

Local Vocational Class Ends Successful Year

The annual report of the local department of vocational agriculture, made to the state supervisor, shows that forty-nine of the fifty boys enrolled completed their supervised practice program for the past year (1940-'41). The forty-nine boys began with a total of 333 projects and completed 351. Some boys added projects after the preliminary report had been filed. The average number of projects per boy was above 7 and ranged in number from one to twenty-one per boy. Acres of common crops ranged from one to ten acres per boy and boys kept from one to fifteen animals per boy, not including dairy. All boys either owned, raised, or supervised a project. The entire supervised program or had a continuing interest in them. The crops and animals grown were those common to Western North Carolina. One boy grew corn as a part of his program and found it profitable. He is increasing his number to 400 this year. Four members of the class grew Lord's Acre projects, and the entire proceeds given to their local church. The total labor income for the year was \$17,505.89, about \$360 per boy. They worked a total of 1,066 hours producing the crops and animals making up their supervised practice program. An average of 230 hours per day. This does not represent the total hours some labor was hired. The preliminary report on work for this season (1941-'42) indicates that thirty boys enrolled carrying 279 projects, nine projects per boy. (The average for the state is about three projects per boy). Increase in number of animals has been increased also to contribute to the effort to grow more food, dairy products and crops for the war effort. All boys are a victory garden ranging from one-fourth acre to one acre. Plans for this season include the local farm animals and crops grown in the western part of the state, with more emphasis on soybeans than heretofore. It has been, for a number of years, the

News From Cecil

Mrs. H. O. Durham and Willie Durham and family, of Greer, S. C., visited Mrs. Lizzie Singleton Sunday.

Friends regret that Joe Phillips is confined to his home by illness.

Private Ira Singleton, of Fort Jackson, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Singleton.

Miss Gladys Ray, of Canton, is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Burchfield.

Mrs. Ned Moody visited her mother last week, Mrs. Mattie Chambers.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pace spent the week-end with Mrs. Pace's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Grooms.

George Singleton and family, of Newport, Tenn., spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Singleton.

Dennis Phillips, who underwent a tonsil operation, has returned home.

policy of the boys to grow cover and green manure crops.

All those taking vocational agriculture are members of the local chapter of Future Farmers of America. They have bought \$300 in stamps and bonds, have collected several tons of scrap metal, paper and rubber.

The chapter has four boys who have attained the highest honor awarded by the National chapter, that of American Farmer. Another will be awarded his key this fall. The chapter now has twenty boys who have attained the rank of State Farmer, the highest state honor and a prerequisite to the National honor. Usually about one per cent of State Farmers attain the American Farmer degree. The local chapter has received national recognition on three of the past six years.

Eight trips to the National convention in Kansas City have been awarded the members for outstanding work in the past six years. The boys' chapter house has brought many complimentary comments from the office of education in Washington and from others. J. C. Brown is instructor.

War Shipping Board Confers on Victory Ships



Using ship models to explain their points, members of the War Shipping Board are shown as they conferred in the office of the Board's Administrator in Washington. Left to right: Lewis W. Douglas, deputy administrator; Rear Admiral Howard L. Dickery, deputy administrator and vice chairman of the Maritime Commission, and Emory S. Land, administrator, and chairman of the Maritime Commission.

BLACKIE BEAR

By D. SAM COX

JOE REET JUST CHOKES WITH NEWS

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Nobody remembers when such a thing even happened before. The big sun got up and rolled clear across the top side of the world, and then went back to bed, and not a single one of its rays fell on one of the Creek Folks. Every man and he forgot about Rover Dog and Mr. Man and Uncle Joe and everybody else. They were away behind on sleep, and Doctor Coon had told them that sleep is the best thing in the world for both mind and body. Then, too, that Saturday night supper that Mr. Man and Uncle Joe had fixed for them was plenty long enough to reach clear over to Monday morning, and so nobody was hungry enough to wake up.

