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The Mountaineer's Farm and Home Page



State-Wide Tobacco Field Day Slated Here Wednesday



SIGNS OF PROGRESS in Iron Duff Community are the new road signs at intersections. Of a simple, modern design, they attract the eye and

are easy to read. Here Jarvis Caldwell gives a final inspection to one of the newly erected markers.

Extension Specialists Due For Talks, Demonstrations

Poor Tobacco Soil Can Be Improved

Although utilizing other land may be the best solution to the problem of growing tobacco on land unsuited to it, Extension tells us that the condition of the soil can be improved in several ways. A bulletin issued this month explains: "Efforts to change the consistency of your soil may not be desirable if suitable land is available within five miles. However, there are several ways of improving the organic content and physical condition of soil for plant production. You can haul in dark rich loamy soil or woody dirt. You can incorporate three or four inches of well rotted sawdust with the upper four or five inches of soil in the fall so that it will be well rotted in the spring. Heavy stable manure can be mixed with the soil in the fall before treating with methyl bromide or other chemical weed control. You can try kyllium or other soil conditioners on a small scale at first. Grow a heavy stand of crotalaria on the site in the summer and disk it into the soil in early September. Or you can locate the bed near a disease free water supply so the surface of the soil can be kept moist in dry weather."

Tobacco men from all parts of North Carolina are expected to attend the annual tobacco field day planned for the Mountain Test Farm on Wednesday afternoon. Sponsored by State Extension Service, the meeting is open to warehousemen, fertilizer dealers, bankers, tobacco company representatives and other business people, as well as tobacco farmers here and across the state.

Opening at 1 p.m. the four demonstrations will last about three hours. Scheduled are a special study on priming burley, a management test to include spacing, topping, suckering and fertilization, a variety test, nitrogen source, sucker control, time of topping, a demonstration on setting up methyl bromide plant bed treatment, curing equipment, harvesting demonstration, priming demonstration and a demonstration of fertilizer distributor equipment.

Those in attendance will also observe a tobacco variety demonstration, including wildfire and black shank resistant lines. They will take part in a discussion on tobacco barn construction and improvement. Extension and research men will be present to answer growers' questions regarding various phases of tobacco production.

Under the direction of Dr. Luther Shaw, United States Department of Agriculture agronomist stationed at Waynesville, the program is divided into six demonstrations as follows:

Fertilizer placement in the field, weed control in the plant bed - led by R. R. Bennett, and Harold Nau, Extension tobacco specialists of North Carolina State College.

Tobacco barn construction and management during curing - led by Mr. Nau;

Cutting and priming demonstrations - led by James R. Davis, assistant county agent of Buncombe County;

Fertilization and sucker control - led by Dr. W. E. Colwell, assistant director of the agricultural experiment station at State College;

Burley varieties and breeding materials - led by Dr. E. L. Moore, USDA agronomist.

Observation and discussion of burley management test involving varied fertilization, spacing, topping and harvesting practices - led by Dr. Shaw.

Hereford Tour Has Attendance Of 200

Some 200 Hereford fanciers and their families turned out Thursday for the annual Haywood County Hereford tour, beginning at the Walnut Knolls farm of Dr. J. L. Reeves, the group wound up at Joe Reinertson's farm for lunch, an afternoon of discussions, demonstrations and games, and a watermelon feast supplied by the First National Bank.

Several calves which 4-H Club members are fattening for the fat stock show soon to be held were on display after lunch, and one was



PARRIS ISLAND, S. C. August 12—During training in the field, two men of the Western Carolina "Mountaineer" platoon, now in training at the Parris Island Marine Corps Recruit Depot, find a chance to fill their canteens for a Lister bag. At left is Private Alan K. Swayngin, whose uncle, Mr. Vincent McElroy, lives in Waynesville, and at right is Private Oscar West, 19, son of Mrs. O. J. West of Liberty. (Marine Corps Photo).

Dead Weeds Harm Soil; Growing Weeds Harm

Growing weeds left in or garden are the greatest of soil moisture, according to Extension Service, but weeds killed and kept on top of along with other plant residue come an efficient aid in holding what water there is in the soil.

Controlling weeds is just as important as not having them in a single clear dry day. To conserve moisture, Extension suggests keeping tillable ground all year round either with grass, a growing crop, or residue (weeds will do, if they are in the soil in winter, help of a ground cover, available for other crops following summer.

