

FARM NEWS

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Garden Calendar

Several have been asking for information as to what could be planted now or soon.

February 20 to 28, set early frost proof cabbage plants and plant early potatoes. Sow in cold frame or hotbed the following seeds: Iceberg lettuce for setting out later, for home use from bed, use Michigan Forcing. Cabbage for summer, early celery and cauliflower.

March 1 to 15, continue same as above.

March 15 to 31, ground should be warm enough to set onion sets and sow seed of same, radish, turnips, carrots, dwarf peas first and later large ones. To those who wish greens, try the usual spinach, and a small row of swiss chard at this time. The chard continues all summer if not too hot.

Plan your planting so that later crops can be put in between the rows. Use plenty of manure turned under, and 8-4-4 fertilizer in drill. Let's all try and have good gardens, as nothing appeals to a visitor like good gardens, as it means thrift and good eats. Double last year's acreage.

Weather Signs

Some people do not take stock in any form of weather signs, as we call it, but there are a few that I have watched from childhood, and found to be good, but not perfect. The one that is interesting just now was the first thunder. From that date it usually is three months till the last frost. That makes May 14. The average date of the last frost is May 13, according to government records. An early thunder, as we had last year, means an early season and a more or less dry year. A late first thunder means a late spring and wet weather. His being more or less true, we should look for an average spring and summer, which we hope it will be.

Oats and Potatoes

Oats are not grown here to any extent. We need more oats for poultry and our horses. We have much land that should be rotated, with oats seeded to clover as one year crop. Oats will also sell to the road teams while corn will not. Let's try more oats. W. L. Talley made 41 bushels per acre last year, as hot as it was. Seed is one dollar per bushel in Asheville or Hendersonville. Two bushels to the acre, and if you use any fertilizer use one that has some potash in it, such as 10-0-4. Sow early is always the safest with oats as rust is worse than frost. Look as if around March the tent would be right this year.

Potatoes can be planted any time now and have the job out of the way. Late crop will come in April first half. The 8-4-4 fertilizer is among our best fertilizer for this crop. Six to ten hundred pounds per acre. Plant large pieces for best results.

J. E. CLAYTON ERECTING NEW BUILDING ON MAIN

A new brick building is now in process of erection on Main street, adjoining the Brevard Hotel, under the ownership of J. E. Clayton.

The building, which has a total frontage of 40 feet on Main street, and a depth of 60 feet, consists of two sections, the eastern portion of which will be occupied by Tinsley's Meat Market, and the other section by Nicholson & Duclos plumbing establishment.

The room left vacant by Tinsley's Market will be entirely remodeled and occupied by Mrs. Wallace Galloway, as her millinery establishment. The room vacated by Mrs. Galloway will be leased by Pinnix Land Company, and be used in connection with their present quarters, as a re-sale department and for sales of Montelove Estates. The room left vacant by Nicholson & Duclos will be used as additional display room for W. E. Bishop & Company, furniture and hardware.

The new Clayton building is expected to be completed by March 1, and on completion, the various mentioned changes in business firms will be made. R. P. Kilpatrick has contract for the construction work on this building.

Ghouls recently entered the tomb of Pancho Villa, Noted Mexican bandit and rebel, cut off his head and carried it away.

ONE MILLION DOLLARS REAL ESTATE DEALS IN ONE DAY IN BREVARD

Practically one million dollars in real estate was turned over in Brevard on Tuesday of last week.

The largest deal was the purchase of the Everett Farm by a syndicate for a consideration price of approximately \$650,000. The next largest deal was the purchase of Connetsee Falls by Dr. H. H. Briggs, of Asheville, for around \$200,000. Other smaller deals were put through at this time, bringing the total to around the million dollar mark for one day's sales.

REPUBLICANS TO HAVE CANDIDATE IN COMING RACE

The following is from the Asheville Citizen of Sunday, Feb. 14, in which Capt. R. K. Smathers, announces his intention of entering the Congressional race from this district. A number of the prominent Republican leaders of this County have expressed themselves as being heartily in favor of Mr. Smathers.

The clipping follows: According to reports current in Republican circles, Captain R. Kenneth Smathers, prominent Asheville attorney, ex-service officer, former college athletic star, and college professor, will be the Republican candidate for Congress from the Tenth District in this coming election. Capt. Smathers, in an interview with representatives of the Citizen today, confirmed the report that he would be a candidate, but said that he would not make a formal announcement for several weeks.

