

AROUND THE FARMS IN CHOWAN COUNTY

By C. W. OVERMAN, Chowan County Agent

Lime Fields To Be Fall Seeded: Establishing a desirable lime level or pH range in the soil may mean the difference between a good and poor crop. The lime level is especially important where legumes are to be planted. These crops grow best on well limed soils because of their high calcium and magnesium requirement and the effects lime has on nitrogen fixation. Lime also improves the efficiency with which many of the plant foods in fertilizer is utilized. Experiments conducted in North Carolina over a four-year period in which Ladino clover only produced 2,607 pounds per acre on a very acid soil. When the soil was limed the yield was 6,103 pounds. The yield on this soil was more than doubled but an increase this large could not be expected on all soils. The expected yield increase would be reduced as the degree of acidity is lowered.

Since many forage and hay crops remain in the same field for several years it is important that enough lime be applied before seeding, to bring the pH into the desired range as well as maintain it for from two to four years. During land preparation prior to seeding is the only opportunity to mix lime into the soil. Results of research studies show that a given lime level can be maintained by topdressing provided sufficient quantities are mixed into the soil to establish the desired level.

Soils do not need to be limed every year, but it is important to have fields which are to be put in perennial crops tested before seeding. Samples are tested free by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture. Results can be obtained within a week or ten days after samples are sent to the laboratory.

Be sure to use lime where it is needed and we invite those who want their soils tested to visit this office, obtain sampling boxes, and discuss the procedure for collecting samples.

Fruits: This is grape month for many Tar Heel folks. The bunch grape is the earliest with varieties such as Niagara (white), Fredonia (black), or Delaware (red) leading the list. These are

followed by the Muscadines—varieties such as Scuppernon, James, Topsail, Thomas, Hunt that lead the list.

At harvest time most growers are most conscious of problems. The most common problem with the bunch grape is black rot, identified by rotten fruit and fruit dried up like raisins. This is a sure sign that your pruning and spraying program is not thorough enough—better check these with your county agricultural agent.

A chief problem with the Muscadines is not fruit. Some vines that at one time had fruit no longer produce. The problem is no pollination. They need a "papa". You can remedy this by planting a variety such as Wallace (white), Burgaw (black), or Dearing (white). These varieties will produce some fruit and will also produce pollen at bloom time to pollinate the other varieties. Refer to Extension Folder 156 and Extension Folder 157 for further information.

Beautiful Peaches Grown in Chowan: Last week I visited Henderson M. Nixon out in the Rockv Hock Community observing his young peach orchard. Mr. Nixon had some of the prettiest and largest Elbertas and Hales I have ever seen. They were just as good as they looked. The earlier varieties had ripened and gone but Mr. Nixon told me they were very nice also.

Mr. Nixon set most of his trees about four years ago. He cut his young trees back as was recommended and has pruned the trees each year according to recommendations. The recommended fertilization program has been followed. A good spray schedule to control insects and disease is followed each year and the trees and fruit really show the results of good management.

I want to congratulate Mr. Nixon on the good job he is doing with his orchard. He tells me that he has been able to sell all or practically all of his peaches right at the farm and could have sold several times as many. His crop this year was as heavy as the young trees could stand. This could be an additional cash enterprise on some other farms in Chowan County, but to be

successful a good job of management must be done, leaving out nothing that is needed.

Vegetables: August is "Overhaul the Garden Month." Most gardeners tend to let up on their gardening about now and regret it later. This should be "clean up and start anew" month. Clean up and sidedress those crops still bearing and with a potential (like okra, tomatoes, peppers, etc.). Plow under those crops that will not bear any more (such as early beans, corn, lettuce, etc.) as well as grass and weeds.

It's time to start your fall garden. Plant seeds and plant good stand. Make succession plantings of greens, radish and beans. Fall snap beans are usually destroyed by the Mexican bean beetle. The entomologists say that the new insecticide called Sevin does an excellent job of controlling this beetle. If you can't find Sevin, then use Malathion—it does a good job, too.