North Carolina broiler production continues to rise. The 1935 broilers hatched in the months of this year represent a per cent increase over the period a year ago.

Cutting Tobacco Too Early May Mean Big Cash Loss

Much of Haywood County's tobacco is being cut entirely too green, warns County Agent Wayne Franklin. "Too many farmers feel that because the bottom leaves are burnt out from the drought, it is advisable to cut the plant. They should realize that they are sacrificing the top leaves to save the bottom, when they could cut the bottom leaves only and save both."

Even without unduly dry weather, burley tobacco growers can save an average of 200 to 400 pounds and make from \$100 to \$200 more per acre from their crop by priming the bottom leaves from the plant once or twice instead of cutting the entire plant. This has been proven locally by experiments at the Mountain Test Farm.

Since tobacco ripens from the bottom of the plant upward, the lower leaves in most seasons will become weather damaged or will

fall off before the top leaves are fully ripe. In the past it was general practice to cut the entire stalk off when a few of the lower leaves had been damaged or had fallen off. Generally the middle of the plant would be ripe, and the upper leaves still green and immature.

With this practice leaves or quality are lost at both ends of the plant, with a consequent loss in the value of the crop.

Priming before cutting is a practical way to increase yield and income per acre. It enables the farmer to harvest leaves at the bottom of the plant that would otherwise be lost or weather damaged, permitting the top tobacco to reach the ripe and mature stage before cutting.

Harvesting ripe tobacco pays. The quality is better and it is easier to cure.

Run-Away Cow Killed By Car

A run-away cow met instant death Friday night about 10:20, when she collided with a car on Smathers Street.

Chief of Police Orville Noland said that R. L. Parks, driver of the car, was blinded by an approaching car, and did not see the two stray cows.

The Parks car was damaged about the left fender and hood. The cow, owned by W. H. Burgin, was valued at about \$125.

Test Farm Leaders To Confer Here End Of Week

A conference of department heads of experiment station work at N. C. State College and branch station superintendents will open Wednesday evening at the Mountain Test Farm, running through Saturday.

About 65 department personnel and their families are expected. The group will stay at Camp Schaub.

Purpose of the meeting is to provide an opportunity for discussion of organizational problems, as well as a "get-together" for staff members and their families. It will be under the leadership of C. D. Thomas, state director of test farms, and M. R. Whisenhunt, local superintendent.

Commercial slaughter of cattle, calves, sheep, lambs, and hogs in North Carolina during June totaled 19,724,000 pounds, 6.9 per cent above the same period last year.

Bookmobile Schedule

Aug. 25	
BETHEL - CENTER PIGEON - HENSON COVE	
Rickman's Store	9:15-9:30
Able's Grocery	9:45-10:00
Morrow's Grocery	10:10-10:40
Roy Suttles	10:50-11:15
John Blalock	11:20-11:35
Robert Clark	11:40-12:30
Lonnie Green	12:45-1:05
T. W. Cathey	1:15-1:30
Hugh Terrell	1:45-2:00
John M. Rigdon	2:05-2:30
Aug. 26	
CECIL - BETHEL	
Parris Store	9:15-10:15
J. P. Ledbetter	10:20-10:30
James Reeves	10:35-10:50
W. R. Hargrove	11:35-11:50
John Johnson	12:00-12:15
Harrison Henson	12:30-1:00
Wright's Self Service	1:15-1:30
Southern School Service	1:35-2:00
Jack McCracken	2:15-2:40
West Pigeon Food Ctr.	2:50-3:15
Aug. 28	
CRUSO - FRANCIS COVE	
Mrs. Lorie Mann	9:15-9:30
Robert Freeman	9:45-10:15
Cruso Grocery	10:30-11:00
Deavers Grocery	11:05-11:25
Dosha Burress	11:30-11:45
Springdale School	11:30-11:45
and Camp	11:55-12:15
Burl Henderson	12:30-1:00
Burnett's Cash Grocery	1:10-2:30

Stocks of corn, wheat and oats in North Carolina on July 1 totaled 12,087,000 bushels, 28 per cent below the same date last year.

