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## Offers Much Promise

To one who remembers when some farmers dropped corn by hand, and the great majority chopped corn, pulled fodder or shocked corn in a day when often rows ran up and down hill when erosion was not understood but poor land was a reality and 20 bushels an acre a good yield, the revolution in corn growing is a near miracle.

The use of hybrid corn, more and better fertilizer, green manures and closer planting has steadily boosted yield until the average in Warren County is nearly 50 bushels an acre with numbers of farmers producing more than a hundred bushels to the acre. Pulling fodder is but a relic of the past and corn shocks seldom add picturesqueness to the fields on a fall day. The hoe and the turning plow have given away to the tractor cultivator and corn harvesters take the shelled corn from the field. And still change and progress goes on with chemicals playing an increasingly big part in the cultivation of crops.

Tuesday afternoon we saw a beautiful crop of corn, estimated to yield 80 bushels of corn to the acre or better, with a matting of grass protecting the soil from erosion. The remarkable and revolutionary thing about this corn was that it was planted in a grass sod that had not been broken, treated with chemicals to retard the growth of

grass, and then left completely alone to mature.

This particular field was grown for silage by a dairy farmer. When the corn is cut and cool weather comes, the retarded grass will again grow and forage will be provided for the farmers cattle. Next spring the field may again be sown to corn and the fescues and clovers treated and the process repeated with practically no loss from erosion and maximum effort.

Bugs still remain, present chemicals do not kill or retard crabgrass, but the principle has been worked out, and it will be only matter of time before improved chemicals and better slicing implements will be perfected and it could well be that within a few years this will be the commonly accepted way of producing corn. It may well be for many other crops that land-breaking may become a thing of the past.

Corn and pastures are the backbone of a livestock program. Once Warren County was one of the wealthiest counties of the state when its agriculture was based on small grain and livestock—cows, pigs and sheep. It could well be that this new method of production could go a long way to rebuilding a livestock industry in our county and opening new opportunities for many of our farmers to remain on a bit of land that is much more than just a place of subsistence.

## Letters To The Editor

SIGNIFICANT

To The Editor:

In reference to your editorial entitled "A Disgraceful Act" it is significant to note that a citizen should have the freedom to walk down the streets of any town in this nation without having his picture taken against his will. Whether or not he has this freedom or the right to protect himself from such a clean cut invasion on his privacy I do not know.

However, I do know that now you and your young nephew both must realize how the merchants and restaurant owners of Raleigh, Durham and Chapel Hill felt when the mistaken students from the universities impeded their service and obstructed their efforts to carry on free enterprise as they preferred. Students, incidentally, who were inspired by radical, left-wing professors and by known Communist speakers:

Only a little thing then; true and when university officials failed to act responsibly—the Speaker Ban Paradoxical as the True Story isn't it?

C. E. WHITE  
Chapel Hill, N. C.

GOOD, BAD NEWS

To The Editor:

The Record has both good news and bad news lately.

The good news is about the coming of a nice young doctor, Dr. Harrison, to the county.

I have not visited in Warren lately for fear that I might need a doctor and could not get one. But never mind medicare is almost here, and if I should have a long illness and a big hospital bill I would not have to sacrifice my home, and I feel that since my husband paid S. S. taxes from the time the S. S. Act went into effect in 1935 until the time he died in 1960, that I am entitled to use medicare if it should be necessary.

As for the bad news. It is the reactivation of the Ku Klux Klan. I have seen them burn the fiery cross back in the 1920's at Wise, but what the purpose was I do not know. I do remember that my young nephews were visiting me from Boston and one of them said, "Just wait until I tell Pete about this." He was referring to the Irish Catholic cop on the beat where he lived.

I am writing an article now about the colored folks I knew 50 years ago when I first came to the county, and how kind they were to me.

First there was Aunt Milly who slept on a pallet right by my bed when my husband first went on the road and I was alone on a main highway with a small baby. Then she used to pick and roast a turkey for us when we had one, and did whatever she was able to until she died at past ninety. I was told that she was one of the few slaves owned by my husband's family. I do know that my husband helped her granddaughter get her Social Security. The granddaughter was my first "cook" and it was either her Aunt Molly's son or grandson that my husband made an affidavit for as to his age. They were born close together and used to always fox hunt together.

And then I recall Uncle Amos who would walk over a mile and cut wood for me all day long for ten cents an hour and bring my children a bag of black walnuts from the plantation upon which he lived.

I recall Aunt Rose, who was the first midwife I had ever seen and who stayed with me for a month after my babies were born and Dr. Holt had officiated at the deliveries. Aunt Rose, I do not think could read or write, but she was very careful in her work and when things were not going right, she never failed to call a doctor.

