

FARM NEWS

By L. A. AMMON

Tuesday night was the coldest night for the time of month in the history of this section. A real freeze. Peaches and apples are about all killed. Found one or two favored spots that may have a few apples.

The freezing line showed for five miles across the Blue Ridge

Less than one-third as many soy beans are being ordered, as last year. Time to think seriously about next years hay. There will be only a half crop of other hays due to the drought killing seedlings. To feed fodder, shucks, cotton hulls and the like means another winter of sickly cows. Start now to insure some good legume hay for the stock of the farm.

Most of our fat cattle are sold. The steers brought eight cents, and heifers somewhat under. The predicted high price did not mature, or has not yet, due to the west dumping their cattle. The two or three months ahead look better.

One question that has been asked several times during the week—What variety of lettuce should be planted at this time or later? From last years experience, head lettuce will go to seed if planted after the first week in April. I would recommend the leaf lettuces, and the Grand Rapids is one of the best.

Mr. H. P. Nicholson, of Little River, has had over one hundred letters of inquiry about his syrup work, as reported in the Progressive Farmer of March 27th. The most often asked question was in regard to the effect, if any, in grinding the stalks with the leaves on. This practice of not stripping the leaves is contrary to old practice, and is less expensive. To avoid stripping without hurting the quality of the syrup would be a pleasant thing, and so Mr. Nicholson and others have found that they can make just as good syrup one way as the other. Just a little more skimming when leaves are not pulled.

The acreage of oats will be about normal this year. Now if the poultrymen can be persuaded to feed oats from the time the chickens are large enough to eat them till death or sale, we will help stop one leak of cash from the county. Oats are one of the best feeds on the market for all animal kind, that can be bought most anytime of the year, and served in many ways. Eat your oats and feed oats, and you will never regret it.

The rye crop is rather thin due to poor stand, and hard winter. That ought to give us a better grained rye for sale this fall, though.

Jordan Whitmire and Son, have better than five hundred of the sheep family. About equally divided between lambs and ewes. The lambs are being kept in up-to-date fashion. Having a feeding place all their own, and you ought to see them grow on the extra grain feed they get.

LUCKY WEEK-END ONLY FOR OFFICERS; UNLUCKY FOR LAW VIOLATORS

Eck Sims and Charlie Jimison had a very good week-end, "lawfully speaking." On Saturday night Ed Moore, colored, was nabbed with a gallon of whiskey.

Sunday morning, Sims and Jimison destroyed a double header steamer still in the Cedar Mountain section, along with 16 gallons of whiskey, 2,000 gallons of beer and enough tubs to hold many gallons more. The still was still hot from recent operation, but no one was on the scene. Three men were captured Sunday afternoon driving a Ford touring car, who had a 10 gallon cargo of whiskey believed to have been a part of the whiskey made at the still destroyed earlier in the day.

C. JORDAN TRACT TO BE SOLD AT AUCTION FRIDAY, APRIL 30

The C. C. Jordan tract in North Brevard will be sold at auction Friday April 30, sale to start at 10:30. It is expected that the sale will continue throughout the day. Featuring the day's sale will be a barbecue dinner, music furnished by two bands and expert Charleston dancing.

The sale will be conducted by Burns Land Auction company, of Asheville.

DEMONSTRATION CLUBS ENJOYING ERA OF PROGRESS

The home demonstration clubs throughout the county are proving valuable both to the individual club members and to the various communities which they serve, under the efficient leadership of Miss Ada Walker, home demonstration agent.

There are in active operation at the present time throughout the county 22 clubs, with a membership of several hundred boys and girls. Of the entire number of clubs, 13 are classed under the head of food, clothing or health, while 9 are poultry clubs. The clubs are all organized with the young people of the various communities filling the different offices.

The names of the poultry club officers have not as yet been secured, but will appear in an early issue of the News. The nine poultry clubs are located at Calvert, Quebec, Lake Toxaway, Silversteen, Blantyre, Little River, Penrose, Carrs Hill, Connettee.

Following is a list of the officers of the various food, clothing and health clubs:

Davidson River: Food—Mary Louise Croushorn, president; Dorothy Southers, vice-president; Lillie Mae Cagle, secretary; Sallie Lyday, assistant secretary; Orlena Capps, treasurer.

Penrose: Food—Estelle Owenby, president; Callie Green, vice-president; Marie Case, secretary; Ethel Williams, assistant secretary.

Blantyre: Food—Bates Talley, president; Beulah Allison, secretary. Little River: Food—Lloyd Hildman, president; Emma Lee Murrell, secretary; M. Couch, treasurer.

Cedar Mountain: Food—Agnes Jones, president; Estelle Heath, vice-president; Lloyd Burns, secretary; Sidney Heath, assistant secretary; Laura Jane Bishop, treasurer.

