

Wharton County Named Site For Farmers Old Age Study

Wharton county will be the scene of a study of retirement and old age problems of Texas farmers, according to an announcement by County Agent Larry Burleson.

The study, which will be under the direction of the department of agricultural economics and sociology, will begin next week and will involve interviews with several hundred farm families in Wharton county. A crew of interviewers headed by Dr. Joe R. Motheral is expected to spend two or three weeks in the county collecting information from a cross-section group of operators and hired workers.

Farm Methods

Centering on methods used by farm people to protect themselves against the financial difficulties

of old age and disability, the study is expected to help guide future policies in this increasingly important phase of farm life.

New Problems

"The Texas farm population is aging," Dr. Motheral explained, "and we are encountering new problems without having the information needed for solutions."

"In 1950," he said, "congress added certain types of hired farm workers to the list of occupational groups that are eligible for old age and survivors insurance. The Wharton county study will include questions dealing with this program and will attempt to find out how well it is working."

"We want to know how much trouble farm operators have had in paying social security taxes on

their employees, in keeping records, and otherwise meeting the requirements," Dr. Motheral said. "We are also interested in farmer opinion as to whether such a program helps or hinders them in finding and keeping workers during a period of manpower shortage."

The project leader added that the traditional method of achieving economic security by buying land is no longer open to many farmers because of extremely high land prices. New methods should be considered, he continued, and the findings in Wharton county may suggest some new methods.

Study Site

Wharton county was selected for the study because of the wide variety of farming and employment conditions to be found there. Interviewing has been timed to avoid conflict with the busy season on farms. About 30 minutes will be required for each interview.

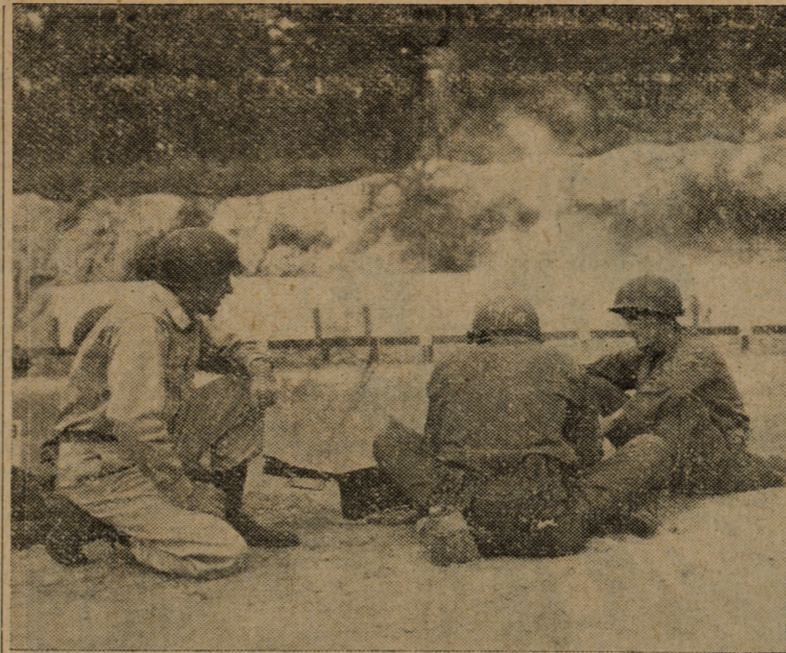
Similar studies have been made by state colleges in Wisconsin and Connecticut, but this will be the first research of its kind in the south.

Dr. Motheral emphasized that information collected on the study will be treated confidentially, and that all data will be combined into totals for research purposes only. A well-trained field staff will be on hand to interview farmers, he said.

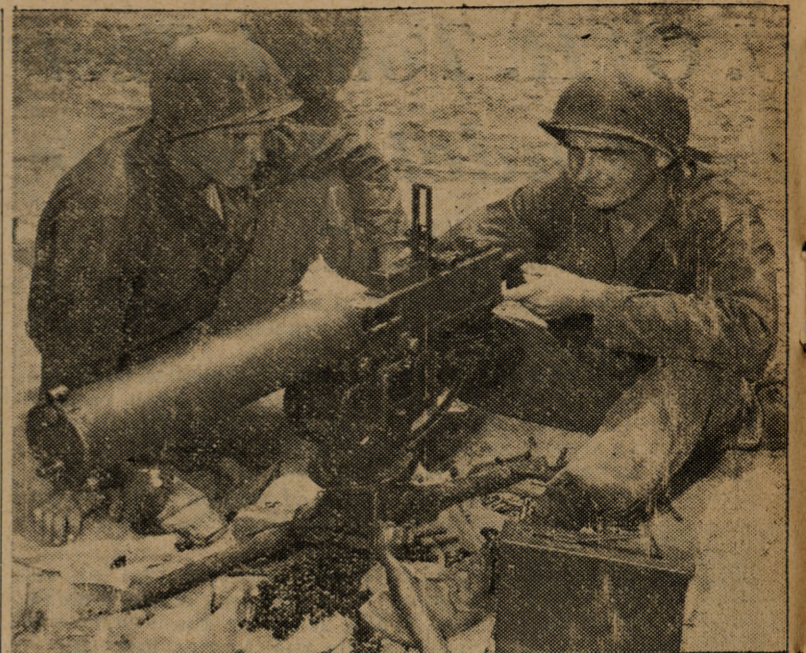
Colonel Joe Davis Visiting Fort Hood

Col. Joe E. Davis, commandant and coordinator of the School of Military Science and Tactics, left Aug. 3, for South Fort Hood where he will spend two weeks.

