

FARM GRIT.

GRIT GRINDS

Edited by
COUNTY AGENT

Let us grow clover and grass on the hill;
While intensely the levels and flats we till.
The cows and hens will settle our daily bill;
While the beebes, sheep and tobacco the coffers fill.
And, when orchard, garden and sty the larder fill,
Then, with a smile, will Mary greet her Bill.

BUTTER vs CREAM—During one week in August of this year Isaac Rice, Big Laurel, sold the product from four cows as butter. He sold 5½ pounds of butter for 20c per pound. The next week he sold the product of these same four cows in the form of cream. There was slightly over 33 lbs. of cream which tested 23% butterfat. This butterfat sold for 43½c per pound, bringing \$3.31. The butter brought \$1.10. There was a difference of \$2.21 in favor of the cream.

COWS TO BE TESTED—The herds of those supplying cream to the Biltmore Dairy are to be tested for tuberculosis. This test is required once each year by the laws of Buncombe County. Dr. Shuford, Asheville, is going to make the test.

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The farmers will be asked to pay the veterinarian for making this test. The two preceding years the State veterinarian made the test with no cost except a small amount for transportation. We can not expect the state to make this test every year. The test requires two trips by the veterinarian to every herd. When we consider the market that the Biltmore people are giving us for our cream, a price that will average 3 or 4 cents above any other cream market in North Carolina and a price that is equal to the prices paid by the milk condensaries and cheese factories, and that the product is an important food for mankind, we should not object to having the test made once a year.

BACILLARY WHITE DIARRHEA—One of the most injurious diseases of the poultry flock is that of Bacillary White Diarrhea. This disease is the only disease, so we are informed, that is transmitted from the hen, through the egg to the

chicken. This disease is responsible for the death of countless chickens each year besides crippling and stunting many more. If anything can be done to eradicate this disease it should be attended to!

The poultry and the veterinarian state departments are undertaking to control and to eradicate the trouble. They are proposing this year to put on three tests on breeding flocks of chickens, the tests being about two months apart, and to this detect the birds carrying the disease and to eradicate it from the flock. These tests will cost the flock owners a small amount, depending upon the number of birds in the flock.

We expect to have several flocks in Madison County tested this fall. By doing this we can have a large number of the next season's chicks hatched from eggs from local flocks. Around 800 birds have been signed up for the test and we hope to secure two or three hundred more birds. The county agent will be glad to explain the test to anyone interested.

SPRAY vs NO SPRAY—When next you are in either of the banks in Marshall pay special attention to the plates of apples on the desk. These apples are from the orchard of Wm. S. Rice, Big Laurel. They are not selected specimens. Neither are the poorest apples from either tree on the plates. We endeavored to display an

average apple.

Last spring Mr. Rice was asked by H. R. Niswonger, Extension Horticulturist, to pass by a tree when he was spraying his orchard. This was to show the effect of the spraying on the fruit. Last Friday, Mr. Niswonger and the county agent, visited Mr. Rice's orchard. The difference in the fruit on the sprayed trees and that on the unsprayed trees was striking. Not only was the fruit on the sprayed trees smoother, carrying more glossy skin, but it was also larger. The most remarkable difference was between the fruit on two trees of Starks Red Delicious apples. These trees were side by side. Both had exactly the same treatment but for the spraying. One tree, the sprayed tree, carries a large crop of excellent apples. The other tree, the unsprayed one, also has a large crop of apples, but they are not marketable at all. We doubt if Mr. Rice will use them himself.

It pays to spray. We are indebted to Mr. Rice for leaving the trees unsprayed. He lost money in so doing but has given one of the best demonstrations illustrating the value of spraying that we have known of.

SPRAY HELPS GRAPES—J. B. McDevitt was in the office the other day and remarked that, while the grapes on his neighbors' vines were all rotting, he had a large crop, all he could use. This was because he has kept his vines covered with a bordeaux spray all the season.

It is necessary, in order to prevent the black rot in grapes, to spray the vines with bordeaux mixture. Not only the vines but the fruit should be kept covered with this spray all thru the season for perfect control.

FROM WALNUT

Rev. James L. Hyde filled his regular appointment at the Presbyterian church Sunday night.