But you know that Joe Reet had to stay up to take Jay Bird's place, for the Creek Folks just have to keep up with what goes on in their neighborhood every day, and he was the first man to get up on Monday morning. He hadn't followed the crowd all the week before, and so he didn't need too much sleep over the week-end. The truth is that he had so much on his mind that he was a bit restless all night, and he was glad when day came, so he could get up and go to Blackie's house with his news.

Mr. Man must have known what he was talking about when he said that the red sky was the sign of cold weather, and that it was a good time to kill hogs, for when Joe Reet woke up it was so cold that his teeth would have chattered if he had had any teeth, and the wind was blowing hard enough to fly a mighty big kite. It was getting colder every minute, and when he got to Blackie's house it certainly did feel good to get in to that pretty fire. And while the sunflower seeds that Blackie gave

him for breakfast were all that any bird could want, it didn't hurt his nose a bit to sniff that good smoke that came from the ham and griddle cakes and coffee that Blackie was having for his own breakfast.

Blackie's day before had been so full of sleep, and nothing else, that he didn't think of whether anything had happened to anybody else, and so he wasn't in any hurry to ask Joe Reet if he had any news. Of course Joe was just itching to tell Blackie that Mr. Man was planning to kill hogs, and to take some of them and some other things to town, but the news was so good he could afford to hold it back and just chew on it till they got through breakfast, and Blackie got ready to listen.

It looked like the rest of the Creek Folks never would get enough sleep, for even when they had finished breakfast, washed up the dishes, come out on the step with the sun and lit their pipes, not a soul had come in sight. Blackie smoked for a while, blew a lot of big smoke rings, looked a bit dreamy, and then said:

"Well, Joe Reet, you don't seem to have run into any news, yesterday. Everybody must have slept like I did. Did you see anything of Hound Dog, Uncle Joe or anybody?"

There was no holding the good news back any longer, and so Joe Reet told Blackie all about the plans that Mr. Man had made with his wife, the day before. Joe sat there and watched Blackie do nothing but smoke and blow rings,

just like he hadn't heard anything. Then Blackie's eyes snapped almost like Reddy Fox's, and he said: "Going to kill two or three pigs, as soon as it is cold enough! Woof, woof, and here it is getting cold enough to almost make this old coat of mine shiver out here in the sun. There certainly will be a hog-killing at Mr. Man's tomorrow, and I'll bet you a string of bamboo berries a yard long that he will send a lot of pork chops and, maybe, a ham or two to his neighbor Blackie Bear."

"Well, well, well. When the boys get over here we will look around in the smokehouse, and see if we can't fix a place for Piggie to sleep, for something tells me that Mr. Man wouldn't think of killing hogs without sending some of his 'fresh' to his big neighbor. It certainly is good to live in such a neighborly neighborhood. I wonder what in the world is the matter with all the boys to keep them so late." But here comes Joe, and from the way those bushes over yonder are shaking, Doctor Coon must be running to keep warm. (To be Continued)

That action is best which produces the greatest happiness for the greatest number.

A real friend is one who can accept friendship without imposing on it.

When our character will not defend us, explanations will not vindicate.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Miss Priscilla McDonald, of Waynesville, operative case, is better.

Mrs. John C. Sharpe, of Cruso, operative case, is improving.

Mrs. Frank Pressley of Canton, operative case, is resting more comfortably.

Miss June Scruggs, of Canton, operative case, is resting fairly well.

Mrs. James C. Adams, of Waynesville, operative case, is better.

The condition of Miss Nellie Reed, of Canton, operative case, is good.

Miss Nola Reed, of Canton, operative case, is resting more comfortably.

Frank Massey, of Hazelwood, medical case, is some better.

Mrs. Edna Hall, of Waynesville, route 2, operative case, is improving.

James Kuykendall, of Waynesville route 2, operative case, is better.

