

Want Ads

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CHILD'S SWEATER SALE—Only 68c to \$2.98 at The Bargain Store. All kinds for all ages. 2t

FOR SALE—Monarch tractor in good condition \$300.00. J. L. Field, State street, or phone 258 eight. 2t

WANTED TO BUY—heifer calf from four to six weeks old. Seagle's Feed Store, East Court street. 1t

PREPARE for your Easter coat or suit. Use our lay-away plan at The Bargain Store. Newest selections. 2t

WANTED—Ten tons crushed stone or gravel and six yards of clean sand. Write Claude H. Swofford, Ashford, N. C. 4tp

TERRACING—Am in position to do terracing, work out farm roads, ditching, etc., at reasonable prices. Phone 258 or 368-J. 2t

LADIES NEW SPRING SUITS, \$16.50 to \$24.95. New Spring coats \$20.95 to \$24.95. New covers, gabardines and suedes. The Bargain Store. 2t

RECORDS—We either have them or will get them for you. The shop with a thousand tunes. Earley's Radio and Record Shop, 103 West Court St., Marion, N. C. Phone 361. 2t

COATS, suits, and dresses greatly reduced now, during Belk's great mid-winter clearance sale. 2t

SKIRTS and BLOUSES at The Bargain Store. New arrivals; special prices. Blouses \$1.48 to \$2.98. Skirts \$1.98 to \$4.95. 2t

FOR SALE: Panel truck suitable for candy truck. New rubber. Excellent condition, ready to work. Price \$600. A real buy. Shell Station, 221 at Parkway, Linville Falls, N. C. 2tp

MEN'S all wool sport shirts—reds, blues and plaids—sizes small, medium and large, \$6.95 values, special for only \$2.98 at The Bargain Store. 2t

LOOKS ALMOST LIKE NEW, the reconditioned men's STETSON hats at Belk's for only \$2.98. 2t

LADIES RUBBER BOOTS \$2.98 to \$3.95, all colors. Ladies goloshes \$2.39. Children's rubber footwear only \$1.59 to \$2.98, at The Bargain Store. 2t

Headquarters for window shades in Marion is BELK'S. All sizes of Venetian Blinds now in stock. 2t

FOR SALE—Large warm morning stove, four small coal heaters, and five portable oil heaters. May be seen at Clinchfield Baptist church, or phone 119-L. 1t

SERVICE—We service all makes washing machines. Marion Appliance and Paint Store, 17 State St., Phone 308. 1t

BELK'S BIG BASEMENT is headquarters for quilt and comfort batting in both cotton and wool. 2t

TREE-RIPENED ORANGES and grapefruit. Delicious, sweet, juicy. Eat them at their best. Direct from tree to you express prepaid. Crate, \$6.00; bushel, \$4.00; half bushel, \$2.75. R. L. Bost (bonded shipper), 970 DeSoto Avenue, Fort Myers, Florida. 5tp

Mt. Mitchell Leads In Volume Of Timber Sales For Past Year

Continuing leadership among six districts, the Mt. Mitchell Ranger District with headquarters at Marion, N. C., accounted for well over one-third of the volume of timber sold and cut from the Pisgah-Croatan National Forest during 1948, according to statistics compiled at the office of Forest Supervisor Carl G. Krueger in Asheville.

Of the 22,897,000 board feet of timber cut from the forest last year, 7,975,000 board feet were cut from the Mt. Mitchell district, lying in McDowell, Yancey, and Mitchell counties. A continuing high production is indicated this year since 1948 sales showed 10,761,000 board feet on this district out of a total forest sale of 24,957,000.

The value of timber cut from the Pisgah-Croatan last year was \$180,852.00 for an average of \$7.90 per thousand board feet. The Mt. Mitchell district average was \$8.73, ranking third behind the Uwharrie district average of \$18.69 and the Grandfather district's \$13.41 average.

Of the 25 million feet sold on the forest during 1948, chestnut still retains the lead in volume on three mountain districts, with yellow poplar, white pine, and northern red oak the best prices. On the Uwharrie district of the Piedmont and the Croatan district of the Atlantic seaboard, southern yellow pines are the important tree crop, both in volume and value.

