acre. Fertilizer cost \$10.00, seed \$5.00, spray \$5.00. Her family had vegetables for 9 months. At least 3 were growing each month. 15 kinds of vegetables were planted. 220 qts. were canned from this garden.

## VII. LEADERS' SCHOOLS

No regular leaders' schools were given this year. All information was given to the Leaders through personal visits and letters.

There were 17 Leaders for the girls, and they assisted greatly with the programs, 4-H Club Sunday, and 4-H Mobilization Week.

### VIII. THE HEALTH PROGRAM

In the fall Health Record books were explained and distributed, and the boys and girls were weighed and measured by the Agents. Two Health Programs were given during the year.

The County Health Officers examined the boys and girls in the Spring and selected the best boy and girl at each school to enter the County Contest. Evelyn Mills of Farm Life School, and Clyde Eborn of Croatan were judged the best in the County, and they were crowned at the Spring Federation meeting. A Health Pageant was given at this time.

The Health officers felt that too many children were mal-nourished, and plan to examine them at least twice in the coming year, and to make definite plans for their improvement.

Mrs. H. E. Lane of the County Health Department, attended several of the group meetings during the summer, and discussed malaria control with the girls. She also attended 4-H Camp and discussed the same subject. Miss Genevieve Burton, Public Health Nurse, taught simple First Aid at 4-H Camp.

Health examinations given to 189 girls, and 138 boys; total 327. Second examinations were given to 16 boys and girls.

### IX. FEDERATION DAYS

(See Spring Federation Meeting under Achievement Days)

#### X. CONTESTS

Project	Local	Entrants	
		County	State
Food Preparation Contest	48	48	-
Clothing Record "		6	1
Dress Revue	6	6	1
Health "	327	16	
Food Record "	30	30	

## XI. HONORS WON

None but County honors were won this year. Those winning were:

Evelyn Sumrell,	Vanceboro	-	Best muffins
Ruth Powell,	Bridgeton	-	Best dress
Mona Dixon,	Farm Life School	-	Best Clothing Record
Helen Cox,	Fort Barnwell	-	Best Food Record
Evelyn Mills	Farm Life	}	Healthiest
Clyde Ebron	Gretna		

## XII. COMMUNITY PROJECTS

The 4-H boys and girls helped with the drive for collection of Scrap Metal, in the Victory Garden Program and others.

## XIII. RECREATION

Singing and games featured most of the local meetings. Playlets were given on Victory Gardens, and the best was given at Spring Federation.

The members look forward to going to Camp each summer, and this is the only vacation that many of the children have.

## XIV. SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

L-H Club Sunday was observed in the County in April. The members helped by giving out programs, making announcements, taking up offering, and by singing in the choir.

## XV. OLDER YOUTH GROUPS

All such groups have been disbanded for the duration.

## XVI. CAMP

66 members of the 4-H Clubs from Craven and Pinaloc Counties encamped at Camp Croatan on Neuse River for four days in August. Although it poured rain for virtually the entire camp, and the regular program was disrupted, the boys and girls seemed to enjoy their outing. They were fortunate in having Miss Ruby Shultz, W. J. Barker, and J. D. Blicke, Extension Specialists, to teach Food Conservation, Forestry and woodwork; also Miss Genevieve Burton and Mrs. E. E. Lane of the Local Health Department, to give instructions in First Aid and Malaria Control. Evening programs were in the charge of a different group each night. Programs on the 4-H Victory Pledge, Our Flag, and a Candle-lighting Ceremony were given. Yespers were conducted each evening. Parents of the Campers and Home Demonstration Club members were invited down for a picnic supper at the close of camp.

## XVII. 4-H CONTRIBUTION TO WAR EFFORT

The Leaders were asked to assist the boys and girls in their war effort. Material for programs, etc., was sent to them. This program was explained to the Club members and 204 girls signed the 4-H Pledge for Victory. They reported having done the following:

180	girls	reported	that	they	had	helped	in	some	way
45	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	scrap metal Drive
21	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	collected 3,481 # scrap metal
86	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	helped in scrap rubber drive
38	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	collected 1,977 # scrap rubber
86	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	helped with Victory gardens
9	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	sent in reports on Victory gardens
89	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	reported they had bought war stamps,
27	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	\$135.65 in stamps.

Pins were given to those who signed the pledge, and 31 new members were added to the roll. Certificates will be awarded to those who did their part.

The members were asked to make a survey of the salvage material at home. Later, when the County-wide drive was put on, they helped collect this scrap. The members contributed to the Red Cross through the schools, and bought their war stamps there.

A program on Forest Fire Prevention was given at Club meetings one month, and Patrols have been formed.

Some of the girls at Brinson Memorial are taking First Aid Courses, and the members in Cove City, Dover and Vanceboro are helping with Civilian Defense work.

## XVIII. LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

In studying the state-wide program for the I-H girls, the Agents decided that some of the subjects were adaptable to both boys and girls, and they will be used for joint programs.

Efforts are now being made to secure more active leaders, and through these leaders, Vocational Teachers, and older club members, to begin at least one additional senior Club. Through the older boys and girls the program in this County can be made more complete, since they are the ones who can enter into most of the State activities.

Since transportation is such a problem, we will probably reach more of the parents through the children in school than any other way.

## XVIII. Looking to the Future

## A. 4-H CLUB GOALS FOR 1945

ORGANIZATION

Organize a senior club at Jasper  
 Re-organize the 4-H County Council to meet three times during  
 the year.  
 Increase number of completed projects.  
 Spring Federation meeting in May.  
 At least one adult leader in each community.

CLOTHING

Create more interest in Dress Revue and have at least 10 girls  
 entering it.

FOODS AND NUTRITION

Instruct Club members in having better balanced meals.  
 Express upon members the value of milk in the diet and urge  
 them to use more of it.

FOOD CONSERVATION

10 Girls entering Canning Contest  
 Group canning meetings during the summer.

HOUSE FURNISHINGS

Increase interest in Room Improvement by demonstration in  
 simple furniture repairs, etc.

HEALTH

2 Health examinations through cooperation with the County  
 Health Department.  
 A County Health Contest held in May.  
 A District Health Contest held in May.

## B. TENTATIVE PROGRAM FOR 4-H CLUBS - 1943

Date	Topic	Program
January	- The 4-H Club Members Look Ahead	- Joint ( boys and girls)
" 9,	- County Council	-
February	- Wild Life Conservation	- Joint
"	- Three Meals a Day in the 4-H Way	- Girls' Project
March	- Health Program	- Joint
"	- Simplified Methods of Sewing	- Girls' Project
April	- Freshen Up for Spring (Simple Repairs for the Home)	- Joint
" 10,	- County Council	-
"	- 4-H Club Sunday	-
May	- Local Achievement Days	
"	- County Health Contest	
" 8,	- Spring Federation Day	
"	- District Health Contest	
June	- Food Conservation	- Group meetings ( girls)
July*	- Busy Day Meals ( Girls to be invited to Home Demonstration Club meetings)	
"	- Short Course	
(* The women have been requested that the June and July meetings be reversed in Craven County)		
August	- When Neighbors Meet	- Joint
"	- Camp at Croatan	- "
September	- Check-up Meeting	
"	- Lunch Away from Home	- Girls' Project
" 15,	- County Council	
October	- Organization Meeting	- Joint
	Care of Clothes	- Girls' Project
November	- Health Program	- Joint
	- Ways to do More With Less	- Girls' Project
December	- Living With your Family	- Joint



Home of Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Clark  
Rt. 1, Grifton, N.C.