

News Of Appalachian Elementary School

The students in Miss Goodman's fourth grade presented a tribute to spring and the Easter season on Friday morning, April 19th. Songs, readings, and a devotional were given. The announcers were David Reich, Jerry Ray, and Phil Minor. Other speaking parts were taken by Carole Critcher, Mackie Hagan, Linda Hollingsworth, Judy Rayfield, Kathryn Kelly, Jeannette Wagner, and Cassandra Pritchett.

Other students participating in the program were Kay Greer, Dinah Lanning, Marie Parsons, Billy Jo Winkler, Diane Shore, Mary Pennell, George Ashley, Tommy Bentley, Billy Bumgarner, Steve Cannon, Danny Cole, Perry Greene, Ronnie Miller, Gary Storie, David Williams, Billy Wilcox, William Roberts, Alvin Hardy and Gary Hodges.

Guest speaker was Rev. L. H. Hollingsworth, pastor of the Boone Baptist Church. Ronnie Smith, sixth grade, was guest soloist. Ushers were Bill Bingham, Carolyn Hoover, Joe Todd, Amelia Luther, John Harrison, and Ala Sue McGuire, sixth graders. The Girls' Glee Club also appeared on the program. Accompanist was Alice Cain, eighth grade. Music was directed by Mrs. Wilson.

Pre-School Clinic

The annual pre-school clinic, held by the county department of health, will be held in our school Friday, April 26th, for the purpose of examining children who will be six years old on or before October 15th of this year. Children in this age group are urged to attend, accompanied by a parent.

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If you are remodeling your home or building a new one, look into the many new building materials. Some have just been put on the market during the last year. A good building advisor can tell you all you will need to know however it is a good idea to look around on your own for ideas.

The modern idea of decorating a home or landscaping a yard operates on the theory that space is not emptiness. This makes for a restful change from some of the high cost of land and building this new space must be planned.

It will take a great deal of planning and thought but the average size house and building lot can be turned into a spacious restful work of art.

The Soviet is building a steel center in Ukraine.

Garden Time

By M. E. GARDNER

From time to time I will call to your attention certain crops which do not enjoy the limelight often but which have possibilities in market garden. So, let's talk about Rhubarb.

The stalks are used in sauces and pies, hence the common name "pie plant." Root activity starts at low temperatures and results in the appearance of rhubarb on the market in the early spring.

Our mountain friends can grow the crop, and many do, in their gardens, because I have friends in Avery County who load me up every time I pass their way when rhubarb is in season. I am of the opinion that this crop should be more extensively grown and a market developed for it in North Carolina and neighboring states. Rhubarb does not do well in the Piedmont and Coastal Plains because the winter temperatures are not cold enough, but it can be forced in the corner of a basement, a hotbed, or under benches in the greenhouse. McDonald is a good variety.

The plant is propagated by division of crowns. Each piece should have at least one good bud and a section of the rhizome to supply stored food. After the crown is separated, plant the segments a few inches below the soil surface. Space plants three or four feet apart in rows, four to six feet wide, depending on how you plan to cultivate. If your present planting is beginning to decline, it may be due to crowding.

Rhubarb likes a deep rich soil. It will respond to manure, and this is the best fertilizer if you have it available. If not, use a complete fertilizer. Manure can be applied in the fall or winter and worked into the soil in the spring. If commercial fertilizer is used, work it into the soil before growth starts in the spring. Sometimes an application of nitrogen will help at the end of the cutting season. New plantings should not be harvested until they have grown for two full seasons. In established plantings, never remove all of the leaves from a crown at one time.

Farm Questions And Answers

QUESTION: How long should I wait before transplanting tobacco on land that has been treated for nematodes?

ANSWER: A waiting period of at least two weeks is needed before transplanting. A longer waiting period is desirable—never less than two weeks.

QUESTION: When should pullets be vaccinated?

ANSWER: Pullets should be vaccinated between the ages of 10 to 16 weeks. Vaccinate for only one disease at a time.

QUESTION: Why is alfalfa called the "King of the Hay Crops"?

ANSWER: It produces more hay per acre than any other crop. It will produce 3 to 4.5 tons of high quality hay per acre each year for several years on many soils in North Carolina. It is a deep rooted perennial legume. It is rather exacting in its requirements for good growth; therefore if you are planning to seed alfalfa you must do the job right or you will be disappointed.

QUESTION: It tall fescue (Kentucky 31 or Alta) a recommended lawn grass for North Carolina?

ANSWER: Yes. Tall fescue comes nearer giving a year 'round green lawn grass than any other grass. Growth is checked during the hot summer months, but during the fall, winter and spring it is vigorous and cold resistant. You do not have to seed it every year. It makes a coarse textured lawn and spreads very little, growing in tufts; this can be overcome largely by seeding heavily. If cut close and frequently fescue will thin out rapidly. Set the mower at about three inches. Closer clipping at frequent intervals will kill it.

Question: What is Social Security?

Answer: Social Security is an insurance policy that guarantees you three things: First, that your income will not fall below a certain level after reaching age 65 for men or age 62 for women. Second, that if you become dis-

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Gen. Gruenther says NATO is the key target of Soviet Union.

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