

Consumers tend more and more to demand lean meat. From a feed economy standpoint, that's probably all right with the farmer who supplies the hogs and cattle. Livestock specialists have found that it takes 1,000 pounds of corn or feed equivalent to build a calf from 400 to 600 pounds. But for the growth from 900 to 1,100 pounds, it takes the equivalent of 2,150 pounds of feed. The larger or fatter the animal, the slower the rate of gain.

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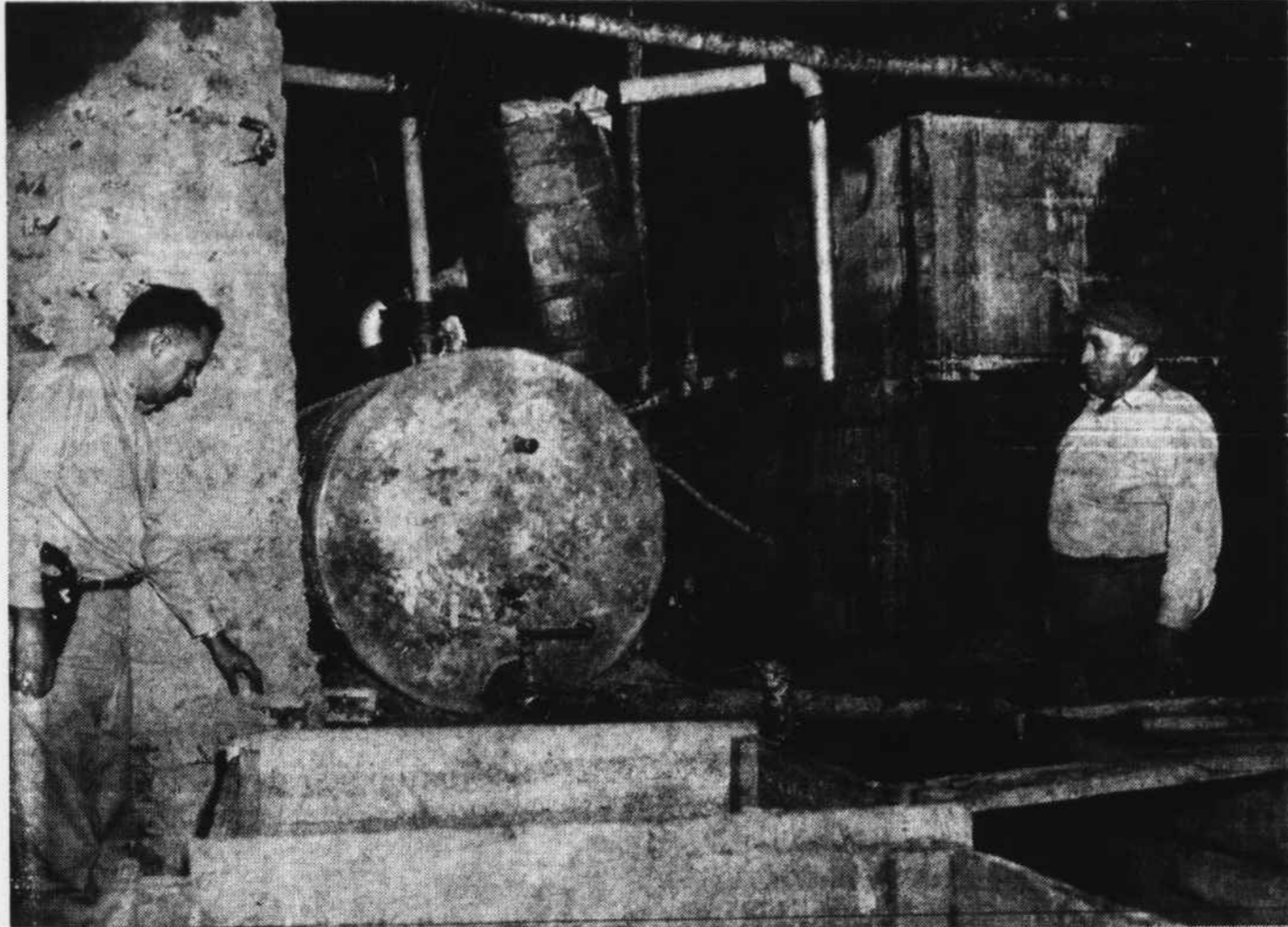
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Deputy Newell Pendergrass (left) and Sheriff J. Harry Thomas inspect their big catch.