Misses Marian Morrow, Edna Mae Honeycutt and Ruth Guthrie left Monday morning for Maryville College, Maryville, Tenn.

Everyone was pleased to see Miss Agnes Stanton back in school Monday morning.

A picnic was given to the Missionary Baptist Sunday School Friday afternoon. About 35 went, and all reported an enjoyable time.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ledford of Detroit, Mich., were visiting Mrs. Ledford's mother and father Monday.

Miss Mamie Whitesides and Miss Pearl Brigan were visiting Miss Whitesides' parents this week-end.

Mrs. Willie Kate Landers gave the Seniors of Walnut High School a party at her home Thursday night. Those present of the Seniors were: Misses Winona Allen, Odessa Henderson, Marguerite Wallin, Margaret Leake, Iva Buckner, Wilma Davis, and Mr. Mallie Roberts. Others present were Fred Ramsey, Robert Johnson, and John Chandler.

Misses Grace Stines and Ruth Guthrie spent Friday night with Mrs. Jim Rice.

A surprise party was given Miss Jane Morrow Friday night. All reported a nice time.

Mrs. Bessie Averill and Mrs. Nettie Fox are visiting here now.

Mrs. R. H. McClure entertained as dinner guests Saturday Mrs. Nickels and Mrs. Clark.

From SANDY MUSH

Good morning, Mr. Office Kat, how are you?

Miss Ruby Hannah spent one night last week at the home of Misses Artie and Eunice Worley.

Mrs. Ora Lee Duckett visited her parents Saturday, Mr. and Mrs. T. T. King.

Mrs. Edd Ward and daughter, Reva, called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. King Wednesday.

Mr. Dock Boyd of Canton was vis-



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iting his relatives here last weekend. Mr. John Bryant was out on a hike Saturday.

Miss Edith Clark called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. T. King Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Mont M. Hannah were visiting their relatives Sunday.

Mr. Dock Boyd spent Saturday night with Mr. Oliver King.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Ward called on Mr. and Mrs. Denzil Surratt Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Orval Garrett and Mr. Charlie King were motoring Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hawkins motored to the Chapel to preaching Sunday A. M.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Duckett visited Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hawkins Sunday afternoon.

There were 93 present in Sunday School at Chestnut Grove Sunday.

Next Saturday and Sunday are our regular meeting days at Chestnut Grove. Our pastor, Rev. B. B. Plemons, will preach Saturday at 11:00 o'clock and Sunday at 3:00 o'clock.

So let's all be there. Everybody invited. We have a good Christian man for a pastor, one who is doing all he can for the upbuilding of this church. We are expecting some visitors from Pine Creek to visit at the Chestnut Grove church Saturday, to make a splendid church talk.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Duckett had company Sunday afternoon.

Misses Geneva King, Bertha and

Dorothy King, Edith and Edna Duckett took dinner Sunday with Miss Gertrude Harris.

Wonder what's become of the Leicester writer? Wake up, folks. Don't sleep too long. We like to hear from you.

From Little Pine Creek

The farmers of this community are very busy cutting tobacco and pulling fodder.

A large number of the folks from here attended the baptizing at French Broad last Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jackson and Mr. and Mrs. Smith of Middlesboro, Ky. are visiting Mr. Jackson's aunts, Mrs. A. J. Roberts and Mrs. J. B. Roberts, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Pearson Meadows and children of Azalea, N. C., were visiting home folks on Little Pine last week.

Mr. Jim Cassada of Oklahoma, and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dockery of Sandy Mush, were visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Roberts Sunday.

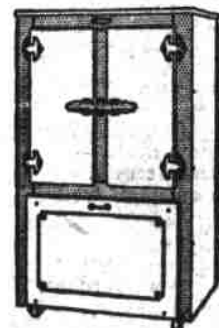
Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Redmon and Miss Bert Goforth made a business trip to West Asheville Monday.

Saturday, Sept. 14 is a day announced to clean off the Dry Pond cemetery. Let every one come, as there is a lot of work to do.

Mrs. Adeline Roberts visited at the home of her sister, Mrs. J. B. Roberts, Monday.

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