

## Tells How To Avoid Damage By Termites

The easiest and most effective time to protect a house against termites is during the early stages of its construction.

The problem, said Dr. B. B. Fulton, research entomologist at State College, is to keep the termites from reaching the wooden parts of the house.

These insects commonly live underground, but will build mud runways up the masonry walls of a house to reach the woodwork.

The greater the distance from the soil level to the woodwork, the less the chance of termite infestation, Dr. Fulton said. And a house with a full basement is less likely to be bothered than one without a basement or with only a partial basement.

Any part of the building which is not directly over a basement should be protected by removing the soil to give a clearance of three or four feet. Stumps and roots in the ground underneath a house should be dug out.

Dr. Fulton recommended the use of termite shields for frame houses, particularly those without basements. A shield is a strip of non-corrosive metal placed between the foundations and the sills.

Well laid cement gives a good protection, he added, but only so long as there are no cracks through which the termites may enter.

A common source of trouble is in terraces or porches with a concrete floor laid over an earth fill, and on a level with the floor of the house. Termites frequently find cracks through which they can reach the woodwork.

Building the terraces one step below the floor level reduces the likelihood of termite damage.

## Credit Associations Save Farmers' Money

Production credit association loans, bearing a low rate of interest, have enabled many North Carolina farmers to save money during the past year.

The interest on these loans is five per cent a year, said Dean I. O. Schaub, of State College, who pointed out that buying on long-term credit often adds from 10 to 40 per cent to the cost of the goods.

The production credit associations were established to provide loans at low cost to farmers who run short of cash and would otherwise have to finance their farming operations at high interest rates. The associations are farmer-owned and controlled.

Another advantage of borrowing through the associations is that a farmer may secure his loan in installments as he needs them, paying interest on each installment only for the time he actually uses the money.

For example, a farmer may borrow \$1,000. In the spring he may receive an advance of \$300 on which he will pay interest for nine months. Three months later he may receive another \$300 on which interest is to be paid for six months. The remaining \$400, received at harvest time, would bear interest for only one month.

In this way the total interest would amount to \$20.41, as compared with \$38.50 he would pay if the entire loan had been issued in one installment to bear interest for nine months.

E. F. Warner, secretary-treasurer of the Raleigh Production Credit Association, pointed out that his association loaned \$270,000 to approximately 1,000 farmers in 1935. Practically all the loans have been paid back, he reported.

## Timely Questions On Farm Answered

Question: What is the best method for curing meat?

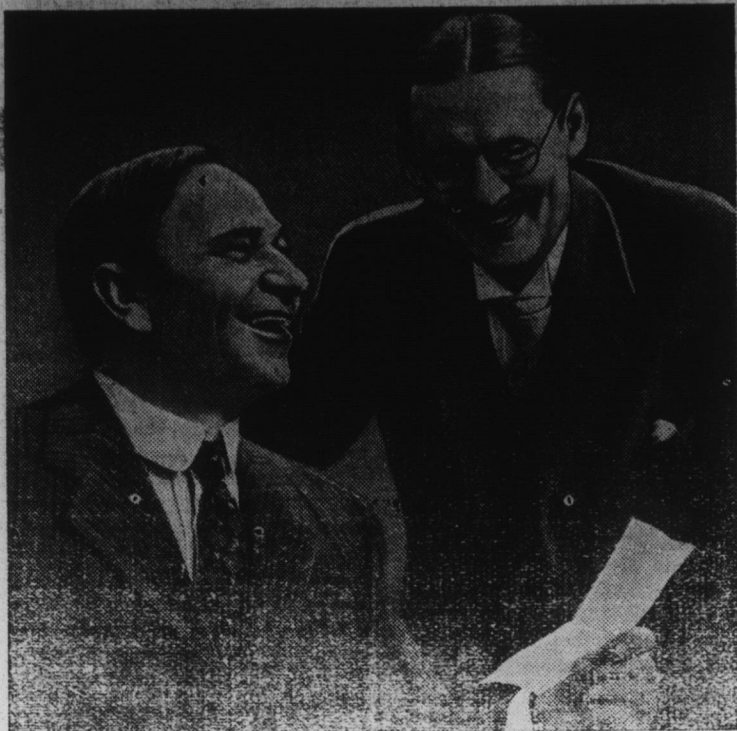
Answer: There are two principal methods advocated in North Carolina—the brine cure and the dry salt cure, either of which is satisfactory. Common salt is the basis of all meat curing and in either method is the predominant factor. In both cures sugar is sometimes used to give the meat a better flavor and to counteract the action of the salt by keeping the muscles soft, where salt alone makes them hard. Formulas for both the brine cure and the dry salt cure are given in Extension Folder 34 on "Killing and Curing Meat on the Farm." Copies of this folder may be had free upon application to the Agricultural Editor at State College.

Question: What proportion of birds should I give my tenant who is raising poultry for me on shares?

Answer: Where all the baby chicks, equipment, and feed are furnished the tenant should receive about one-seventh of the birds or an equal amount of the sale price. From 14 to 18 percent of the sales is a good range for labor payment. To make any profit from this arrangement, only good healthy chicks should be furnished the tenant. Good brooder houses should also be provided as well as a properly balanced ration. The tenant should have a good knowledge of feeding and care of growing chicks together with some knowledge of poultry diseases.

Question: What reduction does

## TWO BROTHERS-IN-LAW ENJOY A LAUGH



Wallace Beery and Lionel Barrymore head a distinguished cast in the film transcription of Eugene O'Neill's great American play, "Ah Wilderness," which comes to the Taylor Theatre, Edenton, Christmas Day, December 25. Treating of the heartbreaks and laughter which occur in the bosom of a typically American middle-class family, the drama promises to furnish entertainment de luxe on the holiday. The picture will be shown one day only.

