

## RURAL NEWS

Written by  
OUR CORRESPONDENT

### FAITH.

Rev Chas. B Alspach, D.D. of Philadelphia, preached a fine sermon at the Reformed church here Sunday night to a large crowd. This was his first trip down south and he said he liked our country fine. He promised to come again and preach in our new granite church when it gets finished. He is an old friend of Rev Welker's.

Misses Mary and Emma Ludwick of China Grove are visiting their sister, Mrs Henderson Gant.

Miss Mary Jane Ludwick of China Grove has returned from Carthage, N C where she spent three months with her sister, Mrs W G Goodnight.

Miss Fred Bolic and Miss Ida Lingle of Charlotte are visiting their parents, J C Lingle and wife.

Young granite cutter at Aus Redwine Jr's July 20th.

G H Sifford took home from Salisbury a fine Moline sulky plow he bought to turn clover land.

Venus went to the annual Crescent Orphan's home picnic and saw more pretty girls than we have seen before in a long time. Many came on an excursion train. The boys told us that the regular train was so crowded that several pretty girls had to ride in the express and baggage car. Some estimated the crowd at four thousand. There were more autos and people there than we ever saw before. It was a very hot day and the stands all did a land-office business. We heard Ray Shinn make a fine address and he spoke loud and clear. He formerly lived at Faith. We met a lot of our old friends, among them were G W Pierce of Salisbury, J A Powlas, A A Blackwelder, Mrs A E McNairy of Lenoir, H G Kopenbauer of Newton, M C Whitman of Salisbury. He offered to do the Barter work for the orphans free and was applauded by the great audience when it was announced. John P Deal of China Grove, J A M Brown, A C Lentz of Concord, P B Parker of Richfield, Rev and Mrs Paul Barringer of Mt Pleasant, W C Rose of China Grove. He has some old flax raised in 1863, raised by Allen Rose. He is going to give some to Venus. Rev R L Crooks of Concord, J C Holsinger of Gold Hill, G G Ritchie and two little granddaughters, Ruth and Elmer, J P Overcash. China Grove, G H Allman, Baden, L A Beaver South Rockwell, B R Cline Cabarrus Co., W M Sloop China Grove, Miss Stella Hohn, Annie Hohn, Ralph Shoe, James Shoe of Mt Pleasant, one of these girls took a snapshot at us with her kodak and we never knew it but found it out later. September 4th the Hohn reunion will be held at the old home place two miles east of Mt Pleasant. We saw Gideon Long and Burt Miller of Trading Ford.

At Crescent we also met George Rimer, Mattie Klutz, Agnes Miller and Carrie Miller of Cabarrus county. Lots of people invited us to come to the Fisher reunion on the

14th. The oldest person at Crescent was Mrs Polley Miller, 89 years old. We met Rev Lee Peeler of Newton, John McMannus and wife Geo H Pless of Bostian's Cross Roads, John Rimer, R L Pickler, Rev C P Fisher, and others.

George Fink and family of Salisbury is visiting relatives and friends in Faith this week.

If you want to swap a fountain pen for a banjo, write to Venus for information.

The newly married couple has returned and each one has gone in their store to work as though nothing had ever happened.

J D A Fisher is president of the Fisher reunion and will attend on the 14th of August.

J T Wyatt received a cash order for a pair of millstones today.

Miss Wilma Railer has returned to her home in Newton after spending several days with her friend, Miss Pearl Peeler.

Charlie Lowder, wife and two children of Albemarle, are visiting Mrs Lowder's mother, Mrs Fricke.

Mrs L M Peeler spent a wee with her daughter, Mrs Chas misenheimer.

### A Great Remedy.

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## OUTLOOK FOR THE NEXT WHEAT AND OAT CROP

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The approach of wheat and oat sowing time raises a question in the farmer's mind as to the outlook for these crops. It is well known that under the stimulus of Government price an enormous wheat crop has been produced, a crop of approximately 1,200,000,000 bushels.

It is estimated that this country requires 600,000,000 bushels and that Europe will require from 410,000,000 to 460,000,000 bushels. If these figures prove correct, there will be a very little surplus left of the big crop of wheat this country has grown.

Since it appears to be probable that there will be no trouble to dispose of the present crop the next question is what are the planting prospects for other wheat growing nations?

Of course the nations south of the equator, like Argentina and Australia, that have their summer when we are having our winter, have already sown their fall crops, and will harvest them near Christmas time. These nations have, thus far, good prospects, but they would hardly compare with any two leading wheat-growing states of this country; therefore, they are not important factors.

Russia is the great granary of Europe and Asia. Those who have watched the political trend of that country see nothing but war and paralyzed agriculture ahead another year, if not for several years.

European countries in general are short of labor. Demobilization of armies progresses slowly and the period for fall sowing of small grain in Europe will have passed before any material change can be made through recovery of labor from the armies.

Therefore, there is going to be a continued shortage of small grain in Europe, making it probably necessary for this country to supply as much grain next year as this.

But instead of the nation maintaining its wheat acreage, it is feared the withdrawal of the Government's guarantee will result in a reduction. In the South, it is not only a good farm practice to grow wheat, oats and rye enough for home needs, but it is very desirable, (1) to have winter cover crops that will take up the plant food that would otherwise wash out of the soil with the winter rains; (2) to provide light winter grazing for livestock; (3) to furnish in early spring some fresh cereal hay which will be the better if it has vetch or bur clover growing with it; (4) to furnish vegetable matter or humus to turn into the soil at the spring plowing.

If all the cotton and corn fields were sown to small grain in the fall, it would mean more cotton and corn, better soil, larger returns from fertilizers and greater farm profits.

Too little attention is given to obtaining good wheat, oats and rye seed; too little attention is given to preparing a good seed bed, and too little fertilizers are used in growing the small grain crops in the South. What is worth doing at all, is worth doing well.

## WHAT IS ACID PHOSPHATE?

Raw phosphate rock is a substance in which phosphoric acid and lime are combined together in practically the same proportions in which they are found in bone, and which is known as phosphate of lime.

In this condition the lime and the phosphoric acid hold to each other with such a tight grip that the phosphorus cannot be dissolved by water. It will readily be seen that but for such a combination the phosphorus would have been dissolved out and washed to the sea before ever man came to inhabit the earth. But it has been locked up and held for us in this way, just as the coal has been

held under the hills, and in the case of the phosphorus we have been given the key for its unlocking by the use of sulphuric acid, which converts the insoluble rock into a soluble form.

If the soluble phosphoric acid were separated from the lime which carries it and dissolved in water it would be much more inconvenient to handle than to leave it still combined with lime in the dry powder which we call acid phosphate, this lime simply serving the function of a bottle to carry the phosphorus, and saving the much larger expense that would be involved in the complete extraction of the phosphoric acid, converting it into liquid form and providing bottles in which to carry it.—Monthly Bulletin, Ohio Experiment Station.

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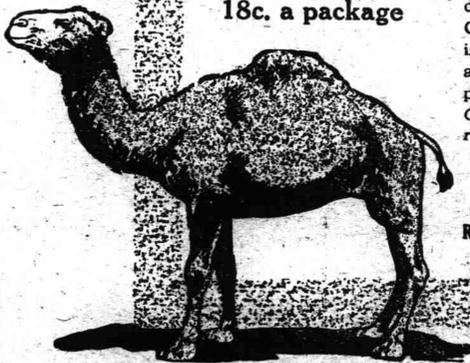
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