While at Fort Hood, Colonel Davis will be the Chief inspector of the 75th Reserve Infantry Division. His duties will be to inspect and supervise all phases of training, both administrative and field.



Col. Carpenter, infantry ROTC instructor, watches Herman Brown riddle machine gun target while Spencer Buchanan acts as student coach. Col. Carpenter has been recently assigned to Sam Houston College in Huntsville to establish an ROTC unit at that school.



Emzy B. Nauert and Bucky Price are shown firing the 30 cal. light machine gun as part of their training at the ROTC Summer Camp in Ft. Benning, Ga. Approximately 84 Cadets attended the infantry camp from A&M.

Firemen's Training To Begin August 25

The Firemen's Training School will begin classes August 24 through 29 which is the 23rd year of its existence since it started in 1930.

Approximately 850 men from the 48 states as well as from the Army, Navy, Coast Guard, and Air Force will attend these classes. Industry will also be well represented with the RFC Rubber Division sending personnel from its 26 nation wide plants and many of the oil companies sending their personnel to this school.

The school offers four courses to train men in the most modern methods of fire prevention and control. They are general basic course, the advanced course, the fire department instructors' course, and the fire marshal's course.

"It is also beneficial to firemen for advancement in rank," H. R. Brayton said.

"Cities in Texas represented at the school, are granted a three percent credit on insurance key rates by the fire insurance department at Austin," explained Brayton.

Two Groups Touring A&M Campus Today

Two visiting groups will tour the college and facilities today.

About 150 members of the Texas Farm Bureau Institute, meeting at the college for the fourth annual session, a training school under sponsorship of the Texas Farm Bureau Federation of Waco, will be one of the groups.

Area Fieldman

A. C. Norman of New Boston is the area fieldman in charge of the group and M. C. Jaynes, organization and cooperative marketing specialist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, is making local arrangements.

This group will tour the main campus, the beef cattle, swine, poultry, horticulture, entomology, agronomy and dairy centers, between 5 p.m. and 7:10 p.m.

A group of farmers from Bynum Community in Hill County will begin an all-day tour of the college

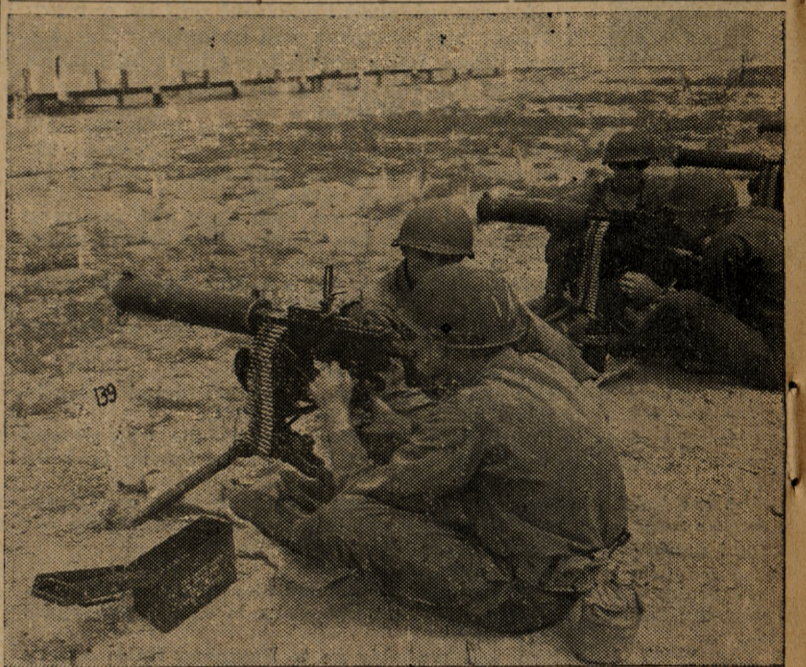
facilities at 9 a.m. and finish at 4 p.m.

I. H. Morriss, vocational agriculture teacher Bynum, will be in charge of the group and Ben Cook, assistant to the dean of the School of Agriculture, is making local arrangements.

This group will visit the campus, Beasley Laboratory, Brazos River Field Laboratory and Grass Plots, the beef cattle, swine, poultry, horse, sheep, entomology, horticulture, agronomy and dairy centers, and the cotton experimental area.

Doerge Promoted In Extension Work

Appointment of C. H. Doerge as acting executive assistant of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service was announced recently by the Extension Service.



