

SURRY COUNTY FARM AND POULTRY NEWS

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Surry County Farm Demonstration Agent

We are glad to know that the County Home Farm is being put on a better farming basis which we believe will help reduce the cost of operating the old folks home. Last year the commissioners placed a pure bred Jersey bull on the farm for use on the herd kept there also for the use of the farmers of Surry County. Last week Mr. B. F. Folger, County Buyer attended the sale of pure bred Guernseys at Asheboro and secured three head to start a herd of Guernseys to furnish milk for the inmates there. He purchased a mature cow, a bred heifer and a young calf. With this as a start in a few years we hope to have as fine herd of Guernseys as to be found in this state. Plans are made to get some good stock of hogs and chickens so the farm is rapidly leaving scrub stock for a more profitable kind. About 15 acres will be devoted to cowpeas and soy beans in order to get a good supply of fine hay to feed the stock. Mr. Folger has also bought in Yadkin County a pure bred Guernsey calf which he hopes to grow out into a splendid milk cow. At this writing so far as we know there are only 4 head of pure bred Guernseys in Doobson Township, Mountain Park Institute and Klondike Farm are placing each a good herd of high class animals. Guernsey is a splendid dairy animal and is noted for a good disposition and the production of golden Guernsey milk. This breed has a bright future in this county and promises to have many backers in the very near future.

Lee Brintle, White Plains, has for sale one registered Jersey cow with a young bull calf, also a 6 months old heifer. If you are interested see him at once.

Now would be a very good time to have started a poultry association in the county to help move our surplus of eggs and live birds. For some time it looks like we will face low prices and this makes marketing very difficult. We should use more poultry products in our homes and we can well do this for at the present prices we can make a saving besides get the very best food possible for our families. We can leave off so

much meats which are high priced and substitute a better food at a lower price.

Sometimes ago I recommended Sulphate of Ammonia as a substitute for the higher priced nitrate of soda. At the present prices we should side dress or top dress our corn with ammonia sulphate. Use from 100 to 150 pounds per acre and apply early in the growing period or when the plants are not over 2 to 3 feet high. If you are going to top dress with either nitrate of soda or ammonia sulphate do so while the plant is small for you will get better results than a later application.

If you are growing barley for a hay crop be sure and cut it when the grain is in the soft dough stage or as many farmers say in the roasting ear stage. Barley cut at this time will make a better feed than cut at any other time. If you find some bearded barley mixed with your beardless you will know that some mixture has taken place usually in thrashing. It is almost impossible to get one strain of barley without this mixture. It would be a good idea to pull out all bearded heads as they are apt to lodge in the animals throat and cause trouble. Then you will be in a position to be able to sell to your neighbors beardless barley without having some bearded ones to show up later.

Ed Merrit has a mighty good field of vetch just across the river from Mount Airy. If you have never seen a field of vetch by all means visit this farm and see just how fine this plant grows in the county. We should grow a large acreage of this valuable soil building and hay plant. Remember we can never build our soils by buying fertilizer but we must have some other way and that is by growing plenty of legumes.

Get rid of all roosters by placing on the markets or if you want to keep them for breeding purposes then separate from your hens. Remember that a rooster never caused a hen to lay an extra egg and the only purpose of keeping a male bird is to make your eggs fertile for hatching purposes. Infertile eggs will keep longer and fresher than a fertile egg. Fertile eggs will rot much sooner and people do not like to buy fertile eggs. Many people do not realize that the rooster by fertilizing an egg will cause it to spoil and thereby cause eggs to sell for less on the market for no one is willing to pay high prices for eggs then to find that a great many of them are not fit to

eat. We should improve our product if we would keep the roosters away during the months when the eggs are easily spoiled.

We should keep in mind that we still have plenty of time to sow a good crop of soy beans and cow peas. Seeds of both are cheap and we have a large supply of cow peas in the county. We can have plenty of soy beans shipped in the county at a slight cost. At the present prices we can seed as much as we can for the cost of seed is so low this year that we can disregard that in figuring the cost of growing an acre. It is our ambition to see this valuable hay and soil building plant grown on every farm in Surry County. We can cut our fertilizer bills if we turn under more legumes.

Reports are coming in from time to time about the Mexican Bean Beetle. If you expect to win the battle against this serious pest now is the time for you to start the work. Spraying should start when the first true leaves comes on the plant or when you see the first beetles. Use two pounds of magnesium arsenate to 100 gallons of water or one ounce to three gallons of water. Spray on the under side of the leaves and do a good job and then spray as often as necessary.

Need Legumes in Profitable Farming

LEGUMES must form an important part of all profitable farming in the southeast, according to H. P. Ogden, agronomist, Tennessee Experiment Station at Knoxville. This noted agronomist gave this message in a talk for the Radio Short Course over WBR, Atlanta, which was conducted for two weeks by the Sears-Roebuck Agricultural Foundation in co-operation with the Soil Improvement Committee of the National Fertilizer Association.

