

**State College Answers Timely Farm Questions**

Q. Why don't you recommend wheat as a temporary grazing crop?  
A. Temporary grazing crops should be planted at just about this time to give the maximum amount of fall and spring grazing, according to State college agronomists. On the other hand

James T. Conner, Jr., Extension entomologist, says that if wheat is planted now, it will also bring a crop of Hessian flies. They will not only damage the fall crop of wheat planted now but they will also damage wheat next spring—that which was planted after the fly-free date. Early sown wheat often gives excellent grazing but it's mighty dangerous to plant it. It may

**N. C. FOLK NEED TO DRINK TWICE AS MUCH MILK**

**But Arey Explains 175,000 More Cows, Much More Roughage Necessary**

North Carolinians need to drink about twice as much sweet milk as is now being produced in the state to bring them up to the national average of about 95 gallons per person.

Just how can this extra milk be obtained? John Arey, in charge of Extension dairying at State college, says that an extra 175,000 cows can do it, but at the same time he points out that not enough good roughage is being produced to feed the livestock already on the farms.

There are all kinds of ramifications to this milk problem and the development of a better diet. Mr. Arey says that we need about 450,000 tons of extra hay to feed all animals on North Carolina farms.

He explains that more milk may be obtained through better breeding of dairy cows, better

not only damage your wheat but also that of your neighbor—and you would not want to do that.

Q. Can you give me information about blueberries for the home garden?

A. E. B. Morrow, in research on small fruits for the Agricultural Experiment station at State college, has prepared just such information for you and will be glad to send it to you on request. He points out that blueberries require an acid soil, a uniform moisture supply, correct fertilization, and pruning each year. "The attractive bell-shaped spring fall flowers, the delicious fruit, and the brilliant colored fall foliage make them well worth a little extra care and attention," Morrow says. You can also get a copy of Farmers Bulletin No. 1951 by writing the U. S. Department of Agriculture at Washington, D. C. It is called "Blueberry Growing."

**West's Mill**

Mr. and Mrs. Max Parrish from California are visiting relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Mozeley and small son, Eddie, from Washington, D. C., are visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Grady Mozeley from Charlotte spent last week-end with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Rickman

and small son, Phil from Bryson City visited relatives here last week.

Mrs. Clara W. Owens attended the Home and Farm week conference held at State college in Raleigh recently.

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Rickman went to Canton on business last week.

D. L. Clark from a government hospital in Battle Creek, Mich., is visiting home folks.

Mrs. H. H. West gave a birthday party in honor of her small daughter, Emily Sue, recently. A number of friends were present. Many nice gifts were received. Refreshments were served.

The Society of Christian Service met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. West last Thursday. After the business session a discussion program was given on the study of the Latin American countries. Refreshment were served.

Charles Owens, of Asheville spent a recent week-end here with his mother, Mrs. Clara W. Owens, and little brother, Johnny. Johnny is back home from a six-week visit to relatives in Winston-Salem.

Mrs. Eddis Holbrooks, of Winston-Salem, visited relatives here recently.

Miss Vonnie West, who has been in summer school at Western Carolina Teachers college, Cullowhee, for the past three months, spent a few days with relatives here recently.

H. H. West, of Asheville, was here recently for a few days with relatives.

Mrs. L. J. Smith, Lewis Smith Jr., Rebecca Smith, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Willen, and small daughter, Ida Jo, all of Cullowhee, and Mrs. A. H. McCarty, of Orlando, Fla., visited relatives here the latter part of August.

**Don't Cut Alfalfa Too Late In Season**

Alfalfa should be allowed to go into winter quarters with about six inches of growth, so as to protect it against severe winter weather and loss of stand.

It is difficult to give an exact date as to when the last cutting should be made, and every farmer will have to determine this point for himself. Agronomists of the Extension service at State college say that under no condition should the crop be cut later than the last week in September, and under some conditions this is a dangerous procedure.

The alfalfa plants need to produce relatively good growth after the last cutting and to store up plenty of food to carry the crop through the winter months in good condition, without the plants being weakened by the cold. No one can tell what the rainfall will be during the fall and just how soon the first frost will come.

The same principle applies to the seeding of alfalfa. It should be sown prior to October 15, according to the agronomists.

The plants should be allowed to establish a good root system before cold weather begins. A Wake County farmer seeded some alfalfa about the first of September and another plot about the middle of October. The late-seeded alfalfa came up to a better stand than the which was sown early and he decided that maybe the agronomists had made a mistake in advocating early seeding.

The next spring he changed his mind. The early-sown crop established a relatively good stand while the late-sown crop died out during the winter, and he had more weeds and grass than alfalfa.

feeding practices, improved farm management, more feed crops and more cows. Along with this program, he suggests that Tar Heels can learn to drink more milk and make a much wider use of it in the daily diet.

At present it appears that the biggest problem is that of feed—principally good, high quality roughage and grazing crops. With long growing seasons here in North Carolina State college agronomists say there is no valid reason for not growing the supplemental grazing crops, both winter and summer, and putting in well fertilized permanent pastures, seeded with the right kind of legumes and grasses.

With plenty of good roughage, Mr. Arey says that the average cow needs about 17 bushels of corn, 12 bushels of oats, and 500 pounds of protein meal for good production. The protein meal can come from cottonseed, soybeans, and peanuts, all of which crops are well adapted in North Carolina.

The government food purchase program calls for 32 million pounds of frozen whole eggs for foreign export.



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