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HOW MY GARDEN HAS GROWN, BY MRS. HARRISON

Winner of First Prize in Garden Contest Tells Of Methods

By Mrs. W. H. HARRISON
First Prize Winner in Garden Contest
At the beginning of this year, our home demonstration agent, Miss Pratt Covington, distributed among the members of the various clubs of the county a very attractive year book. This book contained a complete outline of our work for the year, together with the names of the leaders for every project that was to be taken for the year. My name fell among the garden leaders.

As early as the weather would permit we began work. During the last week in January, we transplanted 200 strawberry plants; cleaned up and burned old vines and stalks. My husband then flat broke the garden and broadcasted stable manure. About the middle of the month we dug 250 early Jersey Wakefield cabbage plants. On the 19th of February we dug the pit for a hot-bed, and sowed our seed as soon as it was all ready.

With the beginning of March, the weather turned so cold and everything was so wet, but we were not discouraged. We kept gardening; most of it being done by the fire that glowed from an open fireplace. It was here that we studied the seed catalogs and garden books. About the middle of March, we planted May peas, onion sets, reset the sage bushes, which I had planted from seed, horse radishes, and leek. Our garden was growing. We had carrots and lettuce growing in hot beds, but we sowed more seed in rows, also beets and mustard. Our agent then gave me seeds of five new vegetables. I planted these and on March 18th I distributed 1,320 plants grown from these seeds to my club members. I don't think a one failed to come up. We grew from these seeds, celery cabbage, asparagus chichery, spinach, broccolli, and corn. My family liked all the new vegetables. We were especially fond of the asparagus chichery, but I think it is one of the prettiest flowers I have ever seen. For more than a month there has been a gorgeous streak of blue running down the entire length of my garden, each morning bringing a fresh supply of flowers.

On April 15th we planted Irish potatoes, pole beans, sweet corn, okra, squash, and made a second setting of cabbage plants. We then planted cucumbers, and on May 13th we planted squash the second time. We then replanted our tomato plants the second time, which gave them a strong root system. We picked May peas 65 days after planting. We had been having headed cabbage for some time. On June 1st we put out sweet potato plants. By the middle of the month the May pea vines were through bearing, and we cut them down and put out in its place the broccolli, after giving the land a heavy application of fertilizer. The garden would have suffered for lack of rain about this time had we not hauled in ten loads of pine straw and mulched all the plants. Soon after the next good rain we began on our second planting of practically everything that we grow in the garden, and at this time put in our third crop of corn.

We have grown up to date 38 different kinds of fruits and vegetables in our garden. We have tried to cultivate the garden after each rain and keep all the weeds and grass down in the corners and around the borders and along the walks. We have spent very little. Most of the seed sowed were saved from our last year's crop. We used manure from the barn and poultry house, and only used fertilizer after the second crop of May peas, kale, mustard and onions. We are hoping to put up sauer kraut from our late cabbage and also a good supply of canned tomatoes and cucumber pickles. These, together with the collards, turnips, mustard, and kale and spinach, that we expect to grow in our garden this fall and winter, will give us plenty of vegetables. We also have a good supply of Irish potatoes already stored and plenty of sweet potatoes growing; with these added, and good luck, we will have no fear as to the food for our family.

I must agree that good fresh vegetables are not the only benefits from a garden. There is vigorous exercise in every muscle of the body. There is plenty of sunshine and fresh air. There is more health building in an hour of such work than in a hundred hours of setting-up exercises to the tune of canned music.

Program of Services at Grace Church Sunday

Rev. A. H. Marshall, rector.
Mr. Frith Winslow, Sunday school superintendent.
Sunday school at 10 a. m.
Holy communion and sermon at 11 a. m.

To Retain Members Of Creswell Board

CHARGES HEARD AT MEETING OF COUNTY BOARD

One Teacher at Creswell Not To Be Retained This Year

A special session of the Washington County Board of Education was held at the courthouse here Wednesday from 10:30 o'clock in the morning until 6:30 o'clock in the afternoon, at which time charges were heard against the Creswell local school board, brought by citizens and members of the Parent Teachers' Association, charging that proper consideration had not been given to the best interest of the school in the employment of teachers.

