

Egg Producers Hit By Low Prices

Cost Of Feedstuffs Is All Out Of Proportion To The Present Price Of Eggs And Producers Of Eggs Are Suffering Losses

With their hens just beginning to really lay Brunswick county commercial egg producers feel that they are up against a very discouraging combination. One of these things is that the bottom has about dropped out of the egg market, as a result of heavy production everywhere. The other trouble is the high price of feedstuffs. They just can't produce and sell eggs at the present prices while feed costs what it does.

Egg laying mash, says county agent Dodson, is costing \$80.00 per ton. Wheat and corn costs \$1.50 per bushel, or more. Farm

yard hens who do much foraging can get along and produce eggs with a minimum of the high priced feeds, but the commercial layers have to be fed heavily. A flock of 500 to 2,500 hens, and there are many such flocks in Brunswick, require a great deal of feed. At the present high price for feed and low price for eggs the commercial egg producers are suffering losses, in place of the profit they had a right to expect for their labor and expense.

Some poultry raisers are reported selling their hens rather than pay high prices for feeds and not get enough for the eggs to pay for these feeds. This may and may not be the wise thing to do. Poultry experts all over the country are predicting that there will be a serious egg and poultry shortage next winter and in the spring of 1945. This will come about, they say, as a result of decreased flocks this year.

Pressure Cookers Now Unrationed

Anyone who wants to buy a pressure cooker for home canning this year may do so without bothering to apply for a certificate from the local ration board, the War Food Administration has announced. Pressure cookers were

officially removed from rationing the last week of the old year, but only for use in food preservation.

The wartime models of pressure cookers now in stock have bodies of steel coated with colored porcelain enamel and covers of steel plated with tin. Two sizes were on the market. The large size holds 14 galls quart jars, the small size 7 glass quart jars.

One of the resolutions that American housewives may well make this year is to put up food only by scientifically approved canning methods. Canning specialists of the U. S. Department of Agriculture say that for safety from spoilage, all non-acid foods—that is, meats and most vegetables except tomatoes—must be canned under pressure. Now that pressure cookers are no longer rationed, no one should be tempted to take a chance on putting up foods by risky methods like oven canning. Last year's output of pressure cookers was 315,000, this year's will be about 400,000.

Cut-Over Lands Furnish Grazing

Beef Cattle Make Gain On Cut-Over Timber Lands For Few Weeks Between Winter Annuals And Lespedeza

Cut-over timber lands can be used advantageously to fill in the grazing gap between winter annuals and lespedeza, report research men of the State College Experiment Station.

Tests at the animal husbandry farm near Raleigh during three years showed that beef cattle made an average daily gain of 1.21 pounds in the period from mid-April to the last of May.

When the cattle were returned to the woods pasture for a two weeks longer grazing period, the gains were very poor and in some cases there were losses. The best gains came in the first four weeks, with three yearlings to five acres. The forage consisted chiefly of hardwood browse and native woods grasses.

The State College Forestry Department conducted studies on the grazed area and a similar ungrazed area. Where the woodlands were grazed for approximately two months each spring for three years, the grazed land contained 53 percent more young pines of 6 inches in height or more per acre than the ungrazed land.

these days one frequently sees smoke and smells the burning brush and trash that marks the scene of the beginning of operations toward a new tobacco crop. To eliminate obnoxious seeds and insects from the beds in which the tobacco seed is sown it is the general custom to burn great quantities of brush and trash over the site of the bed. This burning of beds also serves another purpose, that of getting the ground the ground warm, dry and in fine condition for the seed. One dangerous factor in the burning off of tobacco seed beds is that the fires may be left unwatched and may spread to adjoining timber lands. Now, while it is a busy season for the preparation of seed beds, it may more than pay to closely watch all fires that present the least possibility of spreading.

New Brunswick farmers need any reminder of the fact that it was very difficult to obtain commercial fertilizers last year. This year the problem may be even more difficult. The fertilizer people say that it has been difficult for them to secure adequate material and labor. Their labor problems will continue to be serious ones and it will do the average farmer no harm to insure his fertilizer supply by getting his orders in as early as possible.

LOANS AVAILABLE NOW FOR FARMERS NOW

(Continued From Page One) visor, of the Emergency Crop and Feed Loan Division of the Farm Credit Administration. These loans will be made to farmers whose cash requirements are relatively small and who are unable to obtain from other sources, including production credit associations, loans in amounts sufficient to meet their needs.

As in former years, the loans will be made to meet the applicant's necessary cash needs in preparing for and producing his 1944 crops. Mr. Bradshaw pointed out that eligible farmers desiring to do so might apply now

for loans to take care of their crop production needs for the 1944 season. Interest at the rate of 4 percent will be charged on the loan during the period the borrower actually has the use of the funds. Farmers who obtain loans for the production of cash crops are required to give as security a first lien on the crops financed, and the security required for loans for feed for livestock is a first mortgage on the stock to be fed.

ARMY PILOT LANDS IN GREEN SWAMP

(Continued From Page One) much difficulty as a road had to be cut through the dense growth to reach it and rescue the pilot. During his twenty-four hour wait for rescuers to cut their way in the swamp and rescue him, the pilot is said to have fared pretty well. Other planes

dropped him food and blankets, with which he kept warm.

STILLS TAKEN NEAR PHOENIX

(Continued From Page One) product of the still in the shape of whiskey. This is the second still that the same officers have taken in the Phoenix section in the past few weeks. They captured a 100-gallon still and arrested the alleged operator just before Christmas. Officer Perry seems to have a monopoly on getting moonshine stills in North West township. He has been rounding up two or three each month and has usually been getting the operators along with the contraptions.

