

# State College Open House Planned for H. S. Students

Wayne county will be represented at the big open house being sponsored by the School of Agriculture at State college Saturday, according to G. Mark Goforth, county agricultural agent, and D. W. Kneeshaw, New Hope agricultural teacher.

Goforth says the open house has been planned to acquaint high

school students and their parents with some of the career opportunities offered by agricultural sciences and businesses.

Guided tours of laboratories and demonstrations will be the chief open house feature. Other activities will include a "chat" by State college Chancellor John T. Caldwell and a talk on college experiences by Bobby Cooke, student body president.

A special feature will be a preview of the 1960-61 basketball team by Coach Everett Case.

Mr. Goforth urged high school seniors and juniors to attend this open house. "It would be exceptionally nice for the boy and his father to attend together," he said.

"In case boys need transportation, be sure to contact your agricultural teacher or your county agent's office," Goforth said. "Both of these groups plan on taking some boys and will be glad to help arrange transportation. N. C. State college now has a two-year Agricultural course as well as the four-year course."



Many people think that there is nothing more breathtaking beautiful than the fall coloration in leaves. I am inclined to share this view. Others will say that one must not over-look the beauty of early spring with the tender new growth giving so many soft and lovely shades of green.

In the spring the plants are ending a period of rest and dormancy and are so eager to "break forth" that spring comes with a rush, when the days lengthen and the average temperature rises.

In contrast, the fall season approaches much more slowly as the plants prepare for the harvest season and again, for rest and dormancy to complete another growth cycle.

There is something about a pumpkin, the ringing of door bells and the small-fry with their "trick or treat" shenanigans.

The leaves are colored by various pigments. During the growing season most of them are green. This green color is caused by the presence of chlorophyll contained in the chloroplasts. There are also other colors present but these are obscured by the green color until late in the season when the reds and yellows appear as the green fades out.

In the autumn a layer of cells begins to mature at the base of the leaf stem. When this happens, transport of materials (water and nutrients) to and from the leaf is checked, the activity of the leaf is reduced and chlorophyll development slows down or the green pigment may be completely destroyed. This is when the other pigments, which were formerly masked, begin to dominate, giving the beautiful fall colors in wide variety for us to enjoy.

This a simple explanation of what occurs. What really happens would require the use of physiological and chemical terms in which many of my readers would not be interested.

### MAN LOSES BACKYARD

Los Angeles, Calif. — A man without a backyard is Horace Pena, of Los Angeles. He was watering the lawn behind his home when a wide hole opened to a dept of 25 feet. Pena scrambled out of the way. Later he learned that the hole was an old well.

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