

FARM EDITORIALS. By J. M. B.

PULL YOUR FODDER.

We advise every farmer to go into his corn fields and save all the fodder if possible.

This is a subject which comes up every year and a practice which we always advise against.

If the fodder is pulled early enough so that it will make good feed.

Experiments have been conducted time and again which show that the loss in yield of corn from pulling fodder will always average around 15 per cent.

It is much better to allow the corn to fully mature, then cut and shock it and shred the stover.

Only remember that in siloing corn stover, a large quantity of water should be added to make up for the loss in moisture.

The Best Cure for "Fodder Pulling Itch."

Are you approaching the time of year when your hands begin to itch to pull fodder?

"When the lower leaves of the corn begin to turn yellow, and ears begin to look as if they are fairly good sized, the farmer's hands begin to itch to get into the field and pull the fodder.

The next time you feel the "fodder pulling itch" tickling your hands, read over again the figures from Coker's Farms.

Stacking the Wheat Crop.

Farmers have generally abandoned ricking their wheat and other grain crops.

Ricking is not expensive, and is speedy work. It requires only two teams and four men to furnish a full outfit for stacking.

secure, not only a rapid ricker, but one who can do the work so the stacks will not take water when there are hard rains.

Wheat well stacked holds a fine color, or threshes out bright and lively looking, and especially for seed purposes, is more apt to all grow than very much of the grain that has been threshed early.

Spray To Save Fruit.

Fruit, either in fresh, dried, canned, preserved, or jellied form is a food product of recognized value.

Owners of commercial orchards have long recognized the importance of spraying, but there are many small orchards and so-called home orchards, the owners of which have not adopted spraying operations.

No single feature of orchard practice yields so high a percentage of benefit as spraying, often increasing the value of the product several hundred per cent.

The Vacant Pasture.

A stockman who just returned from a long motor trip through the Central States summarizes his impression of the crops in this way:

"It doesn't seem possible that there can be a serious shortage of the staples such as corn and potatoes because of the large areas and the splendid conditions of these crops, but one sees at every turn vacant pastures and feed lots.

Several of the Central States have launched campaigns for the increase of livestock, but these efforts need to be doubled and tripled or milk and mutton will be a year hence be even greater luxuries than they are today.

The response to the greater crop appeal has been prompt and widespread but the milk and mutton situation is really alarming.

Acid Phosphate for Wheat.

The effect of acid phosphate on the appearance of wheat was one of the things that stood out prominently in the Wheat Field Days that were held recently at the Agricultural Experiment Station at Wooster, Ohio.

Some Men Are Brutes.

"Ah," sighed Mrs. Jenkins, "we're never sure of anything in this world."

Advertisement for Standard Oil Company's New Perfection Oil Cook Stove. Includes illustration of women in a kitchen and text: "Come Out of the Kitchen".

HICKORY CROSS ITEMS.

Most all of our people are about through curing tobacco, and getting ready for the fodder fields.

Misses Lillie Edwards and Maud Hinton, of Princeton, are spending this week here with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bass.

Misses Ruth Atkinson and Alice Sullivan visited near Princeton Sunday and took in the baptizing at Baker's pond.

Mr. Roscar Watson and children, of Buck Horn, spent Sunday at Mr. W. T. Atkinson's.

Mr. Albert Holland, of Sanders Chapel, spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bass.

Mr. and Mrs. Dock Rose and children, of Ashburn, Ga., are here for some time, visiting relatives.

Mr. A. H. Sullivan and family, accompanied by Mr. Oscar Sasser, of Kenly, will leave Thursday for Snow Hill and LaGrange, where they will spend a couple of days.

Miss Verna Rose is up again, after a spell of sickness, we are glad to learn.

Mr. Romer Watson, of Buck Horn, visited here Sunday.

Rev. Mr. Whitley, of Rains Cross Roads, will preach here at Hickory Cross Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Bass spent the day Sunday at Seven Springs.

Mr. Robert Hill, of Sanders Chapel, made a short trip here Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mary Head, of Snow Hill, motored here Sunday to visit her father, Mr. Elmore. JABO.

FOUR OAKS, R. F. D. NO. 3.

Mr. Charlie Ryals, of Wilson's Mills, visited his sister, Mrs. W. L. Wallace, last week.

Mr. Ed. Boyett, of Smithfield, was in our section last week.

Mr. Lundie Parker attended the singing at Barbour's Chapel Saturday and reported a good time.