There was an old colored man who, when you asked him how he was feeling, would reply, "I am holy and righteous and living without sin."

I remember another incident which was a little bit funny. This happened when a relative of a neighbor of mine died suddenly and I was asked to shroud her. I went to my front door and saw Aunt Della passing. So I called her in to assist me. I gave her a seat in the kitchen while my neighbor sent across the creek to get her relatives' Sunday clothes. But when I got ready for the clothes I called Aunt Della and she had disappeared and was nowhere to be found.

My experience with colored people since I came to Norfolk is about the same as it was in Warren County, only I do not think the people here know that I am a Yankee. I love the South

and its people and I have always tried in as far as I could to conform to their ways.

One day when my husband was very ill I was out in front of my house trying to rake up some leaves. An elderly colored man came by and said "Lady, let me do that for you." I replied, "I cannot afford to pay you a dollar an hour." He said "Never mind that, pay what ever you can." So he helped me and I paid him and he has helped me ever since and he has helped a widow I know who has a large house and rents some rooms. He keeps them clean for her, because she is unable to climb stairs. Come to find out Lee was retired from the U. S. Public Health Hospital here, and had I known it, he could have helped me care for my husband.

A colored woman I know named Hattie Jones is of the more modern type. She helped me serve our 50th anniversary dinner and reception and also she served the reception for my grandson, married this spring. Hattie says all she wants is to be a first class citizen. She voted and certainly has no feelings toward white people except the very best, for her husband was a chauffeur for one of Norfolk's best known doctors. He left his chauffeur \$5000 in cash and a trust fund to be used when he can no longer work. Hattie has recently taken care of an elderly white lady who had no children and no near relatives. She was hired and paid by one of the banks here, and of course she was left a legacy too. Her son works for the Post Office and her daughter has a private kindergarten for colored children.

When I lived in northern New Hampshire there was just one Negro. He was brought there by a doctor who graduated from West Point and was retired from the Army. George was quite a curiosity and the doctor was always telling about the funny things he said and did.

In Laconia where I was married there were two Negroes. One was a mulatto who sent his little boy to our school. The white boys made his life miserable and he was finally sent to a reform school. I do not know how he turned out for that was over 50 years ago.

The other colored man was a fireman on the Boston and Maine Railroad. My friend's husband was the engineer and after I had been living in the South, I remarked that I was not used to seeing a white man and a colored one so chummy. He then told me that his fireman said that he would be willing to be skinned alive if his skin could only be white.

The situation in Warren County is a peculiar one and fraught with danger and any move which creates hatred between the races is very much to be regretted. Such a move should be discouraged by all good thinking Christian citizens.

CHARLOTTE STORY PERKINSON  
Norfolk, Va.

## Corn

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ful, he told those on the tour, corn must be planted early. Hunt's corn was planted on April 13.

Some mistakes were made and many bugs yet remain to be ironed out, but those in charge seemed to be pleased with the progress of the new process which may revolutionize the growing of corn in Warren County. One change suggested for next year is the use of a heavier planter with improved covering materials. The planter used in the experiments this year was a relatively light shopmade machine. Improvements need to be made in the chemicals to be effective on different types of grasses. This was brought out by the agronomist.

The corn planter, demonstrated by Dr. Martin, consists of a planter with a sword-like tongue, followed by a wheel. On this planter is the usual fertilizer hopper and a corn hopper, and in addition is located a chemical tank. The planter is pulled by tractor across an unbroken field and sows the fertilizer and corn and applies the chemicals designed to retard grass growth.

One of the bugs revealed in the first tests is a difficulty

in planting the corn at the right level where the planter encounters this and/or very hard soil. Dr. Martin expressed the view that a heavier machine would do much to overcome this difficulty. A more effective chemical against crab grass has to be developed, and a number of other corrections will have to be made in subsequent experiments.

The theory being tested is that there is no need to break ground to plant corn or to cultivate corn once it is planted. This would enable a farmer to reduce the amount of labor needed and to substitute machine labor for hand labor.

A part of the theory is that not only is it not necessary to turn soil and bury grass, but that grass need not be killed. Instead, by the use of chemicals, the grass is retarded and grows out after the corn is harvested, when it may be grazed. Chemicals have already been developed that retard certain grasses, and the hunt is on for chemicals that will retard a wider variety.

One of the most promising gains from the new system is that of soil conservation. The soil is never bare and rain run-off is checked, washing halted, and leaching reduced, while humus is being added to the soil. Taking note of this, Soil Conservationist Nat White told the groups at the demonstrations, "I have always heard that you couldn't have your cake and eat it, too. But this is the nearest thing that I have seen to it."

