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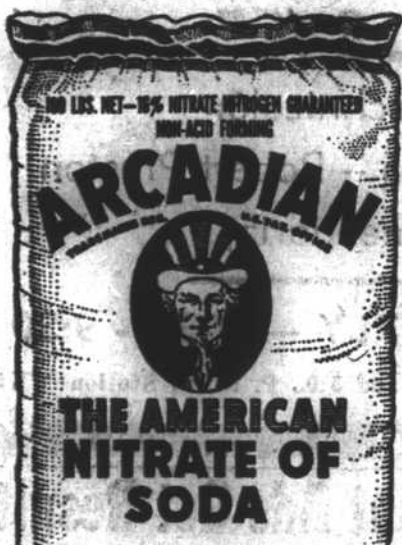
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### Soil Conservation In Wilkes

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Mr. Vestal Pardue, a member of the veterans farm training program recently had the personnel of the Tri-Creek Soil Conservation District stake terraces on his tobacco and corn fields. Mr. Pardue believes that even though he might fail to get a terrace built this late in the season that would be strong enough to stand the summer rains he will still have a good pattern for his row system which is one of the most important uses of a good terrace system.

Mr. Grant Wiles a farmer who lives in the fork of Roaring River recently had a Soil Conservation plan written on his farm. A system, to keep the crop land under good cover at least three out of every four years and the steeper slopes in pasture and timber, was used.

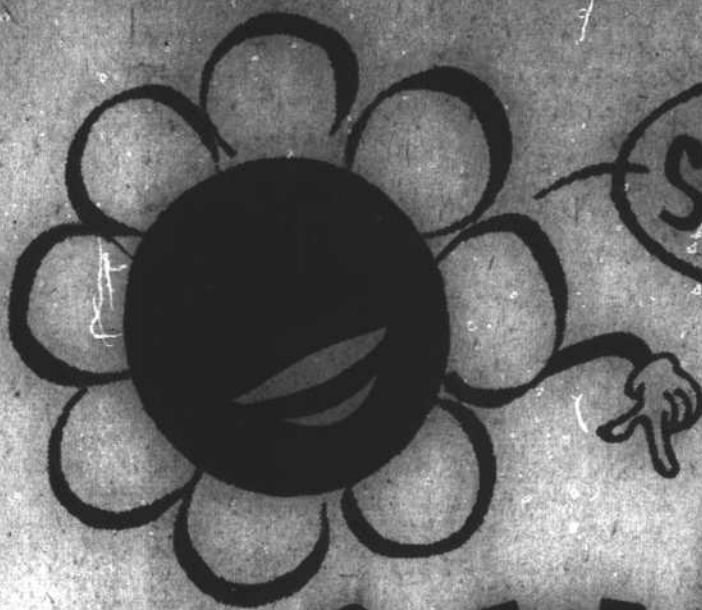
Since Mr. Wiles spends most of his time in the lumber business and most of his farm is sloping land this plan fits the needs of both the farmer and his land.

Mr. Charlie Dancy lives just off highway 268 on Johnson Ridge. His farm is so located that a good deal of water from neighboring farms and roads must go across it. However this doesn't worry Mr. Dancy because where the water once went down the hollow in a big gully he now has a beautiful meadow. The gully has been smoothed over allowing the water to spread out over the grass which in turn catches the soil and fertility lost from above.

Mr. R. L. Whitley, whose farm is near Rock Creek church has a field of Ladino Clover and orchard grass, a little over one acre of ground, this field grazed one cow until after Christmas and started again early this spring. Mr. Whitley says it will be necessary for him to let his horse help the cow keep the grass down.

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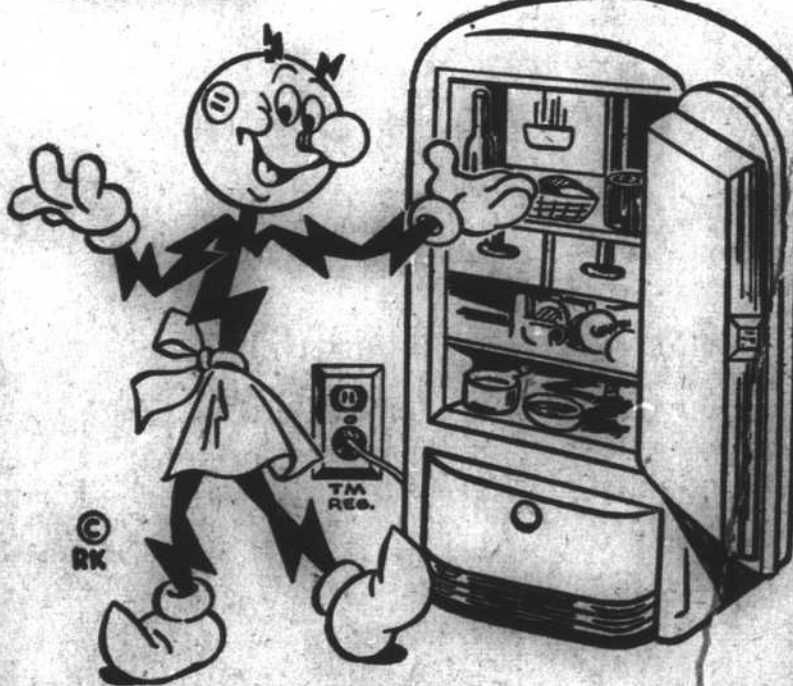
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