

# Down on the Farm

By ABE CROSBY

Our rural schools (and town schools, too) give excellent instruction in technique. They perform splendid service. But the greatest part of this excellent instruction and splendid service is wasted.

It is wasted because the teachers do not teach the one essential thing—They do not teach the youngster how to "Weed His Row."

There is a great awareness concerning it in the homes, the school. It is talked about, thought about everywhere.

Among us, and on all sides of us, there is a growing awareness of the human endowments and riches that are all children's; not riches in a general way only, but personally, individually theirs; an awareness in the individual of the riches bestowed on every child by life to be garnered and cherished and given and bestowed richly.

Modern times and modern science and modern psychology are giving us a better understanding of children, their history, hopes and aspirations; and with these we ought to gain a better awareness of our own rich human inheritance and their possibilities.

Our understanding of everyday living should be used to broaden their thoughts, their conduct, their aspirations, and their estimates of themselves and others. And out of this better understanding of themselves and others there is sure to develop greater tolerance, kindness, patience, wisdom and an infinitely richer spirit of living.

We could teach them to have a greater respect for human beings; a deeper respect for themselves and others, better ideals

for their proposed homes; better understanding of their work, play, youth, old age and of themselves. For there are faces, at work in the world which are daily making youngsters more conscious of the richness of their own gifts.

**Croaking For Help**  
Why wouldn't it be worthwhile to tell all children the story about a fellow who was walking along a road on his way to church? He was all shined up, with his best clothes and new shoes, because he was going to pass the collection plate.

He passed a deep mudhole, and heard a poor frog croaking for help. "Please help me out," said the frog. "I'm down here, I haven't had a thing to eat for three days, and I'm going to die!"

Well, the church goer was a sympathetic soul, but he allowed he would have to do a lot of explaining if he passed the collection plate in muddy clothes. So he said, "Now, I will tell you, Frog, if you will wait until church is out, I will put on some old clothes and come to help you. That's the best I can do for you."

So after church he was hurrying home to change his clothes, when he saw a frog hopping along the road. He said, "hello! Aren't you the frog that was in the mudhole?"

"Yes," said the frog. "Well," said the man, "Who helped you out?"

The frog said, "Nobody, I got out myself."

"But you told me," said the man, "that you had been trying to get out for three days and couldn't make it, and you were getting weaker from hunger all the time."

"Yes," said the frog, "but, after you left, a snake started to come after me."  
We have good children. They have sensible ideas. They are willing to work. Most of them know how to do some particular sort of work, if you gave them a job, they'd work at it eagerly, carefully, conscientiously, tirelessly. Yet nine out of ten of them will fail. Why?

Because educators still exist in a place apart. They work hard, but they work at their own pace and under specialized conditions.

## Renovated Kitchen Provides Light-Conditioning

By Jean Proctor

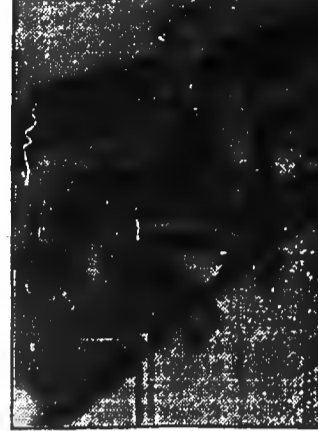
I TALKED, not long ago, with a little elderly lady who had just visited... for the first time... one of the modern new kitchens. She was all a-sparkle.

"This kitchen," she exclaimed, "had a refrigerator big enough to hold a steer, cupboards everywhere... and the most marvelous lighting!"

She had visited a light-conditioned kitchen. Light-conditioning is one of the newest conveniences to be added to the room that is so important a part of the homemaker's life.

Non-technically, the term means having the right amount and the right kind of lighting available... regardless of whether or not the sky outside is black with night or grey with threatening clouds.

Often a kitchen has the most daylight of any room in the house.



In addition to the ceiling fixture, this renovated kitchen provides ample light at each work-center to ease labor and prevent eyestrain.

Even so, the natural light in the center of many kitchens is only 1/100th of the light at the window sill. This is not enough for quick seeing and nimble fingers at work, and the addition of scientific lighting is the answer.

When a kitchen is light-conditioned, you do not stand at the sink or stove with your shadow falling

on your work. There are side-wall fixtures or lamps with 60-watt bulbs over each work area, and a 100 or 150-watt bulb in the center ceiling fixture to give general lighting.

In the light-conditioned kitchen shown here, note the smartly-styled center ceiling fixture, the new "soft-fit" lighting above the sink, and a matching fixture at the cupboard.

They have long vacations. They have unique protections and privileges. They seem to know little or nothing of the ruthless speed and pressure which other workers must face. So they seldom prepare their pupils to face such speed or pressure. Their pupils become lost. Their students aren't able to "Weed Their Row."

But youngsters of today can be taught how "To Weed Their Row." How? By both oral, physical and mental exercises. Give him work to do, in the school room, at home, in the fields. Help them to remember; The value of time! To get pleasure in working; The dignity of simplicity; The importance of his character; the power of kindness; The influence of example; His obligation to duty; The wisdom of economy; The virtue of patience; the improvements of his talents, and the joy of his originating.

Now many youngsters of today, know this proverb: "While the fool is enjoying the little he has, I will dig for more."

"What is man, that thou art mindful of him; and the son of man, that thou visitest him?" there, you see, is the ancient humility, as of old; then follow the proud assertions: "For thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honor."

### Lime And Phosphate Are Aid To Orchard

A good use for lime and acid phosphate in orchard management has been reported by H. R. Niswonger, extension horticulturist at State College.

A Yadkin county farmer had been trying to rid his apple orchard of broom sedge and get lespedeza to grow in the orchard as a soil-building crop. But the results were discouraging.

Lespedeza was sown on the orchard in 1935 as a cover crop. In 1936 it was obvious that the broom sedge was crowding out the lespedeza.

Then the grower applied lime and triple superphosphate to the land at the rate of 200 pounds per acre. These materials, however, did not reach all the way under the trees.

This year, the limed and phosphated area showed a good growth of lespedeza that had conquered the broom sedge.

But under the trees where there was no lime or phosphate, the broom sedge was still growing vigorously and all the lespedeza had been killed out.

Lespedeza makes a good cover crop for an orchard, Niswonger pointed out, because it checks erosion, helps the soil absorb and hold rainwater, and when plowed under, adds nitrogen and organic matter to the soil.

While broom sedge checks erosion, it is classed as a soil-depleting crop. It takes from the land fertility that should be conserved for the fruit trees.

**Chad T. Dead**

Nancy Mae Adams, age 6, daughter of Dewey and Beulah Woods Adams, died Monday afternoon at the local hospital.

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