

# WINSTON-SALEM SPECIAL.

## IMPROVING OUR SOIL.

### "Ploughman" Offers Farmers Some Excellent Advice Along that Line--Why the Sowing of Peas and Rye Helps the Land.

Every good tobacco farmer knows that tobacco thrives best on a fresh or virgin soil. This is due in great measure, to the fact that such soils contain more humus than worn or older lands. For mineral or commercial fertilizers may be applied in abundance to lands deficient in humus and give poor results. The tobacco crop exposes a very great leaf surface to the drying influence of the air and sun, and consequently draws very heavily on the moisture or water content of the soil. And by no other means, can we store the needed water in the soil, so easily and cheaply as by filling the land with decaying vegetable or organic matter. It has been claimed by some scientific men, that humus will absorb or hold three times its weight of water. It will be seen, then, that if we wish to keep the soil stored with sufficient water to hold the plant-food in the land in soluble state, so the plants can take it up during a dry season, it is important that we also keep it stored with an abundance of humus. Humus not only enables the soil to hold the necessary water to keep the plant-food in a soluble state for the use of the plants, but it helps to develop carbon dioxide in the soil, and this, in turn, acting upon the soil grains and other dead or inert matter tends to dissolve portions of them and convert the plant-food they contain into available forms. Humus makes the land more spongy or puffy, which allows the air to circulate more freely through it, which is very essential to the growth of good crops. It is said that humus serves as food for the microscopic life in the soil, and that the waste products of these microscopic forms of life are an essential part of the food of higher plants or forms of vegetable life. Humus gives the land a brown or dark color, and thus enables it to absorb more warmth from the sun, when in the spring, the soil is cold and needs warmth. On the other hand, in extremely hot weather, when a soil deficient in humus would get compacted and hard, and serve as a good conductor to carry the extreme heat down through the thin surface soil to the damage or disadvantage of the plant roots, the spongy or humus-filled soil would serve as a non-conductor, and keep the extreme heat away from the roots of the plants. The humus-filled soil absorbs warmth by virtue of its color; but its porosity or sponginess is to prevent it from absorbing enough heat in hot, dry weather, so damage the roots of a growing crop. But this cannot be said of the tight or compacted soil for its heat-conducting power is so great during extremely hot weather, it carries down sufficient heat to kill or damage the plants growing near the surface of the land.

We have now pointed out some of the advantages of filling our tobacco land with humus, and land for other crops, for that. And we will just add, from our experience and

practice, we have learned of no quicker and easier way to get humus-forming matter into the land than by sowing cowpeas and rye, and working the dead peavines and green rye into the land. But it is now too late to sow peas on the land intended for tobacco next year. But as it is not too late to sow rye, we would advise every farmer to sow at least a part of the land he intends for tobacco next year, in rye. The rye will not only add humus to the land, but it will serve as a cover-crop and hold up much of the plant-food that would leach or wash out of the land during the winter. The soil-water, and carbon dioxide resulting from the decay of roots in the land are constantly liberating plant-food in the soil, and much of it will leach out or wash away during the winter, unless there is a crop growing on the land to take it up. Then too, the acid secretions of the roots of growing plants act on the soil and tend to liberate plant-food at all times. So we see that it is best to keep some kind of crop growing on the land all the time.

PLOUGHMAN.

### Two Bright Boys Wanted At Once.

We want two bright boys, aged about 15 to 17 years, to learn the printing and newspaper business. Mollycoddles, who care only for cigarettes and girls, need not apply. We want boys who are not afraid to work, and who want to learn, who can read and write, and who have some kind of ambition to do something in the world. We will pay board and small wages besides till they learn, and will then advance their pay as they become more capable.

This is a good opportunity for those who desire to learn a business that offers unlimited future. Let us hear from you at once.

Come to see us. We need you bad. Don't wait to write.

THE REPORTER,  
Danbury, N. C.

Mr. Cabell Hairston, one of the prominent citizens of Walnut Cove, was in town Monday and dropped in to see the Reporter. Mr. Hairston is in the best of spirits regarding the ultimate coming of the cotton mill.

It is estimated that less than five per cent of the tobacco crop is now out, and that by next Sunday very little will be unboxed. Never before within the memory of our oldest citizens have the conditions been more favorable for cutting and curing.

