

**Clothes For Farm Chores**



Women, now doing many farm chores, may do more as boys are called to Army camps. For these active jobs, home economics workers of the U. S. Department of Agriculture have designed a group of functional, attractive clothes, says Miss Willie Hunter, extension clothing specialist of N. C. State College. On the left in the above picture is a coverette for lighter farm chores such as milking, tending chickens, and gardening. This one-piece outfit has stooping and reaching room built in. It's easy to make, simple to put on, has low safe pockets, and snaps at the ankles. Made of good cotton searsucker, the coverette is cool and easy to launder. For heavier farm work, the field suit on the right has been designed. Made of inexpensive cotton suiting, this outfit has slide fasteners that close the legs at the ankle, and half sleeves that snap on and off. The hat is washable and easy to make.

**Farm And Home Programs Feature Diversified Crops**

**Better Crops, Livestock And Improved Homes Have Resulted**

Macon county does not depend on any one crop for a livelihood, but instead the farmers follow a diversified system of agriculture in the growing of corn, small grain, trucking crops and livestock, according to an article in the special supplement of the Asheville Citizen-Times on the W. N. C. Fair to be held in Hendersonville September 23-27.

The following varied activities listed in this feature story outline some of the work and its results carried on under Sam W. Mendenhall, county agent, and Mrs. Florence S. Sherrill, home demonstration agent, and their assistants. The farm people of Macon county are taking advantage of the opportunities afforded them by the North Carolina Extension Service, the Agricultural Conservation program and the Tennessee Valley authority. This is proved by the fact that in driving through the county you will see better crops, more and better pastures, better and more attractive homes and a better type of livestock.

Statistics show that participating farmers in the Agricultural Conservation program have increased from 600 in 1936 to 1,600 in 1941. The use of lime and phosphate through the program has increased from none in 1936 to approximately 7,000 tons of lime and 700 tons of 20 per cent phosphate in 1941. This is in addition to \$15,364.00 in cash payments.

The seeding of soil improvement crops has increased from 3,500 acres in 1936 to approximately 10,000 acres in 1941. In 1936 there were no semi-commercial poultry flocks; now there are 15 of these flocks averaging better than 150 birds per flock. This year from 40 to 50 lamp brooders have been built and used primarily for home consumption fowls. Placed on

farms in the county each year have been from five to seven beef bulls and an equal number of dairy bulls.

A livestock show is held annually. This year there were 45 animals exhibited including beef cattle, dairy cattle and workstock. It is planned that approximately 15 head of beef cattle will be shown at the Western North Carolina Agricultural and Industrial fair at Hendersonville.

Year around gardens are being grown on 1,500 farms.

Nine 4-H clubs are being conducted with an enrollment of 343. There are 14 home demonstration clubs, with an enrollment of 400 members.

The Demonstration Farm program in Macon county has been instrumental in promoting good farming practices.

In 1935 this program was established in the county with 12 farms cooperating. The program has grown from 11 unit demonstration farms to a total of 112 units and 40 area demonstration farms.

This program has been largely responsible for developing leadership among the farmers in the county. The program is committee operated and the farmers and committeemen have given unselfishly their time and efforts in promoting and carrying out these better farm and home practices in their communities and county. Through their efforts a better spirit of cooperation among farmers, farm women and extension workers is very much in evidence.

**Home Agent's Work**  
The work of the home demonstration agent is tied in very closely with the county agent in his work. The officers of the home demonstration clubs made visits with farm committeemen to encourage home improvements along with farm improvements. Since January 1941 a number of water systems have been installed; 25 kitchens have been re-arranged and improved, and five new homes have been built in the Holly Springs community alone.

The women of the various communities are taking great pride in the fact that their local club secretaries are preparing a report on all home improvements to be presented at the annual Achievement day program to be held in October. These achievements listed will include the number of farms improving the lawns, number of homes purchasing pressure cookers, number of quarts of vegetables canned and labor saving devices that have been purchased.

