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FARM NEWS

By L. A. AMMON

Sour Soils

A number of men have had various fields of their farms tested for sourness. With the exception of a few fields, only one farm has shown any natural source of lime. This farm was near Blantyre. The farms near Cherryfield and up, show in all cases a need of lime of a ton to two tons per acre. One field showed too much lime had been added.

Where newberry vines are plentiful, I have found it to be very acid. The loose puffy spots that will grow anything show acid in some cases and in some cases, these spots have been made by too much lime.

From the history of most of these spots they will not grow clover, on some where corn turns white or striped, is an indication of the need of kanit or potash. On others that show no white, the need is apt to be 16 percent acid. Manure is the best for starting a crop.

In some parts of the County, whole fields of this light gray, puffy soil is found, and to get a stand of clover, lime and 16 percent acid have proven best, outside of manure.

Clover in Rye

In watching the farmers turning under rye stubble for corn, the question comes to me, why not sow about four pounds of red clover seed in your rye in the spring and have a fair cutting of clover to turn under with the stubble. The best way to do this is to drill in with the grain drill, which has a seeder. Use a few pounds of fertilizer mixed with the seed. Set the discs so they will cut lightly in the soil and practically every seed will come up. Since there are enough seed in four pounds of clover seed to make a plant every three inches apart, you should have a fair stand.

If you have no drill, sow the seed and run over the field with a drag harrow. You will find that the dragging will do good to the rye.

The Clough farm seeded rye last year and they had clover almost waist high to turn under.

This is also a good method of furnishing some good winter grazing.

Last call for pruning grape vines, and you cannot cut them more than what is good for them. Leave the side branches with only two buds.

Plans

Are your plans for the next three months well made, so you will be able to change from one piece of work to another without loss of time? Are all tools and implements repaired, oiled and ready for the field? Saves time to have all things ready, and the plans you have in your head or on a note book are the most important of these.

Over one hundred head of feeder cattle and grazing stock were sold in the County last week. The price was around five cents per pound. This is about three cents above the price offered in November.

Co-op

A number have spoken about grass and clover seed for March use. If there is enough to make up a wholesale order, I can get the seed, otherwise, your cheapest places to get them will be from local men or the Farmers Federation at Asheville.

Chestnut Blight

Following is a letter from the United States Department of Agriculture:

Mr. L. A. Ammon,
Failure to promptly utilize blight-killed timber has caused very heavy loss in the North. Unless systematic efforts for utilization are made, it is estimated that the percentage of loss will be even higher in the South.

In Transylvania County, our inspectors traveled by automobile from the County line on the road from Hendersonville to Brevard, without finding blight. From Brevard to Reidsville, five percent blight was found; from Rosman to Lake Toxaway, forty percent blight; and from Reidsville to the north corner of the County, two percent blight. We estimate that eight percent of the chestnut in Transylvania County is infected with the disease.

—RUSH P. MARSHALL

SMALL FIRE WEDNESDAY

The Fire Department was called out Wednesday morning to the home of Mrs. Delong, where an oil stove had exploded. The fire was extinguished, however, before the fire engine reached Mrs. Delong's. No damage resulted from the explosion.

BILLS RATIFIED CONCERNING TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY

Among the bills ratified for and concerning Transylvania are:
An act allowing the commissioners to abolish the chain gang and dispose of prisoners serving time thereon and property belonging thereto.
An act to increase the compensation of the board of commissioners of Transylvania.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH TO CONDUCT MISSION CLASS

The Women's Auxiliary of St. Philip's church will conduct a Mission Study Class each Friday afternoon. The first meeting will be held February 27th at the home of Mrs. Mae Allison.

IT PAYS TO RAISE HOGS

Mr. J. A. Bishop, farm manager of Brevard Institute, has recently killed two fine hogs weighing when dressed 995 pounds.

GOOD NEWS COMES FROM BOOSTERS

Savannah, Ga., Feb. 18.—(Special)—Brevard and the Land of Waterfalls will be the summer Mecca for a number of well known Savannah citizens during the 1925 season, according to information received today by Secretary Philip Warren, of the Brevard Chamber of Commerce, who is Brevard's official representative on the Georgia-Florida Good Will Tour of the Asheville Chamber of Commerce.

The beauties and advantages of Brevard, both as a summer resort and as a place of residence and investment, are being extolled by Mr. Warren to Savannah people, and also to members of the tour party with force and enthusiasm. Booklets describing Brevard's many attractions and advantages are being distributed in large quantities.

