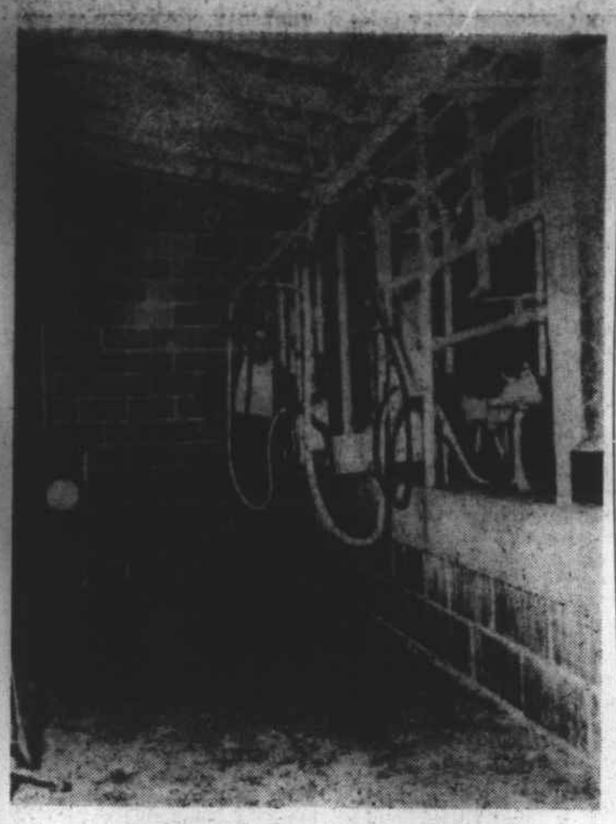


INTERIOR OF NEW MILKING PARLOR

First Pipe Line Milking System Installed In Cty.

Grannie D. Nix, a dairy farmer who lives on Hanging Dog Road, has just completed a new milking parlor and installed the first pipe line milking system in Cherokee County.

By the use of this system, the milk is piped directly from the cow to the bulk milk tank where the milk is cooled very rapidly.

At milking time, Mr. Nix pushes a lever and pulls a cord and in walks three cows which go into three stalls. Mr. Nix feeds the cows, carefully washes their udders, and puts on the milkers. And almost like magic, the milk starts flowing thur the glass pipe into the bulk milk tank. As soon as these cows are milked, Mr. Nix pushes a lever, pulls a cord and the cows leave, going back to main barn to eat silage and hay. This process is repeated until all of his cows are milked. The cows are milked on a floor which is 30 inches higher than the work way so that Mr. Nix does not have to bend over to wash the cows or put on the milkers.

After all the cows are milked, the milking machines and all of the pipe lines are automatically washed to make them hospital clean.

This is different from the way Mr. Nix had been milking and handling his milk. Up until a short time ago, Mr. Nix milked his cows in an old building where the cows were held with stanchions. The cows were milked with an old milking machine into a pail. The pail of milk was carried from the milking room through a shed to another room where the milk was strained into 10 gallon cans. When the cans were filled, they were lifted into coolrs.

Last summer when Mr. Nix learned that he and other dairymen in this area would be required to change from can coolers to bulk milk tanks, he realized he had serious problems: the building was too small to hold the bulk tank needed; the building might not pass the Health Department requirements; his old milking machine was about worn out; he figured the bulk tank truck would not be able to get to the milking barn; he figured he would have to get additional cows to help pay for the bulk milk tank and a new barn; and he needed additional pasture land for the cows.

John Smith, the Work Unit Conservationist of the Soil Conservation Service, was helping him plan his farm to produce the maximum amount of pasture and feed, and keep his farm in good conditional at the same time. The local bank helped him buy some additional land. Paul Nave, the County Farm Agricultural Agent, furnished him plans for a new milking barn. But the help from all these agencies was not enough.

Mr. Nix applid to the Farmers Home Administration for help. Robert D. Bruce, County Supervisor for the Farmers Home Administration, worked with Mr. Nix to help determine what he should do and to help finance the needed new building and equipment. They visited two dairy farms in Macon County to see first hand how the new walk thru milking parlors and pipe line milking system worked. After talking to these dairymen, Mr. Nix knew he needed and wanted a new parlor and a pipe line milking system. After carefully considering costs and returns, they drew up the plans and specifications, estimated the costs, and went to work. The Farmers Home Administration made a loan to build the new building, purchase the new equipment, and new cows and dig a trench silo. Mr. Nix hired some extra help and built the new building and had the new equipment installed.

