

# Staff DEEDS

by Mildred Morris

News items this week from Transylvania, Washington, Nash, Wilkes, Richmond, and Columbus counties.

### LEMON TREE

Seven years ago, Mrs. Helen Huggins of the Cherryfield Community, Transylvania County, planted some lemon trees. According to Roy Ramsey, assistant agricultural extension agent, she now has two lemon trees; about 8 feet high. One tree is bearing fruit.

"During the winter she has to keep the trees in the house," Ramsey said. "But they are planted in the lawn the rest of the year."

### LEARN ABOUT COLOR

After studying the sources of color, homemakers in Washington County have the knowledge to plan and combine colors that will be satisfying, easy to live with, and up-to-date, Mrs. Frances Darden, home economics extension agent, believes.

One homemaker, Mrs. Raymond Styons, said, "With this information I feel confident about working out my colors for painting and furnishing my living room."

### REFINISHING FURNITURE

"Women don't have a corner on the market when it comes to refinishing furniture," Mrs. Agnes Safy, home economics extension agent, Nash County, reports. "R. B. Freeman of the Philadelphia Community has the bug."

He recently acquired a desk from a neighbor and planned to use it in his store office. But his wife had other ideas. She thought it would add beauty to their den—if it was refinished. So, Mr. Freeman refinished the desk; using information from the county Extension office as a guide. Now, the desk occupies a prominent place in the Freeman den, but it makes an old painted washstand stick out like a sore thumb. Mr. Freeman is taking care of that. His second refinishing project—the old washstand.

### HUNTING SAFETY

Wilkes County 4-Hers are going to learn hunting safety, Carolyn Wenzel, assistant home economics extension agent, notes. Last fall, questionnaires were sent to the various clubs, asking what activities members and leaders would like to see organized on a county level. Rifle safety won.

"Starting in April, Claude Newton, a qualified National Rifle Association instructor, will teach two courses in hunting safety," Miss Wenzel says.

### INSECT PROBLEM

"Among the low-income families of Richmond County, household insects are a major problem," Mrs. Grace Sox, assistant home economics extension agent, states. Efforts are being made to control them.

Some high school principals have sent Youth Corps boys into these houses to spray with chlordane. In most instances, spraying has helped control the pests. "Plans are being made to keep insects in check," Mrs. Cox says.

### DECORATING TIPS

By GENE TIMMS

#### IT'S A GOOD IDEA TO RE-EXAMINE YOUR FURNITURE

There's a definite need for periodic examination of the furniture in your home.

Very often we are so close to it, and we get so used to that which we use daily and constantly, that we don't notice how ill-looking some of the old pieces may have become.

Many people develop a sentimental or nostalgic attachment to certain pieces of furniture and overlook the fact that their condition or usefulness may not be what they once were.

To keep your home nice-looking and comfortable, it's a smart idea to take a close, objective look at your furniture from time to time in each room of your house.

In the bedroom, you may want to replace your old dresser with one that contains the much needed drawer space you've always wanted. You may want to change to a king-size or queen-size bed.

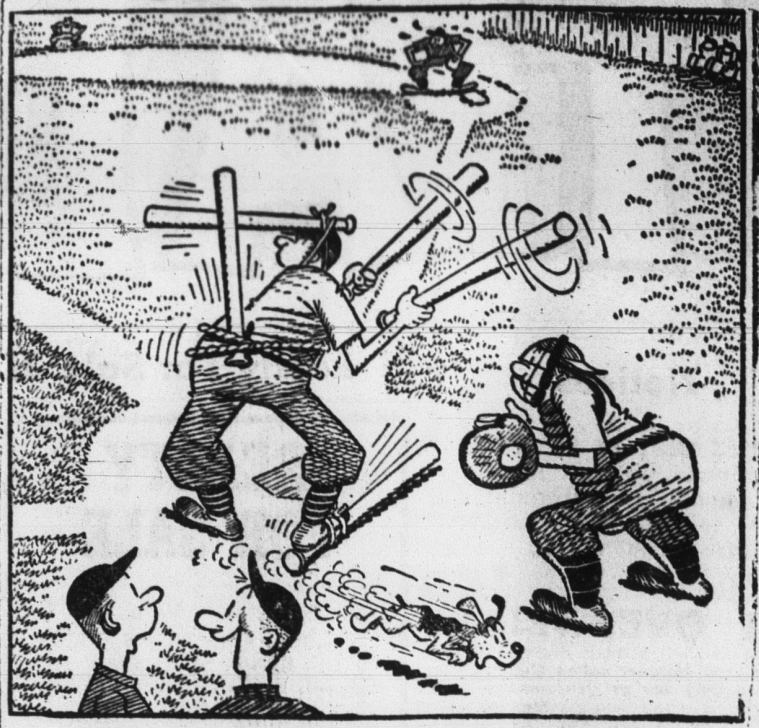
Re-examine your dining area. Is it so crowded when used that you find it almost impossible to get around the table to serve your guests?

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## This Is The Law

By ROBERT E. LEE  
(For the N. C. Bar Association)  
AUTO RACE TRACK

This is the first of a spring series of articles that will appear weekly during the next three months. They have been written for the non-lawyer as a public service of the North Carolina Bar Association.

Is the operator or owner of an automobile race track liable if a paying customer is injured by one of the racing cars?

The general rule is that the operator or owner of an automobile race track is charged with the duty of exercising reasonable care, under the circumstances present, for the safety of the patrons; that is, a care commensurate with the known or foreseeable danger.

The operator is not an insurer of the safety of the spectators. He is liable only when it can be shown that he has failed to exercise reasonable care to make the place provided for spectators reasonably safe.

If the need is obvious or experience shows that an automobile race of the particular character and in the place proposed requires, in order to afford reasonable protection to spectators, the erection of fences or similar barriers between the track and the places assigned to them, it becomes a part of the duty of ex-

ercising ordinary care to do so. The type and character of the fence or barricade often depends upon the custom of other race tracks operated under similar circumstances.

When premises are leased for a public use the owner is charged with liability if a member of the public, rightfully on the premises, is injured because of a defective or dangerous condition that was known to the lessor or by reasonable inspection might have been known at the time of the leasing.

The average woman is said to like to go to lectures more than the average man. Probably because he gets his at home.

There's a laugh in it when a laundry loses a towel you got at a motel.

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