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CHEAPEST PLACE TO MAKE PORK

Leonard Tufts Says the Sandhills Can Beat Any Other Section of the County

Leonard Tufts, of Pinehurst, owner of the Pinehurst Berkshire herd, one of the foremost collections of hogs in America, writes The Pilot that one of the great opportunities for the farmer in this part of the state is the production of Berkshires, not only for the profit in the hogs, but also for the substantial gains it affords the farm toward becoming fertile and more productive. Mr. Tufts says:

The best method yet discovered in this section for soil improvement, and for reducing the fertilizer bill, is that used by Mr. Charles Williams under the supervision of the Sandhill Board of Trade on his farm between Southern Pines and Pinehurst.

A field hogged down by Mrs. Pig and her family is improved vastly more than a field treated any other way. It was

- 8 sows, 1 boar, 2 litters a year, 5 12-acre fields, Rotation of pastures, starting in May—

- 1st 12-acres, Rape and Rye, 2nd 12-acres, Alfalfa and Bermuda, 3rd, 12-acres Cow Peas and Soy Beans, 4th 12-acres Corn and Cow Peas, 5th, 12-acres, Chufas, 6th, 12-acres, Rape and Rye, 7th, 12-acres, Cotton.

This requires two mules and the labor of the owner and either some help from his children or a helper hired for the year.

These crops supplied two cows, two mules, a lot of chickens and turkeys, eight sows and their pigs with food besides giving the family of ten their corn, pork, poultry, milk and some vegetables.

The hogs are fed, per day, per 100 pounds of hog, when they are on Rape and Rye, 1 pound corn, 1-2 pound tankage; when they are on Bermuda, 2 1-2 pounds corn, 1-2 pound tankage; when they are on Cow Peas, 1 1-2 pounds corn, 1-4 pound tankage; when they are on Chufas and hogging down corn, 1-4 pound tankage.

He used about 500 pounds of cotton seed meal on the corn and about 700 pounds of cotton seed meal and 200 pounds acid phosphate on the cotton and chufas, and about 100 pounds Nitrate of Soda at the last cultivation of the cotton.

His yield of corn averaged for three or four years was over 50 bushels to the acre.

This plan can be expanded or contracted. Tobacco may be substituted for cotton and no man should tackle his whole farm on this basis the first year. He should build up to it because it takes experience to know how to handle crops. It is seldom that a man ever excels in the growing of more than one crop and the growing of the crop is really less difficult than the growing of the animals.

One of the advantages of this method of farming is that all wastes may be turned into hog meat: skimmed milk, surplus vegetables, watermelons, sweet corn, and scraps from the table. If a man doesn't want to use a helper he should cut down his farm to a 30-acre farm and make five fields of six acres each. But probably the best way would be to take six or eight acres of land down near the branch where the hogs can always get water and a wallow and divide this up into fields of from one to two acres, and keep these fields rotating with the different crops mentioned above.

If one does not want to put in a cultivated crop on this small area he can use a part of it for rape and rye, followed by cow peas and another part in chufas followed by rape and rye. And then have another field in alfalfa or Bermuda. Get a good bred gilt and put her on the farm and when you find she and her get need more food throw two of these pastures into one and fence and clear off another piece. You can grow your corn and cotton on the rest of the place but in a year's time you will find that that land that has had the hogs on it is the best land you have on your farm.

We will pay \$.01 a pound higher for Berkshire hogs at our little packing plant, if we find we can work it out successfully, than for other meat because it is a finer, better grade and our patrons like it better. But the same plan will work just as well with any hog. If the farmer keeps his breeding records and buys his stock from us and gets some good offsprings we can often use them, and are willing to pay a good deal more than pork prices for these.

I don't know how this scheme will work in a clay country. I know that it works in sand and I know that you can raise hogs cheaper in this country by having rape, rye, alfalfa, or Bermuda, soy beans and chufa pastures than in any other way and I thoroughly believe that by this meth-

NEW TRAIN SERVICE

"Effective with December 3rd, the Seaboard Air Line railway, inaugurated for the first time in the history of any railroad a solid through Pullman train with observation car, New York to the West Coast of Florida, St. Petersburg being its destination," says John T. West, Division Passenger agent of the Seaboard Air Line.

On its initial trip, passing thru the Sandhills on the morning of the 4th, this train carried 134 passengers. On the Seaboard Carolina Special there were 122 passengers. Both of these trains had a total of 256 passengers from New York to Florida destinations.

"This is a very fine showing, indeed, as it is an increase over last year of 70 passengers."

"This latter train carried thru sleepers to our famous Carolina resort, Pinehurst, and the records for business reaching the famous Carolina Hotel in Pinehurst, shows a very substantial increase in patronage. In fact Florida and the Carolinas expect more business this year than has ever been known in their history."

