



When you tell anything, folks, especially be sure never to exaggerate figures, at least when they apply to how many fish you caught or how many birds you killed. We're inclined to believe that Amos Wagoner, Alleghany's number one sportsman, is of somewhat the same opinion; anyway he seems to have had a big laugh over it.

You see, last Saturday being a beautiful spring-like day (ideal for hunting) Mr. Wagoner and Gwyn Gambill, of North Wilkesboro, took the day off and did just that... in Ashe county, you understand (the bird season closed in Alleghany in January).

To get on with the story: the hunt ended, Mr. Gambill returned to his home in Wilkesboro and Mr. Wagoner came back to Sparta, where late that afternoon a group of the "boys" had gathered over in the Farmers' Hardware to hear the returns of the day. Well, Mr. Wagoner, figuring as long as it wasn't going to hurt anybody, he would just tell them how many birds he really killed.

"Well, boys, I did pretty good today. Got a nice bag limit, eleven birds and three pheasants," he told the group.

There were a few dubious looks exchanged among the men but Mr. Wagoner was so serious that he finally convinced them that he had really killed eleven birds and three pheasants. They congratulated him and went away.

Did we say completely convinced? Well, all except one man. Now Edwin Duncan spends much of his time in North Wilkesboro and happened to mention to Mr. Gambill the fact that Mr. Wagoner had had such good luck on the hunting trip, found out the truth... no birds. You can be sure that Mr. Duncan had a lot of fun in letting the "boys" know what had happened and to climax the story, Mr. Wagoner received in the mail the following day a small newspaper clipping entitled, "Hambone's Meditation", which read, "Sto-keepup! We's killt twinty birds wifn twinty shots-dat's good shootin' but hit's bettuh lyin'!"

Little Jimmy Leo Brinegar, 2-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Brinegar, of Sparta, Rt. 2, set a real example last Saturday at the War Bond booth in Jay Harlan's store, when he converted his life-time savings into war stamps. The savings were in the form of pennies—419 of them in a red, white and blue bank shaped like Uncle Sam's top hat. In addition, Jimmy's mother carried her hands full of pennies that would not go in the bank. With these life-time savings the youngster purchased 16 twenty-five cent war savings stamps and received a free book to keep them in. With the 19 pennies left over, his mother promised him that there would be enough for at least one more stamp next week. More power to you, Jimmy, and you know it might not be a bad idea for a few of these grown-up people to think over what you have done and then... buy another Bond.

A Child's Prayer, as overheard: "Thank you God for our food, clothes, and sunshine, Bless mamma and daddy and God, please buy War Bonds! Amen."

Winston-Salem and Charlotte have recently been placed in regulated areas for fluid milk conservation and control, announces the Food Distribution Administration.

Advertisement for Pinkham's Tablets: 'If you need to BUILD UP RED BLOOD! Here's One of the Best Home Ways!... Pinkham's Tablets is one of the greatest blood-iron tonics you can buy to help build up red blood to give more strength and energy—in such cases...'

Stop Egg Loss With Feeding

A large percentage of the egg losses due to cracking and breaking can be eliminated by proper feeding, suggests C. F. Parrish, Extension poultryman at State College.

About 5 percent of all eggs produced are lost between the nest and the table, and most of this loss can be eliminated by feeding the flock a sufficient amount of vitamin D to enable them to utilize to full advantage the calcium in the oyster shell or ground limestone.

"We are approaching the season of flush egg production," Parrish says, "and poultrymen should make every effort possible to reduce this loss between the nest and the table." Oyster shell or ground limestone, which should be before the flock at all times, is not enough in itself to eliminate thin-shelled eggs. There are several carriers of vitamin D such as feeding oil and, if the flock is producing many soft or thin-shelled eggs, it is advisable to mix this feeding oil or other sources of vitamin D with the grain every day.

Be sure to determine the potency of the vitamin D carrier before using, Parrish warns. The strength of the oil will be indicated on the container.

Every poultryman should watch his flock carefully at this time of year and be sure they have sufficient calcium available and enough vitamin D to be able to utilize this calcium to full advantage.

Timely Hints By RUTH CURRENT State Home Demonstration Agent

A cold egg just out of the refrigerator separates most easily because the white is firm and the yolk less likely to break, but the white whips best after the egg has warmed to "room temperature."

How long to whip is another secret the cook needs to know. Whites should be whipped stiff but not dry. If they are to hold their air bubbles while they are folded into a cake mixture and then cooked, they must not be stretched too thin by overheating. Whip until the white will hold up in a soft peak and looks glossy but not so long that it looks dry. A pinch of salt helps egg whites hold their stiffness.

On the other hand even a small particle of fat in the white will prevent it from beating stiff. Low or moderate heat is the rule for cooking egg white dishes.

A little kneading usually produces better biscuits than too much or none at all. In biscuit-mixing tests home economists used the standard recipe: 3 cups of sifted flour; 4 teaspoons baking powder; 1 teaspoon salt; 4 tablespoons fat; 1 cup of milk. The ingredients were stirred together in the bowl until just moistened, then turned out on the board.

The first batch of dough was not kneaded at all but quickly rolled out, cut and baked. The biscuits came out flat, crusty, only fairly light. The second batch was given long, strenuous kneading. The biscuits were tough, flat and close-grained. In the third test the dough received only 18 strokes of kneading.

Advertisement for War Bonds: 'WAR BONDS... Bombs Away! These bombs are leaving an American "fortress," somewhere over Japan installations. The bombs we make today will be dropping on German cities, Japanese islands in a very short time. The home front must fashion them and pay for them with War Bonds. U. S. Treasury Department'

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL AFFAIRS OF THE North Wilkesboro, North Carolina BURIAL ASSOCIATION, Incorporated

FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1943

Financial statement table with columns for RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, ASSETS, and LIABILITIES. Includes sub-totals for Total Receipts, Total Disbursements, Total Cash Assets, and Total Current Liabilities.

During the past year our association has increased its membership from 55,083 to 61,913; and its cash balance from \$69,673.71 to \$91,713.69. This remarkable growth is due, partly to the fact that it is not just an ordinary burial association. It was established on the right basis, and is managed by folk experienced in the Burial Association business, who are prepared for whatever the future might hold.

But the most vital part in the progress of your Burial Association has been your friendliness and your goodwill. Without your cooperation, your confidence, and your belief in the truthfulness of your management, the gigantic organization reflected by this statement could never have been possible.

For your support we are most grateful, and for your continued support we assure you that we shall ever be faithful to the deep obligation of public trust you have bestowed upon us, and to place this obligation above all else. We shall serve with justice and integrity those whose protection has been entrusted to our care—and thus endeavor to be deserving of the confidence you have placed in us.

With your help we shall continue to grow. Let us continue to march onward!

W. K. STURDIVANT, Secretary-Treasurer.

Important Message From Your Secretary-Treasurer

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Large table listing names of deceased members, their addresses, dates of death and birth, age at death, date joined, and amount of death benefits paid. Includes sub-totals for Total Death Benefits Paid to Members of the White Race, Colored, and All Races.