

MATTERS of INTEREST to FARMERS

Growing Popcorn Now Much Easier

Now that hybrid field corn is being grown on so many farms in North Carolina, production of popcorn has become a much simpler matter, according to Dr. R. P. Moore, head of the North Carolina Crop Improvement Association.

Heretofore, Dr. Moore explained, farmers have been wary of growing popcorn because the crop would cross-pollinate with field corn and thus ruin field corn seed for the following year. However, hybrid corn, which is now being widely used in North Carolina, is produced from new seed each year, and it is therefore unnecessary to protect either the hybrid field corn or the popcorn from pollen of the other type.

Furthermore, Dr. Moore said, contrary to popular belief, the pollen from field corn does not change the popping characteristic of the popcorn during the year that cross-fertilization occurs.

Popcorn can be produced simply by

planting two or three sections of rows in a field of hybrid corn, Dr. Moore said. Farmers who have recognized the superior merits of adapted hybrids of both field corn and sweet corn will want to use a hybrid popcorn. Purdue 31 and 33 have been found to out-yield and out-pop the old South American variety.

Dr. Moore advised farmers not to produce popcorn for sale unless arrangements for handling the crop have already been made.

TIMELY FARM QUESTIONS

Answered at State College

Question: What varieties of cowpeas are suitable for combining?

Answer: Last year at the McCullers Experiment Station, Brabham, Groat, Whipoorwill, and Iron varieties were planted on July 15 and matured erect in good condition for combining. Black-eye and Crowder were not tested in this manner. It is suggested you plant a small plot of each variety you wish to use on your farm and observe their growth for combining, but do not plant before July 10. The Groat is the only variety observed growing commercially for combining in North Carolina, and this observation was in the upper Piedmont section.

Question: How can left-over paint be prevented from drying out and becoming unusable?

Answer: Specialists recommend that broken cans of paint be protected from drying out by coating the surface with melted paraffin.

Question: How can fence posts be made to last longer?

Answer: By soaking in pentachlorophenol, which is sold under various trade names. While tests with many kinds of wood are still under way, it has been shown that some varieties of wood heretofore considered

Increase Needed In Bee Numbers

North Carolina beekeepers need to increase the number of bees per colony if they are to bring honey production up to the level desired, says W. A. Stephon, beekeeper for the State College Extension Service.

"Maybe we have enough colonies, but certainly we haven't enough bees," Mr. Stephon said. "If we sincerely look for better things in agriculture we will look towards increased colony production. We know how to produce 16 times as much honey from each colony as we are now producing."

The number of bee colonies in the State has declined from about 250,000 at the beginning of the century to about 173,000 today, the Extension worker stated. Not only that, he continued, but production per colony is not what it should be.

In 1859, the specialist said honey production in North Carolina averaged 10 pounds per colony. In 1915 the average was 42 pounds, highest on record. In 1947, generally considered a good year, the average was only 36 pounds. This figure, Mr. Stephon said, could be increased very easily by putting more bees in each colony.

Information on increasing bee colony populations and other phases of beekeeping may be obtained from any county agent or from Mr. Stephon at State College.

worthless as posts can be made to last several years. Generally speaking, the life of posts can be greatly lengthened. However, not all kinds of wood are equally responsive to the treatment. Air-dried, round posts can be most effectively treated.

Question: Are soybeans subject to disease?

Answer: Soybeans are subject to attack by a number of diseases, but only two cause heavy economic loss. They are stem rot and bud blight, the first of which is more serious. Studies indicate that stem rot may be prevented by a four-year rotation, that is, planting soybeans in the same field only one year in four.

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State College Hints To Farm Homemakers By Ruth Current State Home Demonstration Agent

There are right and wrong ways of doing even such a simple household job as putting clothes through the wringer of the washing machine, says home economist. Careless wringing can damage both clothes and machine.

Rules for Wringing: Fold clothes smoothly so that the thickness is evenly distributed across the roll. Don't run clothes through in a lump—it is hard on both clothes and wringer.

Let the machine wring at its own pace. Never try to rush the job by pulling or forcing pieces through.

Large buttons or buckles should not go through the wringer. They are likely to break, bend, tear off or damage the rubber on the rolls. Fold small buttons or other fastenings under a layer of the fabric before wringing so that they do not come in direct contact with the rolls. Otherwise, they may scrape the rubber or be torn off. Belts, sashes or other small strips of clothing also should be folded under so that they do not catch in the rolls.

Sometimes small articles like handkerchiefs stick to one roll and are turned over and over. To avoid this, fold them inside a towel or other large piece before wringing.

As soon as the laundry is finished, release the pressure on the wringer so that the rolls separate. If they are left pressed together, flat places form on the rolls which make for incomplete wringing.

Wipe rolls dry before leaving the machine, or wash and dry them if they are stained by colored clothes.

Improvised light for closets: The provision of flashlight hung just inside the door in an unlighted clothes closet will discourage the use of matches when hunting for a lost glove, overshoe, or cap.

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Graduates Eligible For Army Schools

Young men about to graduate from high school who are now volunteering for service in the U. S. Army are eligible to select training in one of the Army's new Potential Leaders' Schools before they enlist, M. Sgt. Olin Dean said today.

Four schools have been established to train selected new recruits who show promise of real leadership potentialities. Some 6,000 potential leaders a year will graduate from the stiff courses at Fort Jackson, S. C., Fort Dix, N. J., Fort Knox, Ky., and Fort Ord, Calif.

