

FARM ITEMS

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With the coming of Fall, you will be thinking about getting your small grain planted. The varieties recommended by the Experiment Station and the Extension Service are constantly changing because of new developments, new diseases, etc. For 1954, there is little change from the previous recommendations. There are many new varieties being tested that show a lot of promise, but have not stood the test of time long enough for the grain specialists to recommend them.

The varieties recommended for the 1954 fall planting are as follows: Wheat - Anderson, Atlas 50, Atlas 66, and Coker 47-27; Oats - Arlington, Victrograin 48-93, Fulgrain, Fulwood, and Woodgrain; and Barley - Davie and Colonial 2. It will be a good while before you start thinking about sowing your small grain, but this information is being given to you so you will have time to look around and get the seed you want.

Small grain is becoming more important in Hoke County annually. It might be helpful for you to pay more attention to varieties in the future.

Bluecomb disease has been more prevalent in poultry flocks throughout the State this year than previously. This disease is worse during hot humid weather of the summer and fall than at any other time.

The best way to keep from having this disease in your flock is to practice good management. Grain containing more than 26% moisture should not be used as poultry feed. During hot weather, grain feeding can be reduced and the birds should have cool, well ventilated houses if they are confined. They should have shade if they are on the range.

Give your birds plenty of cool, fresh water daily. Most of the calls I have been on this summer about poultry diseases have shown me that the majority of flocks did not get sufficient cool, clean water to maintain good health. This is especially true in family size laying flocks. It will be well

to add some extra waterers if your chickens show signs of suffering from the heat.

There are some common drugs - Aureomycin and Terramycin - that have been effective for the treatment of bluecomb disease. Treatment in the water is more effective than the same treatment in the feed. The reason for this is when your birds are sick they usually have a fever. Feverish birds eat very little and drink a lot of water. It is easy to get more medicine in the bird through the drinking water than in the feed.

Another thing that I have run into in vaccinating chickens and in making other contacts with flock owners is the unusually rough treatment in handling and moving birds. Generally speaking, you handle your tobacco as the old saying goes "with kid gloves". Your chickens are much more sensitive, but very little attention is paid to how they are handled. Picking up a pullet by one wing or a handful of feathers and throwing her over the fence is likely to make the difference of whether she grows into a good layer or not.

Strawberries are one of the favorite foods of many people. Most gardens in Hoke County should have a strawberry bed. They are easy to grow and they are easy to freeze or otherwise preserve for eating after the growing season is over.

This hot, dry weather is the kind that kills strawberries which are extremely shallow rooted plants. There are several ways you can help prevent this. The best way, of course, is to irrigate your beds once a week when it is needed. A thorough application of about one inch of water a week is better than several light waterings.

Weeds compete for water and in many cases can get more water out of your soil than your garden plants. It stands to reason that the removal of weeds will increase the number of strawberries you will harvest next spring.

There are two reasons that we continually talk about mulching strawberries. One is that mulching conserves water, and second it reduces weed competition.

Another thing you can do to help your strawberries is to re-

move the runners that grow between now and fall. These new runners will have very few berries, if any. They will only compete for fertilizer and moisture with your berry producing runners that were grown this spring.

Fertilize your beds now with whatever kind of fertilizer you have on hand providing it is fairly well balanced. The recommended fertilizer is one gallon of 8-8-8 per 100 feet of row. This will amount to about 700 pounds per acre if you have a large size bed. Strawberry fruit buds are being formed, and they need nourishment now.

Alvin Robertson, who lives in the Ashley Heights section, is harvesting his tobacco with a new harvesting machine. This machine will harvest about two barns a day with nine workers providing everything goes just right. The one Mr. Robertson is using was made to accommodate four primers, 2 stringers, and one driver who also takes off sticks.

The handlers are automatically eliminated because the tobacco is taken on a chain directly from the primers to the stringers. It also eliminates your truck drivers and a lot of loose motion in changing tobacco from one operation to the other.

Mr. Robertson found that it increased the speed of his machine considerably to add extra stringers; so he widened the platform on the machine and now has four stringers instead of two.

As far as I know, this is the latest tobacco harvester that has been put in operation in Hoke County.

Since it is time to work on the summer management of your strawberries, the bulletin featured this week in the County Agent's office is Extension Circular No. 333 - "Small Fruit Culture for Home Gardeners". This bulletin includes the culture of dewberries, red raspberries, black raspberries, and strawberries.

Nation Saluting Your Garden Vegetables

"I am particularly happy to salute the great army of Ameri-

can Vegetable Growers during this special week in their honor. My best wishes go with all of them."

That's what President Eisenhower had to say recently in observing National Vegetable Week, July 29 to August 7. Actually the purpose of this national week is to acquaint more persons with the uses of vegetables.

You, for example, can add sparkle to your health by putting the vegetables in your garden to work. Shlads are an excellent way to get your needed servings of vegetables each day.

Virginia Wilson, State College nutritionist, suggests serving crisp salad greens with cooked or uncooked fruits and vegetables. "If they're raw," she adds, "so much the better. Cooking destroys some vitamins and washes out minerals."

Getting your family to eat well these hot summer days may be something of a problem, but eye-appeal may do a lot to perk up those lagging appetites. And according to Miss Wilson, one of the easiest ways to get color into your meals is to use green and yellow vegetables - carrots, squash, spinach, beans, peas, and salad greens of all kinds.

And there is a definite connection between the color of some foods and their value to your body. Those deep yellow or green in color have more vitamin A value in the body than the pale colorless ones. Green leaf lettuce, yellow squash, corn or peaches, will furnish your body with more vitamin A than the bleached or white varieties.

LEGALS

NOTICE

North Carolina
Hoke County
Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain Deed of Trust executed by Ike McKay and wife, Ida McKay, and Herbert McKay, single, to R. F. Hoke Pollock, Trustee dated the 15th day of March, 1954, and recorded in Book of Mortgages 98, at page 123, in the office of the Register of Deeds of Hoke County, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured, and the said Deed of Trust being by the terms thereof subject to fore-

closure, the holder of the indebtedness thereby secured having demanded a foreclosure thereof for the purpose of satisfying said indebtedness, the undersigned Trustee will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the Courthouse door in Raeford, North Carolina, at twelve (12:00) o'clock, noon, on the 24th day of August, 1954, the land conveyed in said Deed of

Trust, the same lying and being in Hoke County, North Carolina, and more particularly described as follows:

Being Lots No. 84 and 85 as shown on a Map of "Residence Lots of the W. L. Maultsby Property, Sanatorium, N. C.," recorded in Book of Maps No. 2 at page 243, Hoke County Registry together with all improvements thereon. Being the same land con-

veyed to the parties of the first part by Deed dated Nov. 8, 1948, from Evan Harris and wife, Bessie Harris, duly recorded in Deed Book 90, page 28.

The above described property will also be sold subject to taxes, special assessments and other liens of record.

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