

Devoted to the interests of Transylvania Farmers and their problems.

FARMER'S PAGE

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LITTLE RIVER FARM MEET FRIDAY NIGHT

5-10 Farm Improvement Program Will Be Discussed By County Leaders

Farmers of the Little River community are called to meet at the Little River School house Friday night at 7:30, at which time the Farm Improvement Program will be discussed by leaders in the movement in Transylvania and a general discussion of farm problems entered into by all interested.

Lewis P. Hamlin, member of the agricultural committee, Prof. John Corbin of Rosman High school, and Prof. Julian Glazener, together with Mrs. Bates Patton, chairman of the Farm Ladies Auxiliary will be on the program for short talks.

Farmers of the Little River section are recognized as among the county's most progressive, they taking an active interest in all questions which tend to better farm conditions and farm progress, and it is expected that a large crowd will be present at the meeting Friday night. Other interested farmers of the county are invited to be present.

F-R-E-E EXCHANGE COLUMN

Good results are being obtained by farmers of the county through the free advertisements being carried each week on the Farm Page in this column. Attention is again called to the fact that ANY farmer in the county may have access to this column to advertise any surplus on hand, or for any special article or product that he may wish to purchase.

WILL TRADE White Leghorn hens for brood sow. Paul Roberts, Cedar Mountain.

WANTED TO EXCHANGE: Bed or piano for good horse or mule. H. E. Guyer, Box 144, Rosman.

FOR SALE: Good home made syrup, 50 cents per gallon or will exchange for heavy breed chickens at market price. V. H. Galloway, Brevard, R-2.

HATCHING EGGS FOR SALE—Purebred Barred Rocks (Parks strain), 50 cents for 15 eggs. E. C. Glazener, Calvert, Brevard, R-3.

FOR SALE—Shrubbery or hardy flower plants. Hydrangea, snowberry, and other kinds of flowering shrubs, evergreens and all kinds of hardy flower plants, at very low prices. Mrs. John C. Tinsley, Maple st. Brevard.

I have 2,000 bunches of fine corn tops, which I will trade for a calf, yearling, cow or hog. F. HENDERSON

FOR SALE: Home grown cabbage seed of the Maul's Houser variety. W. C. Gravelly, East Fork.

HOW TO PREPARE BED FOR TOBACCO SEED

Here you are Mr. Whitmire—We hope that you have success with your tobacco, and that your golden leaf will be the best raised in North Carolina this year.

Beds ought to be prepared and seed sown not later than March 1st. Choose a warm site with southeastern exposure, never a site facing the north or west. Make bed 6 feet wide and 20 feet long for half acre of tobacco. Better to make the bed 6 feet wide and 25 feet long then there is assurance that one will have sufficient plants for setting out half an acre. Burn the ground thoroughly, to a depth of four or five inches. Make bed very rich, using either stable manure or henhouse manure. Enclose the bed completely with planks set on edge and dirt piled against outside of planks. Plow or dig the bed after burning, until the dirt is pulverized. Rake and clear off all clods, roots and rocks.

Use a teaspoonful of seed for bed 6 feet by 20-25 feet, and mix with one gallon of corn meal so as to have sufficient bulk for sowing evenly. Sow on top of soil and brush or roll seed in lightly, then cover with canvas cloth of the 25-strand weight, immediately.

Care must be given to the flea beetle that begins on the plants as soon as they begin to come up through the ground. Proper solution of Paris Green and Arsenate of lead is recommended to kill the flea. Details of this solution will be given later.

When plants are growing weeds may come up to smother the tobacco plants. These must be pulled out of the bed. Canvas should be removed several days before transplanting, so that the plants may become toughened.

"When ennybuddy sez that mebbe, there might be a better county than this here Transylvania every cabbage shakes its head; every pertater winks its eyes; ever beet gits red in the face; every onion shows its strength; the rye strokes its beard; the wheat and oats are shocked; the corn pricks up its ears and sez 'O shucks!'; and they all jest laff!"

LESPEDEZA ATTRACTING ATTENTION IN W. N. C.

