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HALIFAX COUNTY FARM & HOME NEWS

— by the County Agents

Home Demonstration Department More Eggs Needed: Statistics show that North Carolina farms do not produce enough eggs for our own civilians each year much less the armed forces and defense area population within our borders. We North Carolinians bring many train loads of eggs that should be sent to the dehydrating plants. All overseas forces and our allies need dried eggs, and yet we are using them fresh here at home.

If Halifax County and the other counties in North Carolina would produce all the eggs we need in 1943, those we have been importing could go to the drying plants and help to supply the ever increasing demand for dried eggs. You as farmers and vacant lot owners can start now to do something about this. Now is the time to get your houses and equipment ready. That should be the first requirement. Then get good quality chicks, and feed and care for them properly. They should produce good pullets that will give your family all the fresh eggs it needs and a surplus to sell to those who cannot have chickens. Are you going to do your part in helping to send dried eggs to the boys in the Solomons?

Pruning: This is a good time to prune. Prune now while you have time, such things as grape vines and late summer and fall blooming shrubs. Among these are Crepe myrtle, Abelia, Butterfly Bush, Hardy Hydrangea, etc. **Spray:** Look your evergreens over for scale. If any is present during the first warm spell spray with a good mixture like orchard men use on peach or apple trees for scale. Enanymous, Pyraecantha, Capejasmine, and Camelia should be especially examined as they are very susceptible to scale.

Now Is The Time: Put all leaves and undiseased plant matter in a pile to rot. Add some superphosphate occasionally. When they are rotted they will help greatly with the fertilizer problem in your vegetable garden and around your shrubbery. Wood ashes are also good to use except around acid loving plants.

Try transplanting trees and shrubs now whenever you find the earth in good condition. It will be a big help to you next spring when there are a thousand other things to do, and the plants will have time to get thoroughly settled in the ground before spring winds and dry weather set in. When you transplant, remember that you must prune the plants if you expect them to live.

Food Boxes For Camp: The U. S. Bureau of Home Economics says that there is a lot of trouble with food boxes that families are sending to boys in the service. By all means send boxes but remember a few things when you do send them. Whether or not your gift is a success will depend on the food and the packing. Both must be able to stand heat and cold and to knocked about for at least ten days. The food should not be moist, easy to break, greasy or sticky. Food that is doubtful as chocolate, doughnuts, cheese or anything else that might soften with heat should be sealed in a waxed paper carton or tight tin. Never pack in glass.

Cookies that are firm but rather soft and thick ship better than brittle ones. Date bars and others with dried fruits ship well, also refrigerator cookies. Cookies

should be wrapped well and packed tightly. Salted nuts, fruit cake, travelers. Fudge may be made and dried fruits candies are good poured into a tin can to firm and shipped in the can. Many other things may be made and shipped similarly. If you do this send along a wooden spoon or cheap knife to use with the eating.

Do not forget to use a strong corrugated, or wood box and plenty of shredded paper or wood shavings. Also use strong cord and plain address. With these precautions, your boys should get a thrill and uplift whenever a package arrives from home. Send them often but send them in a way that the boys can eat the contents instead of sadly consign them to the garbage pail.

4-Hers at Work: The girls 4-H clubs in the county are now busy at work raising money to help in the North Carolina drive for the purchase of a 4-H Ambulance for the American Red Cross. Every county is asked to contribute \$15.00 as their part on the Ambulance. Extra funds beyond the purchase price of the Ambulance will be used for comfort kits.

Halifax County girls are expecting to exceed the small amount asked of them. Fine spirit these girls are showing and Halifax County is proud of them.

Soil Conservation Service

For the past few years a new summer legume has found a place in the improvement of our more sandy soil in the Coastal Plain Section. Yields of cotton and corn have increased and erosion has been slowed by the use of Crotalaria as either an interplanted legume with corn or broadcast in field planting.

Like soybeans, the earlier you plant crotalaria the better growth will be obtained and unlike soybeans this plant will make fair growth on lands termed dead due to depth of sand. Of course, the better the land the more growth will be obtained.