Connettee: Food—Willie Mae Duckworth, president; Lillie Gravely, vice-president; Masy Hamilton, secretary; Mildred Cantrell, assistant secretary.

Selica: Food and Clothing—Edith Stamey, president; Katie Fowler, vice-president; Etta Johnson, secretary; Myrtle Barton, assistant secretary; Ruth Bryson, treasurer.

Rosman: Clothing and Health—Elizabeth White, president; Ola Gillespie, secretary; Carrie Lee Watkins, treasurer.

Quebec: Food and Health—Glady Whitmire, president; Jessie Whitmire, secretary.

Lake Toxaway: Food and Health—Blanche Arrowood, president; Essie Owen, secretary.

Silversteen School: Food—Dorothy Meece, president; Lora McCall, vice-president; Bessie Owen, secretary.

Calvert: Food—Louise Clayton, president; Ruth Jordan, vice-president; Montaree Galloway, secretary; Helen Owen, assistant secretary.

Carr's Hill: Food—Gertrude Wilson, president; Nancy McKelvey, secretary.

"HARVE" STANBERRY FILLS METHODIST PULPIT SUNDAY

Rev. J. H. "Harve" Stanberry had charge of both the morning and evening services at the Methodist church on Sunday last, preaching soul-filled gospel sermons to capacity houses on both occasions. Some twenty-five conversions were made at the close of the evening service.

ASSOCIATIONAL RALLY AT BREVARD BAPTIST CHURCH; DR. C. E. MADDRY TO SPEAK

On Friday, April 23 there will be an associational rally held at the Brevard Baptist church. Dr. C. E. Maddry and Rev. A. C. Hamby will be there to speak.

Representatives from every church in the association are invited to be present.

Among the other features of the day will be dinner served at the church.

Dr. Maddry, secretary of the Board of Missions, will preach on Friday night. Everybody invited.

Those who attended the Baptist church last Sunday night aver that those who missed hearing Victor Buckna play his violin, missed a real treat.

BREVARD REALTY IS VERY ACTIVE

Despite the more or less prevalent rumors to the effect that Brevard real estate is on the wane, comes authoritative statement to the contrary, asserting that realty transactions were never more active than at the present time.

A statement made by A. B. Owen, register of deeds, reveals the fact that March was the biggest month in real estate ever witnessed in Brevard, both as regards volume of business and aggregate amount involved in the transactions. Mr. Owen states also that April, so far, is keeping pace with March activities in real estate, and bids fair to equal if not surpass former records.

There is no question in the minds of those in position to know, that Brevard just now is the mecca for real estate men and for prospective buyers, who are pouring into this section almost daily from all sections of the country with the view of investing in Brevard and Transylvania property. Increased activity in real estate and along all lines of business is predicted for the coming months.

CLEAN UP CAMPAIGN IN PROGRESS HERE

Brevard's clean-up campaign is in full swing this week, with the various organization, merchants, citizens, schools and churches cooperating in every way to make of it a decided success. Through the efforts of Secretary Alexander and his able assistants, co-operating with the Woman's Bureau, the campaign has been extensively advertised throughout the town and county. It is the general expectation that the present clean-up campaign will be the most thorough and most lasting of any similar campaign ever launched in Brevard.

The town has been divided into four sections, and the Woman's Bureau is offering a prize of \$2.00 to the individual in each section having the largest rubbish pile in front of his home, same to be piled in a prominent place not later than Monday afternoon next, April 26. A committee will go around over the town Monday afternoon to inspect the rubbish piles and render final decision as to the awarding of prizes.

The committee has divided the town into the following sections in order to simplify the matter of awarding prizes for each section:

Section 1—Section lying on north side of West Main running with the West side of North Caldwell.

Section 2—Section lying on East side of North Caldwell running with North side of East Main.

Section 3—Section lying on South side of East Main running with East side of South Caldwell.

Section 4—Section lying on West side of South Caldwell running with South side of West Main.

The Kiwanis club of Brevard is showing particular interest in the success of the clean-up campaign and its proposed plans for assistance are duly appreciated by the Woman's Bureau which is sponsoring the campaign.

The Kiwanis club at their weekly luncheon Friday enthusiastically endorsed the clean-up, paint-up campaign. They voted to assist the work of cleaning up the streets of Brevard by turning out in a body after the next week's luncheon, dressed in overalls or other suitable dress, and with shovel, broom, rake or any implement that will loosen and gather up rubbish, clean up this town as it never has been cleaned before.

Mayor Whitmire in his address at the luncheon, said, "I am proud to be the mayor of the dirtiest town in the country, and I am also proud to say that I believe I will be the mayor of the cleanest town in North Carolina within two weeks."