Widespread interest in Lespedeza is being shown in all counties in Western North Carolina, especially in those counties that are pushing the 5-10 Farm Improvement Program. Reports carried in the Farm Page of The Asheville Citizen and The Asheville Times each Monday. Soil improvement and pasture value are two of the outstanding features of this legume.

REFORESTATION IS PART OF 5-10 PLAN

Stress is laid on a more strict conservation of timber in Western North Carolina by the Committee of Conservation and Utilization in its report made public by the Asheville Times on Monday. In the report it is shown that 27.4 per cent of all available farm land in Western North Carolina is lying idle, and the committee urges that no more timber land be cut over until this large acreage is first brought to a state of productiveness.

Special recommendations of the committee are:

1. We urge that during 1932 no high grade timber be harvested except where forced by dire necessity.
2. That wood be used as fuel in public schools and other public buildings, thus giving a market for farm timber and local labor, and keeping public funds in the community.
3. That all farmers use wood as fuel in their homes.
4. That all timber sold be harvested with farm labor and teams.
5. That farmers put forth every effort to grow building material necessary for maintenance of farm homes and other buildings.
6. That the county commissioners of each of the counties be urged to cooperate with the State and federal governments in organizing and equipping a crew of forest wardens in each county as a means of giving our forests better fire protection.
7. That we solicit the cooperation and leadership of Chambers of Commerce, Merchant Associations, Farmers' Federations, and other civic and industrial organizations in the development of local industries for processing our raw timber products, thereby bringing to our communities the profits to be derived from finished commodities.

LESPEDEZA SHOWS BIG CORN INCREASE

An increase of 30 bushels of corn an acre by the simple expedient of growing lespedeza on poor land is the interesting result reported by B. G. Jeffries of Burlington, Alamance County.

Enos C. Blair, extension agronomist at State College, reports the incident. "In February of 1929, Jeffries planted lespedeza on two acres of land. His farm is a typical old belt tobacco farm and the soil is a white sandy loam, innocent of any organic matter," says Mr. Blair. "The slopes are all badly eroded. In 1929 and 1930 the lespedeza was harvested for seed but all the stalks and leaves were left on the land. Last year, 1931, the two acres were turned for planting corn. Six additional acres adjoining were also planted at the same time."

Mr. Blair says the corn for the eight acres was fertilized with 200 pounds an acre of a 10-4-4 mixture and planting was done on May 15. No top-dresser was used. However, the lespedeza land showed the same effects of having been top-dressed with nitrogen fertilizers since the corn grew faster, larger and looked more thrifty than the corn on the six acres without lespedeza.

At harvest time, the two acres of corn were carefully gathered and weighed, as were two acres just to the side where no lespedeza was grown. The corn following the legume produced 44 bushels an acre while the corn without lespedeza produced only 14 bushels an acre. This difference of 30 bushels an acre due entirely to the growth of lespedeza and is about one of the soundest arguments one could use for planting more of this legume on the small grain this spring, says the agronomist.

WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH N. C. FARMERS?

Seldon Barton handed into The News office the following statement on the subject "What Is the Matter With the Average North Carolina Farmer," which Mr. Barton says is, in a part at least, second-hand material, but which, the Davidson River farmer contends, is filled with more truth than poetry. The article follows:

"The average North Carolina farmer gets up in the morning by the alarm of an Illinois clock (Big Ben); buttons his Chicago suspenders to a Detroit overall made from cotton supposed to be grown in North Carolina; washes his face with Cincinnati soap, in a Pennsylvania pan, sits down to a Grand Rapids table, and eats Chicago meat, Indiana hominy, fried in Kansas lard, on a St. Louis stove; creams his coffee with canned milk, canned in another state, bought from a chain store that is financed by Northern capital; then lights his New York lantern and goes to the barn, puts an Indianapolis

High Class Guernsey Bull Is In Transylvania County

\$5,000 Animal at the Farm of Flave Holden. Near Pisgah Forest

Through the generosity of Chairman Osborne of the Western North Carolina 5-10 Farm Plan, one of the highest class Guernsey bulls ever to be brought into Transylvania county is now at the Flave Holden farm near Pisgah Forest. Arrangements to bring the fine animal to this county were made by Mrs. Bates Patton, chairman of the Farm Ladies Auxiliary of the 5-10 Movement, and Mr. Holden will have him in charge.

