

NEBO VALLEY NEWS

By H. Y. Belk

The Honorable Claud Webb, after traveling from Maine to California and all over Dixieland, declares the city of Kings Mountain is the best place to live. We knew that Claud.

Capt Harley Wells called to see your reporter Friday and took him home with him for supper. The guests present were Capt. Earl Wells and wife, John Stewart, Ed Patterson, Lee Ormand and Mr. and Mrs. Quinn Wells. They really gave the old man a good meal.

Mrs. Francis Barrett is visiting her son in Dallas, Texas, for several weeks.

Met Hord Herndon in the city Saturday morning. He looks fresh and good as ever.

Most every one out this way has a bad cold or fixing to take it.

Lets start looking for Xmas and quit hunting so much fat back.

Some of my wishful friends say they hay fat back in the store. She

Martin ought to fire me. He can't. I've been there longer than he has. He don't want to nohow—he likes my conduct.

I was just ruminating. I can't remember seeing a peg-legged woman or but one or two one-armed women. They seem to be better favored than men. I've met several bald-headed men but a few bald-headed gals. They used to wear wigs. I wish there was some way to stop hair from growing on the head. What would the barbers do? Well, they would have to go to work like the rest of us.

A South Dakota judge sentenced two men to learn to read. It's cruel punishment if they have to read some of the stuff now printed.

I hate to meet a fool in this modern age with a ten month school on every hill. Lots that can't read. Foolish parents don't send their brats to school. They might get something inside of the head. They have plenty on the outside.

In passing up the street I met a lady coming out of Keeter's store. She works for Keeter. I asked her if

promptly said No. Then I met Mrs. Mary Goforth. I said do you know what I was talking to that lady about? I asked her if they had any fat back in Keeter's. Mrs. Goforth said, What did she say, oh, she gave me a negative answer. Every store in town does that.

The kettle can't call the pot black neither can one call him perfect.

The ancient people of the Old World believed that the corn plant was a direct gift handed down from the gods to man. They may not have been so far wrong.

Hybrid corn is one of the purest products of ingenuity assisted by the peculiar anatomy of the corn plant itself. Corn, unlike other grasses and grains, bears not one but two different flowers on the same stalk. The male flower is the tree-like tassel at the top which sheds pollen. The female flower is the shoot, lower down on the stalk tufted with corn silks. The pollen from the tassel falls on the stick corn silk, fertilizing the female flower which develops into the mature ear. Each kernel of corn is produced by one microscopic pollen germ.

Corn is being used for many medical purposes from the manufacture of penicillin, sulfa tablets and synthetic Vitamin C to riboflavin for bread enrichment, Diabetic foods. Lactic acid produced from corn is used a shock preventive in bad burns and bruises.

Talking to a soldier boy just back from the South Pacific—I bet you right now there's nothing but pictures of beautiful girls running through your mind, I said. Yep, answered the soldier; they don't dare walk

Sgt. John Bridges Serving In Japan

With The Eighth Army in Hako Date, Japan (Delayed) — Sergeant John R. Bridges, 29 years old of Kings Mountain, N. C., is an infantryman serving with the 11th Airborne Division. His unit, the 1st Bu. 187th Glider Infantry Regt., is stationed in Hakodate, Hokkaido, Japan, and his occupational duty is message center chief for his battalion.

Sgt. Bridges was inducted into the service at Fort Bragg, N. C., in January, 1945. After receiving his infantry basic training at Camp Croft, S. C., he joined the 27th Infantry Division on Okinawa in July 1945. In December of that year, he transferred to the 11th Airborne Division at Sendia, Japan.

Prior to his induction into the Army, John was employed as a farmer, and at the present time plans on returning to his prewar occupation when he is discharged from the service. Having served in the Pacific Theater, Bridges has the following awards to his credit: the Asiatic Pacific ribbon, the Japanese Occupation ribbon, the Presidential Unit Citation, and the Good Conduct and Victory medals.