'Twas A Choice Still Location

By ROLFE NEILL

The woods were choice location good for a summer home, commando course, experimental forest, or liquor still. Off the highway some four miles as the ruts twist back into the Sealy section of Flats township, it offered privacy. Painted with autumn's best pigments, a fine, clean stream of water playing in the valley, and an Indian summer sky thrown in for effect—why it was a realtor's dream. A group of men, who herein shall remain unknown (for in reality, they are unknown), considered all things. All things considered, they decided, this property deserved to have a still. So, they set about their task. Copper was got. An old radiator would serve as a condensing unit. A money-making-size boiler was brought in (capable of holding several hundred gallons). A tall chimney, of brick, was made. (In

order not to tip off the still's location with smoke, only charcoal would be used for fires.) From the creek a pipe brought water. Stout oak felt the rip of the saw and the pang of a nail as 10 vats were fashioned to hold the mash. The all of it the workmen protected—camouflaged, if you will—with a frame laid over with tar paper. This was covered with tree branches. The establishment was ready for its grand opening. A few days passed. Some other fellows heard of this business venture and investigated on Tuesday of last week. With them, Sheriff J. Harry Thomas and Chief Deputy Newell Pendergrass brought 15 sticks of dynamite. The still had made but one run, the lawmen estimated, probably only a day or two before. What had taken several days to build and undoubtedly was erected with devotion, was carelessly demolished with a few blasts of TNT. But, kind reader, fret not that time and money were spent in vain. Indeed, 'twas not so. Consider: That Sheriff Thomas had the

pride of wrecking the biggest "white likker" operation since he took office in 1950. That the county is enriched by the sale of scrap metal from the still. That able-bodied men are re-

leased from such illicit enterprise and may use their talents otherwise. And finally, that Macon's needy folk (to whom the Sheriff donated them) can put the confiscated Mason jars to more legal use.

Mrs. Henry Succumbs In Highlands

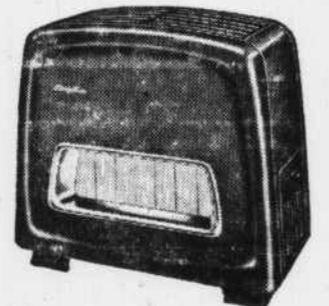
Mrs. Dora Tilytha Webb Henry, widow of Miller Henry, of Highlands, died Monday (Oct. 29) at her home following an illness of two years. Funeral services for Mrs. Henry, who was 79, were conducted Tuesday at 2:30 p. m. at the Shortoff Baptist Church, of which she was a member. Officiating were the Rev. Frank Reed and the Rev. Floyd Dendy. Burial was in the Highlands Cemetery. The daughter of Charles J. and Mrs. Tilda Webb, Mrs. Henry was born December 1, 1876. She was married in 1896 to Mr. Henry, who died in 1954. Surviving are eight daughters, Mrs. Albert Southards, of Gneiss; Mrs. Floyd Dendy, Mrs. Jabe Talley, Mrs. Frank Phillips, Mrs. Norma Webb, Mrs. Lee Dowdle, and Mrs. Charles Johnson, all of Highlands, and Mrs. Will Talley, of Franklin; a half-brother, William McCall, of Highlands; three half-sisters, Mrs. Paul Henry, Mrs. Claude Henry, both of Highlands,

and Mrs. Edith Webb, of Franklin; 34 grandchildren; and 23 great-grandchildren. Pallbearers were Gene and Glenn Southards, Leon and Edd Talley, Lewis Dendy, and Ervin Dendy. Bryant Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

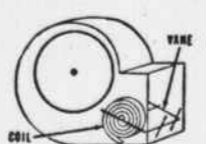
Good food buys for October are rice and poultry, says George Abshier, Consumer Marketing Specialist at N. C. State College.

the soil shows definite signs of drying before watering again. Q. What is the best way to control feed and weed flavors in milk? A. Remove your cows from pasture at least three hours before milking them. Feed dry roughage before and after pasturing animals. Feed silage and other lush, smelling feeds after milking only. Eliminate weeds from pasture land; fertilize, mow, and rotate pasture. Use your dry cows and heifers to graze off onions; not the cows of the milking herd. If onion infestation is mild, removing milk cows four to six hours before milking will help. Q. How can I prevent insect pests from infesting my stored grain? A. Control of insect pests in stored grain begins with prevention, or just clean "housekeeping." An effective program of pest prevention includes planting adapted varieties, using old grain before new grain is stored in the same bins, cleaning and treating storage places thoroughly, drying grain before storage, and proper harvesting. These preventive treatments, though, will be of no help in reducing insect pest damage unless you have good storage. Good, tight storage means a bin, crib or other structure that is built so tight that it will hold a gas fumigant long enough for the gas to penetrate the grain and kill the pest therein. Extension entomology specialists at N. C. State College say now is a good time to begin lice control. DDT can be applied to these livestock pests on beef and other animals not producing milk for human consumption. Methoxychlor and rotenone are recommended for use on animals giving milk. The supply of U. S. cotton is indicated at a new record high of 27.7 million bales for the 1956-57 marketing year, according to marketing specialists with the U. S. Department of Agriculture. This is 1.7 million bales more than last year's supply.

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