DISCHARGED

Among those discharged from the Haywood County Hospital during the past week were: Miss Hilda Mease, Tom Evans, Mrs. Syda Grooms, Dr. Edward J. Hall, Mrs. Thad Morgan, Mrs. Ned Clark, Mrs. Dexter Green and twins, Mrs. Frank Penland and baby, J. H. Taskett, Mrs. Lewis Pless and baby.

Mrs. Ellen Burnett, J. A. Black, Master Kenneth Messer, Mrs. Dennis Phillips, Mrs. Joe Mooney and baby, Miss Opal Snyder, Mrs. Roy Phillips, Mrs. Rena Garland, Mrs. Nettie Penland, Dewey Rhinehart, Mrs. J. A. Black, Howard Bryson, Miss Sue Carver, Mrs. Erwin Sluder.

Also Mrs. Hoyett Clappett, Bruce Price, Miss Willie Heatherly, Mrs. Lowell Lindsey, Mrs. Ernest Mercer and baby, R. L. Park, Sam Welch, Mrs. William Payne, Mrs. James Newman, Mrs. Ann Webb.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Pless, of Canton, announce the birth of a daughter on May 25th.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Mercer, of Waynesville, announce the birth of a son on May 25th.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wright, of Canton, announce the birth of a son on May 26th.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Miller, of Canton, announce the birth of a

Mechanical Classes Will Be Organized Tonight

Plans have been completed for the classes for young men from 17 to 26 which were recently announced by J. C. Brown, vocational agricultural teacher in the local high school.

All those interested in taking any of the courses offered are asked to meet at the court house tonight at 8 o'clock, according to Mr. Brown. Classes are scheduled to start on Monday, June 8th. Lawrence Jones, county mechanic in charge of the county school buses, will be present tonight and explain the welding and automobile mechanical courses which will be given under him.

Other courses to be offered are: woodwork, metalwork, blacksmithing, and general repair and maintenance of farm machinery. No tuition charges will be made and everything will be free to the students, who will be required to take 15 hours of instruction per week. The courses will take eight weeks and will be held at the vocational shop at the high school.

daughter on May 27th.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther West, of West Canton, announce the birth of a daughter on May 27th.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Trantham, of Clyde, announce the birth of a daughter on May 28th.

Mr. and Mrs. Grover Robinson, of Waynesville, announce the birth of a daughter on May 28th.

Household Hint

When you are sending cookies to the boys in camp, try this method of keeping them moist: Pack as usual with plenty of waxed paper, but make the top layer of fresh slices of bread. The bread becomes dry, but the cookies remain fresh. This works well, even if the package has to traverse the continent.

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NOTICE OF SALE NORTH CAROLINA HAYWOOD COUNTY. IN THE SUPERIOR COURT. HAYWOOD COUNTY AND TOWN OF CANTON

J. H. VAUGHN.

Under and by virtue of a judgment in the above entitled cause in the Superior Court of Haywood County, North Carolina, on April 20th, 1942, the undersigned Commissioner will on June 8, 1942, at 12 o'clock Noon at the Courthouse door in the Town of Waynesville, Haywood County, North Carolina, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, subject to the confirmation of the court, the one-half undivided interest of the following described real property, belonging to J. H. Vaughn, which said property is located in the Town of Canton, Haywood County, North Carolina, and more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING on a stake, the Southeast corner of the Standard Oil Company lot, and runs with said line N. 72° 45' W. 81.5 feet to a stake in the North Margin of Birch Street, then with said margin of said street, S. 80° 30' E. 55 feet to a stake, then N. 11° 30' E. 106 feet to the BEGINNING, being a part of the property conveyed to Ray Byers and wife, Ethel Byers, from Fred Newman and wife, by deed dated Feb. 4, 1927, recorded in Book 74, page 316, in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Haywood County, North Carolina.

Being the same property conveyed by Ray Byers and wife, Ethel Byers, to J. H. Vaughn and wife, Hilda Vaughn, by deed dated the 5th day of April, 1927, recorded in Deed Book 71, page 462, recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Haywood County, North Carolina.

This the 25th day of April, 1942. WM. MEDFORD, Commissioner.

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