

Housewives Sweep Away Good Soil

Brooms wielded by energetic housewives is one of the reasons given by John Harris, landscape specialist of the State College Extension Service, for the extremely poor soil in the yards of hundreds of North Carolina farmsteads. "This fertile soil which has been swept away, together with that blown and washed away, is why it is difficult to have pretty lawns in front of numerous farm homes," Harris declared.

Continuing, the specialist said, "The best solution to this problem is the use of Bermuda grass. This grass should be propagated by planting the roots during the fall or early spring. However, there are some farmers who refuse to use Bermuda because it spreads rapidly in their crop land."

"In this case, the following procedure is recommended: A one to two-inch layer of barn manure should be spread over the yard. The soil should then be scarified as deep as possible and the yard sown in peas. Topsoil should be hauled in to any places that have become eroded."

"The peas should be disced or turned into the soil in August or September. After allowing the soil to settle for two or three weeks, the yard should be raked level and commercial fertilizer applied at the rate of 500 to 600 pounds per acre. Then 25 to 30 pounds of Italian ryegrass should be sown per acre. This should be followed in the spring with 20 pounds of common lespedeza seed per acre."

"Native grass, such as crab grass, foxtail grass and others, will automatically come up and, if kept mown, will furnish a fairly nice summer lawn. In some sections, where there is enough moisture, 15 pounds of carpet grass should be sown with 15 pounds of common lespedeza."

Mrs. J. H. Saunders has returned from a visit with relatives in Virginia.

Summer Project A Success



A very successful gardening and canning project was carried on for the Williamston School during the summer months through the joint sponsorship of the Works Progress Administration and the Williamston Parent-Teacher Association. Made possible by a grant of land use by B. A. Critcher and Marshall Wilson, the garden project was conducted by labor furnished by the WPA.

Messrs. Critcher and Wilson gave the Parent-Teacher Association the use of four acres of the Roberson land without charge and C. G. Crockett and V. J. Spivey donated liberal quantities of fertilizer.

The vegetables were canned in the grammar school lunch room under the direction of Mrs. Carrie Delle Phipps, and are now being used in the preparation of the free lunches being served children daily at the grammar school. Results of the gardening and canning are as follows:

String beans, 210 quarts; soup mixture, 402 quarts; tomatoes and corn, 29 quarts; cucumber pickles, 50 quarts; tomatoes, 741 quarts; tomatoes and lima beans, 61 quarts; total 1493 quarts.

A few of the nearly 1,500 jars of vegetables stored in the school pantry for use this fall and winter are shown above.

MINISTER



Rev. Preston Cayton will supply the pulpit at Sweet Home Christian Church in Williams Township next year, it was announced recently. The minister, whose home is in Edenton, recently conducted a meeting in the county church with Garland Bland leading the song services.

Happenings In The Farm Life School

The Senior class of the Farm Life school met recently and elected their officers, mascots, grade mothers, and discussed other matters of interest. Vera Pearl Williams was elected president; Laura Lilley, secretary and treasurer; Mesdames W. A. Hodges and A. T. Whitley will serve the seniors as grade mothers; Dale Lilley and "Foggy" Gurkin, young sons of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lilley and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Gurkin, are mascots.

The sweet pea will be their flower, and they will use rainbow colors. The senior class roll this year is as follows: Vera Pearl Williams, Elmer Hodges, Laura Lilley, Lala Smithwick, Marie Hodges, Vera Ruth Griffin, Kathleen Hodges, Leona Griffin, Chloe Hardison, Cecil Brown, Harry Peele, Benny Daniel, Bruce Peele, Carlyle Manning and Robert Whitley.

Mrs. Russell Martin is sponsor of the class. A laboratory has been established in Charleston, S. C., for the purpose of developing high quality, disease resistant varieties and strains of vegetables adapted to Southern conditions.

Everetts Parents And Teachers Meet

Monday evening the Everetts P. T. A. met in the school auditorium with Mrs. A. P. Barnhill, president in charge.

The meeting was opened with the reading of scripture and prayer by Mr. H. L. Roebuck, chairman of the school board.

Three projects were outlined in the principal's report, which the school hopes to carry out this year. The first one is to build up the school library. Although considerable improvement was made in the library last year it is still not graded as a standard elementary library. The second project is a sick room where children may be cared for when taken sick at school until transportation may be arranged to return them to their homes. A woman will be provided by the WPA to keep the room clean, but adequate equipment for a first aid room must be provided by the school. The third project was for playground equipment.