These charges were first presented to the county board of education at a meeting held July 13th.

At the meeting here Wednesday, Attorney Carl L. Bailey represented the Parent Teachers' Association while Attorney W. L. Whitley represented the Creswell School Board.

While the hearing was conducted in an orderly manner, still the session was rather stormy at times. Members of the parent-teacher association and citizens were united in demanding that the Creswell school board be removed and a new board appointed. Various citizens of the Creswell School district made speeches. Former Principal Swain was present, having stated in his speech that he came all the way here from the University of North Carolina to defend his reputation as a professional man. However, Chairman T. L. Swain of the county board of education, stated that no attack had been made upon Principal Swain's reputation or character.

At the conclusion of the hearing, which occurred about 6 o'clock, the county board of education went into executive session to decide the issues. The members of this body decided that the members of the Creswell School Board should be retained and continued in office, but advised Jas. W. Norman, county superintendent of education to make certain changes in the Creswell school faculty for the coming year.

MAN JAILED ON ROBBERY COUNT

Caleb Moore, of Tyrrell, Is Charged With Robbery Of Stations

Caleb Moore, of Tyrrell County, who has been under treatment for a compound fracture of the leg, is lodged in the local jail, having been brought here Monday by Sheriff Joe Reid and will be heard on charges of robbing the Norfolk Southern Railway stations at Creswell and Mackeys.

Moore's leg was broken while trying to start the motor of a power boat at Buffalo City, and he was recognized as the man wanted in Washington County when taken to Manteo for medical treatment.

It is alleged that the boat in which the accident occurred was stolen by Moore for the purpose of making his escape from the authorities. It will be remembered that the railway stations at Mackeys and Creswell were broken into several weeks ago, the safes having been opened and robbed of money together with other items.

David P. Dellinger Out For Lieutenant Governor

The Beacon has just received a letter from David P. Dellinger, of Gaston County, announcing that he will be a candidate for lieutenant governor in the June (1932) primary on his 20 years' experience as a member and officer of the General Assembly.

Mr. Dellinger has been a lawyer for 30 years and has been associated with other business. He was born in Gaston County, son of John C. and Barbara Glenn Dellinger, a distant relative of the late Governor Robert B. Glenn. He attended the public schools of North Carolina, is an active Mason and active Baptist church worker since 12 years of age.

Home Agent Announces Schedule for Next Week

Miss Pratt Covington, county home demonstration agent, announces that her schedule for next week will be as follows:

Monday until Saturday at Raleigh attending short course.
All clubs scheduled for this week will disband or meet together for canning, according to the wishes of the members.

UNKNOWN GRAVE CAUSES CONCERN

Is In Burial Plot of J. H. Gaylord Family About Mile From Roper

The identity of an unmarked grave in the J. H. Gaylord family burial plot, which is situated about a quarter of a mile west of Roper, is the source of considerable concern to C. R. Gaylord, a member of the family who is making an effort to properly mark each tomb with a permanent marker. The grave in question is said to have the appearance of containing the body of a child, and according to Mr. Gaylord there is certain knowledge of its presence in the burial plot during the past twenty years, and efforts to identify it have been without avail.

It is claimed that according to Washington County records this burial plot has been in the possession of the Gaylord ancestry for about two hundred years, and throughout the length of this time the unmarked grave in question is the only one of which there is no knowledge.

Any person who can supply positive information as to the occupant of this grave, and the time and circumstances surrounding the interment will confer a great favor by giving this information to C. R. Gaylord, at Plymouth, N. C.

