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WELCOME SANTA CLAUS

Santa Claus, inevitable master of childish hearts, is about to pay his annual visit to the homes of Farmville.

Children are already writing their letters to the good Saint, making known their dream desires, and counting the days and nights until he makes his magic entrance into their homes.

What man or woman can bear the thought of disappointed faith in the hearts of little children? What one of us would not give 'til it hurts in an effort to help fulfill juvenile hopes?

Let's make the heart of every child in Farmville glad for one Christmas day. Let's see that very child, in our community, has at least one day of unalloyed happiness, a day of joy and gladness, a day when their dreams shall come true.

GERMANY FIGHTS THE WORLD

Following up the peace of Munich the German government has increased the Reich standing army to one million men, making it the largest peacetime army in the world, with the exception of Russia.

Moreover, the German government is using half of its expenditure for the purpose of rearmament and the nation is regimented for a single purpose, that is, to make effective warfare.

Of course, the economic situation in Germany is bad. It has reverted to a barter system in international trade, not because of preference, but because it cannot finance trade any other way. Even Dr. Schacht, financial wizard, admits this and calls upon other nations to make it possible for Germany to go back to former trading methods.

Every sensible person knows that Germany is dissatisfied with its lot in the world and that its rulers have determined to use force to secure advantages whenever and wherever possible. As a result other nations are rearming in order to make sure that Hitler and his minions, including his allies, will not be able to take by force what they possess.

AN EVE-GROWING PROBLEM

Fifteen or twenty years ago the problem of improved highways was attacked upon the theory that, with a given road mileage, the simple way to complete the construction of a highway system, was to build a given number of miles a year for a definite number of years.

Two facts have upset the idea. First, new mileage has been added to every highway system and the need for additional highways is pressing. Second, highways built fifteen, or even ten years ago, are unable to meet modern traffic needs and must be relocated, rebuilt or enlarged.

Two decades ago very few highway engineers or automobile manufacturers had any clear conception of the speeds that would be commonplace today. "A mile a minute" used to win speedway contests but now it is the accepted pace of many motorists who travel long distances. Highways graded for forty miles-an-hour speed are not safe for the seventy-miles-an-hour that some cars drivers attain. The same observation applies to sight-distances that safety requires.

Kudzu Hay

From one acre of land, H. C. Coates of Randolph County cut five tons of hay from the first growth and allowed the second growth to remain on the land. It now forms a mat about three inches thick and can be cut in a regular manner. Mr. Coates says that the hay is of good quality and makes the best hay for his cows.

Looking at Washington

(Continued from page one) minority party to write the G. O. P. record during the next year and a half. They do not give a very high rating to the policy committee. The meeting in Washington, in the latter part of November, not only advertised the liberal and conservative differences, but by allowing a conservative of the old school to score a victory over a liberal, gave aid and comfort to the Democrats, who want nothing more than a Conservative Republican to oppose their candidate in 1940.

It is too early to try to pick candidates for either party. President Roosevelt has not announced his course and until he does the faithful will "lay low," despite the McNuff and Garner talk. If and when this President says he will not be a candidate and that is probably what he will say, there won't be much time for the Democratic rivals to stage a fight. The chances are that the Administration will hand-pick the nominee before the rest of the crowd has a chance to line up any opposition that would stand a chance.

On the Republican side, the talk of Dewey and Taft, et al., is decidedly premature. No one can tell what party member might develop leadership during the next twenty months, or who will capture popular fancy by sound political strategy. All that we can do is to watch developments. It is not yet apparent whether the course of the Republican minority will veer toward liberalism or "old guardism." Until that is to be certain, the candidate is bound to be unknown.

The conference in Lima is underway, with Secretary Hull and the other American delegates, including former Governor Landon, looking out for the interests of the United States. It should be remembered that, in such a parley, the United States has only one vote and policies may be approved that would seriously injure this country. Naturally, the Latin-Americans will strive to get all that they can secure for as little as possible. At any rate, the United States is trying to play a sane cooperative hand at this time and we will have to see what response it gets. It may be necessary, in the future, to have a showdown with some of the republics and let them know that the United States, while willing to undertake the major part of the hemisphere's job, is not going to do it all.

In the Far East the commercial interests of this country are at the mercy of the Japanese army invading China. Without regard to treaty rights the Japanese have assumed control and it is plain that the future policy of the island empire will include dominant rights. What the United States will do about it, we do not know. Our diplomatic notes mean little or nothing to the Japanese. If the nation has any rights that it intends to protect in regards to China the national backbone will have to be stiffened and something more than notes offered for the consideration of the ruling clique in Japan.

Along this line, it is apparent that Japan, Italy and Germany are working together in their aggressive policies. These three powers do not admit an alliance, held together by the hope of booty, but their acts in the past few years demonstrate a common policy. Thus they are able to ignore the protests of any single power and so long as they can keep other nations from getting together, in a common policy to protect identical rights, the era of plunder is without any barrier.

Molasses-Grass Silage Used on Mountain Farm

A possible solution to one of the major problems of the South-eastern dairy farmer is reported by J. C. Lynn, farm agent of the State College Extension Service in Mitchell County. Lynn has cooperated with S. T. Henry, operator of a small commercial dairy in the mountainous section of Mitchell County, to conduct an experiment in preserving grasses and legumes as silage.

Mr. Henry cut the grasses and legumes in June and late August and filled a 70-ton upright stove silo with an ensilage made from the grasses and legumes, mixed with molasses. Lynn reports it is keeping well, especially where the grasses and legumes were matted before they wilted, and that the cows are eating it with unusual appetite.

