

### FSA Supervisor Attends Two-Day Electric School

The use and care of home electrical appliances and efficient wiring were among the subjects discussed at a meeting of FSA home management supervisors from 25 counties who met with representatives of Duke Power Co. at Hickory July 12 and 13, says Miss Mildred Sedberry, home supervisor for Watauga and Avery counties, who was among the group.

The meeting was arranged by Miss Margaret F. Fuller, area FSA home supervisor, in co-operation with Miss Charlotte Mobley, home service advisor for the Duke company, to enable county FSA home supervisors to give rural families better instruction. Discussions were led by Charlie Stone, Pool Tysinger, Joe Howard and Miss Mobley to help home supervisors to aid FSA borrowers using electrical appliances for the first time to adjust and repair them and adequately wire the home.

"Many practical things of everyday usefulness that can be passed along to FSA borrowers were learned at the meeting, which consumed a day and a half," said Miss Sedberry. "The importance of using the right size fuse and why fuses 'blow

out' were points especially stressed by the company officials."

The forenoon of the first day was devoted to a film on care and repair of equipment, an actual workshop session on repairing cords and plugs and cleaning, and a demonstration on the care of motors and other items not fully covered in the film. In the afternoon the film, "American Farms in Wartime", gave a general survey of poultry raising, dairying, feed production and household services. A general discussion on house wiring followed.

The session the second day was devoted to a film on nutrition, a discussion of laundry equipment, operational care of major appliances, modernization of old lamps and a summary of the program.

### METHODIST FUND IS OVER-SUBSCRIBED BY TWO MILLIONS

Chicago—The Methodist Church's "Crusade for Christ" seeking \$25,000,000 for war relief and reconstruction in the United States had been over-subscribed by nearly \$2,500,000, it was announced Friday.

Bishop J. Ralph Magee, head of the church in Chicago and chairman of the campaign, said more than \$18,000,000 in cash already had been received from members of the 41,000 Methodist churches in the United States.

### Biographical Sketch Of Dr. Herbert Spaugh

Dr. Herbert Spaugh, whose newspaper column, "The Everyday Counselor," has appeared in North Carolina newspapers for a number of years, has been on the editorial staff of the Charlotte News for 11 years. He has been pastor of The Little Church on the Lane (Moravian Episcopal) in Charlotte for 20 years, and has been actively identified in works for the spiritual, cultural and civic betterment of the city.

His column appears in The Democrat today.

He is a World War veteran, having been chaplain of Hornet's Nest Post No. 9, American Legion in Charlotte for 19 years. He is past president of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Ministerial Association, past president of the Mecklenburg chapter of the American Red Cross, past state chaplain of the American Legion, a member of the board of directors of the Mint Museum of Art, a member of the board of directors of the Charlotte Civitan Club, district chaplain of the Carolina District of Civitan Clubs, international chaplain of Civitan Clubs, a member of the board of school commissioners of Charlotte.

For five years, from 1933 to 1938, he conducted weekly broadcasts over Radio Station WBT. When he joined the editorial staff of the Charlotte News in 1933 he wrote a weekly religious feature called "Musings of a Minister," which likewise appeared in the Twin-City Sentinel in Winston-Salem.

Some years later this column was altered somewhat in style and length, and became a six-day feature, which has since appeared under the title "The Everyday Counselor" in a number of North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia and Georgia newspapers.

"The Everyday Counselor" column is non-sectarian in character and deals with everyday questions of life rather than abstract problems of theology. Dr. Spaugh endeavors to give personal reply to problem matters of personal and confidential nature when a self-addressed stamped envelope is enclosed.

Dr. Spaugh holds the earned scholastic degree of A.B., B.D. and M.A. In 1944 Davidson College conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Divinity. He married Miss Ida Efrid of Winston-Salem. They have two sons and one daughter. They live at 522 Moravian Lane, Charlotte.

### LIKES HILL COUNTRY

A newcomer to Blowing Rock, Mr. S. A. Spencer, of Naples, Fla., believes the mountains of Western North Carolina to be superlative in vacationland attractions. In writing to his host of friends this is the way he describes Watauga county:

"In Watauga county on the mountains so high, Where the weak grow strong and the old never die; Each morning you feel better and often wonder why You didn't move up sooner to this paradise in the sky.