The women are becoming more and more proud of the fact that they as leaders have a definite part in the progress of their communities. This is true whether it be undertaking, as is the case with the Otto club, the purchase of a wheel chair for a neighbor who is a cripple; the sponsoring of a school lunch room as Walnut Creek club is doing, or the compiling of a cook book of favorite recipes as was done by the Cartoogechaye club.

**State Health Board Acts For Venereal Disease Control**

The State Board of Health, meeting in Raleigh, unanimously passed a resolution endorsing Dr. Carl V. Reynolds' effort to suppress the spread of venereal diseases through the suppression of prostitution.

The resolution, which declared Dr. Reynolds' efforts to represent the fixed policy of the Board on this subject, was recorded in the minutes as follows:

"Resolved, at the meeting of the State Board of Health in Raleigh, September 12, 1941, that the Board endorse the policy of its Secretary, Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, in his efforts to suppress venereal disease and prostitution not only around the military areas in North Carolina but also among the civilian population. Venereal disease control in North Carolina is a public program and it is the fixed policy of the Board to give all of its efforts to the improvement of this situation. We feel that progress is being made, and we assure Dr. Reynolds of our full cooperation in the continuation of this program."

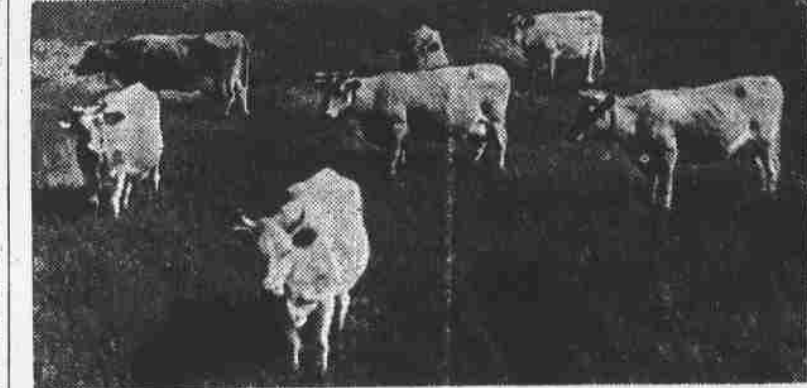
The Board, during its meeting, also passed on several routine matters.

**Newspaper Campaign To Save Gas And Urge Long Car Life**

A two-fold effort to lengthen the lives of modern automobiles and to aid the current gasoline conservation campaign began September 10 when Esso Marketers broke advertising in a large list of newspapers, according to J. A. Miller, advertising manager. The advertisements will emphasize to motorists that "care saves wear" and will urge them to keep their automobiles in condition. This marks the first comprehensive advertising effort designed to impress upon motorists that recently announced car production cuts make it important for them to prepare their cars for extended service. It is also a significant effort to convince the motoring public for the urgent need for conserving gasoline.

The current Esso Marketers' advertising campaign is using newspapers to promote the distribution through their dealers of a free, 38-page booklet on "How to Lengthen the Life of Your Car and Save Gasoline". The newspaper campaign will continue for an indefinite period.

**SOUTHERN FARMERS SPEED DEFENSE PASTURES**



Answering the call of national defense for an unlimited increase in dairy products, southern dairy men, livestock producers, and agricultural leaders are joining forces to increase quantity and quality of production, cut feed costs, and extend the grazing season during which the cheapest and best feeds are available.

"In the South, economical production depends on securing a liberal supply of high quality home-grown feed at a minimum cost throughout as many days of the year as possible," declared R. H. Lush, pasture specialist, The National Fertilizer Association, at a

recent meeting of North Carolina farmers. In view of the early summer drought in most of the South and the trend of higher feed prices, every effort should be made to seed more permanent pastures and increase the productivity of those already in use.

