

True Stories Of Stokes County Hunters

GOOD HUNTING AROUND PIEDMONT SPRINGS IN THE OLD DAYS—FINE WATER

Hence Fincham lived near Piedmont Springs for many years, and he says that Piedmont water is the finest water in the world for either man or animal or for crops.

Hence, who was a celebrated hunter in them days, says the rabbits around Piedmont Springs were much bigger, stronger and fatter than any other rabbits, as they drank of the fine water that trickled from the spring off down through the woods.

Hence had two extra fine rabbit hounds but he says them rabbits were so bold and mean that they actually run them two dogs off and Hence had no dogs for years.

He says he didn't especially need any dogs nohow as he had a rifle which his grandfather give him when he was 15 years of age, and he soon learned to be a dead shot with it. He would mould his bullets by the fire at night.

Next morning before daylight he would pour a spoonful of black powder down the barrel, then cut a "patching" across the end of the muzzle on which he would lay one of the shining bullets and press it down with his hickory ramrod. Then putting a cap on the tube, he was ready for game.

And he never missed a shot. He says he could hit the edge of a 10-cent piece at 60 yards every time.

When he saw one of the Piedmont rabbits anywhere, that rabbit was a goner unless he managed to slip out of sight before Hence could draw a bead.

But his grandfather advised Hence to never kill anything on the ground if he could shoot it on the wire.

And Hence determined to take that advice if he could. He always got his meat when he touched of the hair trigger.

Hence said he got so he would not shoot a rabbit or a partridge on the ground, it was too much like stealing candy from a baby. He says he would not shoot a squirrel in a tree except when it was jumping from a tree or limb to another.

Hence says, however, that rabbits can neither fly nor swim, but they could jump like hell, and so he soon found they had a crossing at the river where they would jump across in great numbers every day to go over and eat old Uncle Mabe's cabbages and turnips.

So Hence says he fixed him a stand right near the slick run where the rabbits went to the river bank to cross, and he says sometimes there would be five or six rabbits in the air above the river they went over so fast, and so he would shoot them in air just like you would a flying bird.

He says, though, as it was a lot of trouble to him to get a rabbit after it fell in the river, he would

wait till it was just across and before it hit the ground on the other side before he fired and then when he had got all the meat he wanted, he would wade across and pick up the dead rabbits and take them home.

Hence says the river in them days was twice as wide as it is now.

Hence says the Piedmont water was not only good for rabbits and other animals, but that it is also very fine for crops. He says in the great drought of the year 1881 hardly any farmer of this section made anything, but that in May and June of that year his father made more and better corn and tobacco than ever before, by having all the children out in the field every day with buckets of Piedmont water and a dipper watering the corn and tobacco which grew healthy and strong from the iron in the water.

Hence says it was the fashion in them days to have shooting matches in the neighborhood every Saturday at which the best shot won a turkey.

He says he had to make him a pen in which he kept the turkeys he won, but that finally the other hunters refused to shoot with him.

That made him mad and so every time there was a shooting match he would go off about Cascade and kill him a wild turkey and bring it to the shooting match and show it to the hunters. And he said this got away with them the worst he ever saw anybody get away with in his life.

Hence says as his eyesight was

Farmers Now Making Application For Loans Through W.-S. P. C. A.

(Special to the Reporter)

Farmers and stockmen of the county are now placing their applications for Production Credit loans with Joseph B. Martin at the courthouse here, according to an announcement made today by A. P. Snow, secretary-treasurer of the organization.

According to Mr. Snow, the Association is now in progress of making loans to farmers in this section for the purpose of buying fertilizer, seeds, feed and the purchase of livestock and equipment. He stressed the fact that the need is still great for the production of large quantities of food and fiber products, including meat and milk.

"Farmers in this section, like others throughout the country, are making plans for a third year of war-time farming. Many of them will find themselves in need of credit to carry on their farm operations," Snow said.

Farmers of Stokes county desiring further information in regard to loans through the Winston-Salem Production Credit Association, should contact Mr. Martin, or if more convenient, visit the home office of the Association in Winston-Salem.

AMOSTOWN NEWS

Amostown.—The farmers here are preparing to plant corn.

Henry Plaster, who is in the Martinsville, Va., hospital, is improving, his friends are glad to learn.

Mrs. Emma Clark, who has been ill, recently, is improving. Her daughters, Mrs. Roy Knight, Mrs. Wheeler Knight, and Mrs. Carl Hill, all of Lawsonville, visited here Saturday and presented birthday gifts.

Pvt. Millard Mabe has returned to his camp at Los Angeles, Calif., after spending a 15-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lelah Mabe. Mr. and Mrs. Mabe also have a son, Dennis, serving with the navy in the Pacific.

Wayne Mabe visited Miss Naomi Richardson Saturday night.

James Turner visited Miss Nannie Lee Richardson Saturday.

Lee Amos visited Miss Myrtle Williams Sunday.

Pvt. Sanford Hundley has notified his wife that he has arrived safely in England.

A large crowd attended services at the Presbyterian church Sunday night. The pastor is Rev. Buchanan, of Pine Hall.

not as good as it used to be, he finally sold his rifle for an old banjo, and on this instrument he sits by the fire at night and plays the old tunes of long ago.

