

Public Officials Are Good "City Slickers"

Because public officials failed to pay their personal electric bills, owed to the municipal plant, an Ohio town finds itself in serious financial trouble. And a Pennsylvania village paid \$35,000 for a paving job that should have cost \$6,000. In another community a mayor sold a \$50 radio set to a contractor for \$500 the day before paving contracts were let. This sort of shepanigans explains why many American communities don't get their money's worth for the \$4,500,000,000 they spent last year for government, says the National Consumers Tax Commission, whose study groups in 5,000 communities are seeking lower taxes through more efficient and economical local government. Those cases were among the most glaring of preliminary samples turned up by NCTC women in surveying for "economy begins at home" drives.

Rotenone Is Used To Control Bean Beetle

If you are troubled with Mexican bean beetles—and almost every truck farmer and home gardener is, J. O. Rowell, extension entomologist recommends that you dust or spray your plants with rotenone. It is available at insecticide dealers all over the State, and Rowell strongly urges that it be purchased ready-mixed.

Rotenone is very toxic to insects, but is not poisonous to humans, the entomologist explained. It can be applied on beans at any stage of pod development without fear of poisoning when the beans are served on the table.

"It is not advisable to use calcium arsenate on beans, as plant injury often results," Rowell continued. "Arsenate of lead should never be used on bean foliage because serious injury and reduced yields usually follow its applications."

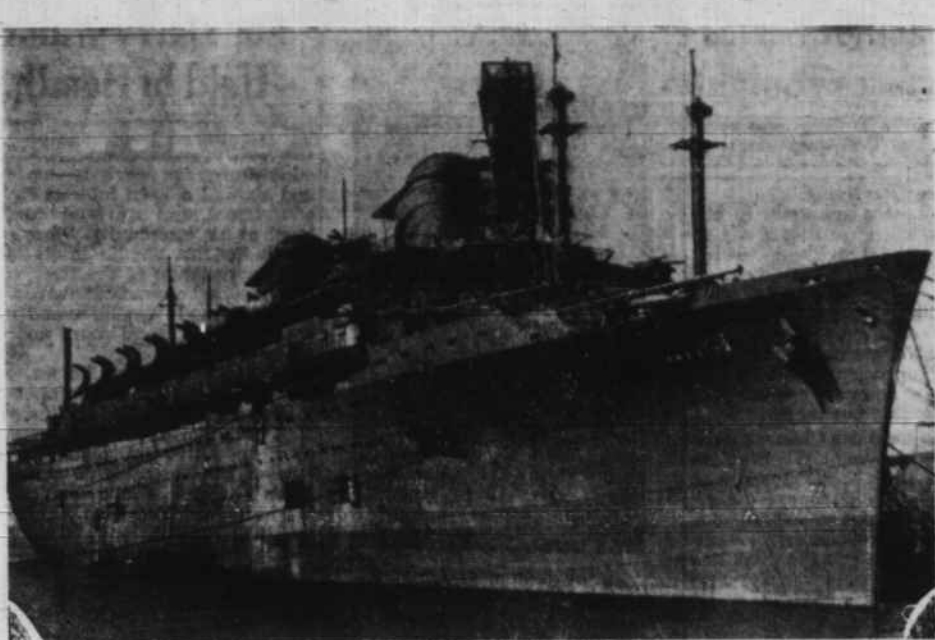
Treatments should be started when beetles are first found on the beans, or when egg masses become numerous on the underside of the leaves, the extension specialist said. From one to three, and sometimes four, applications are necessary, depending on the prevalence of the insects.

The dust method will probably prove most satisfactory, especially for the home gardener. Dust applications can be made at any time during the day if the wind is not blowing. The rotenone dust mixtures should not be used in a spray unless the manufacturer states on the label that a diluent has been used which will mix readily with water.