BIG REAL ESTATE DEAL

Half Interest of Mid-Land Farm Co. Sold—Messrs. Tufts and Dunlap are the Purchasers.

One of the most significant real estate transactions of this fall was the sale a few days ago of a half interest of the Mid-Lands Farm Company. An offer was made to the company which bought out the old Van Linley orchard and Surberg properties five years ago which would pay them about a hundred per cent profit. Mr. Newcomb and Mr. Buchanan felt that although the property was worth more than that it was advisable to accept an offer when it showed a good profit, but Mr. Tufts and Mr. Dunlap felt that there was more profit left in it than had been taken out and so they purchased the Buchanan and Newcomb interests. They will continue to sell this property in small lots and will not increase the prices.

ADDOR NEWS

An epidemic of measles has hit the town double strength, and claims as its victims little Paul and Drue Troutman, Margaret Rice, Marvin Yow and Miss Elise Addor, among whom Miss Addor was stricken most seriously. She contracted the disease while nursing a family of seven measles patients in Eagle Springs, and her case has developed into a malignant form with bronchial complications. All, however, are greatly improved at this writing, and we are glad to state, and hope that the malady may not spread further.

Others on the sick list are Mrs. Margaret Rosy, who suffered a stroke of paralysis a week ago; Mrs. N. C. McDuffie, Miss Jeanne Addor, Martha Keith, and Dwight Troutman. Miss Addor was stricken with a serious trouble resulting from a cold while she was nursing Mrs. Rosy, and Dwight received a bad puncture in his foot by means of a rusty nail, which almost caused lock-jaw, and has caused him to be absent from his work in the Senior Class at Aberdeen for several days. "When it rains it pours," and we trust that the next shower pours down health and happiness to everybody.

Mr. and Mrs. Butler and family are visiting relatives and friends in Dillon, S. C. Mr. J. C. Copeland, of Sanford, is relieving Mr. Butler.

Mrs. James E. Davenport, of Mackeys, came Saturday to be with her sister, Miss Elise Addor who has been quite ill. She will be joined here at Christmas time by Mr. Davenport, and together they will spend the holidays with Mrs. Davenport's home folks.

Mr. Billy Keith spent Thanksgiving Day at his mother's, Mrs. William Keith's.

Mrs. George W. Bryan and little Mac and Julia Margaret, of Garner, came last week to be with Mrs. Bryan's mother, Mrs. Rosy.

Mr. Henry Addor is installing a radio outfit at Mrs. William Keith's this week.

Mr. W. E. Cox, who has been here a month, expects Mrs. Cox and the children to arrive this week from their home in Raleigh. They will occupy the house recently purchased by A. P. Troutman from T. A. Burns. Mr. Burns and family have gone to Mc-Bee where Mr. Burns is working second trick with the Seaboard. Mr. Cox replaces Mr. Burns as agent here.

Mr. Ramshaw, and Rev. Crosby, of Hamlet, were callers at Mrs. Addor's Saturday. Rev. Crosby is the new rector at the Episcopal church in Hamlet.

od we can raise pork right here in the Sandhills of North Carolina cheaper than in any other portion of the United States.

JOHNSON'S LETTER NO. 16

Due to an oversight, Mr. Johnson's letters have been left out, and The Pilot regrets very much that this has happened, but from now on we will carry one each week.—Editor.

At the close of our last, we were approaching the city of Vancouver just across Puget Sound from Vancouver Island. This sound is about 60 miles wide at the point we leave it to sail up the narrow curved arm to the city of Vancouver on the mainland of British Columbia. Vancouver is a brand-new town of about two hundred thousand people, and is the sole important Canadian port on the Pacific.

This city was incorporated as a village in 1886, and its phenomenal growth is due to the fact that it is the western terminus of the Canadian Pacific railroad. This is the place referred to in Rudyard Kipling's "Song of the Banjo," where he says: "We ride the iron stallion down to drink Through the canyons to the waters of the west."

President Harding was the guest of honor at Vancouver on the day of our arrival, and the city was copiously hung with bunting and with Mr. Harding's pictures. We did not actually look into the president's face, but we saw the group of men that surrounded him as he stood on the hotel porch half a block from our hotel. Little did we think he had only seven more days of life to live; but such was the fact.

The first thing that attracted my attention was the distinctive British articulation: The first expression I recall hearing was: "Have you bene up all night?" The word 'bene' being pronounced b-e-n-e. It was so cold Mrs. Johnson had to purchase a coat, but as for me,—being insensible to both heat and cold,—I stuck to my walking cane.

The fruits, especially the small fruits, such as cherries, raspberries, and logan-berries were in full prime, and they are quite as fine as those in Oregon and Washington. I spent much time in the market, watching the housewives make their daily purchases, and listening to their trade-talk with the market men.