A. L. Garner, Route 1, Halifax, has for many years grown crotalaria with marked success. Mr. Garner, like many other farmers in Halifax County, values the improvement that Crotalaria has given some of his sandy land.

The two varieties of crotalaria most used in this section are spectabilis and striata. Of the two, the striata variety probably has the most promise. It is hoped that more farmers in Halifax County will take this short cut to land improvement in 1943. Ten pounds of seed broadcast over an acre of sandy land or three to five pounds sowed in rows around the middle of April and worked once or twice will give surprising results.

MRS. WOODRUFF ENTERTAINS

Mrs. Henry Woodruff entertained with a party at her home on Monroe Street last Saturday night honoring her daughter-in-law, Mrs. William Henry Woodruff of Topeka, Kansas. Refreshments were served to the following: Mesdames Coley Smith, C. M. Kirkland, Thomas Perkinson, Alice Cole, John Ingram, Ceve Vaughan, Frank Vaughan and Misses Merle Cole, Alease Bristowe, Gladys Smith and Bernice Smith, Messrs. Thomas Perkinson, Billie Brown, Henry Woodruff, Elton Woodruff and Rickey Perkinson.

Goldie Moore In Delta Psi Kappa Frat. At Brenau

Gainsville, Ga., Dec. 17 — Miss Goldie Moore, junior at Brenau College, and the daughter of Mr. M. M. Moore of Roanoke Rapids, was initiated into Delta Psi Kappa national honorary physical education fraternity, Sunday, December 6. A banquet was held at the Dixie Hunt Hotel, to celebrate the occasion.

Miss Moore is an active and popular student on Brenau campus.

Son Of City Man Due To Complete Officer Training

Sergeant Emmanuel Farber, son of William Farber, merchant of the city, who is attending Officer's Training School at Camp Lee, Va., expects to complete his course Friday.

Marshall S. Shaw In Medical Unit At Camp Robinson

Camp Robinson, Ark., Dec. 17 — Pvt. Marshall S. Shaw, of Garysburg, has been assigned for training to the Medical Replacement Training Center here. His training will embrace eight weeks, after which he will be assigned for duty to some Medical Department organization.

Sign Of Times!

Grace Fox, young white girl, was convicted in Warren County recorder's court last week of a charge of driving a team of mules while under the influence of intoxicants.

She was given a sentence of 18 months at the State prison farm for women, but judgment was deferred until this week if the girl left the county.

LITTLETON

Miss Fannie Newsom shopped in Roanoke Rapids last Friday.

Lt. Millard Perkinson of Lubbock, Texas, returned to his duties after a long visit with his family. Mesdames Julian Acree and W. J. Benton were in Roanoke Rapids Friday.

Mesdames Jessie Newsom and Hinton Pritchard motored to Roanoke Rapids one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Harmon of Newport News, Va., were here over the week end.

Miss Cora Lou Butts of Cole-rain spent the week end at the home of E. C. Bobbitt.

Mrs. Robert Manning and sons of Williamston were here for the week end visiting her mother.

Pvt. Herbert Robinson of Camp Butner visited his parents of near Littleton.

Bobby Jones and Spotswood Bower, both of Wake Forest College, arrived Saturday to spend the holidays with their respective parents.

That Extra Something!

...You can spot it every time

SUPPOSING you were Old Santa Claus. What a job you'd have! Chimneys waiting everywhere... youngsters' gift lists to be checked. The job certainly calls for that extra something.

You'd get tired and thirsty, too. You'd want that extra something in refreshment—ice-cold Coca-Cola. Well, you'd find it in many homes everywhere. You could help yourself at the icebox and be welcome.

You'd find thirst gone and refreshment arriving. You'd thrill to the taste so delicious and distinctive that it stands alone. You'd know you were enjoying all the quality that skill and choicest ingredients could put there. You'd find refreshment going quickly into energy. You'd be ready again to shout, "Ho, Prancer! Ho, Vixen..."

(You can pretend you're Santa. You don't have to pretend you're enjoying an ice-cold Coca-Cola. Have one!)



Happy moments at home are brighter when ice-cold Coca-Cola adds its life and sparkle. It's an old friend of the family ready to take off its cap and help out any time.

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