Captain Smathers is widely known throughout the district and has many friends who are advocating his candidacy. If all the people by name of Smathers are related, and it is said that they are, Captain Smathers is probably related to a thousand or more persons in Buncombe and Haywood counties. He is the son of C. F. Smathers, postmaster, of Canton. Captain Smathers came into prominence in 1916 and 1917 as an athlete at Trinity college now Duke University, at which institution he received his education. He was a commissioned officer during the war and had charge of physical training at one of the army camps. After the war, he became a member of the faculty at Emory University. He has also been very active in the army reserve and is a strong advocate of preparedness and an adequate defense. He is a Captain of Infantry in U. S. Army Reserve.

Captain Smathers is associated in the practise of law with the Hon. George H. Smathers, one of the oldest lawyers in this state. He is a Mason and a Shriner and also a member of Pi Kappa Phi college fraternity, of which organization he is one of its National Officers.

SHERIFF LANDS THREE STILL IN ONE DAY

Sheriff Sitton, accompanied by Deputy Fisher and Charlie Jaimison captured three stills Saturday afternoon in Dunn's Rock township, all in a radius of one mile.

One 150 gallon, one 40 and one 30 gallon still, along with a quantity of beer were destroyed. All had been in recent operation, one being in the process of "warming up."

CONNETSEE FALLS PROPERTY RE-SOLD

Announcement is made of the purchase of 3,000 acres of mountain land including Connetsee Falls by Dr. H. H. Briggs, of Asheville, the consideration price being around \$200,000.

Dr. Briggs and associates purchased this valuable tract from H. Welter Fuller, president of Laurel Park Estates, and A. O. Greynolds, a Miami, Fla., capitalist. It is understood that the owners intend development of this tract, without destroying the natural beauty of the forests, streams and falls.

The Connetsee Falls property is located seven miles from Brevard on the Brevard-Caesars Head Highway and borders on the highway for upward of two miles.

WORK STARTED ON NEW BUILDING TO HOUSE POSTOFFICE

A new Post Office location for Brevard is an assured fact. Excavation is now in progress for the erection of this building to be located on the north side of Jordan street, between Caldwell and Broad streets; brick and other building material are being placed on the grounds, and actual construction work is expected to begin this week.

The building, which will have a frontage of 42 and one half feet on Jordan street and a depth of 90 feet, is to be a two-story structure of red texture brick. According to present plans, it will be completed and ready for occupancy within sixty days. The estimated cost of the structure will be approximately \$20,000. R. E. Lawrence, of Lawrence-Mallory Realty and Insurance Company, of Brevard, is financing the erection of this important public building.

Plans call for a division of the first floor into two sections, the eastern section being the future site for the Brevard Postoffice, which will be leased by the Government for a period of ten years, beginning March 1, 1926, or date of occupancy. The inside measurements of this section will be 20 feet frontage by 90 feet in depth and 25 feet at the rear. The contract with the Post Office Department at Washington for lease of this property will include a complete equipment of fixtures, furniture, and boxes for the use of the post office, also parcel post, postal savings, city and rural delivery furniture, if necessary; also steam heat, electric lights, water, and a good fireproof safe with burglar-resisting chest. A total of 620 mail boxes will be installed, an amount practically double the present supply of boxes. Included in the equipment will be found also separate windows for general delivery, rural delivery, parcel post and money orders. An added feature, and one of decided advantage to the members of the post office force, will be the increased amount of direct sunlight and fresh air available over the present surroundings. Large double windows appearing at distances of six feet apart throughout the entire length of the building will allow an abundance of fresh air and sunlight, two requisites necessary to healthful surroundings.

As assurance of the fact that this location is to be leased by the Government for post office purposes, R. E. Lawrence is in receipt of a communication from John H. Bartlett, first assistant Postmaster General, of Washington, D. C., stating in effect the acceptance of Mr. Lawrence's proposal, under date of November 27, 1925, to lease for post office purposes the previously described quarters. The Government official further states that a representative of the Department will supervise the equipment of the quarters, and on receipt of his report, a formal lease will be prepared and sent for execution.

A movement is also under way to establish a village delivery mail service in Brevard. If carried according to present expectations, this will include free delivery of mail one day, six days in the week.

In addition to the convenient accommodations under contract for the post office department in this building will be found also on the first floor, in the adjoining section, office space to be occupied by the firm of Lawrence-Mallory Realty and Insurance Company, for the transaction of their rapidly growing business in Brevard. Other offices will also probably be located in the rear of this section.

From the large hall, a wide ornamental stairway will lead to the second floor, which will contain ten or twelve rooms to be used as office space. A feature, novel to Brevard, will be the innovation of office rooms "made to order." The second floor space has been leased before erection of the building, and office rooms will be finished and equipped in accordance with specifications of the respective lessors of office space.

The entire building, according to plans and specifications, will be modern in every respect, equipped with only the best and most up-to-date furniture and finishing, with hard wood floors, large double windows throughout, and a wide front entrance with glass doors almost entirely across the front.

