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In the last nine years the size of the flax crop in Texas has increased from 18,000 to 220,000 acres.

SPRING IS TIME TO PLANT, TO CLEAN-UP, TO MAKE BEAUTIFUL

(By Mrs. Edd Gardner)
Spring, with that nameless pathos in the air,
Which dwells with all things
Spring, with her golden suns and silver rain,
Is with us once again.

Spring comes quickly in Western North Carolina. Winter suddenly gives way with a warm rain, skies turn soft blue, grass grows green and spring has come almost overnight.

School children run home bringing mother a bouquet of violets.

The lawns are spread with a beautiful green carpet; the jonquils, narcissus, tulips, phlox, azaleas, and iris are on parade, and make a perfect setting for a well kept home. In the distance we view native landscape and there are the redbud trees, dogwood, maples, oak, and pine bursting forth in all their glory. But after this breath-taking display, there is a slight pause—some one has forgotten, neglected, lost their pride, did not care, and the grounds around their home have lost their attraction. Some one forgot and threw garbage on a vacant lot; some one did not care and put their trash pile in the front yard; another spent money for something they did not need and that amount would have planted enough vegetable seed for the family to have had fresh vegetables from their own back yard or planted flowers around their home that would have attracted friends and birds.

The whole wide world is a garden and we are judged by how attractive we make our share.

According to the plans of the Clean-Up, Fix-Up, Paint-Up committee, we are going to have a more beautiful Wilkes county than we have ever had. Although we realize that it will take more than the efforts of the Garden Club; it means the co-operation of every citizen of our county. Beautification cannot be attained in a week's time, but is a year-round proposition.

If we will beautify the entrances, the highway triangles or intersections, it will make our town more inviting and visitors will want to come back again.

Of course, a town in which there is beauty is a pleasant place to live, but beyond that, there is value in the beauty of any community. It attracts new businesses, new residents, and interest.

The modern American woman has found in the art of beautifying the grounds of her home an outlet for her creative ability and a means of increasing the beauty of everyday living.

Can it be realized that in the heart of everyone is the urge to create beauty and can we recognize the healing value of beauty, and the soul-satisfying joy of creating it?

Therefore, our actions, plus those of our neighbors, will make the Wilkesboros a cleaner, healthier and more beautiful place to live.

Of the total number of chickens sold in 1948, about half were young chickens with an average live weight of 3.6 pounds, and about half were hens and roosters whose live weight averaged 5.3 pounds.

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Woodlawn Elementary Sports Roundup 48-49

It was December. The basketball season opened everywhere, but at WOODLAWN, gloom was king and hung like pall over the shed where Coach M. J. Ingram worked hard on the candidates of the Woodlawn Elementary School Tigers and Tigerettes. All candidates were not qualified for the positions sought. But long before the season was ended, a miracle had been wrought, and for the Tigers and Tigerettes, the season was filled with promise and a championship.

Conducting a blitzkrieg on the floor that saw one after another of basketball's great elementary aggregation fall the victim, the Woodlawn teams built a citadel of basketball that few teams have or will succeed in blasting.

It was four long years before these teams were recognized in the Wilkesboros as a challenge to the future elementary teams of this section. On April 1st, 1949, both teams were recognized in the North Carolina Elementary Tournament held at Mt. Airy.

The Tigerettes are now crowned queens and champions of this tournament. The Tigers walked away with the consolation trophy in the same tournament with a score of 26 to 4 over Mt. Airy.

Bobbie Brown and Jettie Hall have been the standout Tigerettes and performers. Sandra Caldwell, Jaunita Ferguson, Edith Greer and Geraldine Backnell are still carrying the colors for the girls. For the boys, Robert (Mutt) Graham, Capt. Pat Watkins and Ted Witherspoon were standouts along with Billy Denney, James Graham, Jimmie Golden, Danny Waugh, Fred Little, Charles Watkins, Buddie Triplett and Carlyle Reynolds, each a necessary cog in the operation of a delicate machine, added might to the clawing Tigers of Woodlawn elementary school.

Mr. S. O. Jones, principal; Mrs. H. B. Paisley, Miss B. K. Howard, chaperones; Mr. M. J. Ingram, coach.—Reported.

United States growers last year produced a total of 31,732,000 turkeys—8 per cent less than in 1947, and 14 per cent below the 1942-46 average. California led all other states with 4,693,000 birds.

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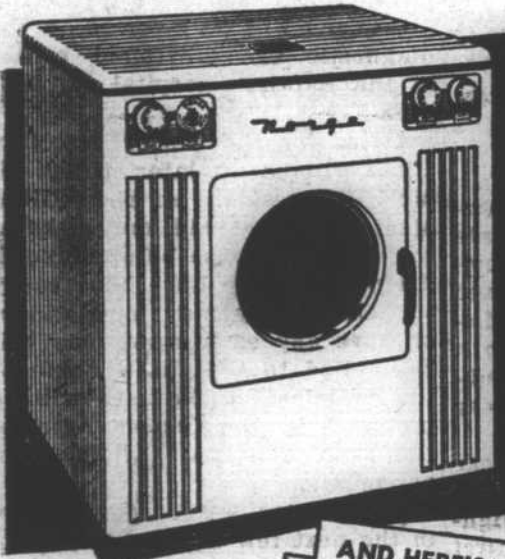
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