Agriculturally Speaking

Limestone Essential For Good Production

By L. B. HARDAGE **Extension Chairman**

Have you wondered why limestone is so important to farmers? Most farm crops grow better, make higher yields, and sell for more money when limestone has been used on the soil. This is reason enough to give all citizens of Warren County a stake in the current campaign to promote the use of

Why do crop plants growbest and make more money if lime is used? Some mineral elements such as iron, aluminum, and manganese kill plants if large quantities are present in the soil water. Limestone keeps these elements from dissolving into the soil water in large quantities. On the other hand, some nutrient elements such as phosphorus and molybdenum become more available to the plants if limestone is applied. Therefore, to use or not to use limestone is no longer the question. Now it's how much, when and what kind of limestone should be used.

The "when" and "how much" are extremely important. Do not apply lime until you know the answers. The answers are easily obtained from the soil testing division of the North Carolina Department of Agriculture. All you have to do is submit a sample of soil (mix samples from about 20 places) from the field along with some information about the field. The agronomist in the Soil Test-Laboratory will then determine the lime needs as well as the fertilizer requirements for the crops you want to grow. Sample and mailing boxes as well as forms for recording the necessary information are available at the County Exten-

in the county has a stake in this effort to improve farm income. You may think your income is not dependent on the welfare of the farmer but he may well be the only segment of our economy who is producing new wealth, All real new wealth must come from a stored natural resource or from the recurring factors of nature such as rainfall and sunshine. The farmer is continually trapping and storing these natural resources to keep the food, fiber, and agri-business segments of our economy flowing in abundance.

The agri-business members of our county are well aware of the importance of the level of farm income. A few members have accepted the reality that the most effective sales method is one of service. Sales then follow as the seller's product becomes a necessary tool in the farmers production pro-An inferior product pushed by any method serves only to stifle the economic system. If it doesn't make money for the consumer, little repeat sales can be expected. This is why the fertilizer industry as a whole and their agronomist in particular are concerned about the need for lime on the farms of their custom-They know that their fertilizers, no matter how good they may be, will make little money for the farmer if lime is his first need.

Are you using all the lime you need? Are your farm customers using all the lime they need? It is estimated that the additional money resulting from using the needed lime would equal that of a large new industry in the county. Are you willing to

Pageant Of The **Wedding Gowns**

The following poem was written by the Rev. E. W. Baxter of Warrenton around 1933 at the request of those who were getting up a pageant — "a sort of fashion show of wedding gowns."

Mr. Baxter said he found it while looking over some old papers.

Prologue

In a little while you'll spy Visions which delight the eye; Wedding Gowns beyond compare, Things of beauty, rich and rare. Could they speak, what would they say? Ah, but they shall speak today!

In the sound of every rustle, Whether it be Vogue or bustle, They will sing their stories gladly, Whisper shyly, about them madly Come the style of "thirty-four" What could any bride want more? Or perhaps, sweet "seventy-six," (Simplicity . . . decked out with tricks.)

"Oh memories that bless and burn," Oh fairy dreams which now return, "Oh barren gain, and bitter loss," (The retribution of the toss Of some bright coin thrown in the air . . . And now the gloom of black despair!) The winnings of a gambler's chance . . . The sweet reward of true romance . . . What do they sing to you? ... or cry? These wedding gowns as they pass by?

By all sweet scented history, By all soul stirring mystery, By fingers which caressed them dearly, By eyes that shone like stars, so clearly, By every palpitating heart, By the sweet pain of Cupid's dart, By all the tears which joy has shed On alabaster cheeks, or red . . . By altars high and candles bright I conjure them to speak tonight!

This one will speak of wealth and fame, This, of some long-forgotten name. This of a heart that seemed like gold, Yet was it iron in the mold. This sings a song of spring and flowers And love, the greatest of all powers. This one is mite like winter's breath This chants a psalm of grey-hued death, Yet one and all, as they pass by, Give men and boys the merry eye. For spite of gain and spite of cost, Be maiden short or maiden tall, " Tis better to have loved and lost Than never to have loved at all!" So steal yourselves with glad surprise For visions which shall charm the eyes.

