

Cullowhee GI Farm Trainees Make Field Trip To 3 Farms

By T. A. Jackson, Asst. Teacher

The Cullowhee veteran farmer trainees under the supervision of Cullowhee high school made a field trip to three farms in Canada township last week to observe some of the better practices that members of the group had completed. The past history of each farm, this year's farm plan, and the next four years' program was reviewed and discussed.

The group assembled at the Clyde V. Harris farm and there discussed the various fields and the treatment of each field. Clyde has owned his land for the past eleven years. When he moved onto the farm, all the fields were largely red clay scalds and very unproductive. Since that time manure, high grade fertilizer, and cover crops have been used and now most of the land is very productive. A very striking example of soil conservation was noticed in one hollow which had been seeded to a meadow mixture. This grass sod slowed down the flow of runoff water and at the same time supplied the farm with plenty of good hay.

In addition to improving crop land, Mr. Harris plans to clear off the pasture land and apply lime and phosphate. This will be necessary before the present num-

ber of livestock is increased very much. Livestock now on the farm consists of three dairy cows, ten beef cattle, four hogs, two horses, and thirty chickens.

Leaving the Harris farm the group visited Charles R. Wike's place where a twelve acre corn field was observed. Prior to his coming on the training program this field was covered with stumps. Dynamite costing \$125 was bought and this was used to remove all the stumps on the twelve acres. After the stumps were hauled off, the field was turned and was fertilized with 55,500 pounds of 4-10-6 fertilizer. On one portion of the field manure, lime, and side dressing were used and the results were very noticeable. The corn on this portion of the field is larger and has a better color.

In another field Mr. Wike has his hay crop. This field has also been limed, phosphated, and had the stumps removed. This field had previously been in corn and was seeded to a mixture of timothy, red clover, and red top. This year six stacks of hay were cut.

Other things observed on this farm were a fine potato crop, and seventy-five young apple trees which appear to be doing very well. Improvements planned consist of a new dwelling and a new

STATE COLLEGE HINTS TO FARM HOMEMAKER

By VERNA STANTON, Assistant State Agent

For the sake of your refrigerator and foods stored in it, watch the frost line carefully in summer and defrost before the accumulation is a quarter of an inch thick, household management specialists of the U. S. Department of Agriculture remind owners of electric or other automatic refrigerators.

Thick frost slows down the cooling of foods and may send the temperature of the food-storage compartment up even though the refrigerating system is working harder than it does normally.

Before defrosting, remove the freezer trays to hasten the process. And be sure the drip tray is empty and in place to catch the water as the frost melts. If the manufacturer recommends it, defrosting can be speeded up by keeping the trays filled with hot water while the control is set at "defrost" or "off." This hot-water defrosting is helpful to some refrigerators, though not to all. Check the direction booklet that comes with the refrigerator or check with the manufacturer before using hot water.

Never use anything sharp or chip frost from the evaporator or to loosen ice-cube trays, because this may injure the coils that hold the freezing fluid.

Warm water is best to dampen garments for ironing as it penetrates the fabric quicker. Use a bottle cap or something that will spray the water evenly. Fold the articles carefully, with hems and double thicknesses turned inside. Cover with a heavy towel or cotton sheet blanket to prevent drying out. Dampened clothes should stand a half hour before ironing so the moisture penetrates evenly. If the air is cool and dry, dampened clothes can be left overnight. If it's hot and humid, iron within an hour or two or mildew may develop.

Pre-Session Conference To Be Held At WCTC

The thirteenth Pre-Session Conference will be held at Western Carolina Teachers College on September 3, 4, 5, and 7. This conference is an annual affair. The participants are mostly student officers of the different classes. The purpose is to determine whether any changes should be made in the schedules, and if need be, to change them.

The theme for this year's program is "Helping Lay the Foundation for the Expansion Program". This is in accordance with the prospective building of a science building, library, administration building, and others that have had money appropriated for by the state education board.

Climaxing the session, an all-day trip will be offered to those who might care to go on a tour through the mountains.

CARD OF THANKS
We wish to thank our many friends for their sympathy and kindness shown us during the sickness and death of our loved one; and for the beautiful floral offerings.

We especially wish to thank the staff of doctors and nurses at the C. J. Harris Community hospital for their faithful work and kindness during his sickness. Mrs. Margie Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Robinson and family.

Cullowhee Methodists To Hold Bible School

The annual vacation Bible school of Cullowhee Methodist church will begin on Monday morning, August 18, at 9 o'clock. Classes will be held each morning, Monday through Saturday, and all children of the community are invited to attend.