SOIL CONSERVATION NEWS

By Joe N. Craver and W. I. Shops

The Broad River soil conservation district recently had fish delivered for stocking the following farm fish ponds: Herman A. Beam of Fallston, N. C., C. C. Hays of Beaufort, N. C., and Waterl Davis Route 5 Shelby. The fish delivered at this time was blue gill bream, with the large mouth bass to be delivered next spring. These farm fish pond owners are following recommended fertilization practices recommended by the district.

F. C. McGinnis and L. B. Nolan Route 3, Shelby, who have adjoining farms, will seed permanent pastures on their respective farms this year. As a part of their soil conservation farm plans, they will use sericea lespedeza and kudzu as a vegetative protective cover for the water disposal area.

Much interest is being shown in the alfalfa throughout the county. Some of the farmers who have one or two acres in alfalfa are seeding additional acres in alfalfa. However, the larger amount of acreage is being put in by farmers who have never grown alfalfa before. J. W. Canipe Dedmon community, H. L. Green Bethlehem community, Charles Logan Mooresboro, F. C. Ware Patterson Grove community and many others are seeding this crop for the first time on their farms.

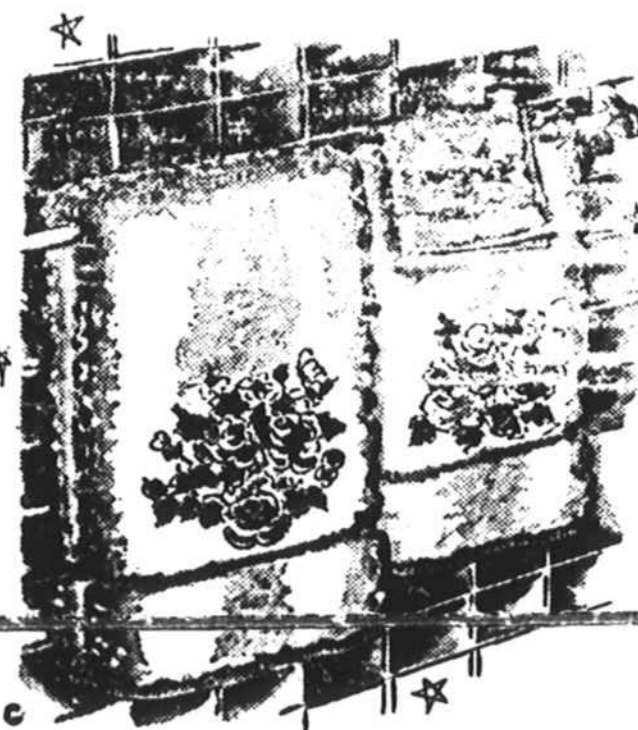
Charlie Adair near Waco recently placed an order for 2,000 pine seedlings which he will plant on some of steeper land. Charlie says: "I could use more woodland and would like to plant more to trees, but the amount of cropland is limited on my farm." The district will assist Charlie in working a soil conservation farm plan for his farm and in carrying out the practice set forth in the plan. Cline Wright and Lamar Cline of the Waco community are seeding several acres to pasture. Many farmers are finding that permanent pasture is the most economical and convenient source of cow feed. Besides its value as animal feed, grass is one of the best conservers of soil and moisture.

The State Hospital Farm at Goldsboro will renovate a Dallis-Mermuda pasture by fertilizing, liming, and seeding. Ladino clovers, orchard grass and lespedeza will be added in late February, following dising.

Autumn leaves, when well rotted make an excellent topdressing for lawns and gardens. They can also be used as a mulching material.

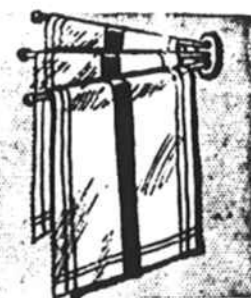
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