Among a number of prominent Savannah people who have been extended cordial invitations to visit Brevard during the coming summer, are Hon. Pleasant A. Stovall, owner and publisher of the Savannah Press, and former minister to Switzerland during the Wilson administration, Mrs. W. W. Davant, and others.

CEDAR MOUNTAIN MAN DESERTS HIS FAMILY

W. M. Riddle, of Cedar Mountain, escaped last week with a large sum of money belonging to his employers. He also deserted a wife and ten children.

FRANK OSBORNE HAS NARROW ESCAPE

Frank Osborne, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Osborne, had a narrow escape Monday evening on Gallamore Hill, when the motorcycle on which he was riding, collided with a truck driven by Ed Swangum.

Frank was thrown from the motorcycle, resulting in the fracture of his right leg and right arm and in severe cuts and bruises. The motorcycle was practically demolished.

Dr. Stokes happened to be passing in his car at the time of the accident and he at once took Frank to the Brevard Hospital.

Witnesses of the scene testify that the accident was due purely to carelessness on the part of the truck driver. His lights were not turned on, although it was dark, and he was also driving on the wrong side of the road, according

State Senate Backs Up Governor's Bond Issue

By M. L. SHIPMAN

Good Profits Secured From Roadside Market

Surplus produce from the garden, orchard and poultry yard may be sold to advantage by using a small roadside market. This is especially true if one lives on one of the main highways where travel is heavy.

S. C. Clapp, superintendent of the Mountain Branch Experiment Station near Asheville, tried out this plan last summer and sold over \$400 worth of surplus produce right at the market in addition to taking orders for large deliveries to be made from the farm. Mr. Clapp made a little stand just high enough for one to drive by and look over the produce comfortably without getting out of the car. The stand had two shelves, so that the lower one might be used for protecting leafy vegetables from the sunlight. The produce was tied up in nice bundles and well arranged in small baskets with the price of each article on each container. A small box was placed for the change and it was left to the honor of the buyer to make his own change.

Mr. Clapp hardly ever visited the little stand except to replenish what had been sold. The produce was placed early in the morning and the money taken out late in the evening. Some evenings Mr. Clapp found as much as twelve dollars in his box and there was never a mistake of over a few pennies caused by difficulty in making change.

"The people seemed to appreciate my trusting them," says Mr. Clapp. "Many of those driving by stopped and looked over the material and would then drive in to the farm and buy a larger amount than I had on display. I sold apples, egg plant, bell peppers, melons, peaches, grapes and other produce."

Mr. Clapp believes that the farmer who has a surplus of produce might well use this idea to advantage this summer and dispose of his material right at the front gate.

UNIQUE GEORGE WASHINGTON PARTY

The Daughters of Wesley Sunday School Class of the Methodist church was delightfully entertained Tuesday evening by Mrs. E. S. English and Mrs. J. B. Pickelsimer, as joint hostesses, at the lovely home of Mrs. E. S. English.

Following a short business session, Mrs. J. B. Pickelsimer announced a program appropriate to the occasion of George Washington's birthday. The program was as follows: Brief sketch of George Washington's life, by Mrs. H. C. Ranson; Duet, Carry Me Back to Old Virginia, by Mesdames Banks Nicholson and Ed Loftis; Reading, George Washington and His Hatchet, by Miss Alma Trowbridge.

At the close of the program, an interesting contest was engaged in. Slips of paper were passed around and contestants were given ten minutes in which to see who could write the most words using the letters in the name Washington. Mrs. D. E. Henry was the prize winner, she having made the most words in the allotted time. This was followed by a novel game "Crossing the Delaware," which called not only for rapid thought on the part of the players, but also for a certain amount of historical knowledge. Another contest was enjoyed, consisting of a list of questions requiring answers pertaining to war, the winning contestant in his being Mrs. H. C. Ranson.

Ice cream with cherries, red, white and blue cake, and coffee were served by the hostesses.

The guests were received on arrival by Mrs. J. B. Pickelsimer and her sister, Mrs. Ed Loftis, who were most becomingly and appropriately dressed to represent George and Martha Washington, respectively. Little red silk flags were pinned on each guest. The spacious rooms were profusely decorated in flags and bunting.

The evening's enjoyment was concluded by an original Medley, sweetly sung by Mrs. Ed Loftis, accompanied by Mrs. E. E. Nicholson. A large party were present to enjoy this extraordinary social event.

