

Eight-Ball Awaiting Groundhog After Friday Coming-Out Party

The groundhog, which annually has a coming-out party, and tells a lie about the weather, is scheduled for an appearance here Friday.

The theory upon which the groundhog's prognostication operates, has to do with the clearness of the day upon which he ends his hibernation. If he comes out and sees his shadow he gets scared and runs back in his hole for another six weeks. That means that spring hasn't come.

However, if the day is cloudy and the timid fellow casts no shadow he stays out. Providence, which keeps an especially watchful eye on groundhogs for a reason known only to groundhogs and Providence, then provides nice balmy weather.

It's all pretty silly and probably not even important for after the weather of the last few weeks nobody's going to believe the groundhog no matter what he does.—Greenville News.

MIDDLE FORK

Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Meece of Old Toxaway have recently moved near the home of Mrs. T. S. Galloway.

W. R. Price was removed from his home here to the Six Mile hospital Friday for treatment. He has been ill for several weeks.

Rev. Nathan Chapman and son Elbert, and daughter Inez, spent the week-end visiting relatives at Tryon.

Helen Galloway, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Galloway, spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Meece.

Martha Ann, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Gillstrap, spent the week-end visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Gravely.

Mr. and Mrs. James Raines and son Harold, and Homer Manly, were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Volrath Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clemmons Chappell, of Old Toxaway spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Juston Morgan.

Frank Raines visited Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Meece Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Gravely and children and several friends visited W. R. Price at Six Mile Sunday.

Two French journalists descended 650 feet off Toulon in a new diving sphere which, when placed in the water can move under its own power, and the inventor plans to go down 1,500 feet.

When 55 Canadian college girls sailed for home from Liverpool, England, after a three-week tour of Europe they carried with them hundreds of buttons clipped from the uniforms of officials as souvenirs.

Southern Pines Will Play Important Part In Southern Income

Farmers and landowners of the South will be interested in a new publication, "Southern Pines Pay," which has just been released by the Forest Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Presenting a story of reforestation in pictures, the pamphlet offers outstanding examples of how southern farmers have turned idle farm lands into productive forests.

While there is nothing new to the conception that young pines can occupy soil too depleted for other crops, that they grow very rapidly, and that after a short period of years the plantations will begin to give financial returns, the approach of this bulletin to the subject of reforestation is distinctly novel.

No other region offers greater possibilities for continuous timber cropping and certainly our pines are an extremely important potential source of southern prosperity. Copies of "Southern Pines Pay" may be obtained by addressing the Regional Forester, U. S. Forest Service, Atlanta, Georgia.

New Circular Tells How To Raise Hogs

The ABC's of swine production—Advantages, B-reading, and C-care of hogs—are told in a new circular prepared by the State College Extension service. The publication was written by H. W. Taylor, Extension swine specialist, and Dr. John E. Foster, associate professor of animal husbandry at the college.

A copy of the booklet will be sent free to interested citizens of North Carolina upon request to the Agricultural Editor, State College, Raleigh, for Extension Circular No. 238, "Raising Hogs in North Carolina."

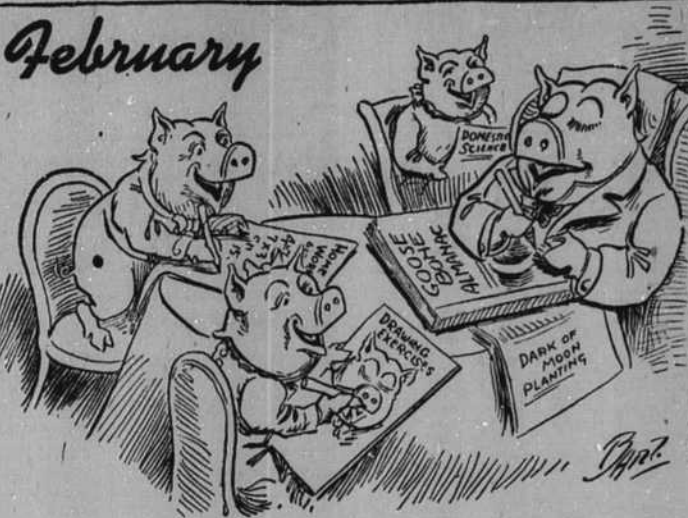
Under advantages, the circular points out that North Carolina is blessed with a comparatively mild winter climate, which permits grazing of swine during most of the year, and reduces cost of housing. Cooperative markets operated under the supervision of county farm agents are another of the advantages listed.