How To Control Wilt On Your Sweet Potato Plants

If sweet potatoes are to be planted on land that is known to harbor wilt or stem rot fungus, the root ends of the slips should be immersed in a Bordeaux Mixture solution made with one pound of Copper Sulphate (blue stone) and one pound of lime to two and one-half gallons of water. A wooden tub or stone crock should be used. The plants should be drained and transplanted before the chemical dries on the roots. If the soil is dry, the plants should be watered at planting.

America's Largest Liner Nears Completion



Work continues on the new United States liner America, nearing completion at Newport News, Va. The ship's interiors were designed by a firm of women. The America is the largest liner ever built in the United States; is 723 feet long, has a 92-foot beam and will have accommodations for 1,219 passengers and crew of 639.

"Adopted" by Mrs. Roosevelt



Three-year-old Joan Cameron (center), whose parents and their three other children live on relief in Philadelphia, has been "adopted" by Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt. The First Lady agreed to pay \$30 a year to send the girl to New Kensington Nursery School, where she will be assured of proper care. Pictured with her is twin brother, Joseph, and their mother.

Farm - Home Week To Start On July 29

Plans for the 37th annual Farm and Home Week at N. C. State College are already being made. The "educational vacation" for hundreds of Tar Heel farm people will be held July 29 through August 2 this year.

John W. Goodman, assistant extension director, and Miss Ruth Current, State home demonstration agent, called a meeting of a committee on arrangements, and the process of inviting speakers and mapping a program was started.

H. C. Percebe, of Camden, is president of the Farmers' Convention for 1940, and Mrs. Dudley Bagley, of Moyock, will preside over the women's sessions as president of the N. C. Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs. They have groups at work arranging details of the various programs.

A possibility that the attendance of men at the convention will be swelled was seen when E. Y. Floyd, AAA executive officer, announced that tentative plans have been made to hold a meeting of County Triple-A committeemen at State College during Farm and Home Week. This would bring to Raleigh 300 leading farmers of the State.

It was the unanimous vote of the committee on arrangements that Governor and Mrs. Clyde R. Hoey be extended an invitation to appear on the evening program August 1st. Both the Governor and Mrs. Hoey made a hit with the farm people in their program appearances the past three years.

Dan M. Paul, of State College, is secretary of the Farm and Home Week committee.

Interesting Bits Of Business In The U.S.

The 7,000 American motor trucks ordered by France last fall have either reached France or the New York docks, and no bids for additional trucks have been asked for by the Anglo-French buying commission—but Finland is in the market for about 7,000 trucks for rehabilitation work, and China is shopping around, too. Expenditures for new plant construction so far this year are running at the highest level since B. D. (before depression). Also, privately financed home construction contracted for in February was 9 per cent ahead of that month in 1939. Florida last week got another smacking around by cold weather, with peas, peppers, tomatoes and celery badly damaged.

Happy Landing



Harold E. Dahl is affectionately greeted by his wife as he arrives in Jersey City, N. J., aboard the *Esiria*. The American flier was shot down by Franco's forces in the Spanish civil war. His wife's pleas to the generalissimo saved Dahl from being shot and he was recently freed after being jailed for three years.

Helpful Hints In Setting Tobacco Plants On Hills

A distance of 24 inches between tobacco hills with the rows four feet wide has proven to be the most satisfactory under average conditions. On the more fertile soil, even closer spacing on the row will be profitable. The plants should be of uniform size and free from disease. The first cultivation should be made about a week or ten days after transplanting followed by cultivations every week or ten days until just before topping.



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Free Scholarships Offered 4-H Boys

Free scholarships to the annual State 4-H Short Course at N. C. State College July 22-27 will be awarded again to the outstanding club boy in each county in the State, announces L. R. Harrill, State 4-H club leader. The scholarships are valued at \$5.00 each.

The Chilean Nitrate Educational Bureau donates the funds for these awards, through A. G. Floyd, state manager of the Bureau. The same organization awards a four-year scholarship to State College to the outstanding club boy in the State each year.

Harrill has requested county farm and home agents to supply a list of the short course scholarship winners by April 1. Each of the 1,200 clubs in the State is entitled to send one boy and one girl as delegates to the short course.