Raleigh, N. C., February 18.—The fight over restricting the State discussion of the "evolution" bar measure, the forward march along legislative paths of the \$20,000,000 bond issue for roads bill, together with a companion measure to increase the gasoline tax from three to four cents a gallon, decision of the House committee not to recommend the establishment of a State constabulary, and various other matters of more or less importance occupied the time of the General Assembly during the past week.

The road bonds issue measure passed in the Senate on second reading. A companion measure introduced by Sams of Forsyth, who also introduced the bond bill, provides for revision of the regulations having to do with the control of the highway fund for an increase in the gasoline tax from three to four cents to finance the new road bond issue. Passage of similar measures in the House is expected without any difficulty, thus carrying out Governor McLean's plan in this particular without any change.

"Evolution" was discussed at length before committee last week and finally a vote revealed that the education committee was deadlocked 16 to 16. Representative "Toke" Connor stepped into the breach with a negative vote, he being chairman of the committee. The bill was thus sent back to the house with an unfavorable report. Its proponents, who aver that evolution should be taboo in the schools of North Carolina, entered a minority report and the measure will have a special hearing on this report during this week, when the subject will be up on the floor of the House.

Redistricting the State was provided for in a measure finally passed by the house, creating four additional judicial districts with judges and solicitors. The bill when first introduced, provided for seven new districts, but was killed by the House on its second reading. Representative "Pete" Murphy of Rowan, succeeded in getting a motion to reconsider the vote by which the original bill failed on second reading adopted. When the bill again came up in the House it was amended to provide four instead of seven additional districts and passed by a safe majority. Chief among the arguments presented against it was that of economy, it being averred that the extra districts will increase the cost of the State government by more than \$50,000 a year. Its proponents argued that the condition of the dockets in various counties made an increase a necessity.

The proposal to establish a State constabulary was made by Representative Wade, who introduced a bill in line with recommendations of the social committee, which investigated this subject. An unfavorable report on the bill was returned, but it will be up again on a minority report. However, the House does not appear to think well of the proposition and will more than likely sustain the majority report.

A sales tax, independent of the revenue bill was sent up in the House by Representative Madison, of Jackson, on Saturday, who would tax cigars, cigarettes, candies, cosmetics, and other minor purchases. The bill providing, what are commonly termed "nuisance" taxes, went to the finance committee. It is well named in the opinion of a formidable group of legislators and others.

The Senate passed a bill which reduced the personal property tax exemption from \$300 to \$50, over the protest of many Senators. It is predicted this bill will have a hard road in the House which will probably show greater consideration for the "ninety and nine."

Financial Legislation is expected to occupy the center of the stage during this week. The revenue bill it was indicated, will provide for a fifty per cent increase in the income tax rates, but he other changes in the bill from the report of the State Board of assessments have not been made public. The budget report for the next biennial period, containing the appropriations for departments and institutions, is also expected to be presented by the appropriation committee of the House which has had it for some time.

MISS TYNER RETURNS TO BREVARD HIGH SCHOOL

Miss Cora Leigh Tyner returned recently to Brevard and has resumed her duties as principal of the High School.

Miss Tyner's many friends are glad to welcome her back to Brevard after her extended absence, due to serious illness.

N. C. Increases in State Wealth

A report recently issued by the Census bureau indicates that the total wealth of North Carolina increased from \$1,677,781,600 in 1922 to \$5,543,110,000 in 1923. That this growth is continuing is shown by the statement that the authorized capital of North Carolina charters issued in 1921 amounted to \$125,000,000; in 1922 to 125,000,000 and in 1923 to 213,000,000. North Carolina ranked fifteenth of the Union in the value of manufactured products in 1919, and in the South was second only to Texas. North Carolina stood fourth in the United States in 1923 in the value of the twenty-two principal crops and fifth in the value of all crops. Tobacco was first in the value of tobacco raised, and its cotton crop of 1,079,000 bales was second only to that of Texas. The value of crops increased from \$131,072,000 in 1909 to \$431,500,000 in 1923. North Carolina has the largest aluminum plant in the world.

SCOUT TROOPS HOLD MEETINGS

Troop No. 1
Boy Scout Troop No. 1, was re-organized last Friday night. Mr. J. J. Miller is Scoutmaster of Troop 1, which is sponsored by the Presbyterian and Episcopal churches jointly.