Teachers for the school are Mrs. Lloyd Engman, beginners; Miss Helen Bird and Miss Pat Carter, primary; Mrs. Clinton Dodson, juniors; and Mrs. R. T. Houts, intermediates.

Plans to accommodate the twenty head of cattle, twenty hogs, and two horses kept on the farm.

The next place visited by the group was the Warren W. Wood farm. Here the group saw a fine field of corn that had been heavily fertilized with manure and commercial fertilizer. In another field a good stand of ladino clover was seen. Mr. Wood plans to do lots of work on his pasture next year, such as cleaning off and liming, phosphating, and reseeding.



Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Henry, who were married July 19 at Scott's Creek Baptist church. Mrs. Henry was before her marriage Miss Bee Jane Harris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Harris of Sylva. Mr. Henry is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Henry of Hazelwood.

Notice
According to a ruling by the State Board of Education, no children shall be allowed to reside in one school district and attend school in another school district, unless such attendance is authorized by the State Board of Education. The State Board of Education states that no attendance credit be allowed for children who reside in one district and attend school in another district unless

they are transferred by the State Board of Education. Where there is agreement between the governing boards of the administrative units with reference to the transfer of pupils, the matter shall be handled subject to approval by the Controller of the State Board of Education.

Parents will please bear this ruling in mind when making plans for their children attending school for the coming year.

FARMERS' INCOME UP 20 PER CENT

Raleigh, August 4.—Cash income of North Carolina farmers in 1946 was about 20 per cent higher than in 1945, it was reported today by the Federal-State Crop Reporting Service of the State Department of Agriculture.

Total cash receipts in 1946 totaled \$764,404,000. The total in 1945 was \$638,414,000.

Practically all of the increase came, the report stated, from marketing of crops, which brought farmers \$633,394,000 as against \$508,159,000 in 1945. Returns from sales of livestock and livestock products were slightly lower during 1946, totaling \$119,799,000, compared with \$120,910,000 in the previous year. Government payments to farmers in 1946 were higher, totaling \$11,211,000 as compared with \$9,345,000 in 1945.

Conservation payments made up \$8,096,000 of the total Government payments during 1946. Dairy production payments accounted for 63,106,000, with payments for sheep and lamb and beef production making up the remaining 69,000. In 1945, conservation payments totaled \$5,897,000; dairy production payments, \$3,434,000; beef and sheep and lamb production, \$10,000, and truck crop production, \$4,000.

Cash returns from sales of tobacco accounted for about 57 per cent of the total cash receipts from farming during 1946, and about 56 per cent of the total during 1945.

Compared with other States, North Carolina ranks third in total cash receipts from farm marketings of crops, 28th in cash receipts from marketings of livestock and livestock products, and 13th in total cash income from crops, livestock and livestock products combined.

The production of "Lost Horizon" will be the highlight of the "Theatre In The Sky" season of plays in Sylva. Geoffrey has spared no expense to make the production the most beautiful ever seen here.

Funeral Rites For Joseph T. Bumgarner

Funeral services for Joseph T. Bumgarner, 68, were conducted Sunday, August 2, at his home at Locust Creek at 2 p. m. A native of Sylva, he had lived in Jackson county since his birth on May 10, 1879. He died after an illness of three months.

Ministers in charge of the services were Rev. Ernest Fitzgerald and Rev. Forest Blankenship.

Pallbearers were Rufe Hall, Burton Ammons, Jack Hasket, Roy Shular, DeWitt Beasley, Hayes Conner, J. R. Sharpton, Henry Hoyle, Charlie Evans, and Clyde Painter.

Flower girls were Emma Bumgarner, Jenny Bumgarner, Mrs. H. H. Ashe, Margaret Conner, Mrs. Chris Davis, Edith Earley, Ann Henson, Edith Beasley, and Mrs. Roy Shular.

Mr. Bumgarner is survived by the widow, Mrs. Hattie Worley Bumgarner; two daughters, Sally and Evelyn, of Sylva; four sons, Jack, Robert, and Billie, of Sylva, and Alvin of Hamilton, Wash.; and one sister, Mrs. Rufe Mills of Cullowhee.

Interment was in the Locust Creek graveyard. Moody Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

The Prologue and Epilogue of the play is laid in a dining room in London. Characters in this sequence will be played by Electra Ballou, Mildred Love, W. Lawrence Benson and Bill Morrow.

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