

**Union Man Heads
In Wheat Contest**

A Union County farmer, Cam T. Cook, route 5, Monroe, currently is leading in a contest to determine the 1949 wheat-growing champion of North Carolina, according to Dr. E. R. Collins, in charge of agronomy extension at State College.

Cook produced 128.5 bushels of the new Atlas wheat on four acres of land, his average yield being 34.1 bushels per acre or approximately double the State average.

Any farmer in the State is eligi-

ble to enter the contest, Dr. Collins said. Growers should ask county agents to have their yields checked, so that all records may be completed and forwarded to State College by July 15.

Although no prize has been set up for the State champion, township winners in each county will be given first chance to buy six bushels of Atlas-50 or Atlas 86 wheat recently released by the Agricultural Experiment Station.

Cook obtained Atlas seed for his crop from the North Carolina Crop Improvement Association and sowed it October 15. The wheat followed cotton which had been heavily

fertilized and which had been preceded by a heavy crop of crimson clover turned under. Fertilizer applied on the wheat included 400 pounds per acre of 2-12-12 at planting and 100 pounds per acre of 20-1-2 per cent nitrogen top-dressing material the last of February.

**Over 5,000 Expected
At Farm, Home Week**

More than 5,000 Tar Heel farmers and homemakers are expected to gather on the State College campus in Raleigh early next month for what promises to be the most outstanding Farm and Home Week program ever held in North Carolina, John W. Goodman, assistant director of the State College Extension Service, said this week.

The four-day annual event not held last year because of a polio epidemic, will begin with registration on Monday, August 8, and continue until Thursday night, August 11, when Bob Hawk, national radio show quiz-master, will preside over a grand finale contest during which more than \$5,000 worth of farm machinery and equipment will be given away.

Secretary of Agriculture, Charles F. Brannan, author of the much-discussed Brannan farm program, will headline a list of notable speakers for the occasion. He will address a joint session of men and women on Tuesday night.

Other featured speakers will be Governor Scott, himself a farmer and former county agent; Rep. Harold D. Cooley of Nashville, chairman of the House Agriculture Committee; Mrs. Camille McGhee Kelly of Memphis, Tenn., one of the best-known juvenile court judges in the nation; and Mrs. Raymond Sayre, president of Associated Country Women of the World.

Congressman Cooley will speak on proposed national farm legislation and will participate in a round table discussion on the same subject with Dr. J. H. Hilton, dean of the State College School of Agriculture; L. Y. Ballentine, State agriculture commissioner; R. Flake Shaw, executive secretary of the North Carolina Farm Bureau; Harry B. Caldwell, master of the State Grange; G. T. Scott, State director of Production and Marketing Administration; E. B. Garrett, State soil conservationist; and Dr. I. O. Schaub, director of the State College Extension Service.

**Cull Non-Layers
Urges Farm Agent**

Hens that don't pay their board have no place in a laying flock, County Agent Ben Jenkins of the State College Extension Service told Cleveland county farmers this week.

He urged flock owners to cull all early moulters and broody hens as a means of insuring the most efficient egg production and reducing feed costs.

Mr. Jenkins explained that the peak of the egg production season is now past, and that broody hens will consume as much feed as producing hens. Moreover, he added, early moulters are notoriously poor egg producers, since they take longer to moult than those that start late, and are non-producers for longer periods than late summer and early fall moulters.

Meanwhile, in Atlanta, Harry Wise, poultry marketing specialist of the Production and Marketing Administration's Poultry Branch, gave strong backing to the local county agent's advice.

"It's just plain good business," Wise declared, "to stop keeping the hens that aren't keeping you. The markets are short on good fat hens, and prices are good. All two-year old hens should be culled and their places in the farm flocks given to young birds. It's an accepted fact that pullets are more profitable layers than hens. Now that hot weather is here, extra care should be taken to insure that eggs are gathered frequently, properly stored, and marketed under the best possible conditions. Better eggs will mean better prices."

Of the two-year-old hens, County Agent Jenkins said "such birds are probably producing so few eggs now that the weather has turned hot that they are not paying their feed bill." He advised flock owners to look for birds whose beaks and shanks have begun turning yellow. He also advised producers to handle hens at night while they are on the roost, and to pick out the ones whose pelvic bones are close together and are not flexible.

a near-record carryover from the previous season and, as a result, retail supplies are considerable larger than usual.

Good quality honey supplies are plentiful, Miss Brashers said, though the best buys are in the large containers—5 to 60 pound cans.

Canned peaches, apricots, and mixed fruits, especially fruit cocktail, are on the July list, along with fresh plums. California's plum crop this year probably will be the second largest in history, and shipments should reach some Southern markets.

Persistent indigestion is one of the "seven danger signs" of cancer. Write your nearest American Cancer Society office or AACCS, 47 Beaver Street, New York City for booklet on how to guard against cancer.

Cancer will claim the lives of 18,000,000 of the present population of the United States if present death rates continue, according to the American Cancer Society.

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MONDAY & TUESDAY—July 11 & 12
"TUNA CLIPPER"
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**Wide Selection
Foods Available**

July shoppers will find a wide selection of foods on the U. S. Department of Agriculture's plentiful foods list for Southern markets, says Miss Una Brashers, home demonstration agent for the State College Extension Service.

Producers are culling inefficient hens from laying flocks and sending many heavy birds to market, in addition to already plentiful supplies of broilers and fryers. The 1949 production of broilers and fryers is the greatest in history.

Commercial fish landings are usually heavy in July, and markets should offer buyers a choice of either fresh or frozen fish.

Cottage cheese is a newcomer to the plentiful list, the home agent said. The fat content of cottage cheese is low, which makes it low in calories in relation to other nutrients and, therefore, well suited for people looking for a nourishing food that is not fattening.

Dried beans and peas, peanut butter, and eggs also are reported plentiful, while the vegetable trio for the month will be cabbage, canned corn, and Irish potatoes. More sweet corn was packed in 1948 than in any previous year. Markets already had

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FRIDAY LAST SHOWING
"Kissing Bandit"
in color
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News

SATURDAY
Double Feature Program
"Tenting Tonight on the Old Camp Ground"
Johnny Mack Brown
Tex Ritter
also
"Inner Sanctum"
Charles Russell
Mary Beth Hughes
Cartoon

MONDAY & TUESDAY
"Mating of Millie"
Glenn Ford-Evelyn Keyes
News—Comedy

WEDNESDAY
Double Feature Program
"CASABLANCA"
Humphry Bogart
also
"Law of the Golden West"
Monte Hale
Cartoon

THURSDAY & FRIDAY
"Bride of Vengeance"
John Lun-Paula Goddard
News—Cartoon
Late Show Friday 10:30

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Friday, July 8
Double Feature & Cartoon
"THE TRAP"
Sidney Toler as Charlie Chan
"VALLEY OF FEAR"
Johnny Mack Brown
Raymond Hottel

Saturday, July 9
"THE HUNTED"
Preston Foster and Belita
Comedy and Cartoon

Sunday, July 10
"MOTHER WORE TIGHTS"
Betty Grable—Dan Dailey
News and Cartoon

Mon. & Tues. July 11 & 12
"A SOUTHERN YANKEE"
Red Skelton • Brian Donlevy

Wed. & Thurs. July 13 & 14
"IT HAPPENED ON FIFTH AVENUE"
Victor Moore—Ann Harding
News and Cartoon

Friday, July 15
Double Feature
"THE SECRET LAND"
in color
Men and Ships of the U. S. Navy in Color with Robert Taylor and Robert Montgomery
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