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Hog Butchering Equipment Listed

To do a good job of butchering your hogs this fall, State College tells us, you should have on hand one sharp 6- or 8-inch butcher knife, one sharp 8-inch boning knife, one smooth steel for straightening edge of knives, one good sandstone or carborundum, one hay hook for handling hog in barrel, one or two bell-shaped hog scrapers, several hog gambrel sticks or single trees, and a saw, preferably a meat saw.

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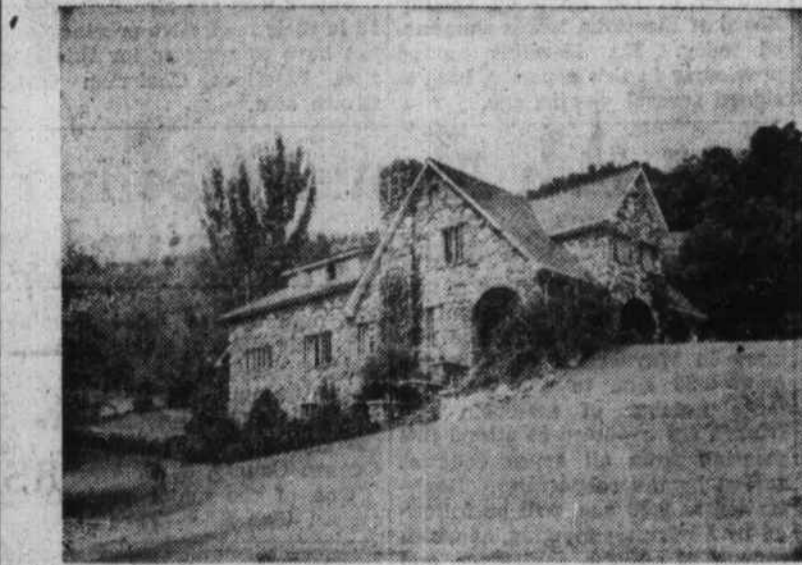
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The Residence

PROPERTY—1555 Acres. 500 acres in pasture and tillable land, 1055 acres in woodland. Ranch can carry 200 head of cattle, 100 sheep. Little East Fork of Pigeon River flows through land for about a mile. Approximately 10 miles of trout streams feeds large trout and bass pond on property. Second trout pond near residence. Ample water from many springs in pasture and several brooks. Crops regularly rotated; fenced pastures, Kentucky blue grass, Ladino clover, red crimson clover, Dutch clover, timothy and alfalfa. Growing season, 9 to 10 months. Timber lands include chestnut, oak, hemlock, hickory, hard maple, poplar, basswood, ash. Large apple orchard. Walnut trees. All kinds of berries. Elevation 3400'.

LAND AT AUCTION SATURDAY, AUGUST 29th - 10:30 A.M. SUNBURST RANCH

LOCATED Midway Between Waynesville and Canton, N.C. — Pigeon Valley — Haywood County.

500 ACRES Pasture and Tillable—1055 Acres Woodland. Subdivided into 15 tracts. You will have an opportunity to buy any or all of the land. TIMBER estimated One Million and Half feet of original growth. Land will be sold with or without the timber. Timber will be offered separately. All farm equipment, including Ford car and Jeep. All household furniture. Space will not permit us to describe this Ranch. Drive out and look it over.

LOCATION—High in the Great Smoky Mountains, North Carolina's Land of the Sky. Famous for unsurpassed scenery, excellent year 'round climate. Near Canton, a progressive town of about 3,000, with schools, churches, recreational activities, all facilities. 30 miles to Asheville. Ranch is bounded on North by Pisgah National Forest and on West by Champion Paper & Fibre Co. forest property. Asheville-Murphy Branch of Southern Railway at Canton, 12 miles. Truck and bus lines on U. S. 19 and 23, Waynesville 12 miles.

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View of the Land

RESIDENCE—10 rooms (6 bedrooms, 2 baths) 2 story native Swiss chalet, built 1940. Oil hot water heat. Electric hot water heat. Modern plumbing; copper hot water pipes. PS electricity. Telephone. Seven tenant houses and five barns, main barn for approximately 60 head; 6 box stalls; 150-ton hay storage capacity; 2 stone silos (100 building) 60-ton-capacity each. Additional barns, sheds, store turkey houses. Manager's house—6 rooms, electricity. Mrs. Edith B. Young, Owner.