

FARM NEWS

By L. A. AMMON

Now that corn is mostly planted and due to be up soon, you will do well to use the weeder, or if you have no weeder, use the spiketooth harrow, set at considerable slope backward. If you think it is doing much harm, just look ahead and come back a week later and note the damage done. Saw one man start to use his harrow, but he had not gone far till he concluded he was killing all his corn. He picked up the harrow and carried it out of the field. A week later he went out to replant the spot so harmed, but failed to find any more corn missing than in any other spot.

Dragging or weeding should start as soon as the grain has taken root enough to hold to the earth. Follow up across the other way a week later, and so on until corn is four or more inches high, and you have done most of the hoeing you will need to do. Do it with machinery.

Assessors Ready

The Board of Assessors met with the County Board of Commissioners Monday and received instructions as to how to value things, etc. From what I heard all will be valued at a very liberal figure, and for one year at least the farmers have a great advantage over the developers.

It is required by state law that the Assessors take a farm census. This farm census is very valuable to those who report the crops for the year. It gives them accurate figures to base their guess on.

The local County Agent, the Chamber of Commerce, the State Departments and the Federal government are all in need of these figures. Not many days pass that someone does not want to know something about our county, that is based on the figures found in this census. It would take two columns of this paper to tell you all the uses made of this information. So help your man get the best figures for your farm, and let's have it said that Transylvania is progressive.

Two things I want very badly: First that so many sick cows would end. Eighteen last week; second, that all the spare land, all the possible idle land, and all the land where seeding was killed by drought, were put in soy beans. Situation looks bad now. Don't be afraid of selling. Wait till you are shot before you jump. They say that some farmers in Henderson county will not set a hen, lest they might sell.

Glad to hear from those who sell fertilizers that there has been an increase in the sale of high grade goods and considerably off in low grade stuff. You have made money in doing so, but you have beat the Southern out of several dollars in hauling filler, or dirt. Let their tribe increase.

Mr. Blair, our extension agronomist, is with us two days this week, looking after soil improvements by rotation. The William McK. Fetzer place is now added to his list for following a systematic rotation. Hurrah for "Bill."

DEMOCRATIC MASS MEETING SATURDAY

O. MAX GARDNER TO SPEAK ON POLITICAL ISSUES

There will be a mass meeting of the Democrats of Transylvania county held at the court house at 2:00 o'clock, p.m., Saturday, May 8th. All are invited to be present.

Hon. O. Max Gardner, one of the most able speakers of the state, is expected to address the meeting. Other prominent speakers will also be present.

At 1:00 o'clock, an hour before the speaking commences, the Democratic executive committee of the county will meet to organize for the next two years and attend to such business as may come before it.

J. H. MOORE IS WITH WHITMIRE MOTOR SALES

James H. Moore, of Liberty, S. C., is now connected with Whitmire Motor Sales company in the capacity of bookkeeper and floor salesman.

HEAVY DAMAGE IS DONE BY FOREST FIRES IN COUNTY

BLAZES PRACTICALLY UNDER CONTROL WEDNESDAY

Approximately \$100,000 damage has been done by forest fires within the past ten days to Transylvania county property, an area totalling ten to fifteen thousand acres having been burned over.

Wednesday morning the fires were practically under control, although several small fires were reported as still burning in different sections of the county.

The prolonged dry spell has caused the forests to become veritable tinder boxes, against which the fighters have no chance. The light rainfall Monday morning aided in checking the fires to some extent, though inadequate for the needs.

Among the more devastating blazes were: Fodderstack Mountain, the Pink Beds, 15-Mile Ridge, Chestnut Mountain, Joshua Mountain, and the section around Old Toxaway, and East Fork. A semi-circle embracing two-thirds around the outer edge of the county has suffered.

NAT TOWNSEND BUYS INTEREST IN BREVARD BATTERY COMPANY

Nat Townsend, a Brevard boy, has purchased an interest in the Brevard Battery company, and will act in the capacity of shop foreman. Mr. Townsend has had expert training and a number of years of experience in the electrical business, which fits him well to serve the people of Brevard in their battery and electrical difficulties.

MUSICAL PROGRAM AT HIGH SCHOOL FRIDAY EVENING

PROGRAM IN CHARGE OF HOME TALENT

As part of national Music Week which is being observed here this week, the local Music Lovers' club is presenting a musical program at the high school auditorium Friday evening of this week.

Mr. Thornwell Haynes will open the program with a short talk, followed by readings, and musical selections consisting of a male quartette, vocal solos and selections by the municipal band. The program will be given entirely by home talent, and a varied and interesting program is assured. The entertainment is free and open to the general public.

