

Don't Get Up Your Hopes for A Pestless Summer, Says Leiby

State Entomologist Says Cold Not as Fatal to Bugs as You'd Think

Just because the weather has been freezing people's cars and running coal bills into nightmares is no reason for gardeners to believe that a spring and summer free from pests lies ahead, Dr. R. W. Leiby, who ought to know tells the Raleigh News and Observer.

The State entomologist has been studying bugs so long that he thinks nothing of ladies calling him up in the most confidential manner to ask him how to get rid of fleas and other insects that sometimes embarrass the neatest of housekeepers, and he won't offer any false hope to those who'd like to believe that freezing is poison to pests.

"The vast majority of insects are protected from low temperatures in their winter quarters by snow, that is, they hibernate under leaves and trash, or under the soil surface. A layer of snow on the ground keeps extreme cold from the soil and from the insects on or within it," he said.

"It is sudden and extreme temperature changes that raise the death rate in hibernating insects, rather than the prolonged low winter temperatures."

Insects like San Jose scale show a winter death rate of 50 to 75 percent an average winter. In a winter like this, however, the mortality rate will usually run as high as 80 or 85 percent, because of a tendency to hibernate in exposed places.

"The higher mortality rate of the scale is offset to some extent, however," he explained, "by the higher winter killing of the wasp-like parasites of the scale which are fewer in number in spring. These parasites would normally destroy or reduce relationship of parasites and host insects applies to other kinds of insects which one might think would be wiped out by a spell of very low winter temperatures. We must remember that what hurts the insect pests also hurt their parasites, and the latter exert a powerful natural control over insect pests."

"Insects like the strawberry weevil, the tobacco flea-beetle and the cotton boll weevil, all of which hibernate under trash in the woods, are apt to suffer a very high winter death rate in low temperatures when they are not protected by snow. Hence, we can expect a higher mortality than usual of these and similar insects as the result of the winter's severe cold spells. We must remember, however, that an insect can 'freeze up' for the winter and withstand severe low temperatures as long as it stays frozen, for at that time its body is inactive, its heart action is slowed down, so to speak. But let that same insect come to life a bit late in winter as the result of a warm spell and then be exposed to a sudden drop in temperature, and it is apt to be frozen to death. One has only to think of the many kinds of insects that survive in the rigorous North to understand that zero weather is not as fatal as some think."

BENEFIT BRIDGE NETS \$90 FOR CATHOLIC CHURCH

One of the most successful benefit bridge and beano parties of the season was held in the Southland Hotel on Tuesday, January 28th. More than 125 attended. High score in auction was held by Mrs. D. G. Stutz, in contract by Mrs. Harrington, and in Whist by Miss Pauline Fawm. The door prize was won by Mrs. O'Brien of Pinehurst and a large ten-pound cake was won by Miss Katherine Wiley.

While the scores were being tabulated prior to the awarding of prizes the hostesses, Mrs. Joseph Buckley and Miss Elizabeth Jacobs served sandwiches, cake and coffee.

Although full returns are not yet available more than \$90.00 was realized for the benefit of St. Anthony's Catholic Church.

DIES IN AUTOMOBILE

Coroner D. Carl Fry was notified Tuesday of the death of Cliff Jones, of Greensboro, which occurred in an automobile in the upper edge of Moore county near Steeds, a town across the Montgomery line. Details of the inquest and the names of Jones' companions are not available as this is written, but the coroner was informed that death was probably due to alcoholic poisoning.

NEW STORE OPENS

Southern Pines has a new store, the Home Variety Store, which opened this week in the Burgess building on East Broad street. F. B. Thomason is in charge.

County Finances

Report of Treasurer Shows Cash in Bank of Over \$80,000.00

The financial condition of Moore county, as revealed by a statement of the Bank of Pinehurst, county treasurer, is as follows:

Amount of Cash in Bank	\$80,964.11
Cash in Sinking Fund	32,944.84
Sinking Fund Investments	31,420.00
(Included in Above)	
Funds Secured By United States Government Bonds	\$20,000.00
North Carolina Bonds	26,000.00
Moore County Bonds	14,000.00
Total	\$60,000.00

Thomas Successor To H. A. Page at Duke

New York Retired Merchant Elected to Board of Directors at University

James A. Thomas of White Plains, N. Y., retired merchant who was a pioneer in introducing American goods and methods in the Orient, has been elected a member of the board of trustees of Duke university. He succeeds the late Henry A. Page of Aberdeen.