"In Watauga county where everything beautiful grows, Mid laurel, rhododendron, or the blushing radiant rose; It's really a floral profusion from the mountain peak down, And it makes a beautiful setting for our little mountain town.

"In Watauga county where summer breezes blow, Where the moon is like a spotlight on the silver lake below; You feel like you're near heaven, then you realize with a shock You're in a beautiful earthly village and they call it Blowing Rock."

### WATAUGA COUNTY Farm Bureau News

By CLYDE R. GREENE

This is the beginning of a new feature in the old reliable Watauga Democrat which is the oldest business establishment in Boone. The first issue of The Democrat came out in 1888—57 years ago. Our newly organized Farm Bureau is, I suppose, the baby organization of Watauga county. However, we have already started to grow. We now have 65 members reported from 13 of the 15 townships of the county. Beaver Dam, Meat Camp and Stony Fork are tied for first place in membership—nine each. They are closely followed by Watauga with seven members.

The purposes of the Farm Bureau which has more than 900,000 farm family memberships in our nation and above 35,000 farm family memberships in North Carolina, may be briefly stated as follows:

1. To provide the farmers of the nation with the representation in Washington that they have needed since the beginning of our government. Our nation rests on three pillars—labor, industry and the farmers. Industry has been protected by the tariff and other agencies of government. Labor has been able in recent years to do right well in matters of national recognition and legislation. The farmers must organize and send able and conscientious representatives to take care of their interests before the national lawmakers and agencies of our government which has become so complicated that it taxes an expert to know what bureau or agency to approach on any given subject.

2. To provide information to the farmers as to the above problems as well as matters of production, distribution, prices, etc. To do this each member of the bureau will receive the Nation's Agriculture and the Farm Bureau News. Our knowledge governs our ability to better our position.

3. To give the farmers an agency through which to work for better conditions in their local communities, counties and states.

We have set our goal for 1945 at 250 members in Watauga county. Help Watauga County Farm Bureau to grow.

Captured Japanese airdromes are of little value to the U. S. forces because they are too small.

### Most Wounded Are Home From Europe

Washington — Virtually every wounded or sick American soldier in Europe who can be moved will have been brought home by the end of this week, the War Department said Sunday.

Thus the army will better its goal of returning all transportable cases within 90 days after V-E day, said Brig. Gen. R. W. Bliss, assistant surgeon general.

The major portion of the task of evacuating some 102,000 disabled soldiers was completed in 60 days, General Bliss said. In May, more than 43,000 sick and wounded men were returned from the European theatres; in June slightly less than 32,000, and the July total is estimated at 27,000.

With 14,000 disabled soldiers arriving at west coast hospitals, the

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BY UNCLE BOB

of the Kraft Dairy Farm Service



"The mower the merrier," said the dairyman as he started clipping his pastures. Mow the weeds, underwise your milk pail may prove to be udderly empty. (After reading that over the idea is offered that maybe what Uncle Bob needs is a good long rest.)

The sound of the mower in your pastures about this time of year is music to your cows, sure enough. Ragweed, goldenrod, thistles, burdock, dog fennel, bitterweed and other pests are now ripe for another clipping.

Clipping pastures at the right time not only keeps weeds from seeding and therefore spreading, but actually increases the food value to the cows. Tests showed about a 50 per cent increase in the amount of forage when a pasture was clipped.

Grass gets a healthier growth when weeds are kept down. If you let weeds go you may have to get a posse out to find your cows about this time next year.

How to get more milk and lower cost of production by lengthening the grazing season is the main subject for discussion in the July-August Kraftman, published for Kraft patrons. You surely won't want to miss the articles on fall and spring grazing pastures. If you are not getting the Kraftman regularly, write Uncle Bob at 500 Peshigo, Chicago 90, Ill., and I'll mail you a copy.



More "hay days" on the farm this summer will mean more "hey-day" for your cows next winter. Weather conditions have been somewhat unsettled and grain prospects are uncertain so I hope you will be sure that your hay supply will be sufficient to take your cows through the winter.