As to breeding, the animal husbandmen devote four of the 25 pages in the publication telling of the value of pure-bred boars. "There is no economy more false than the purchasing of an inferior boar merely because he is a few dollars cheaper than a good one," they say. "Type is very important in the selection of brood sows, whether they be grade or pure bred animals."

The proper care of the swine herd is discussed under several headings, including feeding, sanitation, housing, and disease control.

North Carolina already ranks second in the South Atlantic states in both hog population and money value of the farm enterprise, and 13th in the nation in money value and 15th in hog population.

THE STUDY MONTH On The Farm and in The Home



Each lengthy February night, Bolivar and his family Gathered around the cheerful light. All just as busy as a bee, And in all practical respects, They sure improved their intellects.

For knowing what there is to do Is just to make a proper start; Before a job is carried through, Some other questions play a part. How, when, where, why to do the thing Calls for a heap of studying

Present conditions mark 1940 as a year of uncertainty for North Carolina farmers. Because of this situation, State College specialists are urging growers to plan and plant wisely.

During February, the Tar Heel crop growers will find it to his advantage to follow these eight rules as laid down by C. B. Williams, veteran State College agronomist:

Select those fields on the farm, insofar as possible, for the growth of major crops that have soils and natures best suited to the growth of each of the crops.

Decide upon the best quantities and analyses of fertilizers that should be used for each crop for the greatest per acre returns.

Do not use fertilizers which fail to meet the requirements for your crops grown on your particular soils.

Do not let someone talk you into using mixtures you are not sure will best meet your conditions and needs.

Use improved seed best suited to your locality and conditions.

Handle your land so that it will be a little more productive each succeeding year.

As far as possible, arrange your major crops in rotations, with at least one suitable legume in each rotation to be plowed under for soil-improving purposes.

Break your land early and plant promptly on a good mellow seed bed after the season opens. Delayed planting frequently leads to decreased yields.

Now, jumping from crops to livestock farming, here are a few suggestions from Dr. John E. Foster, associate in

animal husbandry investigations for the Experiment Station at State College:

Brood sows that are to farrow in February should be provided with plenty of minerals and vitamins. If winter pasture is not available, furnish Vitamin A by feeding yellow corn or small amounts of bright green leafy legume hay.

Have your ewes in a strong thrifty condition before lambing. If some are poor and run down, separate them from the remainder of the flock and give them extra feed and care.

Save out some good quality legume hay for the weaned baby calves and nursing cows. The lower quality roughage can be fed to the older cattle and dry cows.

Don't neglect the weaned colts. Keep them growing all winter by providing sufficient good quality hay and concentrates.

For the poultryman, Roy S. Dearstine, head of the State College Poultry Department, offers these suggestions:

Start chicks from blood-tested parents. Blood-testing, if carefully done, reduces the chances of pullorum disease to a minimum.

Never start over two chicks to the square foot in the brooder house. Provide two half-gallon drinking fountains and two mash hoppers 4 inches high by 6 inches wide and 5 feet long with reel for each 100 chicks started.

Overheating kills more chicks each year than chilling. Be sure to provide adequate ventilation of the brooder house without direct drafts.

Provide a good chick starting mash and maintain rigid sanitation.

NOTICE OF SALE

State of North Carolina
County of Transylvania
In The Superior Court
Transylvania County

vs.
T. W. Whitmire, et al.

Under and by virtue of a judgment made and entered in the above entitled cause in the Superior Court of Transylvania County, dated the 27 day of Nov., 1939, the undersigned Commissioner, will, on the 5 day of Feb., 1940 at twelve o'clock, Noon, at the door of the Transylvania County Courthouse in Brevard, North Carolina, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, subject to the confirmation of the Court, the property hereinafter described, located in Brevard Township, Transylvania County, and more particularly described as follows:

In deed from C. H. Robinson & Co. to T. W. Whitmire, recorded in Book 51, page 125, Records of Deeds for Transylvania County.

