

### Care Necessary To Stop Fires

Indications Are That Most Dangerous Period Has Past, But Caution Still Urged By Forest Warden Dorman Mercer

With the month of April getting well started and the woods and fields still far from being dangerously dry, County Forest Fire Warden Dorman Mercer said this week that the chances of a really disastrous forest fire were lessening somewhat.

But, he pointed out, the Spring winds have not yet come, even if March is gone. Those winds may come yet and with them may come dry weather. This is far from being a time when the land and timber owners should regard the possibility of forest fires with indifference.

It will be a month or more before the Brunswick county woods may definitely be regarded as safe from any great conflagration. Until it is assured that the danger is over every citizen who is interested in the preservation of timber should be on the alert to prevent the starting of forest fires and should do everything in his power to assist in controlling them, if they do break out.

"When you discover a fire," says Forest Warden Mercer, do one of two things: Extinguish it if you can; if it appears too far advanced for you to handle and there appears the least possibility

of it spreading, get to the nearest place from where you can phone fire prevention officials at the nearest fire tower.

"These fire towers are at Orton, Maco, Makotoka, Shallotte and Bolivia. Report to your nearest tower."

### County Seniors On Tour Friday

Invitation Extended Seniors And Teachers To Visit Plantations On Cape Fear River

Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Thomas have invited the senior students of the Brunswick county schools, and their teachers, to visit Clarendon Plantation Friday afternoon of this week to see their beautiful Japanese cherry trees and other flowers in full bloom. The invitations were extended through J. T. Denning, superintendent of schools for Brunswick county. Mr. Denning has passed on the invitations to the school principals and he anticipates that if good weather prevails approximately 150 teachers and students may make the tour.

Last year a similar invitation went out from Mr. and Mrs. Thomas. Owing to excessive rains and very muddy roads at the time, only the Waccamaw school and part of Southport attended, 50 or 60 persons being in the two parties. This year, with good weather, it is believed that all schools will send sizable delegations.

The plans are to have all schools have their parties arrive at Clarendon Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Supt. Denning and a representative of this paper will be there a few minutes earlier in order to greet each group and assist in guiding. It is planned that after leaving Clarendon the students and teachers will be taken through the Pleasant Oaks Plantation, between Clarendon and Orton, and they may possibly also be taken through Orton.

The trip is a sort of know-your-county educational tour for the senior students and their teachers. There will be no admission charges at the places visited, the only stipulations are that the young people do not break off or pull flowers. Bushes that are in bloom are easily damaged by careless handling. Last year expressions of appreciation were heard for the consideration shown by the young Brunswick folks, who were in turn very appreciative of the courtesies shown them by the property owners.

### Demonstration Of Poultry Planned

County Agent Dodson Urges Persons Interested In Poultry To Attend Meeting At Willard On April 15th

County Agent J. E. Dodson is very anxious to have a lot of Brunswick county poultry raisers attend the poultry meeting of the Coastal Plains Experiment Station at Willard on April 15. As a matter of fact, he thinks that the whole family should go and learn something of the methods followed by experts and others.

When a poultry raiser gets beyond learning anything new he or she must be slipping, the County Agent thinks. This meeting should be of benefit to all interested in poultry raising.

The morning session begins at 10 o'clock with C. M. Brickhouse, district agent of the southeastern district, presiding. The address of welcome will be made by D. S. Coltrane, Commissioner of Agriculture for North Carolina.

Others on the program are Dr. C. M. Bostian, dean of agriculture; J. V. Whitfield, Mrs. Charles Deering, W. G. Andrews, T. T. Brown, Lee W. Herrick, Jr., Neil Bolton, C. J. Maupin, R. S. Dearstone, C. O. Bellingier, R. G. Bourne and C. F. Parrish.

There will be visits to demonstrations, exhibits, and tour of the Willard plant; demonstrations on how to tell good layers from poor ones; handling of eggs, how to keep them fresh and everything about poultry from eggs and incubators on through summer range and shelters.

The visit will be well worth while to any poultry raiser, says County Agent Dodson.

### Colored Citizens Celebrate Easter

Easter Program For Members Of St. James A.M.E. Church Began Easter Observance At 3:20 O'Clock, Concluding With Cantata In Evening

One of the most interesting observances of Easter, certainly the one heard by the greatest number of people, was that put on by the Senior choir and friends of St. James A. M. E. Zion church

in Southport. The event had its beginning at 3:20 o'clock Easter Sunday morning when the choir boarded a bus equipped with a loud speaker, and with it the choir could be heard all over town as the bus stopped at practically every street intersection and the choir sang songs of the resurrection.

Singing until 4:20, the bus and choir arrived at the beautifully decorated church and there the strains from the electric organ, added to the music. Setting off the decorations of the church was the florescent lighting, a gift from Harry Robinson, Southport merchant.

During the hour before sunrise an inspiring sermon was preached by Rev. W. A. Turner, pastor of the church. The sunrise was greeted with more singing and the congregation then adjourned until 11 o'clock when the regular Easter service was held.

Again at 8:15 o'clock Easter Sunday night services in the form of a cantata, "The Divine Redeemer" were rendered by the choir and was greatly enjoyed, many white friends of the church being among the congregation.

The pastor and various officials of the church have requested the paper to express their appreciation of the interest shown in the event by the people, including the white folks.

### Baseball Squads Arrive To Begin Spring Training

Eau Claire And Leavenworth Players Will Open Practice Sessions At Legion Field Today

BY JIGGS POWERS

Approximately 30 young players of the Boston Braves farm system began Spring training today at Legion Memorial Field.

The two Hub farm clubs, one from Eau Claire, Wisconsin and the other from Leavenworth, Kansas, are both Class C outfits. Their respective managers, Andy Cohen and Harry Hoffman, reported that, weather permitting, they would send their charges through their first paces this afternoon.

During the latter part of last week, following the arrival of Cohen and Hoffman, the Brave farm managers have been busy supervising the preparation of Legion Field, which has been undergoing a "face-lifting" process. Both the outfield and infield has

been graded and the local stadium will soon look like a different sports arena.

Cohen stated that, in keeping with the Brave training program, workouts would be held twice daily. The morning session will begin around 9:30 and last until 12. Lunch will be carried to the field in the form of sandwiches and the second portion of the daily practice will get under way at 1 o'clock and last until around 3. Both clubs will work together during their stay here.

Cohen, a former New York Giant second-baseman starting his first year as the Eau Claire pilot, said that he expected to get his outfit into top condition quickly as he planned to have an exhibition game with a week or 10 days. Several of such games are planned during the training period, both among the local clubs and with other teams, including their sister team, Hartford, Conn., which is going

### He's Doing It

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