Mr. L. G. Langley, of Wilson's Mills, visited in our section last week.

Misses Annie and Etta Parker, of Smithfield, visited in our section last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Buddie Baker, of Four Oaks, were in our section Sunday.

Among our boys who took the physical examination at Smithfield last week we note the following: Mathew M. Dunn and Tommie V. Parker.

People in our section are finishing barning their tobacco and beginning to pull some fodder.

REPORTER.

Wanted The Mule.

"Yas, sir, when dat mule kicked my mother-in-law to death, they sent for me to cum to der house. I got home jess as quick as I could and foun' der yard full 'er men."

BRITISH CASUALTIES TOTAL 21,722 MEN IN TWO WEEKS.

London, Aug. 14.—Reports of British casualties issued during the first two weeks of August total 21,722 officers and men.

Killed and died of wounds—Officers, 223; privates and non-commissioned officers, 4,424.

Wounded or missing—Officers, 1,821; men, 15,254. Total, 21,722.

How Lightning Rods Protect.

Lightning exacted a loss of \$43,411 in Indiana during the month of May, or nine per cent of the State's fire loss of \$443,369 for that period.

No doubt large quantities of grain and foodstuffs were destroyed in these barns and stores, much of which might have been saved by a little foresight on the part of the owners in the matter of lightning rod protection.

Sunday School Picnic at Antioch.

The annual Sunday school picnic will be held at Antioch Baptist church on Friday, August 24th, 1917.

W. O. HOCUTT, Secretary of the Sunday School.

September Cosmopolitan.

Robert W. Chambers' new novel, "The Restless Sex"; a new story by Fannie Hurst, "Get Ready the Wreath"; a thriller, "The Purple Flask," by Gouverneur Morris.

Two Farms For Sale

For Sale—Two nice Farms within a mile of Selma. Will sell on terms to suit purchaser.

The Purple Flask.

One by one they shook hands with him and wished him luck. He left the place with Minna, whom he married that night.

He thought her love for him would give him courage to perform the terrible task ahead of him—but does love weaken or strengthen a man who is about to give his liberty, perhaps his life, to a "cause"?

An Unappreciated Gift.

Farmer Hawbuck—I've bought a barometer, Mandy, to tell when its goin' ter rain, ye know.

Ms. Hawbuck—To tell when its goin' to rain! Why, I never heard of such extravagance! What do ye 'spose the good Lord hev give ye the rheumatiz for?

FREE OF CHARGE.

Any adult suffering from cough, cold or bronchitis, is invited to call at the drug store of Creech Drug Co., and get absolutely free, a sample bottle of Boschee's German Syrup.

NOTICE OF SUMMONS.

State of North Carolina, County of Johnston, In the Superior Court, September Term, 1917.

Mary Birch vs. Ed. Birch.

The defendant above named will take notice:

That an action entitled above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Johnston County, to dissolve the Bonds of Matrimony now existing between the Plaintiff and defendant on statutory grounds;

RAY & COCKERHAM, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

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W. A. GREEN, Selma, N. C.

Advertisement for Dr. MUNS' PILE and ECZEMA OINTMENT. Why Suffer With Piles? Why allow ECZEMA TO torture you?

No. 666 This is a prescription prepared especially for MALARIA or CHILLS & FEVER.

NOTICE OF SALE OF LAND.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage executed by Renza Hocutt and wife, Millie Hocutt, on the 24th day of March, 1916.

Bounded on the north by the lands of Jas. E. Hocutt, (colored) on the west by the lands of Jas. E. Hocutt, (colored), on the south by the lands of L. G. Bailey, on the south by Moccasin Creek, containing thirty acres, more or less.

J. H. SMITH, Mortgagee. Y. Z. PARKER, Attorney.

SALE OF VALUABLE LAND.

By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Johnston County in a Special Proceeding before the Clerk entitled "W. D. Boon, Admr. of John N. Gregory, deceased, vs. Mary Ann Gregory, Lela Gregory, et als."

FIRST TRACT: That tract of land conveyed to John N. Gregory by J. E. Stewart and recorded in the Registry of Johnston County, Book "X" No. 7, page 384, and described as follows:

SECOND TRACT: That tract of land conveyed to John N. Gregory by J. W. Neighbors and recorded in Book "N" No. 10, page 499 Registry Johnston County, N. C., and described as follows:

Advertisement for NEW HOME sewing machine. "I'll get it for my wife". Includes illustration of a woman and a sewing machine.