North Carolina State Fair To Open Friday

ing day in years is expected when the 102 nd N. C. State Fair begins its first nine-day run Friday (Oct. 17), according to fair officials.

School children across the State will be out of classes because of districtwide teachers' meetings and they are expected to descend upon the thousands of exhibits competing in 32 departments for \$90,000 in premiums.

Governor Bob Scott and Miss North Carolina will view the fair and senior citizens will

RALEIGH-The biggest open- | frolic in a golden agers' party at 11 a. m. in Dorton Arena. Chartered buses will transport fairgoers from far out parking lots to the gates free of charge.

> Motorcycle races will be run at 2 p. m. on the grandstand track and The Monkees will present rock shows at 3:30 and 7:30 p. m.

Buck Owens brings his "Hee Haw" gang into the arena the next day at 3:30 and 8 p. m. with the Bobby Goldsboro show following Monday at 8 p. m.

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will race at 1:30 p. m. on the first fair Saturday. Trotters take to the grandstand track at 4:30 p. m. the following Tuesday and Sprint cars - miniature versions of Indianapolis machines - compete at 2 p. m. the second Saturday.

Judging of market steers, cooking, clothing, home furnishings, horticulture, field crops, poultry, rabbits, bees, flowers and handicrafts is sche-

duled for opening day. The junior dairy show will be held the next day. Monday will feature competition among apprenticed bricklayers and Tuesday will bring beef cattle and the senior dairy show. Sheep will be judged Wednesday.

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Danny Sailor's thrilling pole climb, the Ponderosa ranch house from Television's "Bonanza" show, a multi-daily folk festival and Fieldcrest fashion show, Japanese trade exhibit and a display of antique farm machinery in the Kelly Building are some of the other attrac-

Children can see and sometimes pet tame farmyard animals in the Children's Barnyard. "Come Alive Singers" from Durham will en-

tertain the mod set. The Marines will put a unique collection of combat art from Vietnam on display. Native Tar Heel wildlife will be shown in an exhibit from Wildlife Resources Commission, including a giant dis mondback rattlesnake recently caught in Pender County.

Zion 4-H Club Holds Meeting On Monday

The Zion 4-H Club held its regular meeting on Monday night in the Zion Educational Building. President Becky Richardson called the meeting to order.

Harriet Sabrowski gave the devotion, Faye Martin read the minutes and called the roll. Hal Paschall, Jr., gave the 4-H Pledge and Edith Craft led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Miss Emily Ballinger, home economics agent, gave the program on Warren County Conservation. - Gill Richardson, Reporter.

Livestock Prices

Prices paid at Creech Livestock Market in Norlina on Tuesday were as follows: VEALS-Topped at 44.50¢;

prime to good, 40¢-42¢; standard to good, 32-40¢. COWS - Commercial, 196; utility, 17¢-18¢; canners, 16¢-

HOGS - Topped at 25,75¢; 140 to 160, 25¢; 160 to 180, 24¢; 180 to 240, 25.75¢; 240

to 260, 24.75¢. SOWS-400 to 600, 220, BULLS-Feeder, 240-260, PEEDER HEIFERS-400 to 800, 24¢. EGGS—Pullet, 37¢.

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coss, 30, son of Mr. and Mrs.
symond Joses, Route 5, Warmod, H. C., was assigned
a morturnan with the 1st
avalry Division (Airmobile) in

Mrs. Benson's Brother

Funeral services for Cooper E. Smith, 58, were held at 2 p. m. Tuesday at Johnson Funeral Chapel in Nashville by the Rev. R. H. Jordan and the Rev. Joe Lister. Interment Rev. was in Forest Hill Cemetery. Mr. Smith, a farmer, died Sunday. He was the brother of Mrs. Joyce Benson of Warrenton.

Other survivors are his wife. Mrs. Alice Hunt Smith; a son, Edward Glenn Smith of the home; four sisters, Mrs. Mary Lucy Rackley of Nashville, Mrs. Pauline Batts of Rocky Mount, Mrs. Jessma Gibson of Vienna, Va., and Mrs. Peggy Farmer of Raleigh; three broth-

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May God bless each of you. THE JEFFRIES FAMILY

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