The following committees were appointed, publicity: Mr. J. Q. Patrick, Misses Fannie Adams and Cleo James, finance: Mrs. Edith Martin, Miss Georgia Moore and Mr. G. G. Bailey; social, Mesdames G. G. Bailey, Andrew Clark and J. S. Ayers, Jr.; program, Mesdames J. Q. Patrick and Henry Peel.

The program committee promised more entertaining and inspiring programs at the meetings and requested that anyone knowing of any talent not being used to please notify them.

The finance committee offered a tentative program for raising money to be announced later.

"Your school needs your support as you need it," Reported.

Things To Watch For In The Future

At last, a catsup bottle that you can put right on even the most elegant table, and which you don't have to smack—it's called catsup buffet bowl, and comes in a twin package with a similar bowl of chili sauce. Latest innovation in plastics is their use in football helmets, either transparent or colored. For gals habitually late for dates, a sparkling lapel pin in the form of a clock, with movable hands that can be "set" as reminder of an appointment.

Experiments carried on at the Illinois Experiment Station have disproved an old belief among farmers that soybean oil is too laxative for fattening cattle.

Vegetables Can Be Stored For Winter

There is no reason for discarding surplus vegetables, or for dumping them on a depressed market, says H. R. Niswonger, horticulturist of the N. C. State College Extension Service. But on the other hand, there is no use to store vegetables that are not of high quality, free from mechanical injuries, insects and diseases, and mature but not over-ripe.

"If you put an inferior, diseased, damaged product in storage it will come out an inferior, diseased, damaged product, in worse condition than when it went in," Niswonger declared.

The problem of where to store vegetables is important, and the State College specialist makes the following recommendations along this line: Beans and field peas may be picked in the pod, spread out in a warm dry place in the attic until dried, and after being shelled the beans should be placed in tight containers and treated with carbon disulphide to control weevils.

Root crops, such as carrots, beets and turnips, should have the tops cut off, leaving short leaf stems, before storing. They may be stored in shallow crates and placed in the cellar. An occasional sprinkling with water will prevent shriveling. Cabbage and collards can best be stored in trenches out-of-doors. Another method commonly used in Eastern Carolina consists of pushing the heads of the plants toward the North and covering the stem and base of the heads with soil. The plants are thus, left right in the row where they grow.

Sweet potatoes keep best in a dry place, and where the temperature throughout the storage period is around 55 to 60 degrees. Onions should be kept in slatted crates in the attic where the atmosphere is dry and the temperature is around 90 degrees. A basement or cellar is not a good place to store onions. Pumpkins and squashes should also be stored in a warm dry room at a temperature of 50 degrees.

New Milk Route Started In Abbotts Creek Section

A new milk route has been started in the Abbotts Creek community of Forsyth County to deliver milk to a cooperative creamery in Winston-Salem, says Assistant Farm Agent S. R. Mitchiner.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE
Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Levi J. Manning, deceased, late of Martin County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before August 7, 1941, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This the 7th day of August, 1940.
A. J. WYNN,
Administrator of the estate of
Levi J. Manning, deceased.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE
Having qualified as the Administrator C. T. A. of the estate of Alonza Rodgerson, deceased, late of Martin County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Williamston, N. C., on or before September 4th, 1941, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 4th day of September, 1940.
PERLIE LEE RODGERSON,
Administrator C. T. A. of
Alonza Rodgerson.

NOTICE OF SALE
North Carolina, Martin County. In The Superior Court.
County of Martin vs. Clair Hodges and Others.

Under and by virtue of an order of sale in the above entitled proceeding made by L. B. Wynne, Clerk of the Superior Court of Martin County, on the 30th day of September, 1940, the undersigned commissioner will, on Friday, the 1st day of November, 1940, at twelve o'clock noon, in front of the courthouse door in the town of Williamston, Martin County, offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate, to wit:

Two lots in the town of Williamston, same being lots Nos. 8 and 9 in Block B of the Sycamore Park colored property.

This the 30th day of Sept., 1940.
ELBERT S. PEEL,
Commissioner.

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with William Boyd and Roy Rogers



Only Protestants Could Hold Office In N. C. Before Dr. "Convention" Operated on Mr. "Constitution".

At the age of fifty-nine the Constitution of North Carolina was in a state of very ill health. It was unable to perform satisfactorily its regular duty of protecting all the people's rights.

Most people have to turn to the doctors for aid before arriving at the 59th birthday. It is often an appendectomy, a tonsilectomy, extraction of teeth, or some other amputative or renovative service.