"Legume means nitrogen to the crop grower and protein to the live stock man and the successful farmer realizes that the yield of crops is limited by lack of nitrogen and the productivity of animals is low from lack of protein," said Mr. Ogden. "Southern soils are very poor in nitrogen. We leave our soils bare in winter, subject to excessive leaching by the rains. We have little or no manure and few nitrogen gathering crops to restore it. Of course, we cannot change the texture of our soils, but we can change our cropping system and fertilizer methods and this should be done. Red clover is one of the most useful legumes for feed and soil improvement, but the scarcity of this has

Dobson Items

Dobson, May 23.—The woman's missionary union of the Dobson Baptist Church held their regular monthly meeting with Mrs. W. W. Hampton, Thursday afternoon. Mrs. W. W. Hampton, presided and also conducted the devotionals. Miss Elizabeth Norman was program leader. The topic for discussion was "Our Convention, Its Organizations and Purpose." Taking part in the discussions were Mrs. A. D. Folger, Mrs. W. L. Reese, Elizabeth Norman, Mrs. W. E. Reid, Mary Het Norman, Mrs. W. W. Hampton. The program was full of interest and inspiration and was thoroughly enjoyed. At the conclusion of the business meeting a social hour was enjoyed during which time delicious refreshments were served by the hostess. The district associational meeting will be held in the Dobson Baptist Church in June. It is expected that a large attendance of W. M. U. workers will be present at the meeting. The next monthly meeting will be held with Mrs. W. E. Reid. The Junior organizations were urged to attend the meetings to be held at Ridge Crest from June 16 to 25th.

Attorneys W. L. Reese and A. D. Folger attended court at Yadkinville during the past week.

A June term of Surry Superior court is scheduled to be held at Dobson on June 27th, for a two weeks term, for the trial of civil cases only.

Mrs. Rebecca Lamont and Mrs. Callie Hauser returned home Saturday from Draper where they taught during the past winter.

Arthur Folger Brintle, is the name of a son born to Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Brintle on May 18th.

Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Stone and small son Harold spent the week end with Mrs. Stone's mother Mrs. J. T. Mills of Polkton.

Dr. and Mrs. S. M. Brown of Kansas City, Mo., Mrs. Caroline Hampton, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Bell, and L. J. Hampton, of Hamptonville, were recent guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hampton.

The condition of Jacob Mitchell, a prominent citizen of this community who suffered a stroke of paralysis Saturday afternoon while assisting in cleaning off the grave yard at the Little Vine Baptist Church, shows some improvement.

Marriage licenses were issued to the following couples at the register of deeds office during the past week: John W. Fleming, to Essie Martin, Mount Airy; Dallas Fallon, to Gertie Williams, both Rusk; Fleet Pettyjohn, to Ethel Beamer, both Elkin; Ernest White, to Orpha Quisenberry, both Mount Airy; Vance Marion, to Bertha Atkins, both White Plains.

Mrs. Rufus Tilley and family, Mrs. Sallie Folger, Miss Fern Folger and Franklin Folger left the past week for Max Meadows, Va., where they will spend some time at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Soyars.

Funeral services for the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Hayes were held from the Salem Fork Christian Church Friday afternoon.

The following young people enjoyed a sight-seeing trip to Galax and Hillsville, Va., Sunday afternoon: Misses Violet Hemmings, Myrtle Hemmings, Ella Smith and Messrs. John Lewellyn, Wade Jackson, and Sam Seal.

One of the most pleasant social affairs of the season was the informal reception given Saturday evening by Misses Emma and Julia Comer at their home in honor of their brother Mr. John Comer and his bride, who was Miss Ruth Gibson, a former member of the Dobson high school faculty. Mr. and Mrs. Comer taught

in Dare County the past winter, and this is their first visit to Dobson since their marriage which took place last September. The home was beautifully decorated with roses and spring flowers magnolias and mountain laurel. In the receiving line were Misses Emma and Julia Comer, W. S. Comer, Mr. and Mrs. John Comer, and Mrs. R. E. Folger, E. C. Lewellyn and A. D. Folger. Contests and games were enjoyed during the evening, interspersed with vocal and instrumental selections. The guests were directed to the dining room by Mrs. W. L. Reese where punch was served by Misses Edith Reese, Julia Comer and Elizabeth Folger. Mr. and Mrs. Comer will visit for a few days at the home of Mr. Comer's father W. S. Comer. Following their visit here they will attend summer school at U. N. C. Chapel Hill.

Foran's Battle

Senator Daniel Webster of Massachusetts delivered his great speech on the Constitution of the United States in its relation to "state rights" on January 26, 1830. This speech was in the form of a reply to Senator Hayne of South Carolina.

Earthquake Waves

Seismologists say that every great earthquake causes vibrations which extend for thousands of miles in all directions on the globe, and one eminent authority has likened such vibrations to the long, long swells that sweep across the ocean. Not long ago an attempt was made to measure the height and length of waves of an earthquake that occurred in Greece, the pulsations of which were perceived by the aid of a specially constructed pendulum at Birmingham, England. The pulsations, or waves, passed through the rocky crust of the earth with a velocity of about two miles a second, and each of the largest of them, according to the inventor, must have been about 25 miles in length, but only half as high in height—Washington Star.

Twain's Revision Not Good

Mark Twain's last draft of "Tom Sawyer," with his letter to his publisher, is still preserved and shows that the humorist made many alterations before submitting the story. One interesting decision is a phrase from the episode of the puddle that sat down on the pinching Tom released in church during a dull sermon. When the pinching clamped on, the dog fled yelping, but it was originally written that the puddle was "berceily expressing at one end the wee that was torturing the other."

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SHANTUNG PONGEE, beautiful colorings in both plain and figured effects, per yd. . . 79c.

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Nine ounce clear crystal glasses, Star, Horseshoe or plain bottoms.

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Ladies' Rapon Silk Hose, a regular 50c. grade, slightly imperfect, Saturday only, per pair, 24 cts.
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Children's Fancy top Socks in all sizes up to 10, good assortment of colors, per pair, 25 cts.

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Pillow case, 42x36, each 19c.
Large bath towels, heavy weight, each, 22c.
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Mavis Talcum Powder, 25c. size, 15c.
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