

FARM WORK.

April Is the Month To Put In Some Important Work.

This should be a month of great activity on the farm. Land that has not already been broken should be plowed with all possible haste, but not at the expense of thoroughness.

The first plowing is the foundation for the year's work. Remember, you are preparing the home for the plant to grow in. It should have a fine, well-pulverized soil with a sufficiency of plant food and moisture to dissolve this plant food, or you can not grow a maximum crop.

Determine now what yield per acre you wish to grow and arrange for it by putting the land in condition to grow it. Remember that the plant must have a good root system, depth of soil, plant food moisture. Arrange for these, and good seed and good cultivation you can feel assured of good crop. Fail to do it and you may expect a poor crop.

Avoid Clods.

In your preparation do not forget to use the harrow. All land, if it has enough clay in it to bake or "clod," should be harrowed immediately after it is broken. A good plan is to stop the plow just before noon and harrow the land that has been broken that morning. This will not require over 30 minutes and will prevent the formation of many clods. Hitch to the harrow again just before night and harrow the land broken in the afternoon.

It pays to prevent clods. They contain plant food, but it is locked up from the plant. The slender roots of the plant cannot penetrate a clod. If there are many of them, such as is often caused by hauling over clay land or allowing stock to tramp it when wet, they are about equivalent to a pile of loose rock. Remember that each clod is an obstacle, a hindrance to the plant, and should be crushed, or better still, prevented from being formed. You cannot get your soil in too good condition before planting the crop.

April is probably the most active month for planting that we have. Corn, cotton and the planting of many other crops begin with this month. "As you sow, so shall you reap." Plant good seed in well prepared seed-bed:

When clover or vetch has been used as a winter cover crop, if the growth was good, less nitrogen can be used than on land where no cover crop has been grown. Some of our soils, especially in the hill or Piedmont country, are deficient in phosphoric acid. On such soils the fertilizer should contain from 8 to 10 per cent phosphoric acid. Potash

can run from 2 to 4 per cent, depending on the soils. A soil naturally rich in any element of plant food does not require as much of that particular element as does one which is deficient.

Fertilizers up to 50 pounds per acre can be applied in the drill to better advantage than broadcasted. When more than that quantity is used, it will be better to apply the excess as side dressings.

For planting corn it is advisable to wait until the soil is thoroughly warm, unless there are some local reasons for planting earlier. Budworms, other insect pests, periodical drouths, and other local reasons should control the time of planting. I prefer planting corn two or three inches below the general surface.

For economical corn growing it should always follow a clover or other crop that will give it the necessary nitrogen without having to pay 18 to 20 cents per pound for it as in commercial fertilizer. There is a great difference in applying high priced fertilizer to a crop that sells for ten to 12 I-2 cents per pound like cotton, and to crops that sell for one to two cents per pound like corn.

Plant Sorghum, Millets, Soy Beans and Rape.

Sorghum, the millets, soy beans and early corn can be planted this month to make into roughage for stock when needed. Prepare land thoroughly and a sure well. Many of these crops when cut and fed green, will be relished by the horses, and other livestock on the farm.

It is not too late to sow rape for hogs. Sow from three to five pounds per acre on rich land. It is better to sow in rows 2 1-2 feet apart and cultivate.—T. B. Parker, in Progressive Farmer.

Don't Expect Chicks To Raise Themselves

People left to rustle for themselves at an early age sometimes turn out well, but chickens never do.

No hen ever laid 200 eggs in a year that had been raised on sloppy corn meal dough, or had been half-eaten alive by lice and mites. There was never a noted winner that could be appropriately named Topsy.

Just as soon as the chicks are all hatched and dried they should be removed to a coop already prepared for them. This coop should be large enough to accommodate three or four times as many when small, as it is surprising to see how soon they double and treble in size, and they require correspondingly more room.

Each coop should have a removable board floor and this should be covered an inch or so with fine chaff. Our houses are open front—that is, the front is covered with one-inch-mesh wire netting which lets the sunshine and fresh air in and protects the chicks. Since we did away with tight coops we have not had a case of colds or croup.