ST. PHILIPS AUXILIARY MEETS TUESDAY NEXT

The Woman's Auxiliary of St. Philips church will meet with Mrs. David G. Ward next Tuesday afternoon, May 11, at 4 o'clock, instead of Thursday, May 6.

TWO NEW BUILDINGS ARE BEING ERECTED

BRICK STRUCTURES ON MAIN STREET GOING UP

The one-story brick building now in process of erection on main street adjoining the Chamber of Commerce, is nearing completion and will be ready for occupancy by June first, according to statement made by the owners, Dr. R. L. Stokes and J. B. Picklesimer.

One section of the building owned by Dr. Stokes will be divided into two compartments, one of which will be used as real estates offices and the other occupied by W. J. Fortner, electrical contractor.

The other side of the building owned by Mr. Picklesimer is also divided into two rooms, one of which will be occupied by Castle Valley Land company and the other for office space.

The entire structure has a frontage of 66 feet on Main street and a depth of 147 feet. Construction work is in charge of M. A. Mull.

REAL ESTATE MEN ORGANIZE BOARD

RALPH R. FISHER CHOSEN AS PRESIDENT

After two preliminary conferences of Brevard real estate men at which were discussed objects, privileges and obligations of an organization affiliated with the National Association of Real Estate Boards, a meeting was called for the purpose of organizing the Brevard Real Estate Board.

At a general election of the members the following were elected as Board of Governors: R. R. Fisher, S. C. Jackson, R. E. Lawrence, S. M. Macfie, A. B. Owings, H. H. Patton, Hugh Pinnix, J. H. Tinsley, and C. P. White. The Board of Governors, in meeting on April 28, elected the following officers and directors: President, R. R. Fisher, vice-president, C. P. White, secretary-treasurer, Jerry Jerome. Directors were elected as follows: Three year term, R. R. Fisher, R. E. Lawrence and C. P. White; two year term, S. C. Jackson, A. B. Owings and Hugh Pinnix; one year term, P. W. Lowry, S. M. Macfie and J. H. Tinsley. The membership committee is composed of S. C. Jackson, P. W. Lowry and A. B. Owings.

The objects for which the Brevard Real Estate Board is organized are: to unite the real estate men of this community for the purpose of exerting effectively a combined influence upon matters effecting real estate interests. To enable its members to transact business connected with the buying, selling, renting, caring for and loaning of money on real estate to better advantage than heretofore, by the adoption of such rules and regulations as may be deemed proper. To promote and maintain the high standard of conduct in the transaction of the real estate business expressed in the Code of Ethics formulated by the National Association of Real Estate Boards and to enforce that code among its members in their dealings with one another and with the public. To advance the civic development and the economic growth of this community, and to grant to its active members the right to use the designation, "Realtors" under the conditions established for that use by the National Association of Real Estate Boards.

The active members of the Board are individuals or officers of a corporation who are engaged in whole or in part in selling, renting, or managing real estate for others, or the loaning of money for others on real estate in Brevard.

The Real Estate Board will maintain at all times, an appraisal committee the members of which will at the request of the president, make a careful and professional study of the property for which an appraisal is asked and render an opinion based upon facts and conditions.

The following is a list of firms and individuals who are members of the Brevard Real Estate Board: R. H. Bennett; Blue Ridge Realty Co.; Brevard Realty Co.; Caldwell & Co.; Castle Valley Park; J. W. Cobble; Conestee Realty Co.; Cherry Real Estate Co.; J. W. Duckworth; Forest Hills, Inc.; Laurens Trust Co.; Lawrence-Mallory Realty & Insurance Co.; H. G. Love & Co.

Macfie & White; E. P. McCoy; McKinney & Jackson; Neal, Claude E. & Associates; Neel Realty Co.; Panther Mountain Estates; T. E. Patton; Pinnix Land Co.; Sapphire Sales Corporation; Shirley & Pendleton, Inc.; Tinsley & Jerome; B. C. Truluck; Whitmire Realty Co.; C.

DR. G. B. LYNCH BUYS IN MONTLOVE ESTATES

Dr. G. B. Lynch will build a beautiful home on one of the most commanding sites in Montlove Estates. His home will be the nucleus of a large group of homes to be built by Brevard citizens.

The attractiveness and refined atmosphere of Montlove Estates is being recognized and enhanced by a splendid personnel of purchasers.