STATE'S FARM INCOME IS LESS IN PAST YEAR

Farmers Receive \$42,760,355 Less Money Than They Did in 1922

The farmers of North Carolina received \$42,760,355 less money during 1930 than they did in 1922, according to the N. C. Farm Business, published by the State College Extension Service. In 1922, the net farm cash income was \$104,470,000 and, in 1930, this income was approximately \$62,000,000 a decrease of 41 per cent. Last year, the farm cash receipts were \$192,842,633, farm cash expenses were \$171,123,136, leaving only \$61,719,697 for farmers of the state to use in paying taxes, buying clothing, paying bills for food, feed, fertilizer and other expenses.

The average net cash income for the year from 1922 to 1930 was \$83,472,396. The 1930 net cash income was approximately \$10,000,000 less than in 1929. This condition in the state, which is very serious, is due to the lower prices of cotton, tobacco and peanuts in particular. Cotton declined from 16.4 cents a pound in 1929 to 9.5 cents; tobacco, from 18 cents to less than 14 cents; and peanuts also. The low price of cotton was due to a world over-supply of American cotton, which increased from 19,320,000 bales in 1929 to 20,543,000 bales in 1930, with a corresponding drop in use of cotton by mills. Tobacco stocks on hand increased from 1,342,000,000 pounds in 1929-30 to 1,400,000,000 in 1930-31, despite a small increase in the use of cigarettes.

Reduction of these three crops is necessary in order to obtain a price which will cover the cost of production this year, the bulletin says. The state government is urged to cooperate in every possible way. The bulletin goes on to say:

"There is evidence that the world situation will not improve rapidly during the next year or so. If the present production of cotton continues with a falling off in purchasing power of our customers, then North Carolina farmers will find themselves in dire circumstances in 1931 and 1932. Referring to the tobacco situation, the bulletin says that, if the crop is not cut materially, 'indications are that North Carolina producers will experience during 1931 one of the most disastrous years since the war.'

Mrs. N. C. Vail Is Hostess To Swain Club Meeting

Mrs. N. C. Vail was hostess to the Swain's Women's Club on Wednesday, July 22. Following the opening exercises, the hostess gave as her 10-minute demonstration, fancy quilt patterns. The meeting was then turned over to Miss Covington, who gave a demonstration on sandwich spreads. She also outlined plans for the federation meeting, which will be held at Roper in October.

The August meeting of the club will be held at the home of Mrs. J. H. Vail in the morning for the purpose of canning tomatoes.

The hostess served cantaloupe, lemonade and cakes, assisted by her daughter, Elizabeth.

WINNER SECOND PRIZE CANNING CONTEST WRITES

Swain Club Has Canned 676 Quarts of Vegetables This Summer

By Mrs. EDGAR SWAIN
The following article was written by Mrs. Edgar Swain, of the Swain club, winner of second prize in the canning contest:

On April 29th, a group of women who were appointed canning leaders in the home demonstration clubs of the county went to Greenville to attend the canning school.

The meeting was held in the woman's club building. Fifteen counties were represented and we were proud that our county had the largest number of leaders present. Every club of our county was represented.

Mrs. Cornelia C. Morris, district agent, gave a very interesting talk on the importance of canning surplus fruits and vegetables, and also gave a demonstration on making home-made whole wheat cereal. Talks were made by leaders from other counties. Mrs. W. G. Stancill, a commercial demonstrator, gave a very interesting demonstration on the steam pressure cooker. After Mrs. Stancill's demonstration, I think every leader without a pressure cooker determined to try to get one.

On my return home, I told my club members about the new method of canning, and explained to them just how much easier and better it would be to can by this method. When women on the farm are convinced that time is saved; that fuel is saved; and that it costs less to can by such a method, it is not hard to convince them. On May 26th seven of the members of my club met at the home of Mrs. T. R. Chesson and canned 72 quarts of May peas. We used two pressure cookers. Not a can spoiled, and if we had canned them the old way it would have taken us more than a day to have canned them; as it was, every forty minutes we took out 14 quarts and placed them on shelves.

During the month of June, beans, soup mixture, peaches, plums, cherries, berries, corn, okra, squash, beets, tomatoes, kraut, and fruit juices were canned. Our club is small but to date we have canned 676 quarts.