## Program

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"Whereas, Mr. Sam E. Allen served as Register of Deeds for Warren County and as Clerk to the Board of Commissioners of the County of Warren for over 27 years;

"And, whereas, the Board of Commissioners of Warren County desires to express its appreciation to Mr. Sam E. Allen for his services to Warren County;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved:

"1. That the Board of Commissioners of Warren County expresses its appreciation to Mr. Sam E. Allen for his long, devoted and honorable service to Warren County as Register of Deeds of Warren and Clerk to the Board of Commissioners of Warren County.

"2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Mr. Sam E. Allen, to The Warren Record and to The Littleton Observer."

## Women Work Outside Home For Money, Other Reasons

The working wife and mother, like her pioneer forebears, is seeking the best the world has to offer for her family and herself. It may not be the easiest way to live, but it has distinct advantages, according to a current report.

Findings include that she works for the money mostly, but also for stimulation and her main problem is finding time enough for everything that must be done. She's among 16 million working women, according to the current issue of Changing Times magazine.

To survey working wives and mothers in 35 states the monthly Kiplinger publication joined with the Bureau of Laundry and Dry Cleaning and queried a random sample of about 600. Asked why they work, a solid 88 per cent listed a financial consideration first. The three most frequent were: to provide better living for the family; provide for the children's education; and, to get out of debt.

Even those working for financial consideration revealed a secondary interest when asked in another question "why do

women like to work outside the home?" Replies were heavily weighted with such comments as "it keeps them better informed" or "it keeps them young."

Although 63 per cent of the wives report they are able to get the necessary tasks done at home with a feeling of satisfaction and a minimum of fatigue, they candidly admit that they don't have enough time.

Half of those surveyed think "schools should place more emphasis on the dual role of a working wife or mother," and they readily say why: "Schools are unrealistic in educating girls - most women are trained for one role or the other, but never for both." Almost unanimously, they think girls should be taught to budget time as part of their education.

Lacking the extra hours, how do they cope? More than half report that they get help from husbands and children. In addition, they use an average of three outside services apiece. Most common are dry cleaning and laundry, home delivery of dairy products, and beauty parlors.

Despite the lack of enough hours in the day, 67% of the mothers told Changing Times they manage to have some unhurried time for each child. Although only 50% have unhurried time for themselves, they do manage to read an average of three magazines regularly and to participate in church or community activities.

The majority regard the wife's salary as family income, to be applied where it is needed most and a high 90%, reports Changing Times, say they are achieving the goals they set when they went to work.

"Haven't I seen your face somewhere else?"

"I don't think so—it's always been right there where you see it now."

## Jurors Are Drawn For Sept. Court

Jurors for the criminal term of Warren County Superior Court, which will convene on September 7, were drawn Monday by the board of county commissioners as follows:

E. C. Reid, C. W. Egerton, E. K. Fishel, T. E. Neal, C. H. Thompson, Horace S. Shearin, L. M. Bender, William C. Holtzman, Charles A. Hobgood, J. W. Mayfield, Clifton Brantley, Donald W. Pitchford, James J. White, H. E. Browne, E. C. Reid, Mrs. Frank R. Killian, Mrs. L. A. Fowler, Mrs. R. E. Limer, Jr., Mrs. A. C. Bialock, Jr., Mrs. W. R. Woodall, Joseph C. Callihan, Jerome Boyd, Joe W. Brown, W. S. Hicks, Jr., C. D. Carter, Jesse Dunston, Dennis Harris, Mrs. C. T. Perkinson, L. A. Fowler.

Wilbert E. Stainback, Reuben Palmer, Sidney G. Burton, Sammie D. King, Rufus J. Harmon, Hal Paschall, Mrs. Joseph P. Newsom, Mrs. Margaret Leach, Jim D. Robertson, Tom Myrick, D. B. Wilson, J. J. Perkinson, Mrs. Franklin Stansbury, Grandison Christmas, Horace P. Twitty, A. W. Paschall, George Lee Edwards, A. L. Evans, A. T. Carroll, Walter B. Rivers, Mrs. Joe Riggan, Tyree Callihan, A. D. Jigson, H. M. Tharrington, Bettie H. Howard, G. D. Knight, William C. Paschall, Marshall Fleming, Jefferson Daniel, R. A. Brown, Glen H. Weldon.