Men are selected for the schools, M. Sgt. Dean explained, on a basis of demonstrated capacity for leadership. To be eligible, they must score over 90 in their Army General Classification Test and pass strict tests as to character, alertness and physical fitness.

Consideration for admission is given to high school graduates who served as officers in junior R.O.T.C. units, Boy Scout leaders, captains or managers of school athletic teams, editors of school publications, class officers, members of national honor societies or leaders in various school, Y.M.C.A., 4-H Club or church activities.

"Once they have started the six-week courses," M. Sgt. Dean said, "the students learn to lead by leading groups in classroom study, patrol work and athletics. Subjects studied include leadership problems, psychology of leadership, training methods, public speaking, organization of instructor groups and how to conduct demonstrations."

Graduates are promoted at once to Private First Class, and are eligible for more rapid advancement than otherwise would be the case.

In addition to the leadership school opportunities, high school graduates, M. Sgt. Dean said, also are eligible to pick their own field of specialization in advance of enlistment. If qualified and accepted, the graduates are assigned to a school teaching this specialty following completion of basic training.

W. H. LEE Electric Shoe Shop LILLINGTON, N. C.

Chatlets for sale at The News office.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE
Having qualified as Administrator of the estate of D. W. O'Quinn, deceased, late of Harnett County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to file same, duly verified, with the undersigned on or before the 28th day of March, 1948, or this notice will be placed in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate settlement with the undersigned.
This 27th day of March, 1948.
JAMES CAMERON, Administrator of the Estate of D. W. O'Quinn, Deceased, Broadway, N. C., RFD 1. 1-6c

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NOTICE NORTH CAROLINA HARNETT COUNTY IN THE SUPERIOR COURT. CARRIE SCHWILL, PLAINTIFF, VS. CURTIS SCHWILL, DEFENDANT. NOTICE OF SUMMONS.

The above named defendant, Curtis Schwill, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been instituted in the Superior Court of Harnett County, N. C. by the plaintiff, to secure an absolute divorce from the defendant, on the grounds of two years separation. That the defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear at the office

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of the clerk of the Superior Court of Harnett County, Lillington, North Carolina, within 20 days after the 22nd day of April, 1948, and answer or demur to the complaint of the plaintiff, which complaint is filed in said clerk's office, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint.
This the 24th day of March, 1948.
HOWARD GODWIN,
Clerk of Superior Court,
Harnett County, N. C.

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE

Having qualified as administratrix of the estate of Martha J. McDonald Ballard, deceased, late of Harnett County, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the said estate to file the same duly verified with the undersigned on or before the 1st day of April, 1948, or this notice will be placed in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make prompt settlement with the undersigned.
This 1st day of April, 1948.
MARY B. RAY,
Administratrix.

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SMALLPOX vaccine should be given in childhood and once in later life.

WHOOPIING COUGH—Immunization should be done between the ages of 6 and 9 months.

VACCINATION SCHEDULE

Lillington, Health Dept. Offices. Dunn, Dunn Health Center, W. Cumberland St.

EACH SATURDAY FROM APRIL 24, THROUGH JUNE 26—9:30 A. M. TO 12 M.

Mondays, April 19, 26, May 3, 10	Friday, May 7, 14, 21, 28
Boone Trail School.....9:30 A.M.	Erwin School.....1:00 P.M.
Mt. Pisgah Community House.....10:45 A.M.	
Ridgeway Colored School.....11:45 A.M.	
Benhaven School.....1:00 P.M.	
Johnsonville Colored School.....2:00 P.M.	
Johnsonville Community House.....2:30 P.M.	
Wednesdays, April 26, May 5, 12, 19	
Harnett County Training School.....9:30 A.M.	
Thursdays, April 22, 29, May 6, 13	Thursdays, May 20, 27, June 3, 10
Bethlehem Colored School.....9:30 A.M.	Angler High School.....9:00 A.M.
Christian Light Church.....10:15 A.M.	Coats High School.....11:00 A.M.
Inckhorn School.....11:15 A.M.	Mt. Pisgah Colored School.....2:00 P.M.
LaFayette School.....1:00 P.M.	Buie's Creek School.....8:00 P.M.
Neff's Creek Church.....2:30 P.M.	Cedar Grove Colored School.....4:00 P.M.
Thursdays, May 6, 13, 20, 27	Thursdays, June 3, 10, 17, 24
Okdate School.....9:30 A.M.	Erwin Community House.....9:30 A.M.
Mary Stuart School.....11:30 A.M.	Beaver Dam School.....1:00 P.M.
Maple Grove School.....1:00 P.M.	Manning Service Station at old Killingsford School.....2:00 P.M.
Smith Grove School.....2:00 P.M.	

NOTICE
—OF—
Democratic Precinct Meetings and County Convention

Democrats of Harnett County are hereby notified that Precinct Meetings will be held in all Precincts of the County on

Saturday, May 8, 1948
(See your Chairman for time and place)

Also, that the 1948 County Convention will be held in the

COURTHOUSE, LILLINGTON
Saturday, May 15, 1948
AT 10:30 A. M.

All Democrats are urged to be present at their precinct meetings and also to attend the County Convention.

Matters of importance will be considered and transacted at these meetings.

At the Precinct Meetings, chairmen and delegates to the County Convention will be selected.

At the County Convention a County Chairman and other officials will be named, and delegates to the State and Congressional Conventions will be appointed.

Please be present.

I. R. WILLIAMS,
CHAIRMAN.

HENDERSON STEELE,
SECRETARY.