FREE CLINIC FOR INDIGENT CRIPPLES AT WAYNESVILLE

A free clinic for indigent cripples will be held at Waynesville Saturday, April 24, at the Methodist church. A splendid opportunity is thus afforded any in this community who so desire to take advantage of this method of securing free examination and treatment by an orthopaedic specialist.

NEW ORDINANCES ISSUED BY TOWN

Elsewhere in this issue will be found seven new ordinances recently issued by the mayor and board of aldermen, the violation of each one of which is subject to fines of varying amounts.

The ordinances include: Contractors licenses, real estate licenses, crossing streets of town, prohibiting dancing on streets, prohibiting riding on outside of cars, trespassing on sidewalks while under construction, trespassing on streets while under construction.

It is the intention of the town authorities to strictly enforce the above mentioned ordinances, and to exact from violators the full penalty of the law.

AT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Miss Tabor, representative of National Council, will address the women of St. Philips Episcopal church, Friday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock and the congregation at 7:30, at the rectory. The entire congregation is urged to attend.

WHITMIRE MOTOR CO. ENTERS NEW HOME

The Whitmire Motor Sales company, having recently moved from the former location on Broad street, is holding a formal opening on Friday evening of this week from eight until ten o'clock in the handsome new quarters on Main street.

The evening will be featured by an orchestra, moving pictures, addresses and souvenirs. The principal speaker of the evening will be Mr. Seeley, factory representative, of Charlotte. Mr. Foster, of the sales promotion department, also of Charlotte, will demonstrate his talk with moving pictures. For the benefit of those not familiar with the recent improvements in Chevrolet cars, a demonstration chassis will be exhibited in the sales room.

The structure, which was formerly occupied as a livery barn, has been marvelously transformed and remodeled into most attractive quarters, being planned and equipped according to the latest approved methods. The large first floor space has convenient accommodations for sales room, office, parts room, and repair shop, with storage room in the basement. Large plate glass windows cover practically the entire front and side-front of the building. Two car loads of new Chevrolet cars of all models are now on display.

Luther Cooper, formerly with Whitmire Motor company, of Asheville, for ten years, will be foreman of the repair shop. Mr. Cooper needs no introduction as a mechanic of Western North Carolina. Assisting in the shop will be J. A. Sillard, who has completed the course at the Chevrolet school of mechanics, Charlotte. Mr. Moore, of Liberty, S. C., has been secured as bookkeeper and parts-service manager.

R. J. and R. W. Whitmire comprise the members of the firm, with R. W. Whitmire as sales manager.

MRS. F. O. McCUEN DIES IN JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

Mrs. Frederick O. McCuen, director of Keystone camp for girls, at Brevard, and a life-long resident of Jacksonville, Fla., died in Jacksonville, April 1st, at the home of her father. Mrs. McCuen had been ill for some time prior to her death.

Funeral services were held at the Springfield Episcopal church, of which she was a member.

Keystone Camp will open as usual this summer, under the directorship of Miss Fannie Holt, who has operated the camp in partnership with Mrs. McCuen for a number of years.

NEW CLAYTON BUILDING ON MAIN STREET IS OCCUPIED

The new Clayton building adjoining the Brevard hotel on Main street is practically completed and is now occupied. One section of the building is used by Nicholson & Duclos plumbing establishment, and the other by Tinsley meat market.

BETTER HOMES WEEK PLANS ANNOUNCED FOR COMING WEEK

Proposed plans are progressing nicely for the observance of Better Homes Week in Brevard, April 25-May 1, the main feature of which will be the operation of the demonstration house or model home, beginning Wednesday of next week and continuing through Saturday.

The house to be used for this purpose is the new cottage recently erected by C. C. Yongue ni Franklin Park and kindly loaned by him for the week to the Woman's Bureau which is sponsoring this movement. The house will be furnished and equipped completely according to specifications of a model home, typifying every comfort, convenience and beauty at a nominal cost. The various merchants and furniture dealers will lend assistance in furnishing the home. Included in the equipment will be a well-selected library suitable for home and family reading, also some practical musical instrument. Miss Walker's club girls will furnish one of the bed rooms, in which will be found a completely equipped girls wardrobe, which will be the contribution of the home economics department of Brevard Institute.

The demonstration home will be open to the public four afternoons next week, beginning with Wednesday afternoon. Saturday afternoon, May 1, will be observed as children's May-day play hour, beginning at three o'clock and continuing throughout the afternoon, the games to be played on the grounds adjoining the demonstration house. The games to be played will be those suitable for home play grounds, with Mrs. Vernon Crawford in charge of the girls play, and Mr. Nalls in charge of the boys games.