Farm leaders of the county are highly elated over the chance for improving Transylvania cattle. While plans were to the effect that the pure-bred sire, valued at \$5,000, was to serve Mr. Patton's herd, arrangements have been made whereby any farmer of the county may use the animal for improving their herd. A service fee of two dollars will be charged.

A BULL OF OUTSTANDING BLOOD COMES TO TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY

(By J. A. Glazener)

A young man does not always have to go far for an opportunity in life. In the 90's young Lathrop Ames while still at Harvard saw in the few Guernsey cows on his father's farm at North Easton, Mass., an opportunity to do a piece of constructive work that will leave an impression for generations, if not for all time. He did not depend alone upon his natural gift or instinct to guide him. He studied the laws of heredity thoroughly and intelligently and the success of his efforts shows the value of his judgment due to natural ability, deep study, and sound thinking. His liberality in imparting knowledge, his example, and leadership in matters in various walks of life and active and intelligent interest in the upbuilding of agriculture and stock-breeding.

F. Lathrop Ames was a son of Boston's richest, a grandson of one of the builders of the Union Pacific, but he performed a service to his fellowmen quite unlike that of any other man. At his Gangwater Farms in North Easton he was the most famous breeder of Guernseys in the world.

As all school boys know the Island of Guernsey is a very small one in the English Channel. No cattle except for slaughter have been brought onto the Island for many years. In

"FARMISH" NEWS FROM THE EAST FORK SECTION

We would like to say something for the Farm Page, but it's rather early for farm news. However, some of our farmers are clearing up the banks and cutting down stray bramble briars. No doubt they intend to be running the plow soon.

Rye looks good, so does clover in our East Fork section. Everybody seems anxious to get to gardening and are planning to plant potatoes, corn, and just about the usual amount of everything grown on the farm—even with all our surplus on hand. Yes, we are all going to gamble again.

So far as we know, there's been no meat lost from the unusually warm weather—true some of our folks did some extra canning.

We were very much interested in the farm meeting at Brevard the last of January, especially the idea of a community cannery. Personally we think it a shame that our county folks use so much canned goods shipped from other sections, when so much farm produce goes to waste in our own county.

Some of our folks say they can't afford to buy laying mash for their hens when eggs are a cent apiece, so are feeding their hens "home grown" produce; having corn ground to make into a warm mash, and feeding farm grown "greens"—and well, you'll be surprised, but the hens are laying.

—Mrs. W. C. Gravelly.

bride on a mule shipped here from Missouri, and fed on Iowa corn; then plows a farm covered with an Ohio mortgage, with a South Bend plow; under a lean-to, but delapidated crib shed, you can see the skeleton of some old car, manufactured in the North, and when bed time comes he reads a chapter in a Bible printed in Boston, and says his prayers written in Jerusalem, crawls under a blanket made in New Jersey to be kept awake by the barks of a yellow hound dog, the only home product on the place.

"From the service of this expensive quadruped above mentioned, you can sometimes see some two or three o'possum hides tacked on the gable of the humble home; he has let his house become a wreck, the fence has rotted down on his farm, he continually chews his hunk of tobacco, curses the heads of the Government, talks hard times, and wonders why he cannot make money."

Free Society Slayer

A mob of 10,000 howled approval at Norristown, Pa., Saturday night when a jury acquitted Edward H. B. Allen, 23, of murder in his slaying of Francis Donaldson, III, his sister's fiance. Both families were socially prominent.

UP TO DATE BROODER AT WILLIAMS PLACE

Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Williams of near Camp Carolina, have one of the most up-to-date brooders in the county. The outfit is a "Battery" type, with hot water heat and of one thousand capacity.

They are getting their "patent hen" ready for a thousand baby chicks to be placed next week. This thousand will be high class Barred Rocks.

5-10 LOOKS LIKE ONLY SALVATION

By N. L. Ponder

Somebody today reported corn selling in the county for 20 cents per bushel. That's too bad. Many more of us should study the Farm Movement in progress in the several western counties and turn this cheap corn into livestock.