BABY CHECKS — \$6.75 hundred up. C.O.D. Write KINGSTON HATCHERIES, Kingston, Ga.

FOR SALE—One registered Jersey cow to freshen soon, from State College strand. Also 3 Guernsey heifers.

HENRY H. BARNES, Old Lexington Road, Winston-Salem, N. C., Rt. 5.

How Well Do American Women Love Their Country?

Are you a patriotic American? Do you love your country enough to fight for it.

These are questions that Americans answer in the affirmative without much thought. We take it for granted that we do. But world events have proved that we can no longer take our liberty and freedom for granted. Through blood and sweat and tears, freedom has been won for us. Through blood and sweat and tears many of our loved ones are fighting and dying today to keep it for us.

But that isn't enough. In this battle for the survival of our way of life our army has sent out an especial appeal to the women of America; and it is time for American women to ask themselves the question, Do I love my country enough to fight for it? It is also time for them to take a long look at themselves and answer that question, not hastily, but honestly.

There are many ways in which women can fight for liberty. Many are needed more surely in the home than they could be needed elsewhere; many are needed in war industries; many in carrying on the necessary duties of civilian life; but there remains a large group who do not fall in any of these categories. It is to the latter group that the army is appealing for enlistment in the armed forces themselves. It is to this group that Gen. Marshall is speaking when he says that he needs 600,000 more Wacs.

Are YOU a patriotic American? Do you love your country enough to FIGHT for it?

If you can answer "Yes" to these questions, send the following blank to Mrs. Kenneth R. Byerly, Wac chairman, Pine Hall, N. C.

I should like more information about the WAC.

Name Address City State Phone No.

BABY CHICKS—Buy now and Save—Heavy Breeds 200 for \$13.00. Payment with order, \$13.00. Payment with order, free delivery. WORTHWHILE HATCHERIES, 101 W. North Ave., Balto.-1, Md.

KEEP ON Backing the Attack! WITH WAR BONDS

WILBERG'S ANTI-SKIPPER COMPOUND is sold by most drug stores and grocers with money back guarantee if it fails to prevent skippers in cured meat. If you do not know your local dealer write THE HAM INSURANCE MAN P. O. Box 423 Durham, N. Car.

You Are Always Welcome To Visit the Nelson Funeral Home At Any Time PHONE 913

State Hospital, Raleigh, Badly In Need Of Nurses, Attendants

North Carolina State Hospital at Raleigh is urgently in need of capable young ladies who are interested in nursing and rendering humane treatment to mental patients of this institution, offering their time and talents in caring for these people.

The hospital has a grade A school of nursing and is a member of the U. S. Coast Nurses Corps. The students receive \$25.00 per month and all expenses, such as books, uniforms and other fees are furnished.

The hospital is also urgently in need of attendants. These girls do practically the same type of work as the students, but are not counted as such. They receive \$60.00 to \$70.00 per month which includes bonus, and in addition to compensation they receive room, board, laundry and medical care gratis. Prospective student nurses would be wise to report for duty now and enter class this fall.

Sam Riggs of Sandy Ridge was here today.

NOTICE

Having qualified as administrator of D. F. Boyles, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons holding claims against said estate to present the same duly authenticated for payment on or before March 30, 1945, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. And all persons indebted to the estate of the said D. F. Boyles are notified to make immediate payment.

C. K. BOYLES, Admr., Pinnacle, N. C. R. J. Scott, Attorney.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE

The undersigned having qualified as Executor of the estate of W. H. T. Rogers, late of Stokes County, N. C., this is to notify all persons holding claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before March 18, 1945, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of recovery. All persons owing said estate are requested to make immediate settlement.

This March 15, 1944. I. M. GORDON, Executor, of W. H. T. Rogers, Pilot Mountain, N. C.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE

The undersigned having qualified as Executor of the estate of M. D. Lane, late of Stokes county, N. C., this is to notify all persons holding claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before February 7, 1945, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons owing said estate will please make immediate payment.

This Feb. 7, 1944. WILBUR B. LANE, Ex., Estate of M. D. Lane, dec'd

NOTICE

As Administrator of the estate of R. B. Tuttle, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons holding claims against said estate to present them to me, duly authenticated, for payment, on or before March 14, 1945, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of recovery. All persons owing said estate will please make immediate payment to me.

This March 14, 1944. R. PAUL TUTTLE, Admr., King, N. C., RFD. Petree & Petree, Attys.

NOTICE

By order of the Board of Education of Stokes County, the following school property, which use for school purposes has been discontinued, will be offered for sale to the highest bidder as follows:

PALMYRA SCHOOL HOUSE AND LOT, THURSDAY, APRIL 20, 1:30 P. M.

FLAT ROCK SCHOOL HOUSE AND LOT, TUESDAY, APRIL 25, AT 2:00 P. M.

EACH SALE WILL BE CONDUCTED ON THE PREMISES

This March 21st, 1944.

(Signed): J. C. CARSON, Secretary,

STOKES COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION.