

Farm Review & Forecast

Food-Poisoning Usually Starts From Hand Germs

NEW YORK — Food poisoning in the United States affects an estimated 3 million persons each year. Next to the common cold and measles, it is the most prevalent disease in the world, according to a U. S. government source.

LOOKING BACKWARD

Interesting items reprinted from old files of **The Roanoke-Chowan Times** By MISS ESTHER CONNER Editor Emeritus

May 26, 1938
A Thought For The Week — Lay hands suddenly on no man, neither by partaker of other men's sins; keep yourself pure. — Timothy 5:22.

The choir of the Rich Square Methodist Church presented a cantata at the Jackson Methodist Church Sunday morning, under the auspices of the Woman's Missionary Society. Members of the choir taking part included: Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Madry, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Grant, Mesdames J. W. Brown, J. A. Worrell, Robert Bolton, Janie Lebew, R. I. Leake, J. A. Shoulers, Miss Bernice Elliott, and Messrs. W. E. Bryant and L. G. Bolton.

Hon. R. L. McMillan of Raleigh will speak at the Legion Memorial Service Sunday morning at 11 o'clock at the Rich Square Methodist Church. This program has been arranged by the Northampton Post No. 111 of the American Legion as a District Memorial Service, and Legionnaires throughout the district are urged to attend.

From Conway — Luther Johnson, Misses Wilma Johnson and Julia Futrell will spend Thursday and Friday in Mars Hill, N. C. They will be accompanied by Mrs. Russell Johnson to Mars Hill, N. C., where she will visit her family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Cannon.

From Woodland — Mrs. Elma Ralley and daughter, Frances entertained last Friday evening at a miscellaneous shower honoring Miss Mary G. Parker whose marriage to I. R. Littrell was solemnized Sunday afternoon, May 22.

Auction Sale — Horses, mules, cattle and hogs, Benthall's Stockyard, Friday, May 27, Auction sales every Friday. Private sales every day. Last Friday's sale was very successful. Around 200 head of cattle were brought in by local farmers, all of which were sold, in addition to 100 head of hogs.

May 14, 1925
The state highway connecting Jackson, the county seat of Northampton, with Winton, the county seat of Bertie, and running through Rich Square and Aulander, known in the state system as No. 305 (between Jackson and Aulander) has been completed by the state. Nelo L. Toer of Durham was the contractor and builder. The circle from Jackson, Conway, Murfreesboro, Winton, Ahsokie, Aulander, Rich Square to Jackson is now complete, and the bridge over the Chowan at Winton will be opened to the public on the 28th of this month. Those who have not made the round trip over the state highway connecting the above named towns would find much of interest in doing so.

Officer Talmadge Bolton and deputies of Rich Square made another raid on the distilling business down near the Bertie County line early Tuesday night and captured the complete outfit, a quantity of liquor and three of the men operating it who in default of bond have been lodged in the county jail at Jackson.

Commencement services were held in the high school auditorium at Woodland Sunday evening, May 3. Rev. Harry M. North, former presiding elder in the Methodist Church, at present pastor of the Methodist Church in Rocky Mount, delivered the commencement sermon.

Miss Maggie Brown returned home from Kelford a few days ago, where she taught school the past session.

The Rich Square High School will close its 1924-25 session on Wednesday May 27, the final event being a play, "The Microbe of Love." Sunday morning, May 24, annual sermon, by Dr. L. E. Barton of Norfolk. Tuesday evening, May 26, at 8 o'clock literary address by Dr. C. C. Cunningham.

The Parent-Teacher Association will meet Friday afternoon of this week at the school building.

Food can be contaminated from just the touch of our hands. Then, given a few hours at summer temperatures, picnic and cook-out delicacies can become unsuspected menace because of contamination by rapidly reproducing "yellow staph" germs. These germs produce enterotoxin, the cause of most food-poisoning episodes. ("Ptomaline polio") is a commonly used mislabel.

Contrary to public opinion, too, cooking destroys only the germ but not the toxin, so durable that it may not be destroyed even by 30 minutes of boiling.

One of the sources of the contamination is the human body — staph being "resident bacteria" which are usually carried by human hands — precautions against picnic and cook-out poisoning should begin with hand cleanliness. In fact it is now known that food handling by hands that are not scrupulously clean accounts for a major portion of food-poisoning outbreaks.

One of the methods which medicine has developed to deal with the resistant "staph" is a technique similar to that used by surgeons in preoperative scrubbing. It involves the use of an antibacterial cleanser.

Proper refrigeration is another essential safety measure, especially for hot-weather dishes. A leaflet issued by the U. S. Public Health Service advises housewives to "take special care in storing foods consisting in whole or in part of milk, eggs, meat, poultry, fish, or shellfish, including such dishes as cream pies, custards, and potato salads."

Leftover foods should be promptly refrigerated, even if still warm, the leaflet adds. Picnic foods should be as non-perishable as possible. The Public Health Service advises using a portable cooler for salads and whatever other perishable items are necessary. Do not let the cooler sit for long periods with the top off and always try to place it in a cool spot such as under the picnic table or in the shade of a tree.

Supply Of Tobacco At Record High

RALEIGH — A recent inventory by the U. S. Department of Agriculture shows that American dealers and manufacturers have over 5,500 million pounds of tobacco on hand.

Stocks of flue-cured, the most widely grown tobacco in North Carolina, accounted for more than half the total.

Flue-cured stocks on April 1, 1965, amounted to 2,823 million pounds, or about 75 million more than a year earlier.

Burley stocks, which amounted to about 1,700 million pounds, were also up slightly from a year earlier.

Of the 5,500 million pounds of tobacco on hand, some 1,367 million pounds of it were under government loan. This was 282 million pounds more than had been under loan a year earlier.

Here again flue-cured tobacco accounted for the lion's share: 954 million pounds out of the total of 1,367 million pounds under government loan. Other loan stocks included: burley, 325 million; Maryland, 16 million; flue-cured, 44 million; dark air-cured, 23 million; and cigar leaf, 5 million.

Boy Scouts Attend Camp

BAILEY — Two hundred and eighteen scouts, including nine from Woodland, and leaders attended Camp Charles last week. They represent 14 Scout troops throughout the Council area.

Camp Charles opened on June 6, and will operate until August 7. Approximately 1,600 scouts are expected to attend the camp during the summer.

The program at camp emphasizes nature, conservation, Indian lore and aquatic activities. Swimming, rowing, canoeing and lifesaving continue to be among the most popular features of the program. Herman Wood, district Scout executive, Williamson, is serving as waterfront director.

The following boys from Troop 98, Woodland, attended the camp last week: Harrell Parker, Arthur Jenkins, Dan Joyner, Don Joyner, Larry Lassiter, Lanier McDaniel, Edward Timberlake, Cola Vaughan, and Gay Wells.

Elena Verdugo of "Many Happy Returns" once was singer with Xavier Cugat and did the vocal on the band's hit record of "Tico Tico."

Algebra I To Be Taught By Pitt

GREENVILLE — A class in algebra I will begin at the Pitt Technical Institute Thursday, June 24, at 7 p.m. This is an 80-hour course which will meet on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 7-10 p.m.

Cameron's Niece Wins Scholarship

ROCKY MOUNT — Among the seven winners of the Wesleyan Award Scholarships announced recently by North Carolina Wesleyan College, is Miss Laura J. Funk of Smyrna, N. Y., niece of Mrs. Angus Cameron of Jackson. The scholarships are awarded on the basis of academic achievement, intellectual potential, good citizenship and financial need. Wesleyan Award Scholarships are valued at \$200, representing a four-year scholarship for the recipient of \$50 each year. Miss Funk will be a freshman at Wesleyan this fall.

ASCS Newsletter

Recent rains have slowed field compliance work with the result that the work is now approximately one week behind normal schedule. Field work has been completed on 25 per cent of the farms in Northampton County and sufficient field personnel have been trained and are now ready to complete initial determinations on all farms within the next several weeks. Farm operators should cooperate with the field reporter on his first visit to the farm in order that the operation may run as smoothly as possible.

The first group of notices will be mailed out from the county office this week. All committee members are urged to advise farmers that they should contact the county office after they have received their notice if there is any question concerning any acreage determination. This is important as certain time limits are in effect concerning requests for re-measurement or adjustment of acreage.

The established charge for disposition of excess acreage for program compliance is \$5 per farm for one place with \$1 additional charge for each additional place.

Martin Is Brunswick County Agent

WHITEVILLE — Archie F. Martin, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Martin of Jackson, who has been assistant county agent in Columbus for 14 years has been appointed county agent of Brunswick.

Martin served in Pasquotank County for four years as an assistant agent.

He is a graduate of N. C. State University with an agronomy degree. He is a lieutenant colonel in the Army Reserve.

Martin is married to the former Geraldine Hughes of Elizabeth City and they have two children.

They will move to Shallotte around July 1 to take their home.

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actual B, per acre, will reduce yields. The application of copper sulfur with Boron should be applied around the middle of July. Sulfur, which contains 20.5% Boron, can be used as a spray on peanuts. The recommended rate is 2 1/2 lbs. of Sulfur per acre. Do not apply more than one application, Harrell said.

Research has proven that where pod rot is a problem to growers 1500 to 2000 pounds of landplaster per acre will aid in controlling this disease, Harrell said. The first application of plaster should be made when the first blooms appear, and the second application about the second week in July. Where heavy applications of plaster are to be applied, it is suggested that material be broadcast rather than split applications are recommended regardless of whether a pod rot problem is present, he advised.

Where peanuts have turned yellow as result of too much rain, it is suggested that growers use from 100 to 150 pounds of 16% nitrate of soda just as soon as possible. Make sure that the vines are dry when this soda is applied, Harrell concluded.

"The waters wear the stones; thou wastest away the things that grow out of the dust of the earth; and thou destroyest the hope of man." — THE BOOK OF JOB.

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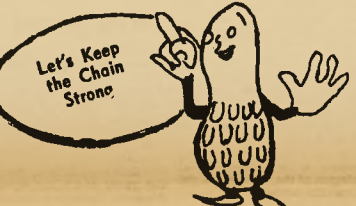
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Southern Corn Rootworm Control

The Southern Corn rootworm is the most serious insect pest attacking underground parts of the peanut in North Carolina.

The adults of the Southern Corn rootworm are known as spotted cucumber beetles. Adults feed on the unopened leaves causing relatively minor damage. A few adults can usually be found on peanuts in late June but the mass movement to peanuts does not usually occur until the second or third week in July.

Eggs are laid in the soil at the base of the plant. They hatch in about a week and the rootworm feeds on the peg, pods and roots for about three weeks if uncontrolled.

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	Control		
Southern corn rootworm	Diazinon	18 lbs. of 14% granules	Bunch peanuts—apply in a 16 band over the row just prior to pegging. Work immediately into top few inches of soil.
		18 to 21 lbs. of 14% granules	Runner peanuts—apply in an 18 to 20 inch band as described above.
	Phorate* (Thimet)	20 lbs. of 10% granules	Do not graze or feed immature crop to livestock. Apply in same manner as diazinon. Use caution in handling and applying phorate.
	Parathion* (stabilized)	20 lbs. of 10% stabilized granules	Apply in same manner as Diazinon. Use caution in handling and applying parathion.

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