Why cannot the people in this valley who want bigger profits, line up and pull together? Some who are disheartened by their failures in movements heretofore need only to be educated to what can be done by only working what they can in the 5-10 Year Program now on. Those who attended the meeting at Brevard the other Saturday can testify to the truthfulness of the statements made by the speakers and the wisdom of entering and learn of the movement so much needed in this county.

Any one who expects to make any success in future farming should see and consult Mr. Julian Glazener, and be convinced. Do you know the best season of the year to sell hogs? Are you producing something to sell that has not declined as much as corn or wheat? Do your cows pay?

RUNNING WATER NOW IN MANY FARM HOMES

Eighty to ninety per cent of the farm homes in Transylvania county have running water, estimates Bob Tharp, who has been in the plumbing business in Brevard for a long time. Mr. Tharp says that he believes there is a larger per cent of farm homes in this county with running water than any other county in the state. At least, that's something to be proud of, and any housewife who is fortunate enough to have water in her kitchen will "tell the world" that it's a boon.

Three Shot at Capital

Two girls and a man were shot down and killed on the streets of Washington, February 4, by assassins from automobiles. No motive for the slayings is known and no suspects are held.

BREVARD Y. T. H. F. PLAN MUCH WORK

Father-Son Banquet Will Be Big Event—Boys Vote for Spotted Poland China

(Eugene Dickson, Reporter)
At the regular meeting of the Y. T. H. F. club of Brevard High school held last Friday, much work was outlined for the coming months, part of which at least, will be highly enjoyable.

After routine business was transacted by the club, presided over by the president, John Collins, the boys voted unanimously to adopt the Spotted Poland China breed for the revolving pig club which was recently formed. Adoption of this breed will be in keeping with the 5-10 Year Farm Improvement Program which is making much headway in this and other Western North Carolina counties.

One of the outstanding events of the year in the club work, that of the Father-Son Banquet, will be staged by the club on April 8th, when the boys will have their fathers as guests. The Home Economics class with the assistance of their teacher, Mrs. Pat Kimzey, will prepare and serve the meal. Chickens to be used have already been bought by the boys and are being brooded and cared for by Mrs. Marcus Williams at no cost to the boys.

Initiation of new members will be an event of Thursday, February 18th in the High School chapel, when 15 boys will feel the prod of the hot pitchfork and be compelled to ride the unridable cow.

MANY FINE HOGS RAISED IN COUNTY

Despite the fact that the county-wide survey conducted some time ago, showed that there was a shortage of hogs raised in Transylvania county last year, the number being far short of the calculated need for home consumption, several extra nice ones have been reported.

H. B. Glazener, of the Connestee section, reports killing one last week that dressed 260 pounds at six months and one day of age. This animal was a cross between a purebred Poland China and purebred Duroc.

While Mr. Glazener did not keep an accurate record of costs in the production of this hog, he is sure that he had a clear profit of from eight to ten dollars, with the meat selling at eight cents. He is a firm believer in feeding hogs a supplementary feed, declaring that corn alone is a poor feed for a hog.



IF...
ABRAHAM LINCOLN lived in Transylvania County to-day he would feed
Purina Chows
to his Livestock and Poultry.

"Honest Abe" whose birthday we celebrate on Friday of this week, wanted the best of everything. Above all, he wanted to succeed in his line of endeavor. If he were farming in Transylvania now, he would be quick to realize that his stock needed a good supplementary feed, and after he had checked up on all commercial feeds offered in the county, naturally he would come to our place for the Best—PURINA.

Of course, Mr. Lincoln would not buy Purina feed just because we said it was the best—but he would "nose around" among other farmers of the county who had been feeding Purina, find out what good results they had obtained, and right back here he would come and place his order for the best feed in the world.

F-E-E-D-S	
Purina Lay Chow	\$2.10
Corn & Wheat Scratch	1.85
Cotton Seed Hulls	.45
Sweet Feed	1.50
Cow Chow	2.00

Anything you need in the Feed line.

SEEDS
With the warm sun bearing down season for planting will soon be here. Remember that we sell good Seed for Farm, Garden or Lawn.

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Red Multipliers, White Multipliers, Yellow Danvers, White Silverskins	
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24-lbs Wheat Blossom	55c
24-lbs Kansas Made	69c
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