Earl Massengale fires away while Ralph Wallingford coaches to check errors and help Massengale improve his score. These two Aggies were part of the more than 3500 cadets from all over the country who have attended ROTC Summer Camp in Ft. Benning,

Dr. Watson Resigns From Agronomy Staff

Dr. James R. Watson, Jr., assistant professor, department of agronomy, has resigned effective August 31, to become chief agronomist for a manufacturing concern in Minneapolis, Minn.

Considered one of the outstanding turf scientists in the country, Dr. Watson's services as a teacher and researcher, since joining the staff April 1, 1950, have been of inestimable value to the college system, according to Dr. J. E. Adams, head of the agronomy department.

Dr. Watson is the senior author

of "The Home Lawn," a 24-page bulletin just released jointly by the Agricultural Experiment Station and the Agricultural Extension Service. He has been widely used as a turf consultant in the renovation of football fields, golf greens, parks, cemeteries and other grass areas.

After graduation from A & M in 1947, Dr. Watson completed the requirements for his doctorate in 1950 at Pennsylvania State College on a fellowship from the U.S. Golf Association.

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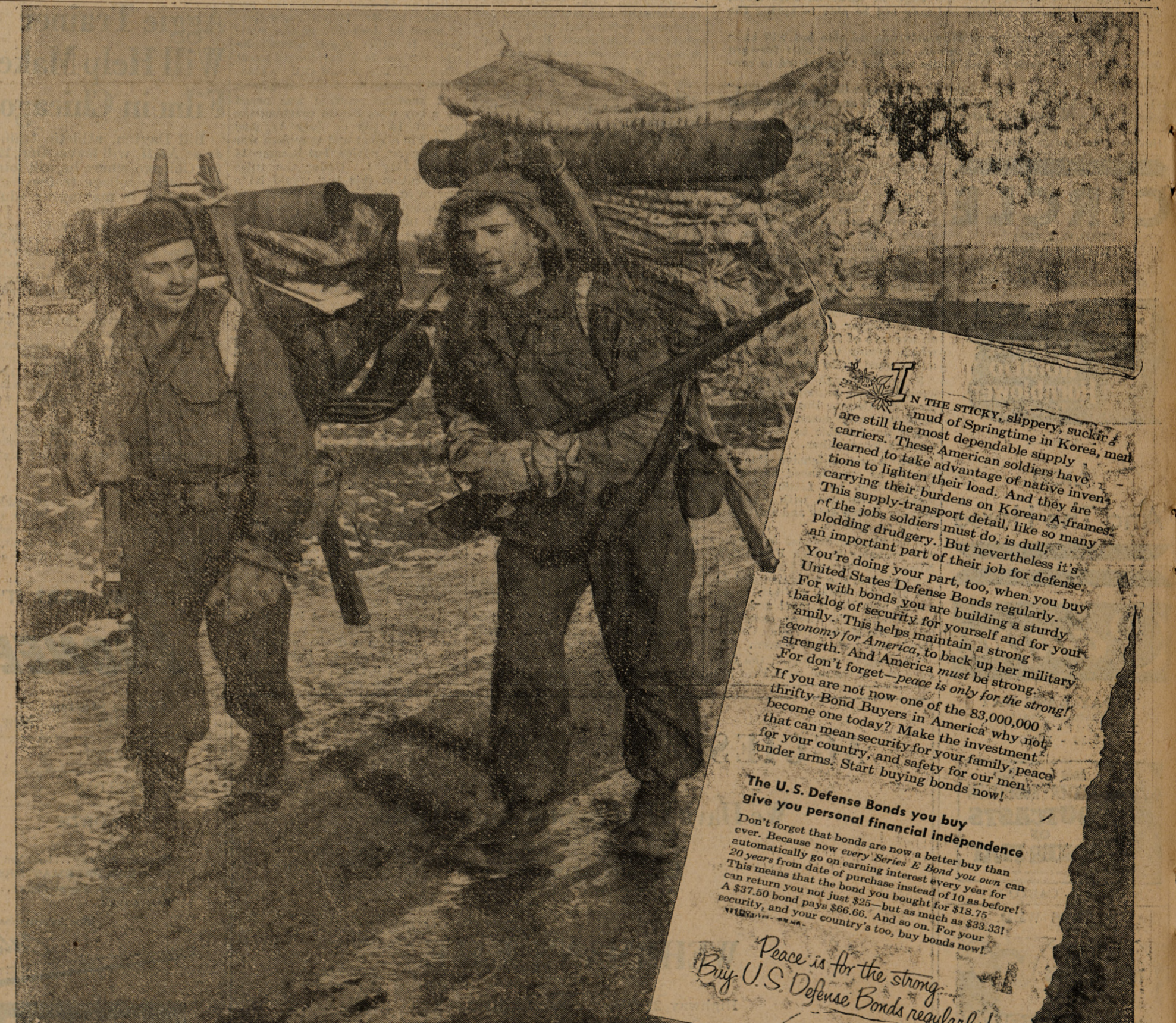
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