Chicks do not need a bite to eat until they are at least two days old. If they are seen picking at bits of egg shells, etc., soon after they are hatched, don't get excited and imagine the little things are starving.

For the first feed we give them a handful of old broken plates or saucers, beaten into small particles, to pick over. Shortly, we place water before them in a shallow pan and give them a light feed of corn bread. Prepared chick feed is excellent to start them off with as it furnishes variety—something they must have. We feed often but do not give them much at a feed for the first two weeks. Gradually the time between feeding can be lengthened and the amount increased. Be careful about overfeeding for the first week or ten days, but after they get able to run over the place, be equally as careful about underfeeding. There are some things that they cannot eat too much of, however—dry wheat bran and green stuff of every sort. Dry bran is about the best thing to keep things running smoothly I know of, and green stuff just must be a leading item in their bill of fare.

If it is possible give the chicks free range but do not attempt to raise them where the old fowls can run over and trample them.—Hugh H. Ballow, in The Progressive Farmer.

Pastor T. J. Folger filled his regular appointment at the Methodist church Sunday night, preaching an excellent sermon.

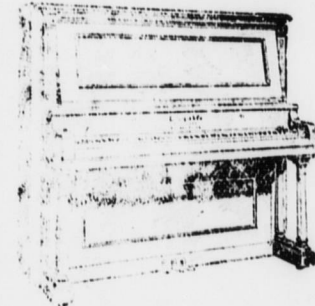
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Notice of Sale of Real Estate.

By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Stokes County, N. C. rendered on the 28th day of Feb. 1913, in the special proceeding entitled "S. W. Eaton and others against Etta Dorsett and Reid Dorsett," I will expose to public sale upon the premises in Stokes county, to the highest bidder upon the terms set forth below, on Saturday, April 12th, 1913, at the hour of two o'clock p. m., two tracts of land belonging to Noah W. Eaton, deceased, in Yadkin Township, the first tract being the same tract of land conveyed by deed from Alexander Boyles and wife to Noah W. Eaton recorded in the Register's office of Stokes county, in Book No. 19, page 299, containing 120 acres, more or less, and bounded as follows:

Beginning at a white oak, Adam Fulk's corner, running south 40 chains to a white oak, South 20 chains to a Spanish oak, East 40 chains to a rock and pointers, and thence north 30 chains to the beginning. Saving and excepting about 40 acres sold off said boundary to Henry Dorsett, reference being had to the deed to said Dorsett for boundaries of said exception.

Second tract being the same tract conveyed by deed from John Q. A. King to Noah W. Eaton, recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Stokes county in book 7, 39, and to which reference is hereunto made, and bounded as follows:

Beginning on two white oaks, said King's and Eaton's corners, runs South 23 chains to a stake in a piece of land sold to Abel Edwards, thence west with his line 1 chain and 74 links to stake and pointers, thence north 23 chains to a stake and pointers in Martin's old line, east to the beginning, containing four acres, more or less.

Terms of sale: One fourth cash on day of sale, one fourth payable December 1, 1913, and the remainder payable one year from day of sale, with bond and approved security for deferred payments bearing six per cent interest from day of sale, with privilege to the purchaser to pay all cash if he so desires. This the 28th day of Feb., 1913.
T. B. SMITH, Com'r.
N. O. Petree, Atty. for Com'r.

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"Beginning at a post oak Bannister's former corner, running west thirty chains to three white oaks in Gynon's line, north on his line thirty four and a quarter chains to a post oak in Martin's former line, East on said line seventeen chains to a Spanish oak, his s. e. corner, South four chains to pointers, a corner of lot No. 3, East with said lot thirteen chains to a chestnut, old corner, South thirty chains and a half to the beginning," containing 97 acres, more or less. Saving and excepting 43 1-2 acres sold off of said boundary to S. J. Wall, dec'd recorded in Register's office of Stokes county in Book 25, page 486, to which reference is hereunto made for boundaries of said exception.

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