

NEWS OF INTEREST TO FARMERS

Just About the Farm

MARKETING. It's the same old tale, this howl of "Give us a market." From the conversations I have had in the last week with various and sundry people, while they say "Give us a market" their attitude has been "Get us exorbitant prices."

Ninety per cent of the producers keep no record of their producing activities, nor do they think of any plan of keeping these down to the minimum, but they are pastmasters in naming a price for their stuff that they "Think" they can get, and large enough to cover their whole year's expenses from the proceeds of one leetle patch of taters or sich like.

The day of agricultural enlightenment will really have dawned when farmers adopt as standard methods, two things, viz.: Think in terms of rotations and not of one year crops. And second: In knowing the cost of their products and taking a fair return on their investments of capital and labor.

Don't think your cannery is a remedy for all evils pertaining to truck production. The prices your cannery will pay will be based on un-graded products in bulk, with

wholesale classification and we just as well get this idea straight in our minds now, and keep it there.

What about this cow testing business? The first of August will soon be here, and if we are going to do this thing, let's enough of us do it to be a credit to the industry.

A bee's natural instinct is to work systematically—would that more of our farmers were like bees.

The day of solid prosperity will arrive on the day that Macon county farmers out-law scrub sires.

Judging the future by the calculations and deductions of the past—and wise men tell us there's no safer way—spring lambs will be worth their weight in gold next spring. And wool very nearly so. You have been told in time; now do your planning.

The Hick Farmer: One is the man who lets these good seasons pass without getting in some cover crops for this winter; and another one is the one that feeds rats through the winter by not fixing his corn crib rat-proof in time, thereby joining the ranks of the great army of 200,000 persons who house and feed 100,000,000 rats per annum in the United States, at a cost of \$200,000,000.00 per

annum.

If you are not culling poultry already, begin now and keep it up, for the time of high priced feed is near at hand.

The poor old hog that is penned up these days is suffering mightily, "cause he is hot and miserable," and then there's the result of loss in profit to the owner.

Speaking of marketing again, the Farmers Marketing Bureau is open for service, and it's up to those who buy and sell to make use of it.

All the time is painting time until it's painted—buildings I mean, not faces.

Four men have listed their names to attend the dairy show at Memphis. Who's next? We are going by car and camp enroute.

Speaking of going—who's going to the picnic at Swanannoa on August the 18th? There is one man in Madison county who has been taking the gold prize for two years, for the largest family in attendance. He has only 9 kids. I know Macon county can beat that.

This fertilizer and seed question for another year is receiving the attention of a lot of folk. The more the more profitable. Let's hear from you.

North Carolina buys 1,478,000 bushels of seed wheat each year. An un-pardonable shame. Do you want any standard-bred seed wheat for next year? Some of the boys are making up a car load lot. Send in your name if you want to join in with them.

If the folk in this county would "put out" now as hard as they used to in the old days, before good roads and motor cars came into existence, there would be no howl on farming as a poor living.

One master farmer of 1928 will be the man who has money coming in every month.

Another master farmer of 1928 will be the man who establishes a system of rotation of crops according to his needs, to cover a period of years and stops dickering with just single seasons.

When a man wants to quit farming and make his living some other way, every good farmer should encourage him to do so. For master man should not be hindered by laggards. The man who can't make a good living farming is a scrub anyhow.

We are arranging to buy poultry every day, to eliminate the great waste of time by the practices in vogue heretofore.

The man who makes judicial use of ground limestone has taken a long step toward a profitable income.

Macon county—the land of super-farmers who think.

About this marketing business that I have heard so many howls, we are now ready to handle your potatoes and have arranged for United States inspection on carload lots. This means

standardization and selling sight unseen at the top of the market. We will handle them on the same principle. Continued on page six

By studying the following chart any one will soon become proficient in eliminating all inefficient birds from their yards. Now is the time to begin—then keep it up.