Turning to the subject of 4-H camps, State Leader Harrill said that Tom Cash, Ned Tucker and E. M. "Nig" Waller have been reappointed directors of the Millstone, Swannanoa and White Lake camps, respectively. A handicraft instructor and cooks also will comprise the permanent staff at each camp.

The county camp season will open June 3 and continue through August 31. Six thousand farm boys and girls are expected to attend 4-H camps during the coming summer.

Preliminary to the regular season, camps or institutes for 4-H leaders will be held, starting at Millstone on May 6-11 and continuing through May 21-24 at Swannanoa. The White

Water-Glass Method Is Best For Preserving Surplus Eggs

For general farm use, the water-glass method for preserving surplus eggs is the most popular and cheapest method. This is prepared by using one quart of sodium silicate (water-glass) to nine quarts of water that has been boiled and allowed to cool. This mixture is then placed in a five gallon crock or jar and the eggs put in the jar with the large ends up. This container will hold about 12 dozen eggs. If sufficient eggs are not available when the solution is first made, additional eggs may be added from time to time. Use only fresh, clean, infertile eggs and be sure that the solution is two inches above the eggs at all times.

Rocky Mount Man Regrets Luxury In Building Terraces

I. W. Mangum, of Rocky Mount, who owns a farm at Pinecreek in Harriet County, wrote Assistant Farm Agent J. B. Gourlay: "I am sorry that I put off building terraces so long." Like leader training school will be May 13-15, and a fourth institute in the Northeastern district will be May 16-18.

DR. V. H. MEWBORN OP-TOM-E-TRIST Please Note Date Changes

Robersonville office, Scott's Jewelry Store, Tuesday, April 9.
Williamston office, Peele's Jewelry Store, every Wed., 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Plymouth office, Liverman's Drug Store, every Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Bethel office, Rives Drug Store, Tuesday, April 2.
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DARDENS	Monday, April 8, from 11 to 2 p. m.
JAMESVILLE	Tuesday, April 9, from 11 to 2 p. m.
NO. 90 FILLING STATION	Thursday, April 11, from 11 to 2 p. m.
HARDISON'S MILL	Friday, April 12, from 11 to 2 p. m.
EASON LILLEY'S STORE	Monday, April 15, from 11 to 2 p. m.
COREY'S CROSS ROADS	Tuesday, April 16, from 11 to 2 p. m.
BEAR GRASS	Thursday, April 18, from 10 to 2:30 p. m.
BIGGS SCHOOL HOUSE	Friday, April 19, from 11 to 2 p. m.
WILLIAMSTON	Saturday, April 20, All day at Dr. Osteen's Office
BEDDARD'S STORE	Monday, April 22, from 11 to 2 p. m.
CROSS ROADS	Wednesday, April 24, from 11 to 2 p. m.
EVERETTS	Friday, April 26, from 11 to 2 p. m.
GOLD POINT	Monday, April 29, from 10 to 2 p. m.
PARMLE	Wednesday, May 1, from 11 to 2 p. m.
ROEBUCK'S STATION, Log Cabin	Thursday, May 2, from 11 to 2 p. m.
ROBERSONVILLE	Saturday, May 4, from 10 to 5 p. m.
HASSELL	Monday, May 6, from 10 to 2 p. m.
HAMILTON	Wednesday, May 8, from 10 to 3 p. m.
SMITH BROS. STORE	Thursday, May 9, from 11 to 2 p. m.
OAK CITY	Saturday, May 11, from 10 to 3 p. m.

All dogs not vaccinated at their respective clinics must be brought to Dr. Osteen's office at Williamston. No return vaccination schedules will be made. Owners of dogs not vaccinated will be promptly prosecuted.

Owners are urged to have their dogs vaccinated in their respective districts on the dates specified. All vaccinations will be done by a licensed veterinarian. Dogs will be vaccinated at office of Dr. Osteen when he is not out on a clinic.

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