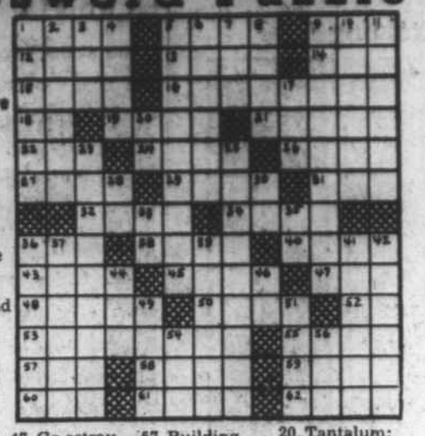
The new barn and equipment enable Mr. Nix to milk easier and quicker and produce a better product. More and higher producing cows will pay for the new building and equipment. Already a number of people have visited the new parlor and Mr. Nix enjoys showing off the new system.

To Attend Meeting

J. Franklin Smith will attend the University of Tennessee Dewey Centaninal Nov. 19, at the University Center, Knoxville, Tenn.

The speaker for the event will be Dr. H. Gordon Hollfish, president of the John Dewey Society, professor of Columbia University, New York. His subject will be "Philsophy and Education in Interaction."

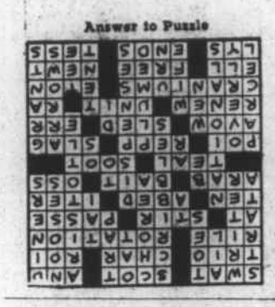
Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS
1. Hard blow
5. British native
9. Conjunctive
12. Three
13. Scorch
14. French "King"
15. Irritate
16. Turning
18. Near
19. Agitate
21. Out of date
22. Number
24. In bed
26. Roman road
27. Mideast native
29. Lure
31. War office: abbr.
32. Duck
34. Smoke particles
36. Hawaiian dish
38. Fabric
40. Dross
43. Confess
45. Sleigh
47. Go astray
48. Renovate
50. Single thing
52. Sun god
53. Skulls
55. English school
57. Building wing
58. Liberate
59. Salamander
60. French river
61. Stops
62. Girl's nickname

DOWN
1. Layers
2. Author
3. Be ill
4. Pedal digits
5. Writes hastily
6. St. Vitus' dance
7. Cereal grain
8. Snare
9. Plato's pupil
10. Lassos
11. Eaters
17. Siamese
20. Tantalum: chem.
23. Citizens
25. Distributes
28. Exist
30. Preposition
33. Argon: chem.
35. Bone: anat.
36. Package
37. Excessively
39. Adorned with feathers
41. Feathered missiles
42. Concedes
44. Rune for "w"
46. Twice: prefix
49. Spouse
51. Canvas shelter
54. Vase
56. Golf mound

Answer to Puzzle



Soil Conservation NEWS

By JOHN SMITH

Corn harvest is still going on as fast as weather will permit on the Wood farm at Andrews. When I past there early last week, I saw a trailer load of shelled corn being hauled into the area where several storage bins were recently constructed to hold the corn until it is sold or used. The corn picker being used by Sam Ward and Joe Maxwell to harvest their corn is a wonder in itself. This machine pulls the ear, shucks it, shells the grain from the cob, cleans the shelled grain of all trash, and loads the grain into a bin right on the picker. When the bin is full, the grain is loaded by gravity through a shute into a trailer. When the trailer is filled, it is pulled to the storage bins. Here the grain is power-loaded from the trailer into the storage bin.

With as large an acreage of corn as was planted on the Wood farm by Ward and Maxwell, it would be virtually impossible to harvest all of the corn using entirely hand labor. It would have taken many more laborers than are available on the farm or nearby to pull, shuck, shell and sack the corn. Much of the corn would have been weather-damaged in the field before it could have been harvested.

On another farm in the county last week, I saw a field of corn that was planted on good land, was properly fertilized, and everything else had been done according to the latest farming methods. Still the harvest from this field will be very light. The same field last year produced a bumper crop. The farmer said he could not explain the crop failure unless it was caused by extremely hot and very dry weather during the entire period when the corn was tasseling. This failure of a crop even though everything was done to insure success shows that it is not entirely within man's capability to produce a successful crop.

College President Speaks To Rotary Club Members

Dr. Charles Clegg, president of Young Harris College, spoke to the members of the Murphy Rotary Club Monday night at a meeting.