Mr. Thomas, a native of North Carolina, for many years has been a patron of Duke university, and has been particularly interested in the development of the university library's collection on the Far East. Among the hundreds of volumes he has given to the library on the economics, history, art, and literature of the Far East are many of rare print. He has also given the university many pieces of oriental art objects and rugs.

As chairman of the Duke Memorial, Inc., Mr. Thomas was instrumental in the gathering of more than 8,000 individual donations toward the erection of the beautiful memorial chapel in the Duke university chapel, where the bodies of James B. Duke, Benjamin N. Duke and Washington Duke, the university's chief benefactors, now lie in beautifully carved sarcophagi. He was a business associate of James B. Duke.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Thomas Pondysh and wife to Cecil Robinson and wife, property in McNeill township.

J. E. Summey to J. E. Phillips, property in Greenwood township.

Board Orders Clean-Up of County Courthouse

Commissioners Follow Up Recommendations of Grand Jury—Other Business

The report of the Grand Jury as submitted last week to Judge F. Donald Phillips was heard by the Board of County Commissioners as it met in regular session on Monday, and steps were taken to follow up the recommendations made in regard to proper heating and care of the court house and county home.

The board decided that special veniremen summoned for jury duty and not accepted shall receive \$1.00 per day and five cents per mile mileage on proving their attendance with the clerk of court. This order is to apply to the special venire summoned during the January term as well as to future courts.

The auditor was ordered to pay the account of Howell L. Smith Company for binding 23 books in the office of the clerk of the court in the amount of \$345.

It was ordered that an old road running north from Hartsell's Garage in Cameron to Highway 1 be placed on the county highway system as being necessary for public farm market use and that the State Highway Commission be requested to put this road in usable condition.

The board also voted to recommend that the highway department reconstruct and place on the map for maintenance a farm to market road from Cool Springs crossing to the other Cool Springs crossing near Jim Field's, passing by the homes of G. H. Davis and L. D. Phillips.

T. Frank Cameron and L. R. Reynolds were appointed as a joint committee to investigate and recommend to the board regarding crop reporting and other matters pertaining to agriculture.

The sum of \$500 was ordered transferred from the school capital outlay to current expenses.

Bond of D. D. Shields Cameron as Register of Deeds from the American Surety Company for \$5,000 was approved and accepted and ordered recorded and filed.

The welfare officer was authorized to make the following disbursements: For the support of blind Ed McKethen and family at Vass, \$2.50 per week until the family can get to work; for Lack McDonald, a cripple at Cameron, as much as \$10 per month until further order; for temporary support of Mrs. Hin Maness until she can get work, \$5 per month.

It was ordered that the county pay one-half the costs of artificial legs for Casey Jones and Mary Johnson, and that King Hughes, aged man of Carthage, be allowed \$5 for the month of February.

Nice Friendly Valentines for people you like at Hayes.

CARTHAGE

Miss Esther Seawell spent the week-end at her home in Moncure.

The Rev. W. S. Golden is spending the week in Richmond attending a series of lectures at Union Theological Seminary.

The Rev. and Mrs. E. C. Durham spent Friday in Moncure with Mrs. Durham's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Womble.

Mrs. Glennie Muse has returned home after a month's visit with her brother, Mr. Vernon Pleasants of Rowland.

Miss Mary Worthy Spence returned to Salem College Monday after spending the week-end at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. U. L. Spence.

Miss Helen Rose Underwood of Flora Macdonald College spent the week-end at home.

Miss Rose Underwood, Miss Jean Morris and U. L. Spence, Jr., spent Monday in Winston-Salem.

Miss Mildred Cross spent the week-end at her home in Sanford.