The extension services are generally agreed that a cow needs from one and one-half to two tons of high quality hay per year, when you have sufficient grain, silage and concentrate to round out the animal's diet.

It's pretty hard right now to forecast exactly what quantity of grain will be available next fall and winter. So, if you can get an additional ton of hay per cow put away, you may save yourself some worry and some extra cost, too, next winter.

Most of the hay I saw in recent weeks looked pretty good and indications seem to point to a fairly sizeable crop, at least where I've been traveling. I hope you can take advantage of good yields and get a big supply on hand.



Here's a good idea which comes from a squirrel: it buries nuts, for winter food supply, and you can "bury" some silage for your cows' winter food supply.

This is a good time to check your silo, make sure it is sound. And it's a good time also to make space for an additional supply of silage.

If you are not building another silo, there are quite a few types of temporary silos which will hold the extra cow feed you may need next winter.

Trench, box-type, native lumber, slat fence, baled straw and other such temporary structures give very satisfactory results. Remember, if you use one of these, be sure that it is built so as to prevent air from getting into the silage and to keep the right amount of moisture in.

For help on this point and for instructions on how to build this additional storage space I suggest you write for Circular 346, "Temporary Silos," and Circular 369, "Native Lumber Silos," Extension Service, University of Missouri, Columbia, Mo., and for Extension Circular 122, Mississippi State College, State College, Miss. \*

\*NOTE: There usually is a 5c charge for pamphlets mailed to non-residents of a state; but possibly your own state has a free pamphlet on the same subject. Ask your county agent.

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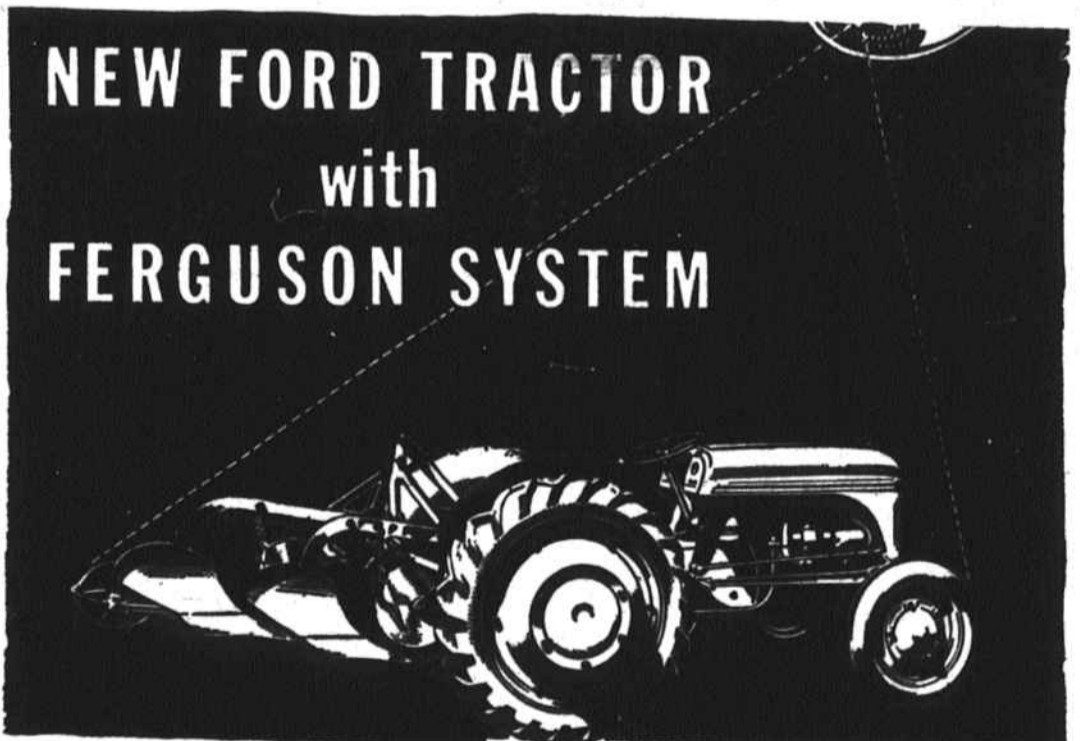
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