Results from improved pastures show what can be done profitably to meet the increased demand. In Georgia, cows on permanent pasture treated with limestone and phosphate produce a 100 per cent calf crop two years in succession, though only 50 per cent of the cows on native unfertilized pasture produce calves.

**Harvest Time Nears For Sweet Potatoes**

Shortening days and cooler nights herald the arrival of fall and harvest time for sweet potatoes, staple in the diet of North Carolina farm people.

Potatoes keep best when they are allowed to mature before harvesting and before frost kills the vines, according to Lewis P. Watson, extension horticulturist of N. C. State college. If the vines are killed by frost, they should be removed immediately and the potatoes dug as soon as possible.

The horticulturist advises the use of a vine cutter attached to the beam of the plow when vines are not removed before harvest. This attachment should be constructed so as to prevent the blade which cuts the vine from going deep enough to injure the potato.

One of the most important rules at harvest time is: Do not bruise the potatoes. They should not be thrown from one row to another. Three rows can easily be placed together without throwing the potatoes. Bruised yams rot easily in storage, and dark spots caused by rough handling lower the market value of the crop.

For curing and storing, a regular storage crate has many advantages over the bushel tub. Besides conserving room, the crate allows a better circulation of air.

Potatoes should be stored and cured in a thoroughly-cleaned and dry house immediately after harvesting. Proper temperature and moisture conditions are essential factors in keeping the crop.

**Carnival Members Arrested Friday**

Three members of the F. R. Heth Shows were arrested between 10 and 11 o'clock Friday night, September 12 by Sheriff A. B. Slagle and John Dills, deputy sheriff, on the carnival lot. Two of the men, J. B. Redman and H. A. Williams, were charged with keeping and using gambling tables or devices at which games of chance were played and C. H. Lee was charged with the theft of a sum of money from Woodrow Shope.

All three men failed to appear at the hearing which had been set for Monday morning, September 15, and the bonds of \$100 each, which had been set on their release from jail, were forfeited.

The riding devices and booths which did not operate in violation of the law continued to run through Saturday night, September 13. The carnival left Sunday morning.

**John Corbin Joins The Marines**

John Wilford Corbin, son of Mrs. Eva Corbin of Cullasaja, has been accepted for service in the U. S. Marine Corps at the N. C. District headquarters Recruiting Station Raleigh, according to an announcement received here during the past week.

Corbin was transferred to the Marine Barracks, Parris Island, S. C., for a brief period of training. Upon completion of his preliminary training at Parris Island he will be assigned to some service school, ship, foreign station or marine barracks for duty.

John's brother, Sammie, has been in the Marine Corps for a number of years, serving in China and in the tropics.

Entrance examinations for enlistment in the Marine Corps are now being held at the U. S. Marine Corps Recruiting Station in Asheville post office building. This office will send full information and application blanks on request, according to Frank R. McGaskill, Sergeant U. S. M. C., in charge of publicity.

**M. Blumenthal's Store Closed September 22, 23**

M. Blumenthal announces that his store will be closed on Monday and Tuesday of next week, September 22 and 23, this being the New Year of the Jewish calendar.

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**Wayne Cunningham On Highway Patrol**

Wayne Cunningham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cunningham of Macon county, was one of 30 new highway patrolmen formally sworn in by Justice A. A. F. Seawell of the Supreme Court recently. Following the administering of the oath the new men received a word of counsel from Governor Broughton who told them that they had been selected on one basis—"That is on the basis of merit."

Mr. Cunningham will be a member of troop A, with headquarters at Greenville. He will receive one month of training in the field before being stationed at a town in the district.

**Corbin Reunion Has Been Recalled**

The annual Corbin reunion will not be held this year according to an announcement by Dewey Corbin, president. In cooperation with the health authorities, who have asked that all public gatherings be canceled in an effort to check the spread of infantile paralysis, Mr. Corbin said that the reunion would not be held this year.

The next reunion will be held on the 4th Sunday in September, 1942.

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