This the 4 day of Jan., 1940

Ralph H. Ramsey, Jr.
Commissioner

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County of Transylvania
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vs.
J. H. Pickelsimer, et al.

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In deed from S. Maxwell and wife to J. H. Pickelsimer and J. T. Justus, recorded in Book 53, page 233, Records of Deeds for Transylvania County.

This the 4 day of Jan., 1940

Ralph H. Ramsey, Jr.
Commissioner

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vs.
Mrs. P. S. King, et al.

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In deed from Lucy A. Whitmire to Judith P. Whitmire, recorded in Book 19, page 481, Records of Deeds for Transylvania County.

This the 4 day of Jan., 1940

Ralph H. Ramsey, Jr.
Commissioner

OAKLAND NEWS

We were grieved to learn of the death of our old friend, John Fisher. He was buried Friday at Lake Toxaway Baptist church. Our sympathy goes out to the widow and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wilson and daughter, Miss Velma, spent Saturday in Brevard.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Reid made a business trip to Cashiers Saturday.

Roy Beddingfield, who has employment at the Ecusta plant, at Pisgah Forest, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Beddingfield, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleave Nicholson and daughter, Miss Lillian, visited the former's mother, Mrs. Bezie Nicholson Sunday.

Henry Alexander and Clyde Chappel were recent visitors of Pick and Grady Nicholson.

George Beddingfield of Bohoney was in Brevard on business Saturday.

Erskine Ruff, of Brevard called on friends here Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Avery Hinkle, of Brevard are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hinkle and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Chappel in Bohoney.

PENROSE NEWS

The Rev. J. W. Kesterson of Dana, has been invited to preach at Enon Baptist church at 11:00 o'clock the second Sunday of February. A good attendance is expected.

Enon folks have had no Sunday school for three Sundays in January on account of disagreeable weather. We hope for better days from now on.

Well, if this isn't it: Snow still on the ground and another snow falling. A week's sub-zero weather and no school on, and now none before Monday. Maybe we'll have it better in the May days.

Water lines here are out of commission and damaged by the freeze. Several people have also lost canned goods, potatoes and other things from unexpectedly low temperatures.

Sutton Wilson was very unfortunate in losing his only 250-pound fattening hog some days ago. The mischievous animal tore out of the pen, strayed off,

and has not been seen or heard of since. W. C. Rogers reports a very satisfactory price for his tobacco crop from his farm. He had about half an acre, averaging near 1,500 pounds to the acre. After losing some by firing from dry weather in the late summer. His average price was 19 cents plus above the warehouse charges. Mr. Rogers had a good dry curing season which does not come here every time needed. Mr. Rogers came here from the tobacco section of Buncombe county and bought the farm formerly owned by W. L. Couch, who sold to the Anders Real Estate Company.

South Africa is interning Germans.

Germany has decreed that distilleries must make brandy from chestnuts.

Horses from Belgium, England, France, Germany, Ireland and Switzerland competed in this year's Horse Show in Dublin.

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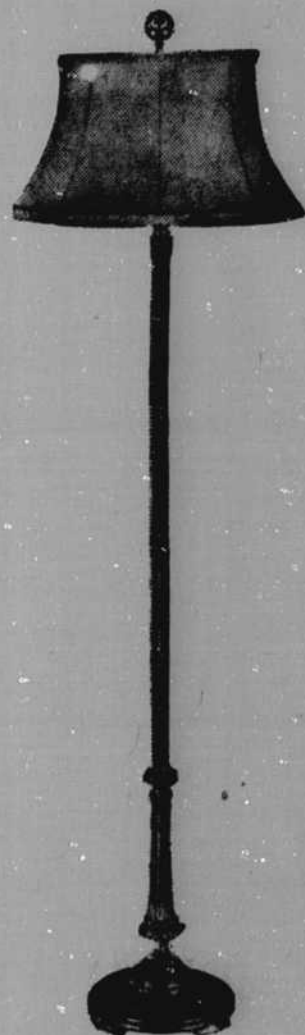
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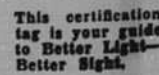
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