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THE VALUE OF COVER CROPS

Time For Our Farmers to Prepare Their Lands for Sowing of Winter Cover Crops.

By Jos L. Holliday.

The time has come, if not already done, when we should turn our attention to preparing our lands for sowing of winter cover crops. Clovers especially should be sown as soon as possible—seasonable conditions of course, should be considered, the soil should be well plowed, disked and harrowed and seeds brushed or lightly harrowed in. If land is not already inoculated, we should use inoculation. The best way to do this is to use dirt from fields on which the particular crop to be planted has been successfully grown. If it is not convenient to get dirt from such fields, the Department of Agriculture will furnish inoculating bacteria for a small amount of seed; this will be a great help toward getting a crop the first year, and if the crop is allowed to remain on the land until the seeds are fully matured before turning under, we may be fairly assured that this same land sown next fall will produce a much better crop than at first. It is to be hoped one or two acres, at least, will be sown on each farm this fall.

Almost any crop that will grow in winter will prove profitable to Martin County farmers, our land generally is deficient in humus; therefore any crop that will grow in winter will be of benefit to us. Crops of rye, oats, or wheat sown this fall and top-dressed with barnyard manure, that will be depreciating on us from now until spring, will prove a wonderful help to us in getting our lands open and in the lively condition which means so much to us when quantity and quality of the next crop are considered.

This means a great deal to our land and besides sowing these crops we shall be able to keep our cattle, sheep, hogs, horses, etc., in a thriving condition all these months, when without this class of farming we are obliged to cut, dry and bale hay for this stock, which is very expensive when labor cost is considered.

Not many of us have silos, so we have to do an extra amount of work against the cold snow days of next winter; so far as possible let us prepare a field silo by getting in as much of these crops as it is possible for us. When we have considered the feeding value of these crops, we have only commenced what they really mean to us.

Now the thing to do is to get right down to the cover crop proposition and get them in early; to have plenty of time to grow a good heavy crop of rye, oats, wheat etc., and by the time when the blue bird begins to sing, we want to go out on these cover crop fields with our disc harrows, and then we shall have plenty of time to make a good, deep, well prepared seed bed on which we will be able to make from 1 to 2 barrels of corn, and from one-fourth to one-third more cotton with from 200 to 300 pounds less commercial fertilizer than was required before.

On fairly good land a crop of peanuts may be made on such prepared soil without fertilizer; of course, they would need lime and plaster.

There are a great many other

things that these crops do for us when they are properly handled. Of course, if we should go at them in a do it all day way, we should have to wait for nature to prepare them for us, but when we have thoroughly disked, plowed and harrowed these fields of cover crops, we should apply a liberal amount of lime to counteract the acidity in the soil caused by the green crops, and then we shall be able to unlock the potash in the soil, also phosphorus. These elements are doing us no good as they are now, and these crops will take up all available materials during their growth, keeping them for us to be used next spring, not allowing them to be washed away into ditches and swamps. Let's see what can be done with them.

If I may be of any assistance to you in any way on your farms, inoculate your hogs against cholera, selecting seed corn, cotton seed, or in any way, command me.

Engagement Announcement.

Wilson, Sept. 16. — Miss Delzell Ruffin Woodard was honored at one of the most enjoyable functions of the season on Wednesday afternoon, when her engagement to Mr. Bayard Thurman Cowper was given by Mrs. John F. Bruton.

As the guests arrived they were received on the veranda by Mrs. Bruton, Miss Woodard, Mrs. W. M. Farmer, Mrs. Will Carr and Mrs. Cooper Person.

Mrs. C. A. Thompson, Mrs. T. M. Washington, Mrs. J. R. McLean and Mrs. E. T. Barnes greeted them on the South lawn which was made most attractive with rustic settees, chairs and tables decorated with large bowls of autumn flowers.

A frozen salad course was served by Misses Irwin Carter, Virginia Davis, Blair and Susan Rawlins.

As the guests left the lawn through the pergola, Misses Susie Gray Woodard and Lucy Farmer handed them cards which bore the following announcement:

Mr. Bayard Thurman Cowper, Miss Delzell Woodard, November tenth, nineteen-fifteen.

The bride-elect is the attractive daughter of Hon. John E. Woodard, the Nestor of the Wilson bar and one of the prominent lawyers of the State.

Mr. Cowper is an insurance man and well known in the State with his headquarters in Raleigh. —News & Observer.

Cooperative Work

Major W. A. Graham, Commissioner of Agriculture, Raleigh N. C., has made arrangements to sell marl to farmers at \$1.50 per ton, and ground limestone at \$1.15 per ton on board cars at the deposits. He has also secured reduced freight rates. Farmers who desire to purchase these materials, should make up carload orders and forward payment in advance to Major Graham. Freight to be paid when goods are delivered.

This is the season for farmers to buy these goods, while their teams are not so busy with other farm work. Two or three carloads to each community would mean a great deal to the farmers of Martin County. They should get in all the cover crops they can, and give them a coat of lime or marl, and they will show splendid results.

