

Information Letter No. 1

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NOTE TO LOUISIANA STAFF FROM SRO/RESEARCH

This is the first in a series of information letters that we hope to send out as supplements to your handbook Louisiana Data - 17 Parishes. At present, the information will be limited to those 17 parishes, plus Plaquemines. If you wish information on any other parishes, please notify this office as files are kept on all 64 parishes.

Some of the information may not seem relevant at this time, but please file them for future reference. Information letters will frequently refer to specific pages of the handbook. Please use these items together. All parishes will not be included in each issue.

It is hoped that these information letters will keep the field staff up-to-date on the work of the research program, and encourage communication between us. Criticisms, suggestions, and requests are needed to make the information letters, as well as the research program, valuable to you.

LIVINGSTON PARISH - VOTER REGISTRATION STATISTICS - NOVEMBER, 1964

<u>Ward & precinct</u>	<u>Registered white</u>	<u>Registered Negro</u>	<u>illiterate white reg.</u>	<u>illiterate Negro reg.</u>
Ward 1, pre. 1	459	2	2	0
	pre. 2	41	0	0
Ward 2	805	306	0	9
	pre. 3	17	0	1
	pre. 4	1	0	0
	pre. 5	26	0	0
	442	1	6	0
Ward 3, pre. 1	155	6	1	0
	pre. 2	1051	198	6
Ward 4, pre. 1	369	88	2	8
	pre. 2	1051	198	6
	pre. 3	361	0	2
Ward 5, pre. 1	264	43	5	5
	pre. 2	266	3	0
	pre. 3	123	2	4
	942	209	10	9
Ward 6, pre. 1	199	15	0	2
	338	4	3	0
	320	2	0	0
Ward 8, pre. 1	562	0	0	0
Ward 9, pre. 1	1008	140	3	14
	273	0	0	0
Ward 10, pre. 1	254	88	0	4
Ward 11, pre. 1	789	137	3	10
	196	7	3	1
	179	0	0	0

Voting potential (21 & over) for the parish (1960) - White 12,306, Negro 1,000

MADISON PARISH RURAL AREAS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS (RAD)

The following RAD programs are now functioning in Madison Parish. The number of rural people participating in each program is indicated whenever possible, and the name of the local person in charge of the program. Further information about these, & other, programs, will be contained in the federal programs packet which will be distributed to staff as soon as the material is available.

1. Rural Electrification Administration (REA), 100 participants, county agent (see handbook, pg. 22 for agent)
2. Farm Credit Administration, 50 participants, John Blue, Lake Providence
3. Federal Extension Service, 400 participants, county agent (handbook pg. 22)
4. Soil Conservation Service, 150 participants, W. B. Willian, Jr., Tallulah
5. Agricultural Research Service, 25 participants, Tommie Cleveland
6. Federal Crop Insurance Corp., 40 participants
7. Farmers Home Administration (FHA), 150 participants, county FHA supervisor (see handbook, pg. 20)

PLAQUEMINES PARISH RURAL AREAS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS (RAD)

The following RAD programs are now functioning in Plaquemines Parish. Further information about these and other programs will be distributed in the federal programs packets as soon as the material is available.

1. Offices in parish -
 - a. Federal Extension Service
Mr. Murphy W. McEachern, County Agent
Pointe a la Hache, La. (500 people participating)
 - b. Cooperative State Experiment Station Service
Mr. Ralph Brown
Port Sulphur, La. (400 people participating)
- Programs carried on jointly with other parishes -
- a. Farm Credit Administration (6 participants)
 - b. Marketing Service (480 participants)
 - c. RAD Office (50 participants)
 - d. Farmer co-op service (250 participants)

POINTE COUPEE PARISH - INFORMATION AVAILABLE FROM SRO/RESEARCH

A great deal of information on the economic development of Pointe Coupee Parish is available in the SRO/Research office in a booklet by the Pointe Coupee Economic Development Committee. This information will be made available to field staff on request.

RICHLAND PARISH - VOTING STATISTICS/RAD PROGRAMS

Up-to-date voter registration statistics for Richland Parish are: White - 5,688 and Negro - 381. Voting potential (21 yrs. & over) in 1960: white 7,601, Negro 4,608. Registration statistics for each ward and precinct are available from the SRO/research office, but they are not broken down by race.

- RAD Programs now functioning in Richland parish, follow. More information about these and other programs will be available soon in a federal programs packet.
- 1) Rural Electrification Administration (REA) - Rural Electrification Office, Winsboro
 - 2) Farm Credit Administration (see FHA county supervisor - handbook, pg. 20)
 - 3) Soil Conservation Service - Hugh Tidwell, Soil Con. Ser., Rayville, La.
 - 4) Farm Cooperative Service, Richland Farmer co-op (see handbook page 14)

ST. HELENA PARISH - ITEMS FROM LOCAL ASCS NEWSLETTERS

The following items are selections from the St. Helena Parish ASCS office newsletters of Nov. 3, 9, and 17. These newsletters are received regularly by the SHO/Research office, and should be received by all local farmers. In order to use this information, it is important that you be familiar with page 21 of the handbook (Acreage Allotment Programs) and pages 23 and 24 of the handbook (ASCS info).

"FEED GRAIN PROGRAM: Beginning November 1, designated "diverted acreage" under the 1964 Feed Grain Program may be grazed. However, regulations are such that a crop, including hay, cannot be harvested from the area during the entire year of 1964. The 1965 Program will be basically the same as this years and sign-up should begin in early February."

"JUST A REMINDER: That November 30, 1964 is the final date for accepting your applications, requests for cost-shares under the winter cover crop practice, consisting of Ryegrass, Oats, Crimson Clover, Hairy & Common Vetches and also fertilizers for this practice. This deadline is also the same for permanent cover Clovers. This is also the final dates for issuing Purchase Orders under these practices. Therefore we suggest, if you are still planning on using these practices, that you had better get busy and get your applications in as this closing date isn't long off."

Visit the local ASC office in Greensburg (see pg. 28, handbook) for further information about these programs. Negro farmers should be encouraged to participate.

ST. TAMMANY PARISH - RURAL AREAS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS (RAD)

The following Rural Areas Development Programs (RAD) are now functioning in St. Tammany Parish, and the following people are in charge locally. Further info on these and other programs will soon be distributed in a federal programs packet.

- 1) Rural Electrification Administration (REA) - Lyle Killingsworth, Franklinton
- 2) Farm Credit Administration (FCA) - Vincent Byrd, Franklinton
- 3) Extension Service - J.M. Bankston, Covington (pg. 22-handbook)
- 4) Soil Conservation Service - Zelos N. Williams, Covington
- 5) Agricultural Research Service (Plant Pest Control Division) - T. P. Keller, Covington

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