The meeting was held at the Family Restaurant.

Dr. Clegg spoke to the group on "Improving Education"

Don Carter, president, conducted business.

Out of town guests included Bob Barringer of Bennettsville, S. C.

Boiling Springs News

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Dockery of Texas are visiting his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Dockery.

Arthur Garrett of Murphy visited Boiling Springs last week.

David O' Dell and Family of Knoxville, Tenn. visited Mr. and Mrs. S. M. O' Dell Saturday and Sunday.

Scout Editor Explains Kabuki: Japanese Drama

By PHYLLIS B. BABB

TOKYO—Sometimes I think that I do not appreciate the finer things in life. Then there are times when I am convinced of this beyond a shadow of a doubt. Such was the case while I was in Japan during this last summer when I suffered through several acts of kabuki drama.

Kabuki is synonymous with Japan and is very popular among the Japanse people. This type of acting dates back to the days before before Columbus even discovered that he coulo go west by sailing east. Our guide, who accompained us to theater, confessed that even Japanese have trouble understanding what is going on in the plays. She said that all of the plays were written maybe as much as 500 years ago and that ancient Japanese language today.

There are no women in kabuki plays. Men take the feminine roles.

Now this may sound like an hilaricus college stunt night but alas, not so. These men are trained from baby-hood in the characteristics of women. They have lived the part by day all their lives and it is said that they are far more graceful and beatuiful than women.

Believe it or not, this kabuki business gave me the feeling that I was at a football game. For behold, people in the audience got so carrled away that they acually shouted out, right in the midst of the dialogue. What they were really doing was cheering on the actors. When a special favorite appeared on stage, people would call out his "nickname." Our guide told us that not everyone can yell out because there are only certain times in the play when this is proper.

Now another interesting highlight of Japanese life is the ever-famous geisha girl. The geisha is something completely foreign to us and is not comparable to anything we have in the States. We are also guilty of having the wrong idea about these charming beauties. They are artists and entertainers in the strictest sense of the word. In fact, the word geisha means artist.

These girls are trained in their profession from about age ten. They learn dancing, singing, music, etiquette, games and other accomplishments. When they reach their middle twenties or so, they either marry or take over the training of young geishas.

The geisha girl's primary purpose is to entertain the tired and busy business man. They are also hired out to entertain at parties or large gatherings.

The geisha is indeed an expensive commodity. Her fee is based on her beauty. She wears exensive kimonas. Her hair is worn piled high on her head and is decorated with a variety of ornaments.

We were fortunate enough to visit a geisha party. Three young girl's were there for our enjoyment. They were lovely and looked to be about 16, at the most.

First they did a dance while the mother geisha played some sort of banjo. Next they had us play musical cushions (same thing as musical chairs only they were fresh out of chairs) with them.

And last but surely not least they taught us a dance. This dance wasn't like anything I ever saw before . . . but it was a dance. It seems to me that supposedly we shoveled up something and then threw it over our shoulders. Then you take three steps backward, and three steps forward. Then we repeat the whole thing until the dance is completed.

All of the men seemed to be a little disappoined in our geisha party and when we played the musical cushions, that was the last straw.

Parties Honor Mrs. W. M. Axley

Women's Society of Christain Service held at get-to-gether party at the home of Mrs. H. G. Elkins Sunday afternoon, Nov. 15, honoring Mrs. W. M. Axley who will leave soon to make her home in Connecticut.

The honoree received a gift.

On Thursday night, Nov. 12, Mrs. Axley was honored at the Henry House with a going-away party.

About 17 guests attended. Mrs. Axley also received a gift.

Preaching-Teaching Mission Being Held

Closing services of the preaching-teaching mission at Murphy Presbyterian Church, at which Dr. F. Crossley Morgan of Concord is bringing the messages, are being conducted Thursday and Friday of this week.

The day service is from 12 to 12:30 p.m. and the evening worship at 7:30. Thursday night's theme of Dr. Morgan is: "The Unreasonableness of Ungodliness," and Friday evening's closing message on "The Second Coming of the Christ." The Session meets after evening service to receive members.

Thanksgiving Communion will be observed at morning worship Sunday, the meditation theme of Robert A. Potter, minister, being "Song of Thanksgiving."

At evening hour pictures of Mountain Orphanage at Black Mountain are to be shown, with the Thanksgiving offering for this Presbyterian - supported institution received Sunday, Nov. 29.

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