

Farmers Urged To Ascertain Worth Of Timber For Sale

Money Thus Spent Generally Pays Tidy Dividends

What is my timber worth? This is a question every farmer should find the answer to before he makes a contact for selling his timber. Most farmers sell their timber rather blindly as far as their knowledge of what their timber is worth is concerned. Yet, it is very easy for every farmer of normal intelligence to learn how to estimate timber and determine what a tract of timber is worth at the current market price.

This is a question which faced Colbert Byrum, a young farmer of the Ryland community. Colbert had purchased several acres of timberland which he plans to cut clean and clear up for cultivation and pasture. The question of how much saw timber and pulp wood is on this area and what it is worth on today's market was one which Mr. Byrum could not determine. Upon his request the County Agent secured the services of W. T. Ellison, Jr., District Extension Forester, and the two went into the woods and demonstrated to Mr. Byrum how to estimate timber and assisted him in estimating this small area. Mr. Byrum was anxious to find out what the timber on this tract was worth and was amazed to find that it is worth approximately three times what he thought it might be worth. Now he is in a position to market this tract of timber to the best advantage and also he is able to estimate other tracts himself.

Through the Extension Service this part of the forestry program is available to the farmers only on a demonstration basis. A farmer who has 20 or more acres of timber for sale can determine the amount of timber he has and what it is worth by one of the following methods: (1) He may call on the County Agent for a demonstration and after the demonstration given he can estimate the timber himself; (2) If the tract of timber is 50 acres or less, he may be able to secure the services of a State Forester to assist him in cruising and estimating it; (3) He may secure the services of a certified timber estimator, which he will have to pay for. The timber estimator will give him a detailed cruise of his timber regardless of the number of acres and give him a record of the board feet of various types of timber there, also the amount of pulp wood, if so desired. Money spent in determining what your timber is worth when you are ready to sell will generally pay many, many times the cost of the cruiser's services.

Who seeks for heaven alone to save his soul may keep the path, but will not reach the goal; while he who walks in love may wander far, yet God will bring him where the blessed are.
—Henry Van Dyke.

This Week's Poem

By WILBORNE HARRELL

THE TWIG AND THE ROSE

The first rose of summer greeted,
With a timid rosy blush,
A bare twig of dying winter
Floating down from tree to bush.

In faded coat the little twig
Sadly smiled and then looked down
Upon the rose that grew beneath,
Wearing such a lovely gown.

"You are so beautiful to see,"
Said he, "in that coat of red,
So lovely that I wish 'twas me,
But alas! I'll soon be dead."

"Sigh not at all, my little twig,
Bloom I just a summer's span,
And back to dust the same as thee
Go I—and twigs—the same as man.

"And just what destiny is ours,
Plans that only heaven knows,
In miracle may cause us bloom,
I a twig, and thou a rose."

Hobbsville Resident Dies In Suffolk

Walter Lee Spivey, 63, of Hobbsville died in a Suffolk hospital Friday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock after an illness of only four days.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Celia Spivey and a brother, Curtis Spivey of Gatesville. He was a member of the Warwick Swamp Baptist Church, where funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The pastor, the Rev. Lee A. Phillips, officiated. Interment was made in the churchyard.

Pallbearers were Fletcher Spivey, Chester Spivey, Frank Spivey, Herman Pierce, Ralph White and William Hollowell.

Colerain Airman Now At Argentia

Argentia, Newfoundland, once an early English fishing and silver mining settlement, and for the past 12 years, an advanced base of the U. S. Navy, is the present station of Eldon T. Powell, airman, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Powell of Colerain. Powell is attached to the Air Operations Department.

Argentia was a ghost village in 1940, when the U. S. Navy selected the site as one of the first advance bases to be constructed under the terms of the Leased Bases Agreement between the United States and Great Britain, which was finally approved on March 27, 1941.

Construction of the Naval Base began in December, 1940, and a company of Marines raised the American flag on February 13, 1941. The Naval Operating Base, which is located on a small peninsula in Placentia Bay, was commissioned on July 15, 1941. It was there that the historic Atlantic Charter was signed by President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill aboard the cruiser USS Augusta.

The base was consolidated and redesignated Naval Station, Argentia, July 1, 1950.

The love of heaven makes one heavenly.
—Shakespeare.

Unprofitable Birds Cut Down Egg Profits

County Agent C. W. Overman this week issued the warning that poultry feed is high and the price of eggs is down, so that poultrymen cannot afford to keep any unprofitable birds in their laying flocks.

"They cannot afford to keep unprofitable birds at any time," says Mr. Overman, "but unprofitable birds under the present situation can eat up all of the profits and keep the laying flock in the red."

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ward of Cross Roads community, realized that they had a lot of unprofitable birds in their laying flock and their flock was running in the red. Upon their request the County Agent conducted a culling demonstration with them. Before the demonstration was completed Mr. and Mrs. Ward knew what to look for in unprofitable birds and were culling out the loafers very well themselves. Out of a flock of 112 birds, 61 loafers were removed. Even with the lowered price of eggs the remaining 51 birds should show a good profit. To their surprise they found the birds infested with lice and this in turn was cutting the production. They immediately treated the house and birds for lice and this should assist them in getting back into good production.

All poultry houses should be examined for mites or chiggers, and if found in the cracks of the house and where the roost poles rest on the supports, the whole house should be treated thoroughly with DDT mixed in used cylinder oil which may be thinned with kerosene if it is too thick. The

birds should be examined carefully for lice. Lice will usually be found just under the vent.

Earth's actors change earth's scenes; and the curtain of human life should be lifted on reality, on that which outweighs time; on duty done and life perfected, wherein joy is real and fadeless.

—Mary Baker Eddy.

It is only the ignorant who despise education.
—Publius Syrus.

EXCITING MYSTERY STORY BY POPULAR WRITER

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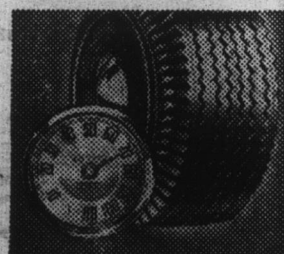


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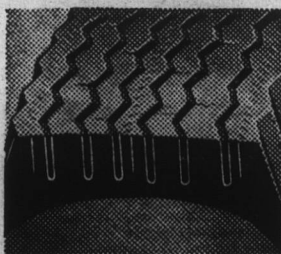


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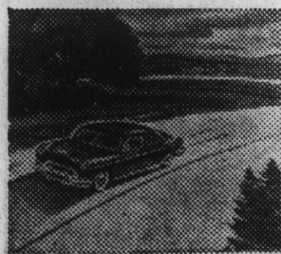
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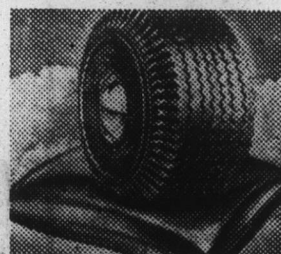
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Also contributing to more pleasant living for North Carolinians is the brewing industry's self-regulation program where brewers, wholesalers and retailers—in counties where malt beverage sales are permitted under State control—cooperate to maintain wholesome conditions for the legal sale of beer and ale.

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