Yours for an increased acreage in cover crops for 1915, and a cheaper and better crop of corn, cotton and peanuts for 1916.

Jos. L. Holliday,
County Agent.

The September Term of Court

CONVENED ON MONDAY.

Judge Frank A. Daniels Presiding Delivers Very Able Address to The Jury.

The September term of court convened Monday morning with Judge Frank Daniels presiding. The following Grand Jurors were drawn: J. W. Roberson, Foreman, J. B. Barnhill, S. S. Hadley, J. C. Riddick, R. A. Critcher, H. C. Rogerson, B. S. Council, E. N. Howell, W. H. Crawford, Sr., J. M. Roberson, Buck Roberson, L. S. Griffin, J. C. Keel, W. A. White, T. W. Wells, J. D. Martin, J. T. Hinson, W. A. Hardison.

Judge Daniels in his address to the jury urged the need of education, recommending local tax districts for better improvement of schools and urged the building of good roads. He laid the proper emphasis on the need for sanitation, vaccination, and all things tending to protect the lives of the people.

Immoral houses and their effect on the young men together with cards, liquor, cigarettes, etc., were given special emphasis, especially in the large towns. Officers were told their duty as to the offences committed by the people in the higher circles in the communities.

One instructive feature of the Judge's charge was that of the automobile law. He explained those things required by law, as lamps, signals, speed, etc., and the requirement that drivers aid any one having a frightened horse.

There is great need of law enforcement along this particular line.

Full court news will be given next time.

For Best Scholarship.

The Enterprise offers as a prize one year's subscription to the best pupil in every white public school in Martin County. The winner must be the best all-round pupil in his or her school—excelling in all those things which tend to make the ideal scholar.

The teacher shall be the judge, and the paper will be sent free to the pupil designated by the teacher of each school. In schools of more than one teacher, each teacher may recommend a pupil in their grades.

Failure to make perfect attendance on account of sickness or other causes beyond control of pupil, not to be counted against such pupil.

Not Over Here.

Register Rumley stated that there have been only four marriage licenses issued to Washington people since August 1st, a record never made before during his term of office.

Dan Cupid has evidently deserted these parts. Information as to his whereabouts will be appreciated. —Washington Daily News.

Williamston cannot claim to be the abiding place of the gentlemen in question, for Register Brown has not issued a single license to any party in town since the date mentioned. Mr. Dan evidently lost his nerve during the hot spell.

Twentieth Century Book Club

The Twentieth Century Book Club met with Mrs. James Grist Staton, Sept. 15th, at 4:30 o'clock p. m. Washington Irving was the author for study, and a sketch of his life was read by Mrs. A. D. Mizell; The Effect of Witchcraft on American Literature, by Miss Mayo Lamb; Instrumental solo, "Humoresque" by Mrs. Warren Biggs; Current Events; by Mrs. Frederick Hoyt; "Those Good Old Days of Knickerbocker Life" by Mrs. C. B. Hassell. The description of a tea party in those days was interesting: "The hostesses at a Tea Party in those times would seat the guests at a table which was crowned with a huge earthen-ware dish filled with slices of fat pork fried brown, cut into morsels and swimming in gravy. Each guest was furnished with a fork, and evinced their dexterity in launching the fattiest pieces in this mighty dish, in much the same manner as our Indians spear salmon in the lakes. Tea was served from majestic delft teapots and sweetened by a large lump of sugar suspended directly over the center of the table by a string from the ceiling, so that it could be swung from mouth to mouth: an ingenious expedient which still prevails in our uncontaminated Dutch villages. The great decorum and propriety prevailed at these tea parties."

Mrs. Staton served a delicious salad course, and a number of invited guests added to the pleasure of the Club.

Gasoline.

The Insurance Department has prepared a pamphlet, "Gasoline, Its Uses and Abuses." Send for a copy, as a careful reading, with proper attention to the facts and suggestions therein, will tend to save the loss of many lives and much property. It can be had for the asking.

What Better Could be Desired

The Dixie Warehouse, at Williamston, with Hight pulling and Jim Staton pushing, has been having high sales all during the season, but for the past ten days it has been selling the weed higher than ever. Look over the averages given below, and then make the Dixie your headquarters for the balance of the season:

Sam Pate sold 830 lbs for \$202.70, average 24.42; R. T. Roberson, 864 lbs for \$122.52, average 14.17; Noah Roberson 622 lbs for \$102.96, average 16.55; W. E. Daniel 818 lbs for \$114.14, average 13.95; J. H. Singleton, of Beaufort county, 774 lbs for \$114.96, average 15; J. J. Manning, 576 for \$94.05, average 16.32.

Look what these two farmers sold their tips for: John A. Griffin, 436 lbs. for \$49.25, average 11.30, Cassell & Daniel, 902 lbs, for \$94.34, average 10.46. Adv.

A Pair of Sixes.

"A Pair of Sixes" sounds like a very small hand, but it will take a mighty good combination to beat it. This is doubtless partly accounted for by the fact that there is an addition to the pair, a queen of hearts, in the play, which is sufficient intimation that the play is not only funny but has a strong love interest.