Merry Hill News

By Mrs. Ethel Winborne

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Everett and children of Kinston were the week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Owen Barfield and family recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Linwood Bunch and children, Freddie and Anne and Marilyn Kay Barfield spent several days last week at Nags Head.

Raleigh Baker of Powellsville spent several days last week here visiting his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Baker.

Mrs. Raymond Mitchell and children of Newport News were the guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Phelps last week.

Mrs. Irving Mittleman and daughter, Sylvia and Clair Hoole of Norfolk were the guests of her grandmother and aunt, Mrs. C. T. Baker and Mrs. Viola Coward and several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Keeter, Peggy and Eddie Keeter of Hampton, Va., spent the week-end at their home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Linwood Bunch and children, Freddie and Anne visited Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Lynch of Greenville Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynch are the parents of a new baby daughter.

Mrs. Walter Johnson and children of Winton were recent guests of her sister, Mrs. E. J.

Pruden, Jr. Mrs. Wesley Winborne spent Thursday in Windsor with her sister, Mrs. G. E. Keeter. Mrs. Sue Britt and Wesley Winborne also visited Mrs. Keeter Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Pruden, Jr., and children, Ellen, Edmund and Marje spent several days during the week and week-end at their cottage at Nags Head.

Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Smithwick of Hampton spent the week-end here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Smithwick and Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Layton.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Bowen of Churchland, Va., were guests of his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Winborne on Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Bissette and daughter, Jane of Raleigh spent from Wednesday until Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Smithwick.

Mr. and Mrs. Burnice Pridden and children of Snow Hill accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Owen Barfield and children to Nags Head as their guests for the week-end.

Miss Fonda Smithwick is spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. Willie Hawkins of Suffolk. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Perry and daughters, Amelia and Cathy, Mrs. Sue Britt and Mrs. Lon Minton spent Sunday at Nags Head.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bissette and daughters, Brenda and Barbara of Sims spent Thursday and Friday as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Britt Smithwick.

Zeb Miller was the week-end guest of his daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Hallett Daniels of Ahoskie.

Miss Gayle Foyles of Atkinson is the house guest of Miss Anne Smithwick this week.

Mrs. Lizzie Miller, Merle Miller and daughter, Diane, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Luther Farless of Wilmington.

Britt Smithwick spent from Friday until Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bissette of Sims.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Edwards and family and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Leicester and family are spending this week at Nags Head.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bissette and girls, Brenda and Barbara and Nancy and Phyllis Nichols of Sims spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. Britt Smithwick.

Mr. and Mrs. David Hoggard and children of Windsor visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs.

Zeb Miller Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. George Davis and daughter, Christine and Mrs. Shirley Davis and baby daughter, Velma Ellen of Elizabeth City visited here Saturday.

Rev. C. A. Ashby Dies In Florida

A former rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, the Rev. Charles Aylett Ashby, 88, died Tuesday of last week in St. Augustine, Florida.

Ashby was rector of St. Paul's from 1933 until 1942, when he retired to live in Florida. He received a law degree from Richmond College in 1896 and practiced law about 13 years before entering the ministry.

Ashby received a divinity degree at Virginia Theological Seminary in 1911 and was rector of churches in Amherst, Va., Jacksonville, Fla., Elizabeth City, and Raleigh, as well as St. Paul's.

After his wife's death and his retirement in 1942, he moved to St. Augustine. He was a trustee of the University of the South and was one of the examining chaplains of the Florida Episcopal Diocese from 1925 to 1931.

While in North Carolina, he was editor of the Carolina Churchman in 1919, and served on the Executive Council of the North Carolina Episcopal Diocese.

Ashby was a native of Culpeper, Va., and is survived by two sons, Clarence of Jacksonville, Fla., and Charles, Jr., of Chatham, N. J.

REVIVAL TO BEGIN SEPT. 23 AT CAPEHART'S CHURCH

Revival services at Capehart's Baptist Church will begin the fourth Sunday in September, September 23, and conclude September 30. Services will be held each evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Visiting preacher for the series of meetings will be the Rev. Donald McNair, pastor of the Askewville Baptist Church.