Don't forget that H. A. Hawkes, eye specialist, will be at the store of John A. Burton at Walnut Cove on October 17th and 18th for the purpose of fitting glasses for those in need of them. Now is your chance to get a pair of spectacles that will suit you.

### Big Sale Of Town Lots.

The attention of the readers of the Reporter is called to the big sale of town lots to be held at Madison on Saturday, Oct. 12th, when 100 nice town lots will go to the highest bidder. On that day fifty dollars in gold will be given away by the American Realty & Auction Co., of Greensboro. Read full particulars elsewhere in this issue.

## GOOD CROPS IN BRIM SECTION.

### Protracted Meeting To Begin Fourth Saturday In This Month--School Doing Nicely.

Brim Route 1, Oct. 1.—The people around Asbury have saved a very fine crop of tobacco, and feed crop. We have had good seasons all the year, and have had a good crop of everything on the farm. We had a splendid rain today that will soften up the land for wheat sowing.

Miss Francis Marshall, of White Plains, is here teaching a subscription school, and is giving excellent satisfaction to the community at large. She is teaching music night and mornings and Saturdays at the home of Mr. G. Simmons. We are to have a singing school begin here at Asbury church on Monday, October 7th, to be taught by Prof. King, of Virginia. He is said to be a good teacher.

The protracted meetings at the Asbury church will begin on the fourth Sunday in October at 11 o'clock. We learn that one Quaker minister, and one Missionary Baptist preacher have been invited to assist the pastor, who is a Presbyterian minister. It does not matter so they are Christians, and will stick.

S. L. G.

## DOINGS ON DANBURY ROUTE 1.

### Farmers About Through Taking Care Of Tobacco Crop--Some Matters Of A Personal Nature.

Danbury Route 1, Sept. 30.—Farmers in this section are about through cutting and curing tobacco. They will soon have some of the weed ready for market.

Mr. Herbert Ray, who holds a position at Winston, was here the past week visiting his parents.

Mr. Joseph Coleman, one of our best farmers, visited Danbury Tuesday.

Messrs. Fletcher Hawkins and Charlie Sisk visited Danbury last week. They report a nice time. We judge they must have called on some of the school girls while at town.

Miss Daisy Dearmin visited at the home of Mr. Joseph Coleman last Saturday. She is attending school at Danbury. Miss Daisy is wearing a broad smile.

Miss Claudie Sisk visited at Mr. J. H. Stewart's last Thursday.

Mr. Tom Petree and Alvin Blair are giving the girls a good time it seems at Mr. Stewart's.

If this escapes the waste basket I will come again.

RED BIRD.

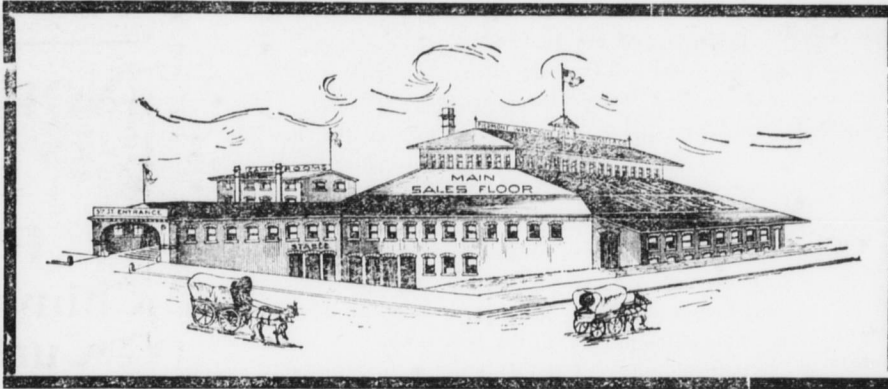
### Box Supper At King.

The young ladies will give a box supper at King, Saturday 5th, at 6:30 p. m., for the benefit of Trinity church, and they invite all the girls to assist them that will. All the boys are invited to come prepared to bid high on the boxes as they will be sold at public auction and the proceeds used as missionary money. All come by six o'clock, and after the party you can attend preaching at Galatia church. W. R. K.

We wish the government would pay Mr. Rockefeller that witness fee so he could have the mules that pull the oil wagon around New Bern roached and sheared. They look neglected.—Sun.

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