As part of the week's program, will be included also a program to be held at the high school auditorium on Tuesday and Thursday nights, consisting of community singing, readings, lectures and selections by the municipal band. The evening programs will be in charge of Mr. W. E. Breese.

MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION

I, T. W. Whitmire, Mayor of the city of Brevard, by the authority in me vested, do proclaim and set forth the week of April 25 to May 1, 1926, as "Better Homes Week."

The progress of a city, like the progress of a nation, is measured by the quality of its homes. The better the homes, the greater will be

BARNYARD GOLF FOR BREVARD'S VISITORS

The increasing popularity of horse shoe pitching as a summer sport was evidenced by the interest in this pastime, which was shown at the meeting of the Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday evening. A committee was appointed to arrange for suitable grounds and have regulation courts made, for both ladies and men. Several teams will be organized in Brevard and a tournament will be arranged to be played during the summer and it is expected that Horse Shoe Clubs from the surrounding towns will be represented.

Additional recreational grounds will be available to the residents and visitors to Brevard, due to the public spirited proposal of R. E. Lawrence, owner and developer of Lake Sega, a sub-division about one and a quarter miles from town. Mr. Lawrence offered the facilities of Lake Sega, which is now completed, for boating, swimming and aquatic sports together with two tennis courts which will be finished within a short time. A large athletic field containing baseball diamond, football gridiron, and additional tennis courts is now being constructed on the property and this too, will be available for the general use of the public in connection with the other recreation grounds provided by the town.

A greater part of the meeting was devoted to the discussion of the improvement of play grounds now established and the acquisition of more recreational facilities to meet the demand of the increasing number of summer visitors.

THE PRAYER CORNER

BE STRONG

That is, of course, what we should all of us greatly wish to be: but how is it possible? If there is one fact more often forced upon our notice than another, it is the fact of the exceeding frailty of human nature. We are weak physically. Man is outmatched and outstripped by the creatures around him. None has so long or so helpless an infancy, none is naturally so unprotected as he.

Before the forces of nature he is a very reed, liable to be crushed in an instant. Worse still, we are morally weak. We have faltering purposes and hesitating wills. So soon as we think we can stand, we are on the brink of falling. Frail children of dust, we are feeble as frail.

Does it not sound then, almost a mockery to suggest to us that we can be strong if we choose? Are we to conclude that we have a responsibility in the matter; so that our weakness is to be regarded as our own faults, a condition in which we have no right to remain?

That is certainly what the command would seem to imply. We may go further and say that it is what we might gather from the language of the Bible, as we find it repeated again and again. It will be enough to quote a few passages out of many:

"Only be strong"—Deu. 12:23.
"Be strong and quit yourselves like men"—1 Sam. 4:9.
"Say to them of a fearful heart, be strong"—Is. 35:4.
"Be strong, yea, be strong"—Dan. 10:19.
"Be strong O Zerubbabel; be strong O Joshua; be strong ye people of the land"—Hag. 2:4.
"My son, be strong"—2 Tim. 2:1.

One of Archbishop Temple's sermons to boys is characteristically entitled—"Strength, a Duty." We cannot read the Bible with any care without being convinced that this is the view it means to take. We are clearly intended to understand and to realize that we ought to "be strong."

A PRAYER TO BE STRONG

O Thou who givest power to the faint, and to them who have no might. Thou increasest strength, help us to be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might.

We know that we are weak physically, that man is outmatched and outstripped by the creatures around him, that none has so long or so helpless an infancy, that none is naturally so unprotected as he; that before the forces of nature we are very reeds liable to be crushed in an instant.

We know—that we are weak morally. We have faltering purposes and hesitating wills; that when we think we can stand, we are on the brink of falling. But thanks be to Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we need not remain weak morally. We have a responsibility in the matter our weakness is our own fault, a condition in which we have no right to remain, for we can "be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might." So the command bids us, and God's Word again and again repeated the injunction. O give us grace to take heed to the law, and to the testimony as quoted above.

Bring home to our hearts the blessed truth that Strength is a Duty. And enable us to show it forth in our lives. Open the ears of our spirit that we may hear the Lord saying to us, as He said to St. Paul, "My grace is sufficient for thee, for my strength is made perfect in weakness." Most gladly, therefore, will we rather glory in our infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon us. Therefore we take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in distresses, for Christ's sake, for when we are weak, then are we strong. And so with Paul, we can rejoice and say, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." And the glory and the praise shall be to our God and Saviour forever and ever, Amen.

—C. D. C.

Rev. L. M. Roper of Johnson City, Tenn., said in a recent sermon: "If the church members and churchgoers of Johnson City would quit drinking liquor, the bootleggers would starve to death."