

**SURRY COUNTY FARM AND POULTRY NEWS**

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**Gapes of Chickens Prevalent**

From the official record of the U. S. D. O. Agriculture. "There has been an unusual prevalence this year of the disease known as 'gapes,' a condition occurring in little chicks as the result of the presence of gape-worms in the windpipe. These worms are blood-red, and the male and female worms are joined together in such a way as to form a letter Y with a long stem, from which fact the worm is sometimes known as the Y-worm. These worms block the windpipe in such a way as to cause great difficulty in breathing, and the sick chicks show a very characteristic form of breathing, the mouth being opened wide and the breathing having in many cases a peculiar hissing sound. A few birds, usually those with few worms in the windpipe, recover spontaneously, but many die. This year losses amounting to two-thirds or three-fourths of hundreds of chicks in the flock has been reported."

**Sweet Clover Fields Source of New and Useful Strains**

"All sweet clovers are variable in their habits of growth, and many individual plants of distinct type and form may be found in nearly any sweet clover field. This offers an opportunity for the development of new strains of sweet clover for definite uses, according to L. W. Kephart, forage crop specialist of the United States Department of Agriculture.

There is considerable interest at present in the production of better hay varieties, he says, since common sweet clovers, especially the white-flowered species, are too coarse and heavy to make good hay for the second growth. Several good hay varieties have already been developed, notably the early flowering Grundy County, Crystal Dwarf, and early varieties of white sweet clover, and the Albatross and Sweitzer varieties of yellow clover. Recently a type of sweet clover bearing many more and finer stems than the common sorts was found at two of the western Canadian experiment stations. It resembles alfalfa so closely that it is easily mistaken for that plant. This important discovery will no doubt add a distinct new type of forage plant

**Notice**

North Carolina, Surry County, in the Superior Court.

By virtue of an order made by the Clerk of the Superior Court of Surry County in the special proceeding, entitled *Lula Hicks Moon, et al, vs. George Hicks, et al*, thereby appointing the undersigned commissioner for the purpose, I will offer for sale on the premises on

August 6th, 1927  
at 2 o'clock P. M.

that certain tract or parcel of land across Lovill's Creek from Foy Manufacturing Company, and described as follows:

Lying on the west side of Lovill's Creek, and beginning on the South side of Pine Street in the N. E. corner of land sold to M. A. Patterson by The Land Company, and runs in line with fence, runs S. 14 1-2 deg. W. 424 ft. to Patterson's line, and to her S. E. corner; thence S. 65 deg. E. 207 1-2 ft. to the edge of water of Lovill's Creek; thence up and with the bank of said creek as it meanders to W. A. Bolt's S. E. corner; thence N. 4 deg. and 30 min. W. 354 ft. to the South edge of Pine Street; thence with edge of said street 295 ft. to the beginning.

Terms of sale to be announced on day of sale.

This the 5th day of July, 1927.  
E. C. BIVENS, Commissioner.

**MINOR ILLS**

Disinnes, Biliousness, Colds and Others, Relieved by Black-Draught.

"I used to be bothered with dizziness," says Mr. Andy Parker, Route 4, Fort Payne, Ala., "and would get to feeling tired and my feet were heavy."

"I had a bad taste in my mouth. My eyes would burn. Then, pretty soon, I would have a mean headache."

"Someone told me about Black-Draught. I began taking it, and it helped me."

"Black-Draught has been our main medicine in the house now, for about twenty-five years. We take it for biliousness, colds and almost all minor ills. It's the first thing, my folks and I think of taking, when we feel bad. We recommend it very highly."

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in the present list.

The need for the winter-hardy types has been met with the Arctic or Hansen's fibrous, a white flowered variety from western Canada, and Albatross, also from Canada. A sweet clover much better suited than the common sorts to the cold, dry climate of the northern Great Plains appears to have been developed at the Redfield, S. D., field station of the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Several persons are endeavoring to find sweet clover that will grow on acid soils, lack of lime being a serious hindrance to the culture of the crop in many localities. Still others are trying to develop a strain suited to the drought and hot winds of the southern Great Plains.

A type of sweet clover that would be exceedingly useful, according to Mr. Kephart, is one that would remain green late in the fall, start growth early next spring, and remain green and in good feeding condition well into the following summer. A number of experimenters, both on farms and at experiment stations, have approached this type with selections of common white sweet clover.

Perhaps even better results will come from tests now being made with species and varieties brought from Europe and eastern Asia, one such species this year having remained green six weeks later than any sweet clover heretofore grown.