I was just as interested as could be in getting all the club members interested in canning the new way, so we decided to have another canning "spree." Five members met this time at Mrs. N. C. Vail's, and canned 39 quarts of squash, okra, and corn.

The Swain club was the first club to take advantage of the county steam pressure cooker and sealer. We saw the advantages of owning one early, and now we have recently purchased one for the club. We also have used 200 tin cans and like them fine.

Our club has only ten members, but our slogan is: "Do not sit down and sit, but 'git' up and 'git'."

RIDGE METHOD IN CULTIVATING TOBACCO URGED

Will Pay Increased Income Of \$50 Per Acre Under Normal Conditions

Cultivating tobacco by the ridge method will pay an increased income of \$50 an acre under normal conditions and should be even more desirable when the weed is selling for a low price and the crop is delayed in growth. "Most of the earliest tobacco in this State is now in a hard, peaked condition due to the cold, wet spring," says E. Y. Floyd, extension entomologist at State College. "Apparently, the cultivation of the crop from now on will be an important factor in determining whether good acre yields of high quality and generally just as good a yield as any other planting during the season."

The ridge method of cultivation has proven its worth for the past five years. As compared with old, flat method, an increased income of about \$50 an acre has been secured from the ridge method. This plan makes the peaked tobacco take on new roots; drains the water from near the plant, and causes the soil to warm up more quickly, claims Mr. Floyd. He has conducted a large number of field demonstrations with high-class growers in all parts of the state and has found that putting all the soil to the tobacco plant that it will stand but scattering the middles deeper than the siding furrow, gives good results.

Cultivated in this way, the tobacco plant will soon grow out of its present hard, peaked condition and will look like a new plant. Mr. Floyd has prepared a small folder giving a description of this ridge method of cultivation. Copies may be had free of charge on application to the agricultural editor at State College.

Home-Coming Day at Local Methodist Church Sunday

BOOKLET TELLS OF PROFITS IN RAISING BIRDS AT STATE MEET

Believe Farmers Can Make Substantial Income By Methods Outlined

In a comprehensive booklet just issued by More Game Birds in America, a foundation established to aid in restoring vanishing game birds in the United States, a detailed program is outlined by which farmers can gain a substantial annual income from the propagation of game birds and the sale of shooting rights to sportsmen.

The booklet, titled, "Game Birds; How to Make Them Pay on Your Farm," describes how farmers can earn an additional income sufficient to pay the taxes on an entire farm annually. Eventually, the foundation predicted, a \$300,000,000 industry for the farmers throughout the country is in prospect.

Renick W. Dunlap, assistant Secretary of Agriculture of the United States, has endorsed the booklet. As Secretary Dunlap points out, anything tending toward diversification of farm production is of vital importance to the farmer.

There is, the booklet announces, a wide demand in the country for good game bird shooting. It is equally true little of it is available today. While the number of sportsmen constantly increases, the supply of game birds decreases steadily. Accordingly, the booklet asserts the farmer and the rural land owner hold the key to the upland game bird situation in the United States. But few farmers appreciate game birds can be made a real farm asset. As with any other farm crop a reasonable amount of work is entailed.

Briefly, success of the venture is dependent upon the character of the land, its accessibility to sportsmen, the amount of work to be devoted to the enterprise, the state game laws, the size of the farm, and the attitude of neighbor farmers.

Once the requirements have been complied with, the booklet recites that revenue could be derived in the following ways: By renting shooting rights on a per day, per season, or on a per bird killed basis; use of the land for training dogs and running field trials; sale of pelts of predatory animals; boarding visiting sportsmen; supplying dogs, transportation, and guide service to sportsmen; and the incidental profits will accrue from the sale by shipment of farm produce to friendly sportsmen from the cities who have been attracted to the farms during the shooting season.

The booklet sets forth in detail the requirements for successful operation of the venture. Copies can be obtained without cost by applying in person at the Roanoke Beacon office.