The completion of Dr. Lynch's home together with the completion and beautification of Montlove Estates will make of Brevard one of the show places of Western North Carolina.

THORNWELL HAYNES HEADS PANTHER MT ESTATES COMPANY

HUGE PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN IS BEING PUT ON

By far the largest real estate development in Transylvania county, and among the largest in all Western North Carolina, is the Panther Mountain Estates and adjoining tracts of nearly 3,000 acres, now being subdivided into over 10,000 lots, nine miles from Brevard on the Greenville highway a short distance from Caesar's Head and Cedar Mountain, owned and controlled by E. L. Ford and company, of which Thornwell Haynes, former college president and United States representative abroad, has been made president, with headquarters in the McMinn building on Main street, Brevard. Mr. Ford is a native of Kentucky, president of the Ford Rubber company, and extensively interested in real estate in Southern California and Florida. He will probably build a home on the Panther Mountain Estates and move his family there.

The sales director of this organization is Jack B. Mitchell, a native of Texas, and a large real estate owner and operator in Florida with offices in Tampa, St. Petersburg, and Sebring. The River Haven and Princess Park developments in Tampa; the Clear Vista in St. Petersburg; several thousand lots in Avore Park; the Lapolowa in Sebring; and Daytona Shores, one of the most extensive developments on the Florida east coast, were sold through offices operated by Mr. Mitchell, who is known practically all over the United States by his slogan: "Buy now—ten minutes is ancient history in Florida real estate." Mr. Mitchell has taken the Boswell cottage on the west side of the railway on Probrate avenue, and moved his family there last week.

Under his direction some twenty offices of the Panther Mountain Estates are now being established including Brevard, Asheville, Hendersonville, Raleigh, Durham, Greensboro, Winston-Salem, Charlotte, High Point, Wilmington, Statesville, Salisbury, and Gastonia, in North Carolina; Columbia, Greenville, Spartanburg, and Aiken, in South Carolina; and Atlanta, Macon, Athens, and Savannah in Georgia. Mr. Davis, of the Blue Ridge Realty company will handle the local sales from his present location on North Main street.

The sales manager at Asheville is John D. McMillan, native of Atlanta, and associated in Asheville for the past eighteen months with Charles H. Flemming. He has opened Panther Mountain Estates offices with twenty salesmen at 80-82 A. Patton avenue, Asheville.

Twenty-five salesmen will be employed in the Greenville office which will be under the management of Michael H. Jones, a native of Western North Carolina, and formerly associated with the Jack B. Mitchell Realty company, of Florida.

Announcements concerning this extensive development and sale of the Panther Mountain Estates are now being carried in North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia newspapers. A full page appears in this issue of the News.

NEW ICE PLANT OPENS FOR OPERATION NEXT WEEK

The new ice plant belonging to the Purity Products company and located near the Southern depot is practically completed and will be ready for operation about the middle of next week.

The plant, which will have a capacity of fifteen tons of ice per day, contains one of the largest equipments put out in way of electrical plant for manufacture of ice.

The structure housing the plant measures 40 by 90 feet and is of concrete blocks. The installation of machinery is in charge of W. P. Glenn, of Charlotte.

The officers of the Purity Product company include the president, W. L. Mull, secretary-treasurer, A. E. Galloway; general manager, W. M. Henry.

HOME BUILDERS SERVING A NEED

PROMOTING HOME OWNERSHIP IN BREVARD

The Brevard Home Builders, Inc., a company comprising 40 stockholders, since starting operations here some seven months ago, has built and sold three houses and has three more practically completed and ready for sale. The houses are located in various sections of the town and are varying in size and design, the prices ranging from \$3,500 to \$8,500.

The purpose of the organization is to alleviate the local housing shortage and to promote home ownership. The plan adopted is that of a co-operative company in which each share holder has an equal interest. An initial sum was paid into the company by the share holders with the agreement that a certain amount be paid each month for twelve months. With this money, lots are bought and houses built, and as soon as one house is completed it is sold and another house built. The houses are sold at a reasonable profit, which profits are added to the general revolving fund of the corporation.

Wherever desired, the company will build according to plans and specifications of a prospective purchaser, though ordinarily the original plans of the company are carried out.

The officers include: President, C. E. Lowe; vice-president, T. H. Shipman; secretary-treasurer, S. M. Macfie; assistant secretary-treasurer, Walter Duckworth.

Following are the directors: C. E. Lowe, T. H. Shipman, S. M. Macfie, J. H. Tinsley, C. C. Yonque, B. J. Sitton, Ralph Fisher, W. E. Brees, J. M. Allison, C. Y. Patton.