Marcus Lawrence, of Charlotte is architect for the structure, and Jess Allen, of Brevard, is in charge of the construction work.

LON GALLOWAY HELD FOR SLAYING ALFRED RAMEY, OF ROSMAN

Lon Galloway, of Pickens County, surrendered Monday afternoon, and is being held in the Pickens jail for the murder of Alfred Ramey, of Rosman, to which crime Galloway is said to have confessed when surrendering to the Pickens officers.

The killing took place just across the Transylvania-Pickens County line on Thursday of last week, the body of Ramey being found Friday by George Holcombe, father-in-law of the dead man. The body was lying near a blockade still with the back of the head split open with an axe or other sharp instrument.

Sheriff Sitton was notified, who in turn notified Pickens County officers, who made an investigation of the affair, and placed the blame for the killing on Galloway, he being the last man seen with Ramey before his death. Ramey and Galloway are said to have left the home of George Holcombe on the morning of the killing, presumably for a blockade still in which they were supposed to be partners.

According to Pickens officers, Galloway surrendered Monday afternoon, but refused to talk of the affair other than to say that a fight had taken place at the still site. He also refused to implicate others in the affair, leaving the impression that he and Ramey were the only ones present at the time of the killing. He is reported to be very badly bruised about the head and body, showing signs of having had a fight at the scene of the killing, the officers substantiating this theory with the fact that the leaves and underbrush near the still showed signs of a struggle.

Funeral services were held Sunday for the dead man at Old Toxaway, and interment made in the Toxaway cemetery. A wife and five children survive.

THORNWELL HAYNES ASKED TO SPEAK BY ASHEVILLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The oratorical abilities of Thornwell Haynes seem to be known by the Asheville Chamber of Commerce, as this organization has been urging him to accompany the North Carolina Good-Will Tour as one of its principal speakers. There is no doubt that if Mr. Haynes finds it possible to accept he will add greatly to the success of this laudable and extensive undertaking. Senator Lee S. Overman in a communication to the Asheville Chamber has also strongly suggested not only that Mr. Haynes' unique and experienced talents should be utilized in this instance, but pointed out that his decision to settle permanently in North Carolina means much to the State.

This North Carolina Good-Will Tour leaves Asheville March 16th, and after traversing the principal cities of some ten or twelve Southern States will return about April 1st.

FIRST LAND AUCTION OF SEASON TO BE HELD 22

The first land auction sale of the season will occur next Tuesday, when business property on Caldwell, Cascade and Broad streets will be sold at auction by C. P. Wilkins Land Auction Company.

MILL WORK PLANT WILL OPERATE IN BREVARD SOON

Notice is made in another column of this issue of the opening of a mill work plant in Brevard at an early date, to be operated under the name of Thompson Millwork Company. The company will do all kinds of mill work, including cabinet, mantle, stairway, frame and floor work.

ASHEVILLE TIMES ISSUES LARGE SPECIAL EDITION

The Sunday edition of the Asheville Times contained 150 pages, it being the largest special edition ever published by a Western North Carolina newspaper.

The edition is replete with well presented, interesting reading matter pertaining to practically every section of Western North Carolina

entirely across the front. The local telephone company is a well-established in Brevard's rendering all times prompt service.

EXTENSION OF BROAD STREET AND PROBARTE AVENUE PROGRESSING

Construction work is now in progress on the extension of Broad street, north from Main street, to meet Highway No. 28 at the foot of the hill just before reaching King's Creek bridge. Extension of Probarate Avenue east from Caldwell street has also been started, and the work on both street projects is expected to be pushed to completion as rapidly as weather and other conditions permit.

The fire engine building has been removed, and the truck temporarily housed in the old Brevard Battery Station stand.

SUMMER CAMP FOR GIRLS TO BE BUILT NEAR CHERRYFIELD

To the list of numerous summer camps at present located in and near Brevard, will be added another camp the coming season, namely, Cherryfield Camp for girls, which is owned by and will be under the direct management of A. H. Kizer, of Brevard.

The camp, which comprises 120 acres, is now under construction and will be ready for the opening of the summer season in July. It is located 8 miles from Brevard, along highway No. 28 to Cherryfield, and one and one-half miles off the main highway from Cherryfield, adjoining the Pisgah National Forest Preserve near its southern boundary.

Accommodations for 40 girls are being arranged for the opening season. Included in the camp equipment will be found 10 wood structures housing 4 campers each, a dining room, lodge, swimming pool, tennis courts and riding field. A watershed is already on the property, together with numerous springs supplying a abundance of pure, fresh water for drinking and other purposes.