Alba Home Demonstration Club Holds Meeting Friday

Mrs. W. H. Harrison with fifteen members present last Friday afternoon. Following the usual opening exercises, Miss Covington made a very complimentary talk to our garden leader, Mrs. W. H. Harrison, and our canning leader, Mrs. George Bowen. Both of these ladies won free trips to the State Short Course at Raleigh for their excellent work.

Miss Covington also gave a very instructive demonstration on sandwich spreads and gave literature on canning, preserving, and pickling.

The guests were then invited out to see Mrs. Harrison's garden, and every one was agreed that she was living at home. On returning to the house, the guests were served lemonade.

Cigarette Consumption In U. S. Is On Increase

Production of flue-cured tobacco in the United States more than doubled since 1921, according to government estimates. Flue-cured tobacco is used chiefly in the manufacture of cigarettes and the gain in production of this type of tobacco is the result of the increasing numbers of men and women who are reaching for cigarettes. According to government records, production of flue-cured tobacco last year amounted to more than 870,000,000 pounds, as compared with only 372,000,000 pounds in 1921. Production in 1930 set a new record for flue-cured tobacco, the next largest being about 750,000,000 pounds in 1929.

Dr. Carl Rothrock, of Lewistown, Pa., who was caught in a recent storm at a nearby State forest park, reports that rain, which froze as it fell, encase a live rattlesnake and held it fast to the ground until the clouds passed and the sun melted the ice.

TRIBUTE TO MRS. IDA BRICKHOUSE AT STATE MEET

Paper Read at Gathering of Master Farm Home-Makers

The following is a tribute that is being read to the memory of Mrs. Ida Swain Brickhouse at the Master Farm Homemakers' celebration at State College, Raleigh, this week at the farmers' convention.

"From the time club work was first organized in Washington County, Mrs. Ida Swain Brickhouse took an active part. The work has been put on in the county for about 14 years, and Mrs. Brickhouse, due to her excellent leadership, was made president of her club in the beginning and remained president until her death last October.

"For four years she served as president of the Washington County Federation and president of the county council. In fact, she occupied every office that any club member could hold. Mrs. Brickhouse was elected district chairman of the fifteenth district one year prior to her death, and was elected president of the fifteenth district at the first spring district meeting ever held in the district, which took place in Washington, in the spring of 1930.

"Mrs. Brickhouse lost her only son when he was seven years old. Her husband died soon after the World War. She lived with her mother and brother at the home place, near Skippersville, in Washington County. Her home was made welcome to every one. As superintendent of her Sunday school, she was a friend to all classes. There was no time that she did not make the most humble welcome.

"The home demonstration clubs of the county miss her, the members of her church and Sunday school miss her, her county misses her, and all the club women of the district miss her.

"Mrs. Brickhouse was a leader in every respect, and any honor coming to her could never be too great. She took part in community, civic, and social life to the county. She was interested in every phase of club work, and her interest is shown through the offices that she held and held successfully. She was the first Master Home Maker of Washington County, an honor that was justly due her."

Schedule of Prices At Curb Market Saturday

Saturday special, butter beans, qt.	19c
Corn, dozen	14c
Eggs, dozen	16c
Young chickens	25c
Snap peas, per quart	18c
Peaches, peck	50c
Cantaloupes, nice size	5c
Watermelons	15c
Beans (pole)	3c
Meal (water ground)	3c
Butter, per pound	35c
Dressed hens	28c

Curb market opens promptly at 8 o'clock.

FEW FIRMS ARE MAKING MONEY

American Telephone and Telegraph Company Reports Larger Earnings

While a marked decrease in earnings was reported by some big corporations during the first 6 months of this year, others made substantial gains, their earnings statements showing more and more money was heaped upon the pile. The American Telephone and Telegraph Company reported an increase in earnings of nearly eight and one-half million dollars. Bohn Aluminum and Brass, Colgate-Palmolive-Peet and others made substantial gains. The Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company was one of the big concerns reporting a deficit during the six-months period. Paramount Public reported a loss of nearly three million dollars.