The Rev. Garth Long, pastor, extends a cordial invitation to the public to attend any or all of the services.

All that's bright must fade—
The brightest still the fleetest;
All that's sweet was made
But to be lost when sweetest!
—Thomas Moore.

CARD OF THANKS

Through the columns of this newspaper, I wish to extend to my friends, relatives and acquaintances my deep gratitude for the many kind thoughts and prayers during my illness.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Evelyn B. Williams

CARD OF THANKS

We want to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to everyone who was concerned and had a part in searching for our son and husband, Carl Forehand, during the recent boat accident.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Forehand,
Mrs. Carolyn Forehand

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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sage of deliverance from all these forms of bondage would surely be good tidings.

Secondly, the prophet's message was a promise of peace. How much people everywhere desire peace! The enthusiastic reception given anything that promises peace of mind is evidence of a deep sense of need for peace on the level of individual experience. How welcome, then, would be the prophet's promise of peace!

Thirdly, the prophet's message included the declaration to Jerusalem that "her iniquity is pardoned." This indeed was basic to the other points in the message. Only a pardoned people could be delivered and restored to their own land and live in peace. This in turn implied repentance.

One may well ask if there do not exist today some prerequisites for receiving good tidings

such as those of the prophet. In preceding lessons we have discussed sin, individual and national, as the cause of the downfall of a people. Is it not true that our personal and national disobediences of God is the cause of the various "captivities" in which we find ourselves? If so, then good tidings for us, too, must be the declaration that our iniquity is pardoned.

For us, also, pardon can only come through repentance, through turning away from our disobedience, whether individual, social, or national. It would seem that we have a great need for the "good tidings" of the

prophet's message and that we must prepare for it if it is to be ours.

Our Christian faith is a message of good news, the good news for which the world waits. The challenge to us is to proclaim it. As we do so, we may hear in our hearts the words of Isaiah sung by a mighty choir: "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good tidings."

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NOTICE OF MEETING OF CHOWAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

At the request of a member of the Board of Commissioners, a meeting of the Chowan County Commissioners is called for 9 o'clock A. M., on Monday, September 10, 1962, at the Court House in Edenton, N. C.

There will be no meeting on Monday, September 3rd, due to the observance of Labor Day.

This August 23, 1962.

W. E. BOND
CHAIRMAN

Chowan County Commissioners

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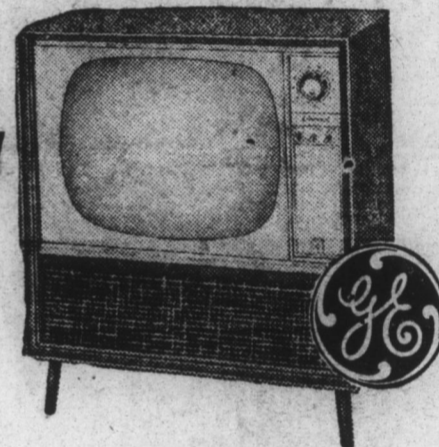
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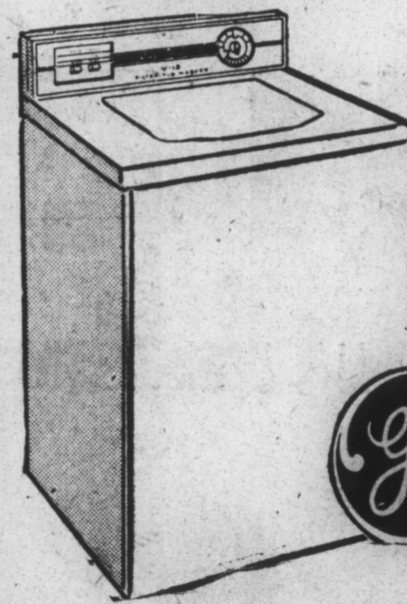
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