

WOMEN'S FARM CLUB HEADS TO MEET FRIDAY

Officers Of 17 Groups In County Elected For Coming Year

Mrs. Grady Owens, president of the Macon County council of home demonstration clubs, has called a meeting of all 1947 home demonstration club officers in the Agricultural building for Friday, December 13, at 2 p. m. Mrs. Pauline Hotchkiss,

State College Hints To Farm Homemakers

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The safest time to use non-perspirants or deodorant preparations is after undressing at night. Care should be taken not to drop any of the liquid preparations on underwear or night clothes or to use so much of the creams that they get on fabrics. Powder applied over these preparations at night and again in the morning helps protect clothes. Shields may be as useful in protecting against these chemicals as against perspiration.

Good enriched flour that goes as white and light as a fluttering snowflake. If sugar and shortening are a bit scarce there are other sweeteners, and there is many a cookery trick to make the most of what is available.

Candied fruit muffins, for example, get much of their sweet goodness from the candied fruit that not only sweetens them but gives them their holiday flavor as well.

Christmas would hardly be district agent-at-large of North Carolina State college, will instruct the new officers in their respective responsibilities in the coming year.

Mrs. J. S. Gray, of the Hickory Knoll club, will conduct the devotional.

All local clubs have elected their officers. They are listed below, in the following order: of president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer.

Walnut Creek: Mrs. T. T. Henderson, Mrs. F. E. Mashburn, Mrs. Pearl Hedden, Mrs. Theodore Hedden.

Olive Hill: Mrs. Carnelle Deweese, Mrs. Ella Campbell, Mrs. W. M. Barnard, Mrs. Carlos Rogers.

Otto: Mrs. T. J. Ramey, Mrs. Effie Hunt, Mrs. Paschal Cabe, Mrs. Raleigh Norris.

Cullasata: Mrs. Harry Thomas, Mrs. Nat Phillips, Mrs. Fred

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WRITTEN FARM PLAN FOR '47 IS ADVOCATED

A written farm plan for 1947, outlining cropping and livestock features, fertilizer and seed expenses, marketing problems, and the like, should be made during the coming weeks, says C. B. Ratchford, of State college, farm management specialist.

He points out that many farmers often have serious trouble because they do not plan ahead. A common example of this is inability to get the right kind of fertilizer for a particular crop when it is needed, because of a delay in ordering the fertilizer. Another frequent problem is that of a glutted market and low prices, because the outlook for the particular crop was not carefully considered at the beginning of the year.

Since guidance in farm planning is needed, the farm management department at State college has prepared a special planning form which may be used for the entire year. A free copy may be obtained from the county agent or by writing the department at Raleigh.

This form, booklet provides a convenient method for making a written plan. "If the farm plan is not profitable on paper, there is little hope that it will actually fool the farmer and be profitable at harvest time," Mr. Ratchford says. "If the farmer is anticipating a change in his farming plan, it is imperative that he carry through and complete expected receipts and expenses to see whether the proposed change is better than his present system from the point of financial returns."

While days are cold and rainy, and it is disagreeable to work outside, farm planning can be made to return excellent dividends in fewer headaches through the year and larger net profits.

Christmas without a special holiday bread. Coffee cake or fruited holiday ring will make Christmas Eve supper, or Christmas breakfast, seem appropriately festive. Toasted slices of this start the day right. So good is it to look at that it will seem almost another one of the handsome gifts Santa has left for the family. An extra ring wrapped in gay paper and tied with tinsel is a most delightful way to convey Christmas wishes to those new neighbors or to those old friends a few doors away.

Fashionable Christmas pies are featuring a paper-thin lower crust and a mere suggestion for a top crust, with the accent on design. Crisscross cranberry pie not only cuts down on the shortening usually required, but uses honey for part of the sweetening. A hint of allspice and grated lemon rind add flavor-interest while cherry cranberries peep through the latticed crust with the gay lure of mistletoe.

A holiday season without cookies is unthinkable, even if sugar has to be skimmed elsewhere to make them. Chocolate almond squares are attractive, quick and easy to make. A garnish consisting of a dab of melted candy bar or chocolate fudge frosting, topped with a balanced almond, gives them a special "Merry Christmas" look.

Corbin, Mrs. Pritchard Russell, Tellico: Mrs. Robert Ramsey, Mrs. Sam Collins, Mrs. Maude Smith, Miss Irene Cooke.

Iotla and River Bend, Mrs. Bob Houston, Mrs. James Myers, Mrs. George Gibson, Mrs. Lloyd Tallent.

Holly Springs: Mrs. Harold Cabe, Mrs. George Crawford, Mrs. Zeb Taylor, Mrs. A. G. Kinsland.

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Carson Chapel: Mrs. G. F. Burrell, Mrs. Zeb Conley, Mrs. Van Frazier, Mrs. Harold Waldrop.

Hickory Knoll: Mrs. J. J. Gray, Mrs. Lizzie Wilson, Mrs. A. F. Kimsey, Mrs. Robert Ledbetter.

Cowee: Mrs. Carr Bryson, Mrs. S. W. Carter, Mrs. Robert Morgan, Mrs. Carol Reynolds.

Burningtown: Mrs. Arlesa Roper, Miss Nannie Parrish, Miss Jessie Roper, Mrs. W. R. Edwards.

Maple Springs: Mrs. Raymond Sanders, Mrs. Zeb Shope, Mrs. Ellis Ledford, Mrs. J. L. Sanders.

State College Answers Timely Farm Questions

Q. How long should poult be kept in confinement?

A. Poultry specialists at State college suggest that poult be reared in confinement and on the ground for the first 10 to 12 weeks, and that during the remainder of the growing period, they be kept in portable range shelters. These shelters should, of course, be moved to clean range at frequent intervals. In an agricultural experiment station study it was found that one-third of the deaths among layers was due to blackhead.

Q. During what season of the

year do the chief soil losses occur?

A. We hear much talk about winter cover crops and the control of erosion during winter, but a study of the effects of land use and season on runoff and soil loss shows that about 75 to 90 per cent of the annual soil loss occurs during June, July, and August. These losses came regardless of whether the land was in a four-year rotation or continuously in cotton. The most serious losses came not from "big rains" but from "hard rains."

Q. What are the principal items needed in handling bees?

A. If you are an amateur, you will need a veil, long wrist-

ed gloves, a good smoker, and a hive tool. Proper use of a good smoker is an important factor in bee movement. Beginners should not attempt even the slightest disturbance of their bees without the use of a well-lighted smoker. Smoke subdues the bees and keeps them under control. If bees get in a fighting mood, they may stay in this mood for days or even weeks.

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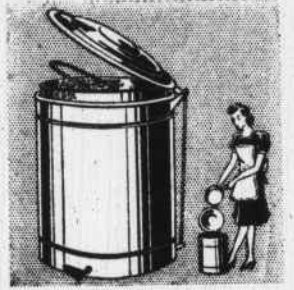
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