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Letter from Dun & Bradstreet. They want to know how much money we owe and if we have any assets New Bulletin subscription being sent to Private N. H. Jacobs at McDill Field, Tampa, Florida. In renewing her subscription to the Bulletin the other day Miss Mary Ruth Lincoln who works in an office in the tall Rockefeller Center building sent a money order. It was interesting to note that the Rockefeller Center postmaster was named Goldman. Very appropriate. Almost as appropriate as Oyl Tryon Home Economics Department would like to have your Good Housekeeping, Vogue, Home Beautiful, Harper's Bazaar and other homemaking magazines when you are through with them The Appalachian Handweavers report shipping 12,000 homespun ties during the last seven months of the year to all parts of the nation. They look very pretty on display at the Mountain Industries Thanks to Carter Brown we have a recent copy of the Christian Science Monitor of December 19, which gives a two column head article "Town in N. C. Sets Example By Scope of Aid to Britain." In it are listed the work of the sewing rooms, the war acre program, canning of surplus

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Communications

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It would appear from the article from the Farmers Federation News so kindly reprinted by the Editor of the Bulletin regarding the use of *Kalmia Latifolia*, or mountain laurel, for making pipes, that we owe a debt of gratitude to the Farmers Federation for sponsoring part of this enterprise of digging laurel roots. Mr. Rotha's claim is that a number of young laurel plants spring up where each burl is removed. Why he should say, in the same breath that it is lucky that rhododendron roots are too soft for pipes, this reader can not understand.

Supplementing my first letter on use of laurel for pipes, let me say that the brier formerly imported came from the shores of the Mediterranean and is just what its name implies; whereas our laurel is an asset not only in beauty but in conserving loamy soil and preventing erosion on steep hillsides. The burls removed are age old roots, weighing hundreds of pounds and demanding derricks to hoist on trucks. Rumor has it that one pipe company near Brevard is operating in the Pink Beds of Pisgah National Forest. Whatever the merits of this case may be, so often in the past our resources have been exploited that the people of our state have a right to know all the truth.

There is in the offing a national meeting of representatives of garden clubs to be held in Asheville. A full and accurate report on this subject should be present-

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