

### Agricultural Dept. Year Book Is Now Available

The Agriculture Department's 1962 yearbook, "After a Hundred Years," includes written and pictorial reference to several agricultural research and conservation projects in Western North Carolina.

The volume also contains a seven-page feature article on a day in the life of Theodore S. Seely, Pisgah National Forest ranger since 1952.

The yearbook was released recently and is designed to highlight agricultural and forestry accomplishments in the United States during the past century.

Seven photographs accompany the article on Seely. They depict conservation projects, recreation facilities and crews at work in Pisgah Forest. There is a view of Looking Glass Falls.

The article notes that 1,700,000 persons visited the recreation areas in 1961 and mentions that the first forestry school in the United States has its inception in Pisgah Forest.

Near the front of the 688-page volume is a chapter on experiment

### Decoration

There will be a Decoration at the Allen Cemetery on Long Branch Sunday, August 26, beginning at 2:00 p. m.

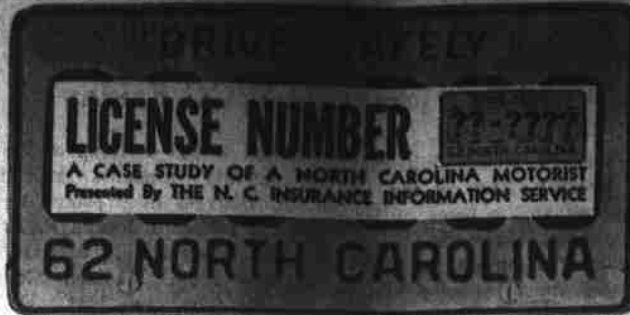
All public speakers, singers and the public are invited to attend.

stations, including a panoramic view of the Mountain Research Station at Waynesville.

There are other brief mentions of North Carolina agricultural work scattered throughout the yearbook.

Copies of the volume may be obtained at a cost of \$3 each by writing the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C.

Commenting on the recognition the book gives Western North Carolina, Congressman Roy A. Taylor said he was "pleased that people throughout the United States will have an opportunity to read about the progressive agricultural and forestry projects we have under way."



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North Carolina male, age 46, has fifteen North Carolina Motor Vehicle Department regulation violations in the last few years, including six revocations of license. His record includes 7 drunk driving violations; 3 reckless driving; 3 driving after license revoked, and 1 no operator license. Three of the charges occurred this year, one while a-

waiting trial. Insured is considered a bad risk as his record indicates, but an insurance company is required to carry the individual and pay claims which other drivers and policyholders must help pay for under North Carolina insurance statutes. Watch out — this may be the next driver you approach.

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### Singing Convention

The regular 4th Sunday night singing convention will be held at the Grapevine Baptist Church on Sunday night, August 26 at 7:30 o'clock. All singers and listeners are invited to attend.

### CUT DOWN ALL OLD DISEASED APPLE TREES

An apple tree is a beautiful sight in the spring, and makes good shade during the hot days of summer, but in the fall it can turn into a thief and cattle killer in your pasture. There is no telling how much old scrub, disease-ridden apple trees cost cattlemen of Madison County each fall.

The cattle will actually go hungry standing under an apple tree waiting for apples to drop; they will lose weight on apples. Then, every fall, several animals will be found dead under, or near, an apple tree, with an apple in throat. The best insurance against this loss is to cut down those old trees, or poison them this winter. Very few of these trees produce eatable apples and those that do should be fenced out of the pastures.

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### Referendum On Wheat Is Set For August 30

The Secretary of Agriculture has set Thursday, August 30 as the date for conducting the wheat referendum. The referendum will be based on the 1958 wheat program of a national wheat acreage allotment of 55 million acres. In his announcement based on the former wheat program of 1958, the Secretary stated that if wheat quotas are approved by producers that the National average support rate on the 1963 wheat crop will be \$1.82 per bushel which represents 75% of parity. On the other hand if quotas are disapproved in the August 30 referendum, the National average support rate to farmers who cooperate by planting within their quota will be \$1.21 per bushel with no support to the non-cooperators. Under present legislation, the Secretary has no alternative but call for a referen-

dum not later than August 31, which is the last day of the second postponement for this year's referendum.

In commenting of the wheat referendum, Emory Robinson, chairman of the Madison County ASC Committee, said that eligibility to vote in the wheat referendum is based on whether or not as much as 15 acres of wheat will be planted for harvest in 1963. Based on this requirement he said there are no known eligible voters for the wheat referendum in Madison County. In conclusion he stated that wheat producers within the county who contend they are eligible voters (plan to plant 15 acres for harvest in 1963) may cast their ballot at the ASCS office in Marshall on Thursday, August 30, between the hours of 8:00 a. m., and 6:00 p. m.

### FROZEN BABY LIVES

Washington — A fine five-week old baby boy, found in a frozen condition on a doorstep, was pronounced dead at General Hospital, but later gave out a few feeble gasps and was revived. The infant had a temperature of 73 degrees and no detectible heart beat when examined at the hospital. Artificial respiration was continued after the pronouncement of death and when the feeble gasps were noted, the baby was rushed to the operating room where oxygen and adrenalin were administered. The baby is expected to survive.

### Singing Convention

The Madison County Singing Convention will be held Sunday at Davis Chapel Baptist Church at 2:00 o'clock.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

### Decoration

There will be a decoration at the Bishop Cemetery Sunday, August 26. The public, singers, and ministers are invited.

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### Common Market Automatically Involves United States

The agriculture of the United States and the European Common Market is so intertwined that a night-time labor law in the Netherlands affects our quality wheat market, and a fruit-grading standard in France would worry a Washington orchardist.

In a current article in Farm Quarterly magazine a detailed explanation is given of the Common Market, which so drastically is affecting American industry and agriculture.

It got underway in 1957 with the formation of the European Economic Community generally called the Common Market) composed of France, West Germany, Italy, Luxembourg, Belgium, and The Netherlands.

The heart of the EEC is an agreement among the member nations on tariffs and trade. The success of the Common Market depends on larger markets, which encourage mass production and distribution and competitive lower prices.

The Common Market is a customs union, to be formed over a period of 12 to 15 years. The group will have no internal barriers, these tariffs are to be reduced in stages until they are finally eliminated.

The external tariff of the EEC, the one that will apply to the United States exports, usually will be the average of the previous tariffs of the member countries by 20 percent. Low tariffs will be raised to the average minus 20 percent, and high tariffs cut, over a period of a dozen years.

However, the external tariffs subject to international negoti-

ations with countries outside the Common Market, and also, scheduled reductions may be postponed, at least temporarily, if they produce hardships for certain EEC nations.

On January 14, 1962, the six member nations agreed to unite in a mutual agricultural policy and U. S. farmers are wondering how they will be affected.

Certainly, in the EEC there is every indication that agriculture will continue to be controlled and subsidized, though now with a system uniform through the Community.

Agriculture is the largest industry in the Community, which means farmers have considerable political power. The ability of the negotiators to overcome individual and geographical demands in agriculture indicates the nations are probably ready to go ahead with a more complete political and social union.

The British, facing the realities of a booming trade area across the channel, which might exclude them from their extensive European markets, will probably become a member of the EEC in 1963.

As it happens, though, European agriculture does not fulfill the agricultural needs for the nations it serves. Over one-fourth of its agricultural imports come from the U. S., and Europe is our most important dollar market. One-sixth of our total farmland produces food for export. Currently, the six nations of the EEC and the United Kingdom are buying about \$1.6 billion worth of U. S. food and fiber.

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