CULLING CHART

PRODUCER	CHARACTERS	NON-PRODUCER
Good health, active, alert	Health	Poor health, inactive, sluggish nature
Broad, deep	Head	Shallow, crow shape
Full, round, prominent, deep	Eye	Oval, sunken, dull
Lean, clean cut	Face	Full, coarse
Full, waxy, bright red color	Comb	Hard, scaly, pale
Closely fitted to head, red, velvety to touch	Wattles	Dry, hard, pale, loosely fitted to head
Large, open, moist, white	Vent	Small, dry, puckered, yellow
Thin, flexible, well spread	Pelvic bones	Thick, non-flexible, narrow
Skin, soft, pliable, full, wide	Abdomen	Skin thick and coarse, hard narrow
Late moulters	Moult	Early moulters
Shanks, beak, eye-ring, earlobes, vent well bleached	Pigmentation	Shanks, beak, eye-ring, earlobes, vent yellow in color

Only about one hen in ten is worth her roosting space, and she must be young at that. No old hen ever is—and all hens are old at two years. LYLES HARRIS, County Agent.

Notice of Annual General Meeting

The following important notice has been mailed to every stockholder. It is on such occasions as this that policies are adapted for the ensuing year. Hence the urgency of loyal attendance:

Franklin, North Carolina, July 22, 1927.

Dear Sir:

Due to the fact that an insufficient number of stockholders were present to transact business, the directors have made another call for the annual meeting of stockholders, to be held at the court house on Saturday, July 30th, at 1:30 P. M.

We urge you to be present if it is possible, and if not, please send proxy.

Respectfully,

MACON COUNTY FARMERS FEDERATION,
Per.....
General Manager.

PROXY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS,

That I, the undersigned, being owner, of..... shares of the capital stock of the Macon County Farmers Federation, do hereby constitute and appoint.....my true and lawful attorney, in my name, as my proxy, at the meeting of the stockholders of said Federation, to be held at the court house on Saturday, July 30th, at 1:30 P. M., or on such other day as the meeting may be thereafter held by adjournment or otherwise, according to the number of votes I am now, or may then be entitled to cast, hereby granting said attorney full power and authority to act for me and in my name at the said meeting, or meetings, in voting for directors of said Federation, or otherwise, and in the transaction of any other business which may come before the meeting, as fully as I could do if present in person, with full power of substitution and revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that my said attorney may do in my place, name and stead.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this.....day of July, 1927.

.....(SEAL)

Witness.....

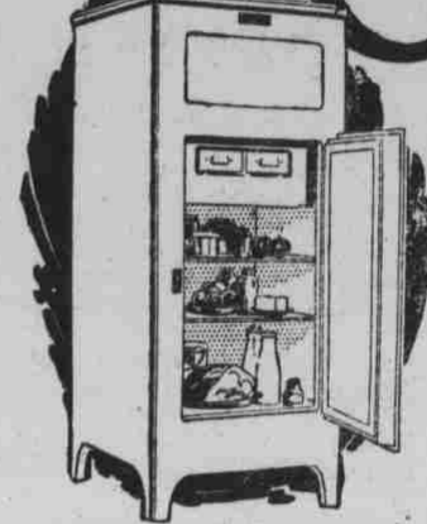
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NOTICE TO FARMERS!

Farmers Picnic at Swanannoa Test Farm near Asheville, August 18, 1927. Dinner taken by visitors.

Macon Bread and Butter Show will be held September 29-30 and October 1st, at Franklin.

Western North Carolina Fair will be held October 4-5-6, at Asheville.

National Dairy Show will be held October 15-22, at Memphis, Tenn.

Tri-State Fair will be held at Memphis, Tenn., October 15-22.

"One look beats one Thousand words." Let's go.

LYLES HARRIS,
COUNTY AGENT

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OUR STATEMENTS

At the close of business July 22, 1927:

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Loans	\$ 91,999.80	Capital Stock.....	\$ 15,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures.....	3,353.19	Surplus	6,861.17
Interest Paid.....	1,003.33	Earnings	4,293.29
Expenses	3,811.27	Commercial Deposits.....	59,715.96
Bonds	100.00	Fine Deposits.....	48,219.32
Cash on hand and in Foreign Banks	34,137.35	Cashier's Checks.....	315.20
		Bills Payable.....	None
TOTAL	\$134,404.94	TOTAL	\$134,404.94

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