The relative importance of chestnut in timber production is decreasing rapidly, however. Foresters and pulpwood buyers predict that sound chestnut wood will be exceedingly scarce in two or three more years. By that time, thinnings in young hardwood stands are expected to produce more pulpwood for the mills and continuing employment for local people.

All receipts from National Forest timber sales together with other forest receipts go into the Federal treasury. However, 25 per cent of that total is returned annually to the counties in which such forests are located, and an additional 10 per cent is returned to the forests for use on roads and trails.

North Carolina's flue-cured tobacco acreage quota in 1948 was 27.52 per cent less than in 1947; but the total crop produced last year was 746,300,000 pounds—only 17.8 per cent below the 1947 record.

INCOME TAX RETURNS carefully prepared. Cy Finley, East Court St. 1t

FOR RENT—Two room apartment furnished with modern conveniences. Not suitable for children. Phone Marion Progress for information. 2tp

HICKORY and LOCUST Lumber wanted—cut 5-4, all 8 feet long. (No mountain stock). Write for prices. Southern Desk Company, Hickory, North Carolina. 5t

FOR SALE, Cheap—Vacant house, 3 large rooms with hall, and a large room in basement partially completed. Electric lights, and well water. Location on Yancey street in Stumptown, on city bus line. Call at Honeycutt's Bargain Store in Stumptown, Marion, N. C. 4tp

LADIES buy those good 51 gauge 15 denier Nylons at Belk's now for \$1.59, and get every 13th pair absolutely FREE. 2t

DO THE FAMILY WASH at the Self Service Laundry. Economical, convenient, thorough, at East Court street, across from Ford garage. 1t

IT'S BELK'S in Marion for yard goods. Woolens in new spring colors just received. Linings, trimmings, covered buttons, everything to sew with at BELK'S. 2t

CONSERVATION NEWS

By L. B. HAIRR

Roy Burgin of Crooked Creek is setting his new apple orchard on the contour. Each row runs into the farm road that is located at the side of the orchard, Mr. Burgin states. He says he has found it to be easier to take the sprayer and other equipment around through the orchard where the rows are on the contour. Then, too, the soil washing is checked and more water soaks into the ground, he remarked recently. "In the final analysis," Mr. Burgin said, "the soil fertility increases and the apple crops grow larger each year."

"I harvested 10 tons of hay from my five acres of meadow last fall," says J. S. Setzer of Marion Rt. 3. Mr. Setzer states that the meadow pays off better in hay than anything else he has ever had it planted to. The five acres of orchard grass and Ladino clover that Mr. Setzer sowed last fall is looking fine. He plans to use this for hay.

Many of McDowell's farmers, co-operating with the Catawba Soil Conservation District, have taken advantage of the P. M. A. pasture

building program. They are using lime and phosphate also seeding new and old pastures. Dr. Paul McBee and Tom Hardy of Crooked Creek recently began preparing the seedbed for new pasture. Tom has spread lime and fertilizer and then disc the land for seeding of pasture in March.

JOBLESS BENEFITS

Claims for unemployment compensation have been increasing steadily every week since October, according to the Bureau of Employment Security, which reports that, although this means the number of jobless is increasing, the situation is far from alarming. They point out that the total number of unemployed is only 2,000,000 and there are nearly 60,000,000 civilians gainfully employed. About 33,000,000 of these are eligible to receive unemployment checks if they are laid off.

SHE HEARD

A preacher was visiting one of his poor parishioners, an old woman, affected with deafness, who expressed her great regret at not being able to hear his sermons.

Anxious to be sympathetic, he said, with self-depreciation: "You don't miss much." "So they tell me," was the unexpected reply.

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THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE MCDOWELL BUILDING AND LOAN ASS'N. OF MARION, N. C.

for the purpose of receiving annual reports of officers, electing directors and transacting such other business as may come before the meeting, will be held at the office of the Association in the Marion Industrial Bank building on Monday night, February 14, 1949, at 7:30 o'clock.

