

Move to Name Side Roads in Nantahala

In line with the suggestion of Highway Commissioner L. Dale Thrash, the Nantahala Men's club has moved to name all roads in that section and properly mark them.

At its last meeting, the club voted unanimously to select names for all arm roads and place signs bearing the names at the intersections with the main roads.

Timber for the signs and posts is being donated by Weimar Cochran, the posts are being cut by Claud Boone and Ralph Cochran. D. L. Owenby agreed to saw the posts for the signs, and Cecil Haney volunteered to place the names on the signs.

Road names were adopted as follows:

On Otter Creek, Dewese Road, Owenby Road, Cochran Road, and Otter Mountain Road; in the Partridge Creek section, Shields Road, Grant Road, and Hampton Branch Road; and in the Happy Top area, Fair View Road.

President Clint May suggested that the local road committee decide, without delay, which roads in Nantahala should be graveled first, and Weimar Cochran suggested the club write a letter to Commissioner Thrash asking when work will start on the road in the Nantahala Gorge section.

State College Hints To Farm Homemakers

By RUTH CURRENT (State Home Demonstration Agent)

Yes, blouses are washable today. And if you'll only follow a few simple washing rules your blouses will keep that "new look" they had when they were purchased.

First of all never wash a blouse, or any garment for that matter, if the labels say dry clean. Remove non-washable trimmings and shoulder pads before washing and close all zippers. Put a mild soap in wash basin or tub, add hot water, and then cold water to make lukewarm suds. Squeeze suds through the garment; do not rub or twist as wringing tends to weaken the yarns. Rinse twice, using lukewarm water for both rinses. Roll garment in turkish towel immediately and hang garment on rust proof hanger.

If your rayon blouses are very limp a little starching will restore that crisp look.

Nylon is a washable fabric. In fact you can wash it in your machine without hesitation if you have a spinner type washer, but remember never put blouses through a wringer.

Linen blouses are washable and may be washed in your machine.

All cotton blouses are washable. Most of them are laundered in the machine unless they have a great deal of very fine lace that might be snagged or torn. When completely dry,

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sprinkle; let stand several hours and iron:

Silk blouses should be washed by hand in lukewarm suds. Do not rub but squeeze suds gently through it. Rinse well in lukewarm water. Be sure your printed silks are colorfast. If you are not sure clip a piece off the seam and sponge out first then dry between a white cloth. If no color shows it is color-fast. Do not put silks through a wringer or twist by hand. Roll in a towel to remove excess moisture. Some are not washable and should be dry cleaned. Usually the labels state "to be dry-cleaned."

State College Answers Timely Farm Questions

Q. How can I waterproof walls of concrete blocks?

A. Let the wall remain at least 24 hours, and then apply a coat of cement paint. Give this plenty of time (at least 48 hours) to dry before adding the finish coat. The cement paint should be scrubbed into the surface thoroughly.

Q. Is there any way to remove spots caused by ink from ball point pens?

A. Yes. Although milk is still recommended as the best means of removing stains from regular ink, ordinary rubbing alcohol does the best job of eliminating spots caused by the inks used in ball point pens. However, it should be remembered that rubbing alcohol will injure some types of rayon and also cause fading in some dyes. For safety, try the alcohol on a hidden part of the garment (such as the inside of the seam) first. If full-strength alcohol damages either the color or the fabric, dilute with water.

Q. How many horses and mules are there on U. S. farms?

A. On January 1, 1949, the total was 8,274,000. This compares with 26,742,000 in 1920. During the same period the number of farm tractors has increased from 246,000 to 3,500,000. The total number of tractors has doubled since 1940 and has jumped 1,000,000 in the last three years.

Q. When benzene hexachloride is used on chickens for lice control, is the flavor of either the meat or the eggs affected?

A. The answer is no, according to the U. S. Department of Agriculture, which has conducted extensive tests on this subject. The benzene hexachloride treatment, which is highly effective in protecting chickens from lice, did not affect either the eggs laid immediately after delousing nor the meat of the birds protected.

Publication Tells How Turkeys Can Raise Farm Income

"Higher Farm Income with Turkeys," a 40-page bulletin giving results of a study of turkey production in Anson and Union counties, has been published by the North Carolina Agricultural Experiment station.

The publication, illustrated with charts and graphs, was prepared by Walter H. Pierce associate agricultural economist. The study was undertaken to obtain information that could be used in planning farm organizations which include turkeys. Anson and Union were selected because they comprise one of the main turkey-producing areas in the state.

Mr. Pierce points out that turkey production has increased to sell 10,000,000 seedlings this

year in North Carolina during recent years. Cash income from the sale of turkeys advanced from an annual average of slightly more than half a million dollars before World War II to 2.6 million dollars in 1948.

Pine Seedlings Still Available To Land Owners

Land owners who are interested in planting tree seedlings for reforestation purposes should place their orders without delay with Charles C. Pettitt, Jr., state forester, according to J. Fred Bryson, county forest warden. Plenty of short leaf pine seedlings still are available at the Clayton (N. C.) forest nursery, it was said, but orders are arriving daily.

The forestry division expects year to more than 2,000 land owners throughout the state, Mr. Pettitt has pointed out. Order blanks may be obtained from the state forester's office, Department of Conservation and Development, Raleigh, or from Mr. Bryson.

Land owners interested in obtaining white pine seedlings, Mr. Gryson explained, may get them through the TVA.

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Gray Succeeds Graeber As Extension Forester

Appointment of John L. Gray to succeed Robert W. Graeber as extension forester at N. C. State college has been announced by Dr. I. O. Schaub, director of the Agricultural Extension service. Mr. Graeber retired, effective January 1, after having served as extension forester since 1925.

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