

Corn Yield

Increase Two Bushels Per Acre in State Average

North Carolina's 1947 average corn yield of two bushels per acre over last year would mean nearly eleven million extra dollars in Tar Heel farmers' pockets if it was sold at today's price level, according to Director I. O. Schaub of the State College Extension service.

Last year's average yield of 27 bushels per acre brought about a production of 58,914,000 bushels, Director Schaub said. With the present forecast of 29 bushels per acre, on approximately the same acreage, this two bushel per acre increase would mean a production of more than sixty-three million bushels.

The extra four million bushels of corn, which is expected to be produced this year, could come at no better time, he said, in view of the corn shortage in the Midwestern states.

Despite the increase in corn yields, North Carolina farmers are urged to supplement their feeds by producing more forage crops, and hay, and planting more temporary grazing crops. North Carolina is still a feed-importing state, and unless

State College Hints To Farm Homemakers

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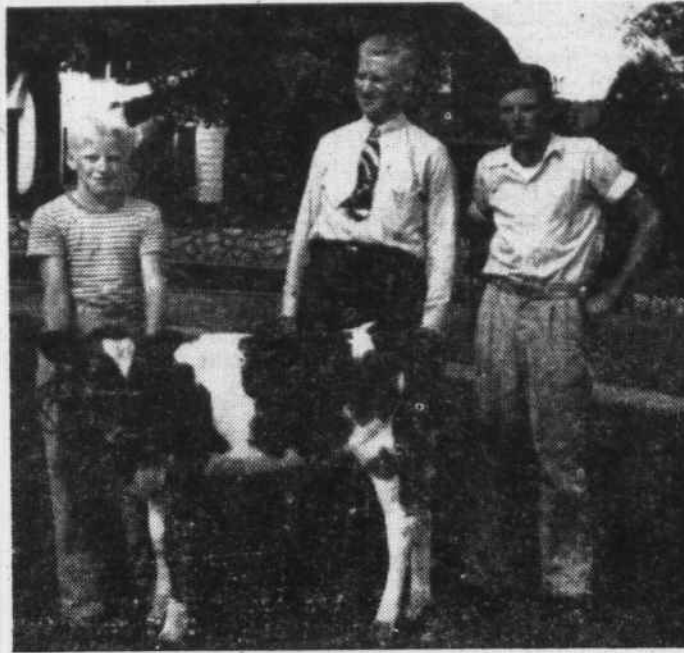
Act quickly if you spill acid on your dress or any other fabric, warn textile chemists of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Even a fairly mild acid like lemon juice or vinegar may change the color or damage the cloth.

First, rinse the stain several times with cool water to stop the action of the acid. Then apply baking soda or ammonia water. Water alone may not restore color but ammonia may. If soda is used, sprinkle it on both sides of the stain, moisten with water and allow to stand several minutes. Then rinse well with water. If ammonia is used, hold the dampened stain over an open bottle of strong ammonia water.

"Read before using" is an obvious but often neglected rule for getting your money's worth in service and satisfaction from any new household equipment.

farmers get rid of the laggards in their flocks and herds and make the best use of land available for producing more feed for their livestock, they may be faced with a serious feed shortage this winter.

The Chain Continues



Pictured above are Thurman Blaine, Henry W. Cabe and Henderson Huggins standing with the registered calf given by the Bank of Franklin to young Huggins. The mother of this calf was given to Thurman Blaine who in turn gave the first calf to the donor for them to award to some other deserving Macon youth.

home economists of the U. S. Department of Agriculture reminds housewives. Careful reading of every word of print that comes with a new article, large or small, is well worth the housewife's time, especially today when new designs, materials and finishes are coming on the market. A few minutes of reading in advance of using may save costly repairs or poor service.

Manufacturers go to considerable trouble to print advice on the proper care and use of their products. The woman who discards all printed matter as "just advertising" or because she thinks she knows enough without reading may be throwing away money. The printed advice is part of what she pays for when she buys the article.

After reading all labels, cards or booklets that come with new equipment, put away any printed directions or guarantees in a safe place. It is wise to keep a record of the place and date of purchase, and the name and address of the manufacturer.

Dashiell Hammett, American founder of the "hardboiled" Pinkerton detective for eight school" of detective fiction, was years, and worked on the Nicky Arnstein and "Fatty" Arbuckle cases.

State College Answers Timely Farm Questions

Q. How can I control cannibalism in my laying flock?

A. Poultry specialists at State college say to give the flock more room, including out-of-door range or yarding if possible. Add additional salt to the mash, at the rate of one pound to each 100 pounds of mash, for several weeks. Furnish some green feed each day, if available, at a rate not exceeding one ounce per bird per day. Feed whole oats in hoppers. Do not feed more than 5 pounds per day per 100 birds. Feed additional meat scraps, but discontinue this practice if such conditions as diarrhea in the birds or an increase in the number of blood spots in the eggs develop. Darken the nests by hanging sacks in front of them. Hang a head of cabbage or some salty meat skins about a foot above the floor for the birds to pick at.

Q. Should I remove the old queen in a hive of bees before replacing her with a new queen?

A. Yes, says, W. A. Stephens, extension on beekeeper at State college, before placing a new queen in a new home the old queen and all queen cells must be removed. The small cage containing the queen should be placed above the cluster of bees, or between two frames of comb so that worker bees may have easy access to the candy-filled cage entrance. It is as-

sumed that during liberation operation the queen takes on the regular colony odors, and therefore will be accepted. After introduction, a week should elapse before the hive is re-opened and the queen cage removed.

If a queen that is to be replaced cannot be located by looking through the hive frame... the bees may be run from one brood chamber through a queen excluder into another brood chamber with the use of smoke and the queen located in this manner. If the queen is still not located and 1. freshly laid eggs are not already in the hive, a frame of comb containing eggs from another hive may be in-

serted. Within 24 hours bees should begin converting workers cells into queen cells if a queen is not present. If queen cells are not started, one may safely assume that a queen is present.

Question—What can I do in case rain falls on freshly cut hay?

Answer—There will be little damage, provided good curing weather follows. Half-cured or well-cured hay will be discolored, but will not mold if rain comes before it is raked up. The greatest damage is done to hay in the windrow, or in loose, irregular piles. Such hay should be spread out as soon as the weather will permit.

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