This automation we hear so much about these days is something that gets all the work done while you just sit there. When you were younger, this process was called Mother.

| TIME  | TEMPERATURE  | RELATIVE HUMIDITY |
|-------|--------------|-------------------|
| 12:00 | Midnight 68° | 90%               |
| 1:00  | A.M. 70°     | 94%               |
| 2:00  | 69°          | 94%               |
| 3:00  | 69°          | 94%               |
| 4:00  | 70°          | 91%               |
| 5:00  | 69°          | 91%               |
| 6:00  | 68°          | 90%               |
| 7:00  | 70°          | 94%               |
| 8:00  | 75°          | 85%               |
| 9:00  | 78°          | 80%               |
| 10:00 | 82°          | 70%               |
| 11:00 | Noon 84°     | 61%               |
| 12:00 | 86°          | 59%               |
| 1:00  | P.M. 87°     | 57%               |
| 2:00  | 88°          | 58%               |
| 3:00  | 89°          | 54%               |
| 4:00  | 86°          | 61%               |
| 5:00  | 92°          | 65% Rain          |
| 6:00  | 68°          | 90% Rain          |
| 7:00  | 69°          | 90% Rain          |
| 8:00  | 69°          | 90% Rain          |
| 9:00  | 68°          | 93%               |
| 10:00 | 68°          | 91%               |
| 11:00 | 68°          | 90%               |

## Charges Almost As Old As UNC Itself

The Smithfield Herald

If your neighbors defend the Speaker Ban Law by telling you that the University of North Carolina is becoming an breeding ground of radicalism and atheism, tell them that this description of Chapel Hill is not at all new. Indeed, it is almost as old as the University. And still the University survives as an institution worthy of North Carolina's pride.

Dr. Hugh Lefler, the Chapel Hill historian, recorded long before the Speaker Ban controversy that the University of North Carolina was harassed by politics in the years immediately following its opening in 1795. His research uncovered letters to newspapers in which the charge was made in those years that Chapel Hill was becoming a "hotbed of atheism," which "unsettled the minds of students."

Was there ever a time when a university worthy of being called "university" was not harassed by people with misconceptions about the nature and purpose of education, about the value of free inquiry in the preservation of freedom?

Critics gave Chapel Hill a hard time in the Nineteen Twenties, when President Harry Woodburn Chase defended academic freedom on the UNC campus, and joined hands with Dr. William Louis Poteat, the president of Wake Forest, in supporting the right to teach evolution.

Man, it seems, always has looked for a scapegoat. We have troubles today and we blame them on "atheistic Communists." In the South, just after the end of World War I, evolution was branded as an "atheistic idea," and an overzealous preacher (according to an article on William Louis Poteat by Suzanne Cameron Linder, in the N. C. Historical Review, Spring 1963) charged that evolution had caused World War I. This preacher explained that the Germans believed in the

survival of the fittest, and since they considered Germany the fittest, they thought they ought to conquer the weaker nations. He attacked Dr. Poteat, charging that "the Baptist of North Carolina through the president they have for their great Baptist College are partners with Chicago University in fastening this German-ruling, world-crushing, soul-destroying doctrine on the South."

As fears and frustrations mounted, the whole college and university world were suspected of teaching "atheism" and "foreign doctrines," and of spoiling the minds of youth.

What we must remember, other than the fact that today's harassment of universities is not something new, is that our institutions of learning survived vicious attacks in other years and moved on to new heights of achievement. Sober thinking prevailed over the misconceptions about the nature and purpose of education. It will be so again.

NEWS OF FIVE, TEN, 25 YEARS AGO

## Looking Backward Into The Record

August 5, 1960

The Norlina Baptist Church will hold commitment day Sunday.

Nancy Rose Harris of John Graham, Judy Woodburn of Littleton High School, and Linda Dore of Norlina High School have been named "Good Citizens" by the Warren County DAR. James Clark of Vaughan, Warren County 4-H Club member, was winner of a blue ribbon in the Health Pageant held in Raleigh last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Daniel and family are at the beach this week.

August 5, 1955

Norlina High School will have night football for the first time in its history this year.

Bull weevils are very active on a large per cent of Warren County farms this year, County Agent Frank Reams reported yesterday.

Senator and Mrs. John Kerr, Jr., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Hodges at the Mansion in Raleigh Sunday night.

Plane spotters may be partly responsible for damage to the roof of Hotel Warren, the hotel committee reported Monday night.

August 2, 1940

Howard Daniel, employed by the Citizens Bank for several years, has been elected secretary-treasurer, tax collector and town clerk of the Town of Warrenton.

The county has purchased 7.37 acres of land from Willis Neal for the site of an armory. Purchase price was \$652. James Casper of Raleigh has assumed a position as Pro at the Warrenton Golf Club.

Cotton has gained a sales peak but faces a blockade peril.

## Quotes

Things don't turn up in this world until somebody turns them up.—James A. Garfield.

A woman's mind is cleaner than a man's she changed it more often.—Oliver Herford.

One businessman to another: "Recessions don't bother me. I was a failure during the boom."—Rough Notes.

Before judging a man by his associates, remember that Judas Iscariot traveled in the best of company.—John Munro Woolsey.

Why should a worm turn? It's probably just the same on the other side.—Irvin S. Cobb.

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