It was here in Vancouver that we saw the flag-pole 222 feet high made from one single stick of timber without splicing; and it was near here we saw the great sawmills that disdain to saw any kind of wood but red cedar; but of this they saw 100,000 feet a day at one mill.

We were carried to visit Stanley Park, named for a former premier of Canada. This is a magnificent park of 1500 acres that is densely covered with large spruce trees. We were shown one tree said to be 300 feet high that is literally filled with the nests of the blue heron; and our guide said: "The oldest Indians tell us it has been the nesting tree for the blue heron as long as they have traditions." It seems the herons congregate at this one place that they may mutually protect their young from the vast number of crows, which take a delight in lifting the young herons from the nest and dropping them from a great height on the rocks below. This, indeed, is a devilish spirit, but it is exactly like the spirit of the crow in our own Carolina.

In this park we were shown the grave of Miss Pauline Johnson, the Indian poetess, who was buried there at her own request. We were also shown a large upright rock more than 50 feet high, with one lone spruce tree growing out of a crevice, where they say that Miss Johnson loved to sit when at work on her poetical production. Her mother was a pure blood Shoshone Indian, while her father, from his very unusual name of Johnson, might have been anything, and in all probability was.

They told us about the zoo in Stanley Park, but it was about as near nothing as Joe Fuller's Zoo at Moss-ziel, which consists of one lone baby fox squirrel. There were just a few buffaloes, two elks, and one or two moose, but they all appeared to be seriously afflicted with the mange.

The table-fare was all we could desire, and but for the fact that I ought of my old leaky, summer colds, while crossing Puget Sound, our three days stay at Vancouver would have been altogether delightful. We had a cracker-jack hotel, and the service with the numerous Japanese waiters, bell-boys and operators of the elevators, was above criticism. The day clerk was a young Scotchman named McLeod, and I lay any man a neat bet that he is kin to our own Dr. Alex H. McLeod of Aberdeen, but younger, and very much better looking.

After a three day's stay at Vancouver we left on the Canadian Pacific railway for Lake Louise, a run of about fifty hours over the Canadian Rockies, where I saw more water power going to waste than I knew to be in the world before. I predict that in ten years from now there will

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REMEMBER DECEMBER 11

All the farmers and farm women in the county should plan to attend the big demonstration to be held at Pinehurst on Tuesday, December 11, when correct and modern methods in hog-killing, meat dressing and curing will be shown by experts.

Such men as Mr. K. S. Warner, of the Government Packing Plant at Beltsville, Maryland; Mr. E. Z. Russell, who has charge of the swine investigation of the United States Department of Agriculture, and Mr. Earl Hostetler, who has charge of the Swine Investigation for North Carolina, will give the demonstrations.

WEEKLY CO-OP LETTER

Steady Increase in Membership is Shown—Legal Department Continues to Win

Steady increase in membership is shown by tabulation of new contracts received at Raleigh by the Tobacco Growers Co-operative Association. During the month of November 371 new contracts reached the office representing 1,478,300 pounds of tobacco. Last week with only three days during which tobacco was received, a total of 6,550,887 pounds were delivered with many markets reporting record days during this week.

The legal department of the association continues to win cases before courts in several counties. In Halifax County, Virginia, the association won every case tried last week, the judge ruling that the so-called "petticoat defense" was no excuse for violation of contract. In addition, damages were awarded the association where a member had permitted his tobacco to be sold under execution taken out by his creditor. Three contempt cases were also heard during the week and one member tried before Judge Devin at Graham, N. C., drew thirty days in jail for contempt of court in violating an injunction.

Word reaches the association headquarters in Raleigh that the Wisconsin Supreme Court has upheld the validity of the Northern Wisconsin Co-operative Tobacco Pool in its case against the M. H. Bekedahl Tobacco Company. The court made permanent the temporary injunction granted to the co-operative by the circuit court restraining this company from soliciting or buying tobacco from members under contract to the pool. The following is a quotation from the Wisconsin Supreme Court decision.

"It is not to be denied that the public policy of the state with reference to such combinations and agreements is within control of the legislature and that such a public policy is subject to legislative control and modification. We consider that the law is well settled that one who maliciously induces another to breach of contract of a third person is liable to such person for damages resulting from such breach."

This decision is considered as a sweeping victory for co-operative marketing. S. D. FRISSELL.