Our constitution was a product of human efforts and has human qualities. Thus medical attention is the natural thing to anticipate as time passes on.

Mr. N. C. "Constitution" entered the "Raleigh Legislative Hospital" at the age of fifty-nine. Dr. "Convention" was the surgeon assigned to the case. Dr. "Legislature" had diagnosed and had found symptoms of serious internal trouble. "Undemocratic Politics" was the ailment. He had advised an operation if the approval of Mr. "Many Citizens" could be obtained. Dr. "Convention" was called to operate, for Mr. "Citizens" gave the necessary approval by a vote of 27,550 to 21,694.

In those early turbulent times North Carolina was not truly democratic. Unless a citizen owned a tremendous plantation, he did not have full freedom to vote and hold office. To be governor, a candidate was required to possess "freehold lands" to the value of \$5,000. A voter needed fifty acres to vote for a state senator. The thirty-second section of the constitution was worded in such a way that Atheists, Catholics, Dunkards, Jews, Deists, Quakers and Mennonites could be excluded from holding office. The Catholics were eliminated by a phrase which required office-holders to believe the Protestant Religion. There was a popular demand for William Gaston, a Catholic, to accept the Supreme Court appointment. He declined because of the constitutional restrictions.

The western counties had a large population but a small voting power. The eastern counties had a small population and little taxable wealth in proportion to their great voting strength. The western counties demanded reapportionment. They even threatened revolution. Some old towns had borough representation. Other larger towns did not have that privilege, for they were not important in 1776 when the state constitution was written. New Bern, Edenton, Wilmington, Halifax, Salisbury, Hillsboro, and Fayetteville could send borough representatives to the state legislature. Other towns were jealous.

The people could not vote for governor. The members of the legislature elected the chief executive. Although the Governor of North Carolina has little real power and no veto power, the voters thought their voices should be heard.

Today is the 105th anniversary of the assembling of the convention which faced a multitudinous task. It was responsible for remedying the constitution's evils and for restoring its health. There were many men present who are prominent in the annals of North Carolina history: e. g., John Owen, of Bladen; Nathaniel Macon of Warren; John Branch, ex-Secretary of the Navy; John Morehead of Guilford; Weldon Edwards of Warren; William Gaston of Craven; Asa Biggs, of Martin; Richard Dobbs Speight of Craven; and Governor David L. Swain, who at a later date became president of the Uni-

SERVICE OF SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

North Carolina, Martin County. In The Superior Court.
Mary Alice Beecroft vs. Chester Beecroft.

The defendant above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Martin County for absolute divorce on the grounds of two years separation, and the defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear before L. B. Wynne, Clerk of the Superior Court of Martin County, on or before thirty days after the expiration of the service of summons by publication, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This the 7th day of October, 1940.
L. B. WYNNE,
Clerk Superior Court.

SERVICE OF SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

North Carolina, Martin County. In The Superior Court.
James Louis Morris vs. Josephine Jackson Morris.

The defendant above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Martin County for absolute divorce on the grounds of two years separation, and the defendant further will take notice that she is required to appear before L. B. Wynne, Clerk of the Superior Court of Martin County, within thirty days after the completion of this service of summons by publication, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This the 7th day of October, 1940.
L. B. WYNNE,
Clerk Superior Court.

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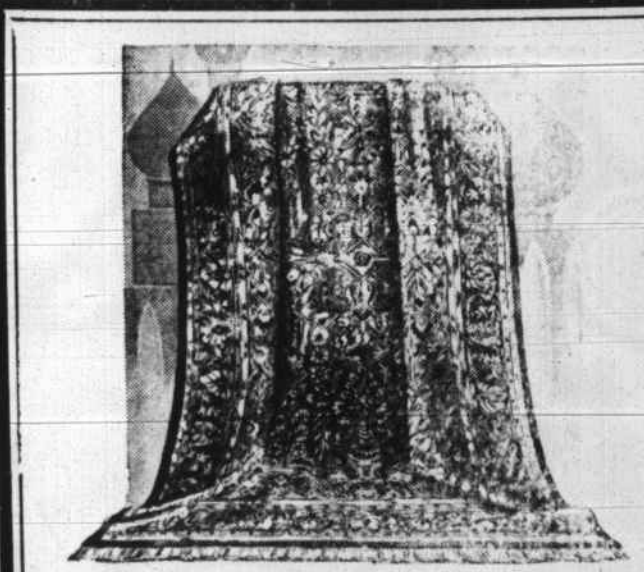
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