The troop elected Byrl Daniels and John White as patrol leaders, and leaders chose the boys to form their patrols. The election of officers for the year was next in order, the election being as follows: Edwin Perkins, secretary; Pete Breese, treasurer; Byrl Daniels, monitor; Fowler Lyon, doorkeeper.

Mr. Stewart and Mr. Morrow met with the troop and it is hoped that the troop can soon have a hike accompanied by Mr. Stewart.

Troop No. 2
Troop No. 2 met at the Methodist church Friday evening under the leadership of Scoutmaster Harold Norwood.

The troop was organized into three patrols, temporary leaders being appointed for each patrol. Mr. Stewart, district Scout executive, was present, and demonstrated to the boys the art of tying knots.

Eighteen boys were present at this meeting.

Troop No. 3
Troop No. 3 met at the Baptist church Friday evening, with Scoutmaster Charles Moore in charge.

The troop was divided into patrols, under the leadership of Miss Grogan as head of the Wolf Patrol, and Bill Morgan leader of the Bobwhites. Mr. Stewart met with the boys for short time and gave demonstrations of different ways of tying knots.

Eight boys were in attendance at this meeting.

GOOD WILL TOUR LEAVES FOR FLA.

The Florida Good Will Tour of the Chamber of Commerce left Asheville Monday night for its ten day trip through Georgia and Florida.

The chief purpose in view for the trip is to promote a better feeling between Western North Carolina and resort towns of Florida. It is hoped also that it will result in a greater advertisement and a greater good for Western North Carolina than any project ever before undertaken.

In addition to prominent citizens of Asheville comprising this organized tour were found also representatives of many towns in Western North Carolina. Official representatives of Chambers of Commerce from the various towns carried with them literature, descriptive of the beauties and opportunities of the Land of the Sky, to be scattered broadcast.

Mr. Philip Warren, the newly elected secretary of the Brevard Chamber of Commerce, is one of the 125 who enrolled for this trip.

THE PRAYER CORNER

"SOMETIME"

My mother dearly beloved, a poem called "Sometime."

I have heard her recite it when she was over eighty. May I share it with the reader of "The Prayer Corner." It is full of hope and comfort for the trials and sorrows of life, and we must all meet them "someday," somewhere, in time's journey.

"Sometime when all life's lessons have been learned

And sun and stars forevermore have set,

The things which our weak judgments have opened,

The things of which we prided with hopes wet,

Will flash before us out of life's dark night

A stark and sudden light

And we shall see how all our plans were right,

And how what seemed reproach

And to shall see how, while we brown and sigh,

God's plan go on as best for you

How when we called He hooded our own cry,

Because his wisdom to the end could see,

And when as prudent parents did allow

Too much of sweet to staying babyhood,

So God, perhaps, is keeping from us now

Some wanted things because it seemeth good,

"And if, sometimes, come mingled with life's woe,

We find the wormwood, and a fall and shrink,

Be sure a wiser hand than your or mine,

Pours out this portion for our lips to drink;

And if some one we have lying low,

Where human kisses cannot reach the face,

O do not blame the loving Father too,

But wear your sorrows with obedient grace,

"And you will shortly know the lengthened breath

Is not the sweetest gift God gives His friend;

And that some times the subtle pill of death

Conceals the fairest boon His love can send

If we could push open the gates of life

And stand within and all God's workings see,

We could interpret all his doubtful strife

And for each mystery could find a key.

"But not today, then be content, poor heart!

God's plans, like flax, pure and white, unfold

We must not tear the cloth that leaves apart,

Time will reveal the calyxes of gold,

And if, through patient toil, we reach the land

Where tired feet with sandals loosed may rest,

When we shall clearly know and understand,

I think that we shall say 'God knew the best!'"

A PRAYER

O God of the day that is past, and the days that are coming,
Thee we live, and move, and have our being,
whenever the days may be,
we can trust Thee.

Let us not remember too much the sorrows that have been,
Lift up our hearts and our hands to Thee,
and the things that are to be,
Give us gladness in Thy word,
leading us by Thy merciful hand,
comforting us, when we are weary,
by Thy love, and strength, and rest,
through Thy merciful hand.

Father, take not the veil from the future,
If only Thou be with us in the days that are coming,
fall of the unknown, it is well; uphold us in whatsoever sorrows they may bring,
with them; pity us in the trials that await us;
consecrate our gladness through the darkness; whatsoever Thou givest us or take from us, let Thy blessing be above and about us, and keep us true men and women till we go home to Thee.

There are graves behind us all, O Father, and silence and darkness

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