

Improvement On Chowan Pastures Now Being Set Up

More and Better Species Of Grass and Legumes Are Being Tried Out

Plans have been set up on several farms recently which include, among other practices, that of pasture establishment or pasture improvement, according to R. C. Jordan, soil conservationist. Observations indicate that many farmers of Chowan County are definitely interested in getting better land use from land assigned to pasture. More and better species of grasses and legumes are being tried out. Better methods of pasture fertilization and pasture management are being employed.

One new grass which seems to offer much as an all-year grass is being used by several farmers on a seed-increase basis. Last year, J. Bertram Hollowell of the Cross Roads area planted two and one-half acres to be used for seed harvest. His plot was seeded last October with the assistance of Soil Conservation Service technicians and has, as states Mr. Hollowell, "been green ever since it came up." In June of 1947 Mr. Hollowell harvested his first seed crop of possibly 300 pounds. After repaying the original allotment of seed to Soil Conservation Service and after seeding additional pasture acres for his own use, Mr. Hollowell will probably have a small quantity for distribution. Mr. Hollowell has built up much enthusiasm for this new

grass. In addition to seeding what pasture acreage his time will permit this fall, he plans to maintain and keep his seed-increase plot for another year. His second-year seed yields should be much better.

Kentucky 31 Fescue was first discovered and developed in Kentucky. Kentucky farmers are very enthusiastic about it and expect it to supplement their own Kentucky bluegrass. Many of them are growing it on a large scale for seed increase. Technical specifications of this grass run like this: It is a bunch grass, growing similarly to orchard grass. It is quite a bit coarser than bluegrass and has a distinctive light-green color. The seeds are a bit larger than those of orchard grass, and are easily harvested. Seed yields are relatively high, about 300 pounds an acre on the average, although as high as 800 pounds have been harvested from exceptionally good stands. When seeded in late summer it provides a fair cover for the winter. The grass develops a good sod, which persists for many years. It has an extensive and deep root system, which makes it useful for erosion and gully control, and for sodded water outlets. Yet it does not become a weed pest, as it is easily plowed up and destroyed. It grows exceptionally well on wet land—in fact one of its favorite habitats is along drainage ditches—and can survive long period of overflow. Yet, it also grows well on dry soils and soils of low fertility, although not as luxuriantly as where moisture is plentiful. It is relished by all kinds of livestock and poultry. Perhaps most striking, it grows through most of the year, even in the mountains. Finally, Kentucky 31 Fescue appears to have wide adaptability, as good reports have been received from test plots in many Southern States.

Carroll Dyrum, Fay Byrum and R. C. Holland plan to plant seed-increase plots of this all-year grass as soon as weather conditions permit. In the seeding and production of this grass, which is new in this county, these farmers will be assisted by R. C. Jordan, Chowan Soil Conservationist. Mr. Jordan states that much more widespread production of the Kentucky 31 Fescue is expected when seed supplies become available.

Methodist Society Meets With Mrs. P. T. Owens

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church met Tuesday night of last week at the home of Mrs. P. T. Owens with the president, Mrs. G. A. Helms, presiding.

The devotionals were conducted by Mrs. J. W. Cates. The Scripture lesson was taken from Luke II:40-52 with prayer in unison. The theme of the month, "The Child and His Education Today," was interestingly presented by Mrs. J. H. Thigpen, Mrs. E. L. Ward and Miss Mamie Hogg.

A new member, Mrs. R. W. Hurdle, was welcomed into the society and greetings extended to two visitors, Mrs. Frank Bond and Mrs. J. A. Wheeler.

Distribution of copies of "The Upper Room" will be continued to patients at the Chowan Hospital.

During the social hour delicious refreshments were served to those present, Mesdames Frank Bond, Mildard Bond, Jr., R. W. Carden, J. W. Cates, G. A. Helms, R. W. Hurdle, P. T. Owens, H. F. Surratt, J. H. Thigpen, E. L. Ward, J. A. Wheeler and Miss Mamie Hogg.

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Colored High School Football Team Has Hard Schedule Ahead

Local Outfit Defeated Friday In Hertford By 6-0 Score

The Edenton Dragons, Edenton colored high school's football team, are expecting a good gridiron season, according to D. F. Walker, principal. Prof. Walker reports that there are more boys out for the team than can be properly uniformed. Most of last year's players are back and working hard to improve on last year's record. The spirit is high and the Dragons expect to win the majority of games scheduled, which include a list of very strong teams.

The Dragons lost their first game of the season Friday afternoon to Hertford High School 6-0. The game was played in Hertford and permitted Coach Baker to discover the weak points of his team, and will concentrate on this phase of the game during practice sessions.

Aside from the Hertford game, the schedule calls for seven more games, with open dates on October 31 and November 14.

Games scheduled are as follows:

- September 26—Washington High School here.
- October 2—Booker T. Washington High School in Suffolk.
- October 10—P. W. Moore High School of Elizabeth City here.
- October 17—Tarboro High School at Tarboro.
- October 24—Epps High School of Greenville here.
- November 7—East Suffolk High School here.
- November 21—Hertford High School here.

TYNER MAN NOW ON EXTENDED CRUISE TO ALEUTIAN ISLANDS

R. W. Elliott, steward's mate, third class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Elliott of Tyner, is serving aboard the submarine tender USS Nereus, which is on an extended training cruise to Alaska and the Aleutian Islands.

The Nereus, along with four submarines of the Pacific Fleet is scheduled to visit Adak, Pribilof, Kodiak, Seward and Juneau, in the course of the cruise.

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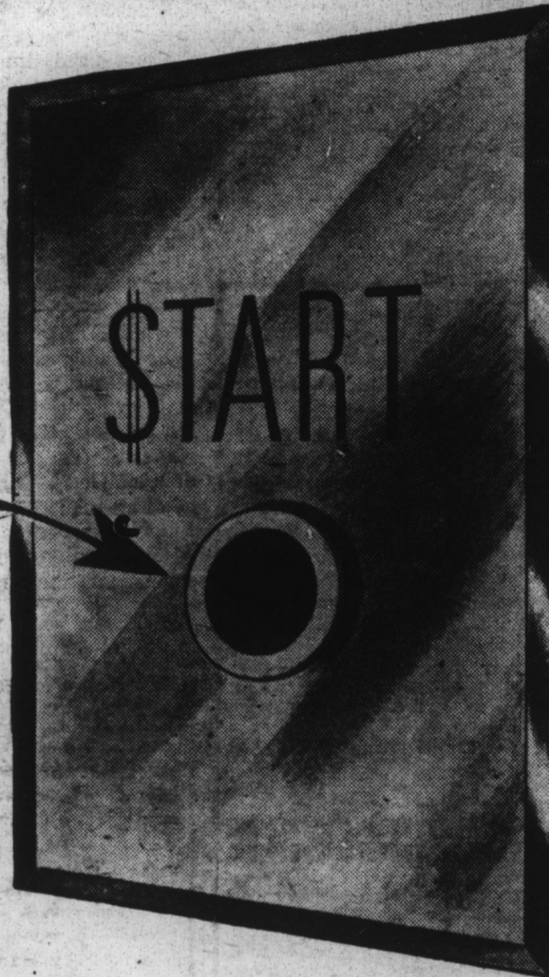
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