Milk flow has been remarkably well maintained and the herd has kept in excellent condition, the farm agent says. Next season Mr. Henry intends to do a similar experiment with some other silage ingredients and to compare the results with those of the present silage.

WALSTONBURG NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jenkins were Raleigh visitors Monday. Mrs. Carl T. Hicks and Mrs. W. A. Marlowe were Goldsboro visitors Thursday.

Mrs. W. E. Lang and Miss Lillian Corbett were Wilson visitors Wednesday.

Rev. and Mrs. L. B. Scarborough of Rocky Mount, visited friends here Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Gay were Wilson visitors Tuesday.

Regular Church Services will be held in the Christian Church Sunday morning, Christmas tree and program Sunday evening, 7:30 o'clock. The public is cordially invited.

MISS MARGARET DAVIS HONOURED AT BRIDGE

Mrs. Ray West, Jr., entertained at a lovely bridge party Wednesday night at her new home, honoring Miss Margaret Davis, bride-elect. The living room was decorated with bows of holy and poinsettias. In the dining room a Christmas tree centered the table.

Contract bridge was enjoyed and after the games the hostess presented Miss Davis with a silver sugar spoon in her pattern. Miss Margaret Speight, bride elect, was given linen towels, and Mrs. Beck, a bride of early winter, was given linen towels also.

Block cream and individual cakes with Christmas design along with mints, were served to the guests.

GIVES SHOWER FOR BRIDE ELECT

Miss Margaret Condon, Ruth Jenkins, Jamie Love, Elaine Strickland, Sudie Lee Diddy, Geneva Dale, Bou-lah Honsley, Margaret McKinney and Mrs. W. V. Nix were joint hostesses at a shower on December 13, at the Walstonburg Teachers' home honoring Miss Margaret Davis, bride-elect of the month.

The living room and dining room were thrown en suite were beautifully decorated in the spirit of Christmas. Holly wreaths adorned the doors and windows. At the foot of the stairs a lighted Christmas tree threw a cherry glow over the room.

Mrs. Carlos Walston played the piano as the guests arrived. Each guest on entering registered in the "Bride's Book."

Mrs. Ivy Smith gave a reading "Before The Party."

Jamie Marlowe then rendered a musical reading, "That Old Sweetheart of Mine." She was accompanied by Miss Jennie Love at the piano.

Little Miss Emma Jean Reddick sang "Says My Heart," accompanied by Miss Margaret Condon. Miss Condon played the wedding march from "Lohengrin" as little Miss Doris Wheeler and Jimmy Beaman entered as a miniature bride and groom. The little bride was attired in white satin with the customary veil of tulle and orange blossoms. Holding the train was little Miss Nita Marie Sutton dressed in pink net.

The little couple led Miss Davis and the guests to the gift room where many lovely gifts had been displayed. As the guest came back into the living room a delicious salad course with hot coffee was served.

The guests then departed extending best wishes to the bride.

Vetch Is Becoming Popular As Legume

Dare county is generally looked upon as a section of beaches, fishing and pogeants. But it also is becoming a profitable farming county through the teachings of County Farm Agent C. W. Overman of Mantoloking, says Enos C. Blair, agronomist of the State College Extension Service.

Overman is encouraging the growth of winter legumes, especially vetch, to provide more fertile soil, Blair reports. Several Dare County

STATE COLLEGE ANSWERS TIMELY FARM QUESTIONS

Question: What is the best fertilizer to use on newly planted fruit trees?

Answer: One-half pound of nitrate of soda or its equivalent should be used on apple and nut trees the first year and one-quarter pound of soda on the peach, pear, plum, and cherry trees. If the commercial 5-7-5 mixture is used the application would be two pounds for the apple and nut trees the first year and one pound for the peach, pear, plum, and cherry trees. The fertilizer can be applied at any time during the dormant season up to within a month of blooming time.

Question: How much skim milk, clabber, or buttermilk can be used as substitutes in the laying mash?

Answer: This depends upon the amount available on the farm. If 3 gallons are available each day, this amount may be used as a substitute for all the dried milk products, one-half the fish meal, and one-half the meat meal recommended in the mash required for 100 hens. One gallon may be used in place of the dried milk products each day for 100 hens. The success of these substitutions will depend upon the regularity of the feeding and, if an ample supply is not available at all times, no substitutions should be made.

Question: When should lettuce plants be set in the field?

Answer: For the early spring crop in Eastern North Carolina the plants should be set in January and early February. In the upper Piedmont and lower Mountain sections the plants are set in the field in late February and early March. Much care should be taken in transplanting lettuce to the field. The tap roots should be set straight in the ground and the plants set to about the depth they grew in the bed. Do not cover the growing bud and do not set weak or diseased plants. Early planting is necessary as lettuce that does not mature before hot weather is usually of poor quality and often does not head at all.

farmers grow vetch last winter and turned it under in the spring, and this year the number of farmers growing vetch and the acreage of the legume have more than doubled.

Blair says this can be accounted for by such demonstrations as the one recently completed by M. M. Sawyer of Mann's Harbor in Dare County. Last fall Mr. Sawyer sowed half of his field to vetch and left the other half without a legume. The yield of corn where no vetch was planted was 18 bushels per acre, but where vetch was turned under the yield was 32 bushels to the acre. The field is a sandy soil, with little organic matter, and very little natural fertility. The corn planted was a local white variety, and it was all fertilized with 400 pounds of 4-8-4 per acre.

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