HAD TO LOCK UP AT COURT HOUSE

(Continued From page 1) ing things up. This trouble be-

came so bad that orders were given last week to lock the doors when the court house is not in use.

New Draft System Adopted By U. S. Selective Service

(Continued From Page One) meet their January quotas. At first, these men may be inducted 21 days after passing their physical, but this interval will be gradually lengthened as a pool of physically acceptable men is built up. If a registrant passes his physical and still has not been inducted 90 days later, he must be given a new pre-induction physical before being called.

RATION TOKENS TO BECOME VALID ON FEBRUARY 1
(Continued From Page One) Consumers will not receive tokens before February 27, a "point change" for purchase of rationed foods.

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Notice of Hearing Upon Organization Of Lower Cape Fear Soil Conservation District

NOTICE of Hearing upon the organization of Lower Cape Fear Soil Conservation District to include all of Brunswick County:—

WHEREAS, on December 7, 1943, there was duly filed with the State Conservation Committee of Raleigh, North Carolina, petition signed by twenty-five landowners, pursuant to the provisions of the Soil Conservation District's Law (Chapt. 393-1937) requesting the organization of Lower Cape Fear Soil Conservation District, and

WHEREAS, The lands to be included in said district by said petition comprise lands in Brunswick County described substantially as follows:

All of the area included within the boundaries of said county, excepting and excluding town and village lots, and lands owned by or under the control of the United States, or any of its agencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held pursuant to the said petition on the question of the desirability and necessity in the interest of the public health, safety, and welfare for the organization of such district: upon the propriety of the petition and of all other proceedings taken under the said Act; and on the question of the appropriate boundaries to be assigned to such district, and upon all questions relevant to such inquiries. The said public hearings will be held by the State Committee, or its representatives at—

- 1. LELAND HIGH SCHOOL—at 7:30 p. m. Monday, January 24th, 1944.
- 2. BOLIVIA HIGH SCHOOL—at 2:00 p. m. on Tuesday, January 25th, 1944.
- 3. WINNABOW POST OFFICE—at 7:30 p. m. on Tuesday, January 25th, 1944.
- 4. COUNTY AGENT'S OFFICE, SUPPLY—at 2:00 p. m. Wednesday, January 26th, 1944.
- 5. COURT HOUSE—at 7:30 p. m. on Wednesday, January 26th, 1944.
- 6. SHALLLOTTE HIGH SCHOOL—at 2:00 p. m. on Thursday, January 27th, 1944.
- 7. WACCAMAW HIGH SCHOOL—at 7:30 p. m. on Thursday, January 27th, 1944.
- 8. McLAMB'S STORE—at 7:30 p. m. on Friday, January 28th, 1944.

ALL PERSONS, firms and corporations who shall hold title to, or shall have contracted to purchase, any lands within the limits of the above described territory and all other interested parties are invited to attend the hearing and will be given an opportunity to be heard.

State Soil Conservation Com.
By—**I. O. SCHAUB, Chairman.**
Dated:—23rd day of Dec., 1943,
Raleigh, North Carolina.

PIGS
The USDA forecasts that the sows to farrow this coming spring will be 16 per cent below the record number which farrowed last spring. The increase in fall farrowings was about one-half the forecast increase of 25 per cent.

Army Turns Chapman Over To Brunswick Sheriff
(Continued From Page One) belonging to the school and some of the teachers. These books bore the names of the owners and all but \$4.00 worth of the loot was recovered when Chapman was arrested. He had redeemed one partly filled stamp book at the post office in Myrtle Beach. The transaction appeared so easy that he immediately went back to try and dispose of more. On his second trip he was arrested.

Our Roving Reporter
(Continued From Page One) of our people, the paper's gladly lending itself to be a clearing house for information from both the county and home agent's offices. Journeying around the country

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FARMERS GET DRAFT CREDIT FOR CUTTING PULPWOOD



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WAR MANPOWER COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

TO THE FARMERS OF AMERICA: December 1, 1943
It is our purpose that every worker be used every available day and hour on some war-useful job. Traditionally, farm workers have made themselves available in the off-season for pulpwood cutting, lumbering, sawmill operations and other activities. We hope that they will be available this year and that they will regard off-season work in essential activities as a wartime obligation. In order that they may transfer to war-useful work to simplify our wartime controls we have taken three steps to simplify our wartime controls over manpower. These three points of simplified procedure should be known to and understood by every farm worker in America.

DRAFT BOARD GIVES DEFERMENT CREDITS FOR WOODS WORK
FARMERS CAN HOLD DRAFT STATUS CUTTING PULPWOOD
EMPLOYMENT SERVICE REQUIRES NO RELEASE FOR PULPWOOD CUTTING

1. In considering agricultural workers for deferment, war unit credit for the production of essential crops will be given for work in wood products production. Up to one-fourth of the total war units necessary may be for work in logging, lumbering, sawmill operations, and pulpwood cutting. Selective Service Local Board Memorandum No. 164 covers this point.
2. Agricultural workers will be granted permission by their draft boards to engage in up to four months off-season work in other war-useful occupations. So long as the workers are available for the agricultural season, such off-season nonagricultural work will not affect their draft status. Selective Service Local Board Memorandum No. 115-D covers this point.
3. New United States Employment Service instructions provide that farm workers may engage in such off-season activity without obtaining a release from the Employment Service office. If they continue in such employment for more than six weeks, the obligation in such employment necessary approval from the Employment Service rests with the employer. War Manpower Commission Field Instruction No. 89 covers this point.

In some localities other activities and occupations may take a higher priority. The local office of the U. S. Employment Service will know where off-season farm workers are most urgently needed. These measures were taken primarily to aid the pulpwood and lumbering industries.

Paul V. McNutt

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