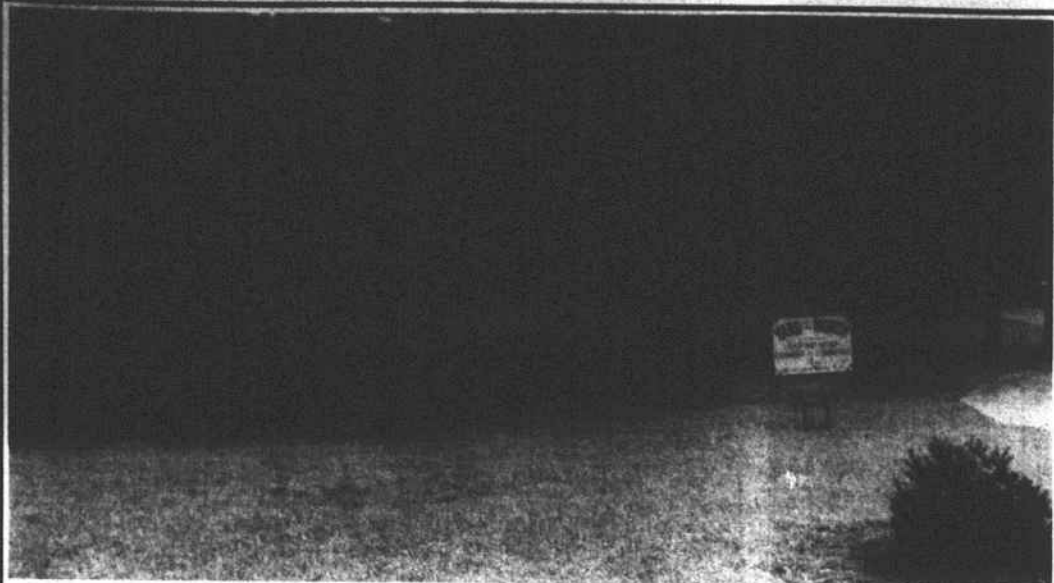


Lifestyles



Yard of the Month

The yard surrounding the home of Jean and Bill Adcox on East Donaldson Avenue in Raeford was chosen by judges from the Raeford Jr. Woman's Club and the Raeford-Hoke Chamber of Com-

merce as the Yard of the Month for June. Yards are judged on neatness and overall appearance. Judging takes place on the last Sunday of the month through September.

Wood heat adds to cleaning

North Carolinians with a fireplace or woodburning stove may have a special spring cleaning problem.

Paneling and wood furniture may be covered with a thin layer of grime.

Clean greasy grime with a wax that cleans as it polishes. Or try a three-to-one mixture of turpentine and boiled linseed oil applied with a lint-free cloth.

If the wood is in particularly bad shape, apply the turpentine and

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linseed oil mixture with 0000 steel wool, rubbing with the grain. Then wipe the wall down with a clean cloth.

If this doesn't work, try a mild

detergent like dishwashing liquid and water. Keep the water to a minimum and be sure to rinse and dry. Never use water on shellac; it will turn the finish white.

A mild scouring powder cleans better, but it removes some of the gloss. Never use a coarse powder.

If there are pencil, crayon and scuff marks along the paneling, try a mixture of fine pumice and boiled linseed oil applied with fine steel wool.

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Reagan tax plan affects farmers

Income tax reform has come to pass nearly every year over the past decade. The Reagan plan is indeed "revolutionary," and the Congressional commotion in the tax area will likely continue for months.

Most of the recommended system would take effect in 1986. Some farmers may not view the tax reform as progress - depending on their economic state of affairs. Here are some of the specific "corrections" contained in the Reagan plan.

The investment and rehabilitation tax credits would be repealed after this year. The Federal Government will no longer share part of the cost of capital replacement with profitable businesses.

Capital gains treatment would no longer apply to sales of breeding and dairy livestock or depreciable assets. I take for granted these sales will still be excluded from "self-employment" income and the unrelenting self-employment tax. The exclusion of 60% of long-term gains would drop to 50% after June 30, 1986.

Income averaging would no longer be available under the President's proposal, and soil and water conservation provisions would be phased out. Farm businesses grossing \$5 million will have to use the accrual accounting method.

Costs of raising breeding and dairy animals to maturity must be capitalized rather than expensed, as must vines and fruit trees. This would add a major complication to bookkeeping for dairymen and livestock producers.

Depreciation write-offs were examined and made even more complicated. The write-off periods

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would range from 5 to 29 years, instead of 3 to 19. The amount of depreciation the first year would depend on the month the item is placed in service. Instead of 3 and 5-year property, categories would expand to 5, 6, 7 and 8-year property.

And there's a clincher. The undepreciated balance would increase yearly with inflation. Take a seed drill with \$1,930 remaining to be depreciated after its first year. If the inflation rate for the second year is 5 percent, the depreciation base that year would rise \$96.50 5% of \$1,930 to \$2,026.50. Any tax savings here could be lost to additional charges by tax preparers, who would have to modify computer software, or add this step to manual calculations.

COTTON

Quite a few fields in Hoke County have been sprayed for spider mites. This is another dry weather-related problem. Reports indicate that the observed damage is the result of a mixed infestation of spider mites and thrips. In general, the crop is rated fair to good and has improved after receiving some much-needed rain.

PEACH UPDATE

The extremely cold January weather weakened peach trees. The dry spring has hurt trees in light,

sandy soils. If possible, irrigate trees whenever extended dry periods occur to prevent further stress to the trees.

Cold damaged trees are more susceptible to many wood-boring insects and wood-rotting fungi. Orchard sanitation, i.e., burning prunings and brush piles can aid in reducing the incidence of infestation.

Peach tree borer sprays can be started this summer about August 1, depending on orchard location and monitoring results. Recommended chemical are: Thiodan 50WP (3.0 lbs/100 gal), OR Thiodan 2EC (3.0 qt/100 gal) OR Lorsban 4EC (3.0 qt/gal). Hand-gun application of the borer spray is advised.

Now is the time (May-June) to spray for the crawler stage of white peach scale. A recommended chemical treatment is parathion 15WP (2.0 lb/100 gal).

McNair finishes automotive course

Pvt. 1st Class Anthony O. McNair, son of Willie McNair of Rural Route 1, Red Springs, has completed the Army automotive repair course at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland.

The course included troubleshooting, repair, replacing, adjusting, and maintaining the mechanical, electrical, air and hydraulic systems plus other major components and assemblies of wheeled and tracked vehicles.

McNair is scheduled to serve at Fort Stewart, Ga.

He is a 1978 graduate of Hoke County High School.

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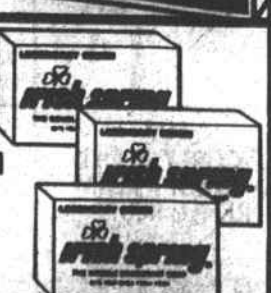
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