

TRANSYLVANIA'S Farm Front News

IT'S WORTH KNOWING

J. A. GLAZENER, Agent

Specialists at State college say that if your strawberry bed has yielded two or more crops of berries, it is time to plant a new bed this fall. Strawberry beds that are to be carried over to next year need attention as soon as picking is completed.

- (1). Keep the beds free of weeds and grass through summer and fall.
- (2). Irrigate the beds during the dry periods.
- (3). Keep strawberry rows narrow (12 to 15 inches). After this width row is filled, cut off all runner plants.

When you think of prescriptions, think of VARNER'S. — adv

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THE PRIZE-WINNING SKIT on the talent program at the recent Dunn's Rock community center is shown above, and the importance of June Dairy month was humorously stressed. Boots Davis

acted the part of a "not too well behaved" young milking Holstein heifer, and the farmer milking boy is A. L. (Dick) Moore. (Photo by Glazener)

WHAT'S BEING DONE? WHO'S DOING IT?

J. A. GLAZENER, County Agent

A beautiful sight down on the Brevard college farm. Seems that the Cantrell Produce company of Hendersonville have planted the entire farm to pole beans. Just another example of the changes taking place in agriculture in the county.

Speaking of changes and new ideas being developed, farm ponds are becoming quite popular over the county. Among the newcomers to the field is Warren I. Fisher of the Lake Toxaway community. An attractive farm pond is in the making just as you enter Mr. Fisher's home grounds, however, the beautiful grass plot in the middle of which stands one of those beautiful new mail posts will attract one's eyes just before reaching the entrance to the home.

Big new poultry house going up

on the Elzie E. McCall place in the Balsam Grove community. Since this is the second laying house that will house 700 layers looks as though Elzie is finding the hatching egg business a profitable investment to his other farming activities.

Take Soil Samples Now For Fall Crops

The farmer who looks ahead generally comes out best in the long run, according to Charles W. Welch, soil testing specialist, N. C. Department of Agriculture. There is a double advantage for farmers to have their soil tested now for ladino - grass pastures, alfalfa, small grains and other fall seeded crops. Lime should be applied ahead of land preparation for best results, and an overload in the soil testing laboratory may cause de-



GARDEN TIME
ROBERT SCHMIDT
N.C. STATE COLLEGE

Some of you sweet corn growers may be looking forward to the satisfaction and joy that will be yours when you sink your teeth in the first tender ears.

Perhaps the corn ear worms are also looking forward to that time—and they usually get there first. However, they can be effectively controlled with very little trouble. For small gardens it is probably sufficient and easiest to dust the silks of the corn with 5 per cent DDT. The dust should be applied directly to the silks when about three-fourths of the silks are showing and again when a few of them begin to turn brown.

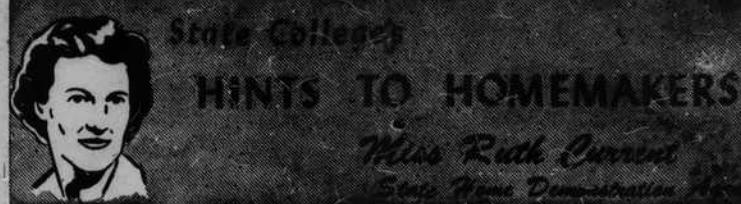
The moth lays the eggs on the silks and when they hatch out the small corn ear worm feeds there before he eats into the ear itself. For large plantings a power sprayer should be used and a DDT-mineral oil emulsion is recommended by our entomologists. This spray has been found to be very effective for the control of the ear worm. There is a special self-propelled sprayer designed for spraying six rows of corn at a time. This has been used successfully by commercial growers in Florida and Virginia.

And while we are on the subject of insect control let us not forget the ever-present Mexican bean beetle. Don't let the beetles seriously damage the bean plants before you do something about it. As soon as you see some of the beetles—they are large brown or yellow lady bird beetles with 16 spots on their wing covers—or as soon as you notice that some of the bean leaves have been eaten so that they resemble a piece of lace, it is time to get busy. The best control in the home garden is a 1 per cent rotenone dust. Since the beetle feeds on the undersides of the bean leaves the dust must be applied to the undersides of the leaves to be effective. Rotenone is not toxic to

Scout Committee Meets On Friday

The June meeting of the Transylvania district committee of the Daniel Boone council of Boy Scouts of America will be held Friday night, June 25th, in the office of Duke Power company here. Chairman Charles S. Dunlop urges all members to attend.

In 1953, 269,360 pedestrians were injured in U. S. traffic accidents.



HINTS TO HOMEMAKERS

Miss Ruth Overton
State Home Demonstration Agent

SUCCESS IN SEWING — Garments must be cut out properly if your sewing is to be successful. Mary Em Lee, extension specialist in clothing at N. C. State college, offers these suggestions: Follow the pattern guide sheet step-by-step. Compare your measurements with those of the pattern. Place every piece of pattern on true grain of material whether it be true bias or straight. Don't skimp; piece first. Properly pin pattern to fabric. Cut with long, even strokes. Carefully mark notches, darts, or other marks. Match plaids and stripes when cutting and sewing garment.

The sewing guide found in commercial patterns will give excellent directions as to fitting the pieces together. Follow it! Learn the sewing terms such as "ease in" and "straight of goods" and "arms-eye."

Mark all notches, pleats and other details by using tailor tacks, carbon and tracing wheel, tailor's chalk or other means of marking.

Whether you baste all the seams or pin and stitch will be determined by your sewing experience, your fitting problems, your self-confidence. Remember good standards are important. So, use the method that gives you the best results.

STATE COLLEGE ANSWERS TIMELY FARM QUESTIONS

Question: What is a penetrating seal floor finish

Answer: There are two types of floor finishes — surface finishes like shellac, varnish and enamel, and penetrating seals. The hard surface finishes wear off where they receive the most traffic. After a floor has been finished with penetrating seal, it can be refinished without being resanded.

Question: What are the highest yielding varieties of grain sorghum for North Carolina soils?

Answer: Martin, Wheatland, Westland, Redlan, Plainsman, Caprock, Redbine 66, Dwarf Kafir,

lays later in the summer, says Welch.

At the present time the soil testing division can give prompt service, getting out reports in seven to 10 days after samples are received. Farmers who want a complete analysis and suggestions for both liming and fertilization should send their samples now. Later it may be necessary to request that farmers send their samples for lime test only, since there is a limit as to the testing that can be done.

For best results from soil tests it is necessary to collect good samples, explains Welch. Information regarding soil tests and instructions for sampling can be obtained from local agricultural agencies or by writing the soil testing division, State Department of Agriculture, Raleigh.

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Question: What are the safest materials to use in cleaning grain storage bins?

Answer: Methoxychlor, DDT, or TDE are the safest. Either wettable powders or emulsions may be used. The wettable powders are used at the rate of one pound of 50 per cent powder, or two quarts of 25 per cent emulsion, in three gallons of water. This amount will cover 1,500 square feet of surface.

North Carolina ice cream production in March, 1954, showed a 3 per cent drop from March, 1953.

NOTICE

State of North Carolina, County of Transylvania

The undersigned, having qualified as Administratrix C. T. A. of the estate of Eric M. Rawls, deceased, late of Transylvania, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before the 27th day of May, 1955, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 26th day of May, 1954.
ELIZA W. RAWLS,
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