Mrs. E. C. Wallace is recuperating at the Moore County Hospital after a fall on the snow Sunday.

Miss Frances Hunter spent the week-end in Charlotte.

Miss Rozelle Williamson has entered the University of North Carolina, where she will take a special course.

Mrs. H. J. Hall was hostess to the members of her bridge club on Friday. High score prize was presented to Mrs. Myrton Stewart and second high to Mrs. Earl McDonald. A special guest to the club was Mrs. Fred Plinchum.

Mrs. A. N. McN. Blue entertained for Mrs. Evelyn Blue at a birthday dinner on Tuesday. The table was covered with a linen cloth centered with crystal candelabra with red tapers on a reflector. A beautiful birthday cake was placed in front of the honoree. Valentine colors were observed in the decorations. Covers were laid for eight of Mrs. Blue's relatives.

Mrs. R. L. Tyson was hostess to the Carthage Music Club on Thursday afternoon. Mrs. W. G. Brown presided over the business meeting. The study for the afternoon was about Brahms. Miss Johnnie Redding gave a reading. A piano duet was rendered by Mrs. R. L. Burns and Mrs. J. G. Downing. The hostess was assisted by Mrs. M. G. Dalrymple in serving refreshments.

DR. CLYDE ERWIN TO TALK TO TEACHERS THIS AFTERNOON

Dr. Clyde A. Erwin of Raleigh will be the principal speaker at a teachers' meeting to be held in the high school auditorium in Carthage at 3 o'clock this afternoon, Friday. All teachers and Parent-Teacher Association officials of the county are urged to attend.

JURORS DRAWN FOR MARCH TERM OF SUPERIOR COURT

At the County Commissioners' meeting on Monday, the following were drawn for jury service in the March term of Superior court for the trial of civil cases:

First week: O. C. Capps, John G. Ferguson, Bethel Dunlap, W. E. Williams, C. O. Combs, Adam Garner, Ira L. Maness, A. K. Pennington, Rassic E. Wicker, E. J. Woodard, B. F. Garner, E. P. Hinson, M. L. Cox, Ted L. Frye, John Ferguson, Julius Williamson, W. C. Lassiter, J. D. Brewer, W. B. Causey, Lonnie Calicut, E. A. Morgan, E. P. Gullede, T. L. Blue and J. R. Boggs.

Second week: C. B. Blue, W. T. Matthews, Jesse Martindale, A. D. McDonald, David Yeater, H. R. Utley, E. G. Kennedy, Carlton H. Seaward, E. J. Richardson, Duncan McInnis, S. J. Davis, J. R. Dunlap, Frank Davis, W. V. Kennedy, J. R. Lineberry, Oscar Monroe, Rufus Freeman, E. T. Dennis, J. G. Davis, R. W. Caviness, J. M. Brewer, Joe Cameron, G. W. Wilcox and E. S. Hooker.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

A marriage license has been issued from the office of the Register of Deeds of Moore county to Clarence K. Britt of Hemp and Mary Wicker of Carthage Route 3.

"BORROWING" CAR GETS GARDNER ROSE IN COURT

Gardner Rose, colored of Pinehurst, on Monday in Recorder's Court, was bound to the Superior Court under bond of \$500 on a charge of larceny of an automobile, a sport model Ford coupe, which he is alleged to have "borrowed" from Prentice Burch and failed to return. The car was valued at \$350.

Julius Simpson, colored of Cameron, who escaped from the State prison camp in this county in 1931 and was caught only recently, was given a 30-day term to begin at the expiration of the former term.

A case in which Sylvester Hampton, colored of Eagle Springs, was charged with breaking and entering the postoffice at Eagle Springs was dismissed from the Recorder's Court, this being a federal offense and the defendant having already been delivered to federal authorities.

Ervin Morrison, white of Southern Pines, pleaded guilty to driving an automobile while intoxicated. His two months' road sentence was to be suspended upon payment of a fine of \$50 and the costs and upon condition that he repair damage done to property of the Piedmont Telephone Company and W. T. Huntley. He is not to drive a car for three months.

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