

### News and Views Of the Farmers

**County Agent**  
By L. E. TUCKWILLER

**Tree Seedlings Available**  
The T. V. A. has allotted this county 20,000 white pine, 5,000 short leaf, 5,000 black locust, 5,000 yellow poplar and 500 white ash seedlings which will be free to the farmers.

Other trees such as black walnut, red cedar, white ash, white oak, loblolly pine, long leaf pine and slash pine can be obtained from the N. C. Department of Conservation and Development at a small cost to the farmer.

Applications can be made at the county agents office now for delivery in March.

**Lamb Pool**  
With choice lambs bringing 28.50, good 26.50 and medium 24.00, one hundred one farmers pooled 877 lambs in the third 1948 Watauga county lamb pool for a total of \$20,099.29.

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The grades were as follows: Choice, 60.0 per cent; good, 30.6 per cent; medium, 5.1 per cent; common and old sheep, 4.3 per cent.

This is the largest number of farmers to ever sell lambs in one Watauga county lamb pool.

### State College Hints For Homemakers

Oven meals are fuel savers and with little care in selection of foods which require the same temperature many appetizing menus can be planned. When such an oven combination of foods has been found, write it in a notebook for future reference. If this is done each time one plans a different combination of food, much time will be conserved.

Many homemakers have adopted the plan of distinguishing favorite recipes by filing them on cards of some special color.

When trying a new recipe for the first time, it is a good plan to tabulate its degree of popularity with stars. One star may indicate that it is good; two stars, very good; three stars, excellent.

If not sure whether the baking powder you have on hand is still fresh, it may be tested in this way: Mix one teaspoon of baking powder with about one-third cup of hot water. If the mixture bubbles energetically, the baking powder is still active and can be used safely. If the bubbling is very slight, or if it does not bubble at all, the baking powder has lost its strength and should be thrown away.

In washing fine china, use a mild suds comfortable to the hands. Never use scouring powders or

steel wool on dinnerware as these may damage the glaze. Raised decorations and embossing may be cleaned with a soft brush. Rinse with hot, not boiling water. Dry with a lintless cloth.

Ordinary dishes should not be subjected to extremes in temperatures as this treatment may crack the glaze. When warming dishes, never put them in a hot oven—instead use very hot water.

### State Farm Editors Win Top Honors

Entries from the Division of Agricultural Publications at North Carolina State College won top honors in national competition sponsored by the American Association of Agricultural College Editors at the Association's annual convention in Pullman, Washington, last week.

Eleven of the State College entries scored "excellent" and four others rated "good." The University of Illinois, closest runner-up, had seven marked "excellent" and 12 graded "good."

It was the third successive year that the State College Division, headed by Agricultural Editor Frank H. Jeter, has led the nation in the quality and quantity of its radio and press service and its agricultural publications.

Among the State College winning an "excellent" rating this year were the following:

Popular Experiment Station bulletin, "Dusting Cucumbers to Control Downy Mildew."

Extension press service for 85 daily and 299 weekly newspapers throughout the State.

Extension agricultural fillers for newspaper makeup use.

Special weekly column, "Farm Comments," by Dr. Jeter in the Charlotte Observer.

Series of Kodachrome slides for agricultural educational purposes.

Experiment Station annual report.

Daily radio script prepared for 79 stations throughout North Carolina.

Daily radio broadcast, "Farm News Round-Up," by Dr. Jeter on Station WPTF, Raleigh.

Special broadcast by outstanding 4-H Club members in the State.

Extension Service periodical, "Extension Farm-News," for staff members in all 100 counties of the State.

Experiment Station quarterly periodical, "Research and Farming."

### TEMPER

Stockholm, Minn.—Angered by the continued barking of a dog, Aronld Maki, 21, grabbed a shot gun and went out into the night to find the dog. He tripped, the gun discharged, hitting a dynamite pit, setting off 100 pounds of the explosive. The blast ripped off Maki's clothing, broke windows in all the farm buildings, moved a machine shed off its foundation and stripped trees of their leaves. Maki, cut and bruised, was taken to a hospital for treatment. The dog, apparently unharmed, hasn't been seen since.

### FARM AND HOME WEEK CANCELED

Farm and Home Week, annual State-wide gathering of farmers and farm women which had been scheduled on the State College campus from August 30 to September 3, will not be held in 1948, it has been announced by Dr. I. O. Schaub, director of the North Carolina extension service.

Decision to postpone the event until the summer of 1949 was made in Raleigh recently after a conference of officers of the State Farmers Convention and the North Carolina Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs with Dr. A. C. Bulla, Wake county health officer, and other college and farm leaders.

Director Schaub expressed regret that the college could not have the farmers and their wives as guests this summer. "We feel, however, that the decision to postpone Farm and Home Week is advisable under the circumstances," he said. "We could not ask the people of the State to take and health risk by attending so large a gathering."

It was also decided to cancel plans for the older youth gathering which had been suggested as a substitute for the annual 4-H

Club Week. The 4-H program, scheduled for the week of August 23, had previously been cancelled because of the prevalence of polio in the State.

The College had plans to entertain 5,000 or more farm men and women and had prepared one of the best programs in the recent history of Farm and Home Week. More than \$6,000 worth of farm machinery, equipment, and other gifts had been secured for use as prizes.

Colonel J. W. Harrelson, State College chancellor, said that plans would be started immediately for a larger and better Farm and Home Week in 1949.

### TRIES THREE TIMES

Los Angeles — A persistent burglar tried three times to loot the home of Joyce Lynne Murray, 20. First, she surprised him in the bedroom and he ran out the front door. Fifteen minutes later, he was on the back porch. She flipped on the light and he fled. Soon she looked up to find him in the living-room, gun in hand. She screamed and threw the thing nearest her—a jar of vanishing cream. It worked—he didn't return.

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