Creswell Woman's Club Holds Meeting Thursday

The Creswell Home Demonstration Club held their regular monthly meeting Thursday afternoon of last week at the home of Mrs. Clyde Smithson. The president, Mrs. A. L. Holmes, presided. After the business period, the meeting was turned over to Miss Covington. She gave a short talk on the better yard tour, and gave a demonstration on sandwich spreads. The social hour, led by Mrs. C. N. Davenport, was enjoyed by all. The hostess assisted by Miss Essie Jordan, served delightful refreshments.

TO CELEBRATE FIRST SERVICE IN NEW CHURCH

105 Years of Methodist History in Plymouth To Be Reviewed

The pastor and members of the Plymouth Methodist Episcopal Church, South, are extending an invitation to all former members and friends to share in the opening service of their new church Sunday, August 2, at 11 o'clock in the morning.

It is to be an old-fashioned homecoming day. All the local churches and their pastors, and the community at large are invited to worship with the congregation of the Methodist church on this day. Nearly 105 years of Methodist history in Plymouth will be briefly reviewed.

The committee on arrangements is composed of the following: J. W. Norman, D. V. Clayton, Z. V. Norman, Mrs. A. L. Owens, and Rev. R. G. L. Edwards.

Rebuilding and renovating of the church was started April 28, and has just recently been completed at an approximate cost of \$8,000. An addition was added to the old building 16 by 30 feet, the new building being of brick and brick veneer of the Sanford rough face variety. The main church auditorium has a seating capacity of from 350 to 400 people. The building is modern in every detail, being equipped with hardwood floors, steam heat and other conveniences.

The front presents a very interesting appearance. The two leaded windows, of beautiful glass, with a stationary transom over the front door with the words, "Plymouth M. E. Church, South, 1832," impresses one that the building is a house of worship. The interior is very pleasingly arranged, the finish being of walnut color. Art glass windows, a massive altar, pulpit, choir loft, a modern pipe organ, electrically controlled, a large memorial window to the rear of the pulpit and choir, all combine to impart a spirit of peace, quiet and place of worship.

Those who have been in charge of the building have built for time and the service of God, and they have done their work exceedingly well, as the new church proves for itself.

The pastor, Rev. R. G. L. Edwards, will give a brief history of the church covering nearly 105 years in connection with the service Sunday morning. This is expected to prove very interesting. It is expected also that Mr. Edwards will have a former pastor of the church to preach at the evening service.

In an interview with Mr. Edwards here yesterday, he stated that a complete program of music and praise is being arranged for the opening service Sunday morning, which is expected to prove a treat to all music lovers. He also stated that his church was expecting a record breaking congregation at both morning and evening services.

Mr. Edwards, who has been pastor of this church for nearly five years, is extremely happy in the success of his church. Since coming to Plymouth he has made many friends not only here but throughout this entire section, being one of the most popular and well-liked pastors the town has ever had. Plymouth and Washington County consider themselves fortunate in being able to have Mr. Edwards, with his friendly word and outstanding ability as a pastor and minister during the past five years. The people of Plymouth will regret to lose Mr. Edwards from their midst when he is appointed elsewhere.

The Methodist congregation have wrought well in the erection of their new church, and the entire community rejoices with them in their success. Probably few churches have a more connected history of longer duration and occupy a large place in the life of a community than does this one.

Cross Roads Home Club Holds Meeting Tuesday

The Cross Roads Woman's Club met at the home of Mrs. D. B. Chesson on Tuesday, July 28. After the opening exercises the business of the club was transacted. Three new members were added to the roll. Mrs. D. B. Chesson gave a short demonstration on how to make a crocheted bed spread. The meeting was then turned over to the agent, Miss Covington. She then gave a very interesting demonstration on how to make and have beautiful floors. The next meeting, August 25th, will be at the home of Mrs. J. A. Chesson. A delightful social hour was enjoyed after the demonstration, and the hostess served delicious watermelon and cantaloupes.