MANLEY NEWS

A delightful family reunion was held here Thursday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Thomas. Besides the family those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Thomas, J. F. Thomas, Jr., Marvin and James Keith Boling, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Thomas, Fred Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Kennedy, Evelyn Kennedy, Miss Stella Allen, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Holt, June Holt and Mrs. Nannie Thomas, all of Siler City, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Hartley, Gracie Lee Holt and Opal Hartley, of Broadway, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Wilson and children, Frank and Nancy Beth, of Manley.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Blue and little son visited Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Horne, of Vass, route 1, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Butler and Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Hicks who have been occupying Mrs. Brown's cottage here have moved to Raeford.

Mr. H. B. Horne, of Richmond visited his sister, Mrs. R. S. Blue, Thursday.

Mr. Clyde Headen, of Siler City, was the dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Thomas Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Elmore and family were in Eureka Sunday.

Mr. James Wilson and Miss Alice Wilson spent the week-end with relatives in Cameron.

Mr. G. W. Bass left for Blackshear, Georgia, last week.

Miss Edna Lee Cheatham spent the week-end at Broadway.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Cameron and children, Chase, Crowson and Margaret, Mrs. Cara Weatherly, "Jack" Weatherly, Misses Mary Alice Patterson, George and Alice Wilson attended the "Harvest Jubilee" at Carhage Thursday.

If you're looking for a sure way to make a woman mad and you can't do it any other way, try tracking mud in the house.

MISS McQUEEN DOING GOOD WORK

Considering a Project to Care for the Teeth of School Children of the County

Miss Margaret McQueen, the county nurse, is undertaking a project to care for the teeth of the school children of the county. To a certain extent this has been attempted before. The results of previous efforts have been such as to disclose the alarming need of further work, rather than to accomplish what needs to be done. Recently Miss McQueen looked over the county to get some idea of how many of the school children have teeth that need attention. Her investigation shows a startling situation. Moore county has 5648 white children and 2999 colored. Of these over four thousand are under fifteen years old.

As the nurse goes about her work she has been looking into the condition of the children she finds in the school. Of two hundred and sixty-three examined not long ago one hundred and ninety-three had defective teeth, or 47 per cent of the number examined. If the average should prevail throughout the county the total number of children of school age with teeth needing attention would run up close to six thousand. While those under thirteen years old would be more than three thousand. Miss McQueen found children with their teeth in all conditions. Some with as high as a dozen that should be filled or removed. Many of these children are in homes far from dentists, and some are in families where so much dental work needs to be done that it is neglected because of the expense entailed as well as of the inconvenience of getting to a dentist and the ignorance which prevents the realization of caring for the teeth.

The efforts that have been made heretofore to care for the teeth of the school children have been limited, partly for want of funds, but also through the difficulty of providing dentists for community work. The established dentists in Moore county could not begin to do the work that should be done for the children. To count the jobs necessary to handle the teeth that ought to be taken care of today would probably mean a year's work, for every dentist in the county. And long before the year's work would be ended another crop equally large would present itself. Realizing this situation the state board of health has proposed that a dentist be engaged by the county to do for the school children such work as can be done. It is not expected that all the work to be done could be handled in this way, nor even a large proportion of it.

Unfortunately far too many of the children will continue to be neglected, but if some of them can be cared for that will spread the idea of looking after the teeth and lead others to follow in example. The state health board proposes to pay five hundred dollars towards providing a dentist for the children. Leonard Tufts has offered another five hundred. Miss McQueen hopes that some other contributions may be available to bring her sum up to about four thousand dollars, which she figures would arrange for a year's work. It is thought that perhaps if a reasonable sum can be secured from private sources the county commissioners will be willing to add to the fund in order to make the work a success. Miss McQueen asks the people of the county who are able to help with this work to join in the movement and see what can be done. Further information can be had by communicating with her at Carhage.

PINEBLUFF NEWS

At the M. E. church, December 9: Sabbath School at 9:45; preaching by Rev. George S. Parker at 11 a. m., Community Praise Service at 7:30 p. m., Prayer Meeting at 7:30 p. m. Thursday evening.

At the Baptist church, December 9: Preaching at 10:30 a. m., by Rev. L. E. Wheeler; Sabbath School at 11:30 a. m., Prayer Meeting on Thursday evening at 7:30 p. m. On Saturday afternoon at 2 p. m. the young people meet to practice the new hymns for Sabbath School December 9th, at the Baptist church.

The young people of the Baptist church are calling for a Christmas entertainment of some kind.

At the Baptist church Thanksgiving morning, Rev. R. P. Gibson delivered an excellent sermon which was appreciated by a good sized audience for such a rainy morning.

Pinebluff certainly does know how to celebrate Thanksgiving in the good old way.

Pinebluff Inn served dinner to quite a large crowd, Mr. Marvin James also served dinner to guests, minus the 'possum, of course. The Fiddner family combined their roast turkey and spareribs, and served dinner at the home of Mr. John Fiddner at Silver Springs, twenty-six partaking of the good things those women know how

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