**Jersey Bull For Sale**

Dovic Sprinkle, Rush, N. C., reports that he has a pure bred Jersey bull, one year old for sale. He says that this bull can be registered and will take \$50.00 for him.

**Wanted—Two Gurney Bulls**  
I have had two calls for young, pure bred, registered, Gurney bulls. If you have any for sale let me have information about the animals also prices, and I will help you place them.

**Wanted—A One Horse Farm**  
Mr. Shelton, who lives at Zephyr, wants to rent a small farm to a one horse renter. He says that the soil makes fine tobacco and if you are interested see him at once.

**Don't Forget The Trip To Washington.**  
Grady Cooper, Dobson, is rapidly getting into shape his bus excursion to Washington on August 9-12. He

is planning to take along some eggs and other necessary food supplies as well as to keep the cost of the trip down as low as possible. The cost will be \$10.00, but if course your cats and other things will be extra so you can make the cost as much or as little as you care to. Get ready and take this trip for this will be your best chance to get this trip this summer at this price. Go to Washington and see what the ruling city of your country looks like. It is surely worth while, besides you will get to see some of the best farming lands in the state of Virginia.

**Study of Quail Enemies Made.**

Attention to the food supply and nesting cover of quail and to controlling the natural enemies of these birds will result in better development of quail preserves, according to the Biological Survey of the United States Department of Agriculture, which is participating in a cooperative quail investigation in northern Florida and southern Georgia. Destruction caused by wind, rain and fire cannot be controlled, but natural enemies may be kept in check. The investigation has shown that among

natural enemies that eat quail eggs or prey on nestlings, the greatest destruction is wrought by snakes and cotton rats, although opossums, raccoons, weasels, cats, hawks, owls, and crows also cause some losses. The fox hoppers have been best controlled by trapping and the cotton rats by poisoning. Snakes depend on cotton

rats for food as well as other small rodents, so that if the number of the cotton rats are reduced, the snakes may go elsewhere. Cooper hawks are destructive to quail and may be controlled by destroying their nests. Marsh hawks prey upon cotton rats and kill very few quail and may be poisoning. Snakes depend on cotton

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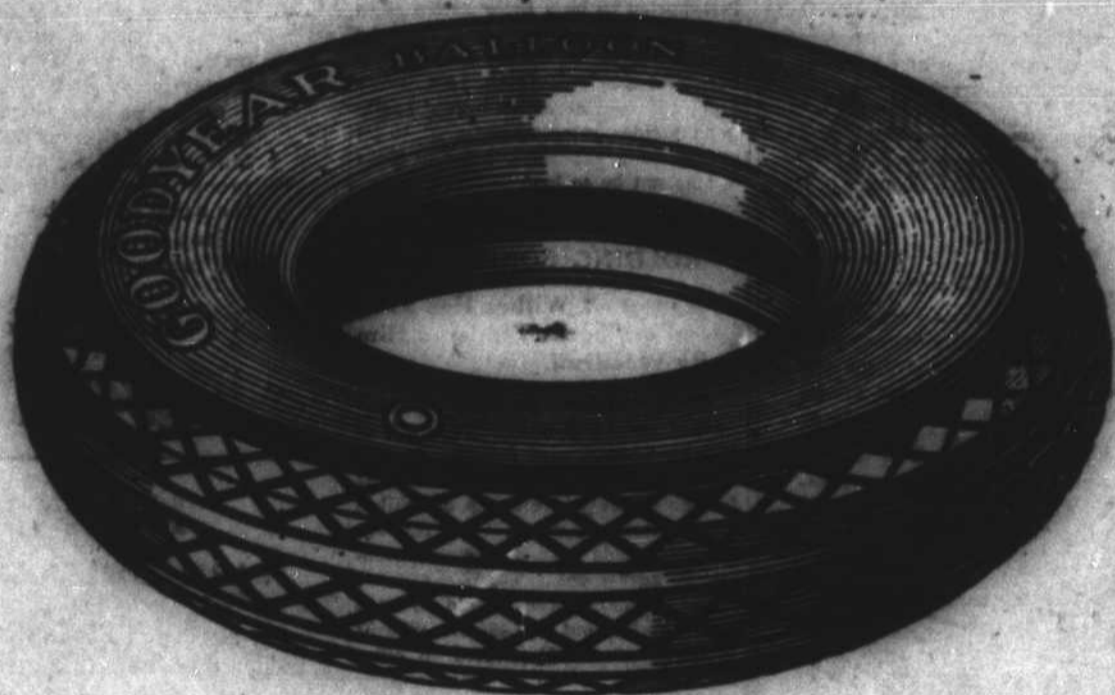
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