HOME ECONOMICS SCHOOL TO BE HELD HERE NEXT WEEK

UNDER AUSPICES OF WOMAN'S BUREAU

The Woman's Bureau, at its regular meeting held Monday afternoon, voted to sponsor a home economics school to be conducted in Brevard for one week, beginning Monday of next week.

The project, which is authorized by the State Board of Education, is under the supervision of Mrs. Margaret Edwards, state supervisor of home economics, who will appoint an efficient teacher to instruct the classes throughout the week.

Four subjects will be offered, a choice of any two of which will be left to the decision of the class as follows: dressmaking, millinery, home craft, and a lecture course on interior decoration. All who register for the classes will thus be allowed five lessons in each of two subjects chosen, at a nominal charge of one dollar per person for the ten lessons.

The class work will consist of the actual making of garments or prescribed articles, and individual attention and instruction will be a part of the program.

The classes are open to all ladies and girls of the town and community, and it is expected that a large number will take advantage of this splendid opportunity to become more proficient in the arts and crafts, so necessary in the life of a home-maker.

Those desiring to enroll in this course of study or to seek further information regarding the matter, are requested to communicate with Mrs. W. W. Hanaman, who is in charge of this department of work.

The classes will be held in the home economics rooms of Brevard high school, and the hours for meeting will be announced later.

NEW POSTOFFICE OPENS WEDNESDAY, MAY 12

According to present plans and expectations the new postoffice quarters on Jordan street will be open to the public on Wednesday morning of next week, May 12.

A detailed description of the building and equipment will appear in next week's issue of the News.

THE PRAYER CORNER

FAMILY WORSHIP

I cannot see how we can have "Better Homes" in the true sense of those words, without "Family Worship." A home without it is like a house without a roof.

Everyone who really prays, knows that praying deepens the sense of the nearness and goodness of God. It heightens every joy and elevates every desire. It relieves the loneliness of life and brings strength to tear its burdens. Family Prayer does all this, not only for the members as individuals, but for the family as a body. It unites more closely, husband and wife, parents and children, brothers and sisters. It strengthens the union of each with the other, and tends to blend their separate lives into a harmonious whole.

Happiness in the home or out, is an achievement. It comes to homes in which the Spirit of Life, in spite of many a fault and failure, is lived in prayer—insistent and persistent. And yet Family Prayer is far from common. Men and women whose earliest and tenderest memories gather around the family altar, omit to set up in the home they make, a family altar, to which their children may in years to come, look back with earnest longing and with pious pride.

If in every Christian household the practice of family prayer should become firmly established, it would be impossible to measure the beneficial results that would follow. It would unify to a large degree, the aims and interest of all the families of which society is made. It would quicken the consciousness of relationship and responsibility to God. It would tend to purify and ennoble the national life.

Do not fail to erect the family altar.

"We had the pleasure recently," said one, "of being in a home as a guest, where morning and evening the young husband and wife knelt at an altar of prayer. It was truly beautiful, and in speaking to them of the wisdom of their course, they said, 'It seems a little time to give God in return for what He has given to us!'"

Family worship must be a secret which angels delight to see.

A PRAYER FOR FAMILY WORSHIP

Our Father God in Whom all the families of the earth are blessed, bless Thou our families, and the homes in which they dwell, and make them homes of prayer. For if we really pray, we know that praying deepens the sense of Thy nearness and goodness, it heightens every joy, and elevates every desire; it relieves the loneliness of life, and brings strength to bear its burdens.

And family prayer does all this not only for the members as individuals, but for the family as a body, uniting more closely husband and wife, parents and children, brothers and sisters, strengthening the union of each with the other, and tending to blend their separate lives into a harmonious whole.

We would be happy in our homes and out of them, and true happiness comes only to homes in which the Spirit of Life, in spite of many a fault and failure is lived in prayer, insistent and persistent. O Thou who hearest and answerest prayers, give heed to us, we beseech Thee, and grant us grace, if we have failed to set up a family altar in our home, to neglect that duty no longer, for of all the forms of worship, none is more beautiful than that we see around the family altar. As a means of grace it occupies a distinct place of its own. The quiet hour or the hour of public worship cannot take its place. O help us to make the God of Bethel ours, that our household may go out in life under the influence of truth linked with every dear memory, and every sweet association of home, making it to them a type and prophecy of Heaven. And this we ask in the name of Him who taught us to pray, "Our Father" in the secret closet, around the family altar, and in the assemblies of Thy people, Amen.

—C. D. C.