In addition to Mr. Kizer, as camp director, will be on the managing staff also Mrs. L. P. Russell, of Rockingham, as co-director, and ten or twelve councillors. Mr. Kizer and Mrs. Russell have both had five years' experience in directing camps, having been connected with Rockbrook Camp for girls in an executive capacity in previous years.

C. N. WILLIAMS ACCIDENTLY KILLED BY FALLING TREE

On last Monday morning about eight o'clock, C. N. Williams was almost instantly killed by a falling tree while cutting timber in the Pisgah National Forest. He lived about fifteen minutes after being taken from underneath the tree.

Mr. Williams was 41 years of age a native of Macon County, and is survived by one son, Leon, age six one brother and two sisters. Mr. Hiram Williams and Miss Rosa Williams, Anderson, S. C., and Mrs. Emma Williams, of Sylva, N. C.

Mr. Hiram Williams came to Brevard and took charge of the remains. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock at his home, No. 7 Prince street, Anderson, S. C., and interment was made at the family grave yard at Piedmont, S. C.

NEW TELEPHONE DIRECTORY ISSUED

The people of Brevard received last week attractive new telephone directories, containing some seventy-five or more additional names over the last books, issued about a year ago. Practically 300 books were delivered to the various patrons throughout the town.

The Citizens Telephone Company is growing very rapidly, as evidenced by the fact that every key on the switch board is filled. A number of new subscribers have been added to the recent issue of directories. An enlarged switch board and other improvements were added to the equipment by the company.

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THE PRAYER CORNER

FELLOWSHIP WITH GOD THE SON, AND WITH HIS SON, JESUS CHRIST

Fellowship with God is not possible without fellowship with the man Christ Jesus. It is not a different fellowship, but one, nearer, more tender, more capable of realization.

In Christ we see a God whom we can imagine, whom we can know, who does not hide Himself, who has a face like our own face, who still wears the glorified body of humanity; who speaks to us in that still small voice of which the accents stir our inmost souls. That Jesus, whose blessed feet walked by the lake of Galilee—that Christ of whom all the prophets prophesied—is God in the form of a man, the God-man, who condescended for us men and for our salvation to be a living personal friend.

If we have learned to know and love in the Lord Jesus, that perfect ideal of life and holiness and infinite compassion; to take His yoke upon us; to be meek and lowly of heart; to show our love to Him by trying to keep His commandments—to trust entirely, to love sincerely, to hope even unto the end, then in proportion as we thus seek Him will He reveal Himself to us as a living, loving, uplifting, interceding friend.

We shall know Him then as a very present help in time of trouble, as one who will be with us in the most desolate hours of darkness and loneliness; with us when all the world, with its endless cares and trials, makes "no purple in the distance," holding us by the right hand, guiding us with His eye; more to us transcendentally, than all the world beside! When I say we have learned this, (as God's design the loving guidance of all our lives is to teach it to us), then truly our fellowship will be with the Father, and with Jesus Christ, His Son.

PRAYER FOR FELLOWSHIP WITH GOD'S SON

O Lord Jesus Christ, our True Yoke-fellow, help us to see in Thee a God whom we can imagine, whom we can know; who does not hide Himself, who has a face like our own; who still wears the glorified body of humanity; who speaks to us with a still small voice of which the accents stir our immortal souls.

Show us that the Jesus, whose blessed feet walked by the lake of Galilee, that the Christ of whom all the prophets prophesied is God in the form of a man, the God-man, who condescended for us men and for our salvation to be a living personal friend.

If we have learned to know and love in Thee, that perfect ideal of life and holiness and infinite compassion, to take Thy yoke upon us; to be meek and lowly of heart; to show our love to Thee by trying to keep Thy commandments; if we have learned from Thee to bear and forbear, to give and forgive, to work faithfully, to suffer patiently, to trust entirely, to love sincerely, to hope even unto the end, then in proportion as we have thus sought Thee, wilt Thou reveal Thyself to us, as a living, loving, uplifting, interceding friend.

We shall know Thee then as a very present and help in time of trouble, as one who will be with us in the most desolate hours of darkness and loneliness; with us when the world with its endless cares and trials makes "no purple in the distance," holding us by Thy right hand, guiding us with Thine eye, more to us than all the world beside, then truly, blessed be God, shall our fellowship be with the Father and with Thee, His Son, Jesus Christ. God grant it, Amen.

SHIRLEY & PENDLETON OPEN REAL ESTATE OFFICE HERE

Shirley & Pendleton, Inc., Realtors, opens offices in Brevard this week.

This firm has incorporated under the laws of North and South Carolina, and will do a general real estate business.

S. L. Shirley comes from Anderson, S. C., where he is prominent in business and civic activities. E. R. Pendleton has been a resident of Brevard for some time and is well-known here.