

**MORE ABOUT Beautification**

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the last five years than in the 15 years previous.

He said that although the state cannot provide planting stock for highways, department personnel often can provide technical assistance.

He added that communities which do the most on their own to beautify highways in their areas are likely to get the most help from the Highway Department.

County Agent Virgil L. Holloway said that the CDP organizations in the county can play a leading role in roadside development, and Bob Tippet, assistant county agent, cited the progress which has been made by the CDP to date.

M. R. Whisenhunt, director of the Mountain Experiment Station, advised sticking to grasses and legumes, which have been used successfully on the test farm, to seed bare roadbanks.

Morris L. McGough, executive secretary of the Asheville Agricultural Development Council, suggested that community groups and individual property owners might plant smaller road banks, and the Highway Department the high steep ones.

Mr. Tucker expressed the belief that Haywood County needs a county-wide planning commission to handle such matters as roadside beautification, and a county-wide system of garbage development.

Roy R. Beck, county soil conservationist, explained that a number of test plantings of several different materials have been made recently to find stock adaptable

for use on road banks in this area.

It was agreed at the meeting Tuesday that organizations and individuals planning roadside development projects will clear their plans through the county agent, who will work in cooperation with the Soil Conservation District supervisors.

Van C. Wells, chairman of the SCS supervisors, presided at the meeting and introduced Mr. Brant and the other two Highway Department officials at the meeting. D. R. McMichael of Winston-Salem, assistant landscape engineer, and H. A. Coggins of Sylva, 14th Division landscape supervisor.

Others at the meeting included: Mrs. A. R. Riegg of the Waynesville Council of Garden Clubs, Mrs. P. W. McElroy, Sr. of the Tuscola Garden Club, Miss Louise Ballard, second vice president of the North Carolina Garden Club, Miss Ray Ballard of the Richland Garden Club, Mrs. T. G. Fletcher and Mrs. Howard Dotson of the Thickety Home Demonstration Club, Mrs. V. C. Deaver and Mrs. V. N. Allen of the South Clyde HDC, Mrs. R. H. Boone of the Francis Cove HDC, Mrs. T. D. Brummitt of the Fines Creek CDP and Grange, Mrs. Julia McClure of the Saunook CDP, Mrs. Boyd V. Evans of the Cornwell HDC, Mrs. Thad Chafin of the Fairview HDC, Mrs. Ed Harkins of the Friendly Garden Club, Miss Add-Roadside Beautification P. L. Mary Frances Kirkpatrick of the Canton Homemakers Club, Mrs. Roy Smathers of the McKimmon HDC, Mrs. Charlie Woodard of the Primrose Garden Club, Mrs. Wayne Dietz of the Skyland Garden Club.

Mrs. L. L. Lyda of the Dellwood HDC, Miss Lou Elva Eller of the Richland Garden Club, Mrs.



THE WAYNESVILLE HIGH ELECTRONICS DEPARTMENT will send three of its students to a state meeting of vocational-industrial clubs at the High Point YMCA Friday and Saturday. Representing the WTHS Vocational-Industrial Club will be (left to right) Billy Sisk, acting president, Herman McGaha, and Kyle Edwards. The local club will also provide flowers from Haywood County for the state meeting. (Mountaineer Photo).

**MORE ABOUT Ham**

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6 a.m. and by noon have all the meat processed, and then wonder what caused some of it to spoil.

"The best time to kill hogs is about 2 p.m., let the carcass hold overnight, start early the next morning when all the body heat is out of the meat, and then do the processing.

"Then start in proper trimming, and curing for the best prices from the hams.

"Hams should be in cure by January 1, and allow six months to age for flavor. There is a need for an average of 87 degree temperatures for aging. Curing too late in season means too high water content, too salty and off flavor."

Dr. Christian gave formulas for curing, and said there were 25 reasons why meat spoils. He said it takes 7 days for salt to penetrate one inch, and 9 days to go the second inch into a ham, and 11 more days for the third inch. He said it takes, about three months for the salt to penetrate all the way through the ham, and that salt would not penetrate much through skin and fat.

He recommended the sugar cure — 8 pounds of salt, 3 pounds of sugar, and 3/4 ounce of saltpeter. The sugar keeps the ham from getting hard.

The average ham will lose 25 percent in weight in six months, and that 4 per cent salt is necessary to keep a cured ham.

Dr. Christian discussed smoking, pointing out that liquid smoked hams could not be entered in a show. He preferred hickory, ap-

ple, maple, or any resin-free wood.

He also said that no ham that had anti-skipper compound on it could enter a ham show. Putting on mixtures of pepper and molasses to keep out skippers is a waste of time, he explained. And such mixtures harm the top sale price of hams. Hams must have eye-appeal to bring top prices, he went on to explain.

Dr. Christian said proper bagging of hams which are wrapped in hay is the best way to combat skippers.

"More hams are ruined in basements than any other place. The moisture is harmful to the meat," he said.

The specialist cited three pests for home curing hams — skippers, larder beetles (black fuzzy bugs), and mites. He gave a formula for combating each.

A number of questions were asked, and indications were that the leaders would take the information back home, and discuss starting a ham curing project with their farm leaders.

It was generally agreed that the program could best start with the 4-H Boys, and recruit the adults to take part.

Dr. Christian cited some shows that averaged more than \$2 per pound and he felt the publicity, and interest in the projects would bring about a big demand for cured hams. "This has been true of other areas," he went on to explain.

Beckman Huger, president of WNCAC presided at the meeting, with R. L. Bradley, president of the Waynesville Chamber of Commerce, giving the address of welcome.

Besides Mr. Huger and Dr. Christian, those attending included the following: C. E. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Carter, J. Harvey Trice, and Mr. and Mrs. Louis A. Edwards, all of Highlands; James C. Gaither and Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Douglas of Brevard; Morris L. McGough of Asheville; Horace D. Cornelius of Cullowhee; P. J. Gibson, Jennings A. Bryson, T. A. Brawley of Sylva; Paul L. Nave, W. W. Holland and Harry M. Seaman of Cashiers; Wilson Latham of Cherokee; and from Waynesville, J. W. Ray, Roger Ammons, Virgil L. Holloway, James R. Tippet, Miss Mary Cornwell, Ben Owenby, Albert L. Ramsey, Charles E. Ray, Rufus Siler, Frank M. Davis, R. L. Bradley, Ned Tucker, Curtis Russ and Bill Ray.

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