The new cotton program require and what is the adjustment figure?

Answer: The minimum adjustment for 1936 requires a 30 per cent reduction below the established base acreage. However, producers will have the privilege of reducing to a maximum of 45 percent below the base. The adjustment payment will be 5 cents a pound of the average yield of lint cotton on land withheld from production under contract. This adjustment will be made in one payment.

## KEEPING BIRDS HEALTHY IMPORTANT WITH POULTRY

Keeping the flock healthy is one of the vital points in a successful poultry business, says Roy S. Dearstyne, head of the State College poultry department.

As a means of protecting the health of laying birds, Dearstyne has given the following suggestions:

Provide dry, open front, inexpensive houses that will be free from drafts in cold weather.

When possible, put wood or concrete floors in permanent laying houses.

Place the roost poles level, with a screen beneath so the birds will not have access to the droppings.

Clean the dropping boards at least

once a week. Clean the houses as often as the litter becomes dirty.

For all flocks of 25 or more birds provide yards, allowing one acre for 300 to 350 laying birds.

Have two yards, if possible, so the birds can be changed occasionally from one yard to another.

Keep green crops growing in the yards, and plow the yards as often as time and crops will permit.

Treat birds for parasites, both internal and external, whenever they are present. But do not deworm hens while they are laying.

Take precautions to protect growing stock against internal parasites and disease, especially coccidiosis, or bacillary white diarrhea.

## CROSS ROADS

Little Miss Charlotte Elliott spent Monday night with Miss Sara Winborne.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Hollowell and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hollowell and son, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Privott spent Sunday afternoon in Rocky Hock with Mr. George Peele.

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Elliott spent Sunday in Tarboro with her mother, Mrs. Fannie B. Knight.

Earl Privott, who teaches at Bunn,

is expected home Friday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Privott.

Mrs. R. H. Hollowell, Misses May Belle Edwards, Marjorie Hefren and Eunice Hobbs, E. C. Woodard and Norman Hollowell spent Saturday in Suffolk, Va., shopping.

Mrs. C. J. Hollowell spent most of last week in Rocky Hock with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Leary.

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Elliott spent Thursday in Norfolk, Va.

Mrs. R. H. Hollowell, Misses May Belle Edwards, Marjorie Hefren and Eunice Hobbs, E. C. Woodard and Norman Hollowell attended the play at Hobbsville Saturday evening.

Mr. Treacy, of Suffolk, Va., spent Friday night with E. N. Elliott.

Miss May Belle Edwards spent the week-end in Hertford with Miss Marjorie Hefren.

Miss Margaret Fearing and H. E. Griffin, of Elizabeth City, visited Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Elliott Friday evening.

Miss Orene Hollowell, a member of the Reidsville school faculty, is expected Friday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Hollowell.

Paul Byrum, of Red Springs; John Ward Byrum, a student at State College, Raleigh; and Conwell Byrum, a student at Wake Forest College, will spend the holidays with their parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Byrum.

Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Burgess, of Western North Carolina; Mr. and Mrs. Clay Blackstock, of Washington, D. C., will spend the Christmas holidays with Mr. J. L. Savage and Miss Lois Eavage.

Murrel Chappell is at home from State College, Raleigh, to spend the holiday with his grandfather, W. R. Chappell.

Mr. and Mrs. Lindsey Evans and Mrs. Melton Bateman spent Tuesday in Suffolk, Va., shopping.

E. L. Winslow is improving after being quite sick for several days.

Mrs. Lindsey Evans spent Monday afternoon in Edenton.

## C. H. S. FACULTY PLAY MUCH ENJOYED BY ALL

The faculty play, "Bashful Mr. Bobbs," was given Friday evening in the auditorium at Chowan High School. Each character was well taken, and all deserve much credit. The disagreeable weather kept numbers of people away, but at that, the attendance was good.

## Baptists Observe "White" Christmas Sunday Morning

Following the usual custom at the Edenton Baptist Church, a white Christmas will be observed on Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock service. At this time every member of the church and Sunday School is requested to bring a gift of food or clothing which will be distributed among the unfortunate in the congregation and town.

Anyone who desires to donate wood, potatoes or any other item that cannot be brought into the church should report to Rev. E. L. Wells.

As the need is great, the congregation is very hopeful that a liberal offering will be made. The committee which will have charge of the distribution of articles brought in will be named from the pulpit Sunday morning.

## Improve Apple Pies

If skins from apples when making pies are boiled until soft, then strained into pie shell before putting in apples, the flavor of pie is improved.

Nourishing pancakes are being made from the pollen of cattails.

## CENTER HILL

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Boyce and Miss Myra Boyce spent Saturday in Norfolk, Va., shopping.

Misses Elizabeth and Syble White, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Boyce spent last Thursday in Norfolk, Va., shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Jordan and Elton Jordan spent Thursday in Durham.

Mrs. E. B. White and Miss Elizabeth White spent the week-end in Durham. They were accompanied home by Miss Lucy Myers White, who has been a patient in Duke Hospital for several weeks. Miss White's many friends will be delighted to know that she is getting on nicely.

Mrs. Tom White, of Woodville, spent the past week-end with her brother, Mr. J. P. McNider, and Mrs. McNider.

M. T. Yates, of Kinston, and a friend from Ayden, spent the week-end with Mrs. M. T. Yates.

Mrs. Cameron Boyce spent most of last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Leary, Sr., in Rocky Hock.

A glass cap has been invented to keep the nipple on a nursing bottle sterile until it is to be used.

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