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'Corn War' Being Waged In Warren

This may sound "corny," but there's a corn war going on in Warwould be 4 per cent less rer County, according to assistant farm agent Carter J. Jones.

who are sold on the new hybrid rity" reage allotments are in corr varieties and the old "die-

In the thick of this scrap is the ent, in counties with al-n both 1954 and 1955, is Rev. William Burgess of Baker er cent above last year. community, who makes the earthy dirations point to a to- comment that "our agricultural planted corn acreage of workers are not just fanning the acres. This is about the air when they come to us with 1954 planted acreage of these new practices and crop variacres, but is 5 per cent eties." He adds that he has faith ally, pollen is the "bread of life" with their recommendations

The oldsters counter that open-

Like Humans, Bees Welcome Spring's Arrival

If the coming of warm weather made you happy, think how it must have made the honey bee feel. W. A. Stephen, extension beekeeper at State College, says this suitable weather for bees, to obtain polien nd 7 per cent less than the war, which is really just a lefter a long, hard winter, was hail-battle of words, is between farmers ed by college bees "with great alac-

reage anothers are a sestern North Carolina hards," those holding on to open- first day when the bees could obtain pollen in any quantity.

> ed what plants were blooming, the health field, bees had already found them and during the ensuing two warm days, collected a good deal of this "beebread," Stephen said,

He pointed out that quite literthe 1944-53 average plant- in these workers and will go along for bees. Without it the nurse bees are unable to feed the young larvae or grubs in their cells, and the pollinated corn brought them to young bees, after hatching, do not have the supply of food necessary for their proper development.

Some people believe that nature provides necessities in accordance with future needs of her children. If this is so, spring will be late because colonies of honeybees will not be ready for an early honeyflow, according to Stephen.

The North Carolina wheat crop estimate of 6,8 million bushels in 1954 is 17 per cent less than in 1953 and about average although the acreage was the smallest since 1866 with the exception of one Foundation said

Prices of corn, oats, and milo, are Irish Potato expected to be higher in North Carolina this year than in 1953- Acreage In N.C. 54, with corn showing considerable strength after the 1954 harvest.

where they are, and it's good the way.

was the only farmer in his immedial low average. ate area that made corn enough to The commercial early crop is exfrom his 1954 crop is still in his harvested last year. corn bin untouched.

Loss From 'X - Disease' Cut Sharply

Hyperkeratosis, more commonly called X-disease, in cattle has been practically eliminated during the past year according to the Ameri-The war, which is really just a after a long, hard winter, was hail- can Foundation for Animal Health, No new cases were reported to

the U.S. Department of Agricul-Saturday, February 19, was the ture during 1954. The Foundation says this indicates the disease has been reduced to such an extent it is Although mere humans wonder- of little importance in the animal

> Successful control of this costly animal health problem came through veterinary research which isolated the cause as a highly chlorinated naphthalene, a chemical frequently used in lubricating oils and greases to give them body. Some animals became infected

by licking greased machinery or by getting access to used crankcase oil. Other cases were traced to grease used to lubricate feed manufacturing equipment, that accidentally found its way into the process-

Following the research, the USDA issued a request to manufacturers of petroleum products, feed manufacturers and oil companies that they cease using chlorinated naphthalene in oil and grease designed for use on farms or in food processing plants. Wholehearted cooperation by these groups is given credit for eliminating X-disease as a livestock health threat, the 004,000 acres.

To Be Unchanged

March 1 reports from Tar Heel enough to carry them the rest of farmers indicate intentions to plant a total of 39,000 acres of The Rev. Burgess, who has been Irish potatoes this year. If current planting hybrid corn and following intentions materialize the 1955 recommended practices seems to acreage will be the same as was have won an early skirmish. He planted in 1954, but 38 per cent be-

supply his needs. He has some corn pected to total 14,000 acres-4 per from his 1953 crop left, and corn cent more than the 13,500 acres

U. S. growers' intentions-to-plant It looks like he has pretty good reports indicate prospective potato plantings at 1,434,000 acres in

Milk Production At New High For February

Production of milk on farms in North Carolina during February 1955 totaled 121 million pounds, 1 million pounds more than last year, but 15 pe reent above the 1944-53 February average.

The number of milk cows on farms in the State during Februing this same period last year. The production per cow was 326 pounds the highest of record for the menth of February.

Production of milk on U. S. farms in February totaled 8,884 million pounds, 1 per cent less than last year, but 9 per cent above average. Milk production was below the corresponding month a year earlier for the third consecutive month. This resulted from the smaller number of milk cows on farms as milk production per cow was record high for February.

Weather during February was quite variable with storms and extremely cold weather reducing milk production in some areas. Freezes extending to the Gulf reduced winter grazing in the lower South, but rains in some sections helped pasture prospects.

1955. Thish acreage is 1 per cent above the 1954 planted acreage, but is 28 per cent below the 1944-53 (10-year) average acreage of 2,-



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