ANNIE L. EPLEY, Secretary.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK of MARION, N.C.

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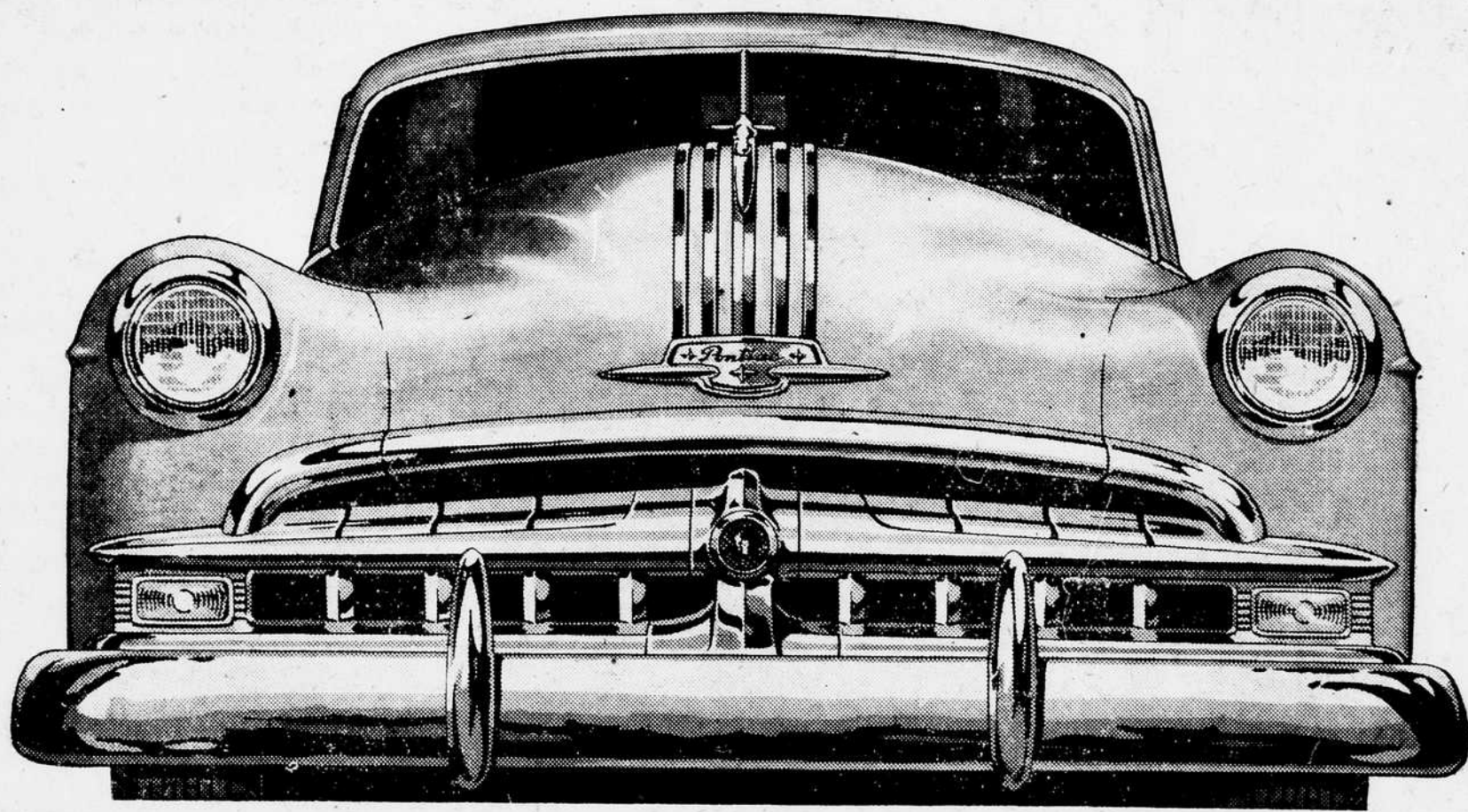


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