The play will be presented in this city at the Gaiety Theatre September, 30th.

No Doubt it Was Good.

The Washington News of Tuesday has something to say about the Central Warehouse in that city selling Martin County tobacco. It was something to crow over for Martin County does raise excellent weed. But those Martin County farmers failed to secure the prices that could have been obtained on this market. Two farmers decided to sell one on the home market and the other in Washington. Result, the one selling here received a much higher price for the same grades. Moral: Sell on your home market and get the very topmost prices.

Listen! When in need of real value for your tobacco crop bring it to Williamston. Results will convince you every time: Twenty farmers with twenty loads from Bertie on Wednesday got proof of the soundness of the market.

Left For Unknown Parts

Dapper Mr. Summer, who has made himself very obnoxious for months in Williamston and vicinity, packed all his straw hats, Palm Beach suits, fans, fly catchers and other odds and ends used during his residence, and skipped without paying his cool drink accounts at Biggs Drug Store and Saunders & Fowden. The reason for his sudden departure was the appearance in town of the cool, calm, collected Mr. Autumn, who arrived a little ahead of schedule time on Tuesday evening. His coming was heralded by the waving of blankets, comforts, etc., and the building of fires in an old place convenient at the time. He was a most welcome guest in every home here.

Appointments.

Elder F. W. Keene, a native of London, England, and now a resident of North Berwick, Maine, expects D. V., to preach Monday night, Sept. 27th in Washington, D. C.; Tuesday night, Sept. 28th in Richmond, Va., Wednesday night, Sept. 29th, in Whitakers, N. C., (joined here by Elder J. T. Rowe, of Baltimore, Md.); Thursday, Sept. 30th, at Kehukee; that night at Robersonville; Friday, Oct. 1st, at Skewarkey; and then to attend the Kehukee, Contentnea, White Oak, and Black Creek Associations. Elder E. E. Oliver, of Washington, D. C., expects also to attend these Associations, and Elder M. L. Gilbert, of Dade City, Fla., one or more of them.

S. HASSELL.

Many of the streets here have been made for comfortable walking within the past week. A squad of workers under Policeman Patrick has done the miracle, and people can now get to the different churches, and to the school building without wading through jungles. Let the good work go on, and then some more.

The squirrels should take to the taller timbers, as October the first is nearly here, and hunters galore will tramp the woods, providing that the mosquitoes die from over-exertion in the meantime.

Preparations are being made to change the old Baptist Church building into a bungalow for the home of the pastor and family. The present parsonage will be sold, and the money will be used to build the new home.

Come to Williamston to Sell Your Tobacco.

GOOD TOBACCO SELLING HIGH

On the Washington Market—Five Buyers Representing All the Large Concerns On the Warehouse Floor.

Prices on our market took a big jump on Wednesday of last week, and have continued to advance every day since, and yesterday and to-day prices on good colory tobacco were very high.

The common grades of first pullings are as high as they were on the opening, and the short burnt tips are not as high, and we look for no advance in them, but the better tobaccos are selling to please any one.

Our market has all the buyers from the five big concerns and all the independent orders are represented here. Therefore, we know we can offer you every inducement to come to our house and to Washington to sell your tobacco. And with the finest lighted house in this State to show your tobacco, and make it look to the best advantage we feel certain we can please you and send you home drumming and pleased with our work and prices. We do not play any favorites, but get every cent we can for every man's tobacco.

Our house is in the center of town, near the Coast Line depot. Below we give some prices made:

Harmon Roberson, \$12.50, 12, 14.50, 16.00, 16.50, 17, 20, 24; Alonzo Roberson, 10.25, 15, 20; John H. Griffin, 8, 8.75, 12.50, 15.50; Jas. A. Roberson, 7.75, 9.50, 10.50, 11.11, 14, 14.25, 16, 16; Butler & Rumley, 7.25, 10.25, 11.25, 14.50, 15.50, 19.50; A. C. Coaltrain, 8.75, 13, 15.50

Come to see us and we will work hard for you.

Yours truly,
Shelburne-Baugham Co.
Washington, N. C. Adv.

Revival Services

Rev. J. T. Stanford has been conducting a series of services at Vernon Church on the Everetts road. As a result of these services, eleven were received into the Church, one candidate having been immersed at Leggets Bridge on Sunday afternoon. The interest among the people in the vicinity was very marked, and the Gospel has a truer meaning in many hearts there.

The revival spirit seems to be alive all over the county, for under the preaching of Rev. W. R. Burrell at Riddick's Grove sixteen were received into communion with the Church, and at Cedar Branch near Jamesville, eighteen were immersed on Sunday as the result of his labors, the pastor, Rev. J. H. Bristow, administering the rite of baptism. Rev. Bristow preached here Sunday morning and night, and Rev. Burrell filled his pulpit.

Let Williamston Get the Money For You.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Keith, who for years have been at the Atlantic Hotel, are occupying a residence on West Main St.

Cooler weather has prevailed since the much-needed rain on Sunday afternoon, and there is some hope for turnips, cabbages, collards and other garden vegetables.

Highest prices paid on the Williamston Market.