

FARM DEMONSTRATION AGENT'S COLUMN

AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE MEETING, the First Monday in October, next Monday. Do you want to know how farming HAS been made profitable in MADISON COUNTY? Then COME to the MORNING session of this meeting. One of the best farmers in the county will tell us of this method of farming. In the afternoon we will hear how the farmers of other counties are profiting through the Agricultural Extension work. There is meat in each meeting for you; you'd better come and get it.

Again we must remind you that the poultry flocks should be culled right away. Some of those hens are not going to pay a cent on their board bill this winter but are going to eat just the same. Better get rid of them.

IT TAKES FEED TO MAKE EGGS. You must feed the chickens plenty of the right kind of feed if you expect them to lay you a profitable number of eggs this winter. The pullets that are 6 months old or over should be getting out of the grains; they must have other feeds as thick-milk, butter-milk, fish meal or meat meal. They should receive part of their ration as a scratch feed and a part of it in the form of dry mash. It may be that you would be well paid for the time it would require of you to ask the county agent for a **POULTRY FEED SHEET**; while you are there ask him about other poultry bulletins on Culling, Housing, etc.

Many have been disappointed this year in that the price of which they received for their beef steers was not what they expected; their cattle were not of the type to command a good price. The following quoted from clipping from the United States Department of Agriculture is interesting in that it relates directly on value of good sires in the kind of calves dropped: "Buying a good bull is the first step in growing better beef calves, says the United States Department of Agriculture. In common or native cow herds, calves sired by pure-bred bulls weigh on an average about 125 pounds a head more when 1-year old than calves of the same age sired by the average run of scrub bulls, and they sell for about 2 cents a pound more as stockers and feeders. Two-year-old steers sired by good pure-bred bulls weigh on an average about 200 pounds more than steers sired by scrub bulls, and sell for considerably more as stockers and feeders." There are farmers in this county who will take their cows right by a good pure-bred beef bull to a scrub animal rather than pay the owner a small fee to help him keep that bull. It is the poorest kind of economy. The extra price received on the extra gain made by the good calves will more than pay the small fee charged for the use of the bull. Use the brain that nature gave you and a pencil and paper before you go by a pure-bred sire to a no-account scrub again.

Sometimes the lack of athing causes enough loss to pay the original cost of that thing. Take the matter of fences. This year there is no doubt in our mind that many farmers would have profited much if there had been fences about their fields or farms that would have permit-

ted them to let live-stock run over the fields after the crop was gathered and gleaned these fields. We have noticed many fields in our drives that had they been fenced would have afforded much needed feed to some live stock. Not only does it permit of pasturing these fields but it also gets rid of a great deal of filth in the way of weeds and weed seeds. You scarcely ever see a prosperous farmer that does not have good fences. We believe that many of Madison County's farmers can well afford to give the matter of fences some good solid thought. There are not enough of the farms in the county that are adequately fenced.

Did you ever stop to think how much better those creek banks or that ditch bank would look in grass than in weeds? Did you ever stop to think how much hay would grow on that ground along those ditches that is now occupied by weeds or brush? Did you ever think how much this hay would be worth if you bought it on the market, or did you ever compare the feeding value of this hay with what the market afforded? They say that a hint to the wise is sufficient.

Before we stop this column or two of rambling thoughts we wish to remind you again of the fact which we mentioned last week, the fact that **THE EARLY BIRD CATCHES THE WORM**, and of our application of this fact to the poultry business. The early hatched cockerel catches the high priced early spring broiler market; the early hatched pullet lays the egg that goes on the high priced egg market. We mentioned the fact also that the old hen will not promise to set in time for this early hatched chick; the artificial hen, the incubator and the brooder, will, however. It is time now to start to prepare to get this early bird and to be ready for these good markets. The County Agent has some ideas along this line.

REMEMBER, WE ARE EXPECTING THE WHOLE FAMILY MONDAY AT 9:30 A. M.

From BULL CREEK

A revival meeting started at our church last Sunday. We are having services at 11:00 o'clock A. M. and 8:00 P. M. Everyone is cordially invited to be present at any time you wish to come. We have a large building and comfortable seats for a large number. Everyone that cannot be with us we ask for your prayers and best wishes.

Last Saturday and Sunday were our regular meeting days. We had the largest crowd that we had had in several months. Several graves in the cemetery were cleaned and decorated during Sunday. Rev. Mr. Pickens preached a wonderful sermon at 11 o'clock A. M. Everyone enjoyed his talk greatly.

All here seem to be getting along nicely preparing for winter. Much tobacco has been cut and some corn gathered. Our corn crops were literally failures this year. On all the crops of this section not over twenty-five bushels of corn matured.

Mr. Ernest Buckner has returned to his old home here. He has been in Canton, N. C. for a few seasons. He had the misfortune of shooting himself through the hand Saturday. This was done accidentally, but the wound proves to be serious and has been under strict medical care.

Miss Jessie Metcalf started to school at Marshall Monday and quit Tuesday. She said she had "quit-

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ated" for good. Miss Aria Merrell was the guest of Miss Laura Silver for lunch Sunday. Miss Elizabeth Hunter was the guest of Miss Texa and Ola Hunter for lunch Sunday.

Rev. A. P. Sprinkle preached for us Sunday evening. Never in the history of our church have we ever known a better sermon to be given. He seemed to empty his whole soul to the service of God. Every pupil that was present confessed that they had been benefitted by his wonderful talk. Rev. Mr. Sprinkle and Rev. J. M. Pickens are preaching in the revival.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Hall of Biltmore, N. C., attended the afternoon service here Sunday. They were with Mr. and Mrs. A. Z. Whit for dinner.

Mr. F. M. Coffey is in Asheville at work now. He returned home last week-end, but left again Sunday for his work.

There were about 607 present for the Sunday afternoon services here. We wish that they all could be with us twice a day in our meeting.

Mrs. N. K. Carson has been somewhat ill here of late. She has been weakly practically all summer.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Edwards were visiting after the service Sunday evening.

Messrs. Grady and Howard Hunter of Ivy were guests at the home of Mr. Charlie Hunter Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Fox were the guests of Mrs. Fox's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Merrell, Sunday.

Among those that attended church here Sunday from other places, were Mr. and Mrs. Verge Coffey, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Luthere Howell; several of Rev. Mr. Sprinkle's friends from Asheville and Biltmore and many more that were unknown.

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Wishing for all the readers of the News-Record the best of success and happiness.

Liberty on Wednesday night. Everybody invited.

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Miss Olga Gillespie took dinner with her cousin Sunday, Mrs. Hamon Plemmons.

Mr. Jasper Ledford has music at his home Monday nights. A nice time was reported.

Mrs. Lallie Coward was the guest of Mrs L. J. Gillespie Thursday.

Mr. Jesse Plemmons is building a new home on Gerargia Branch and will soon be living in it.

Miss Nellie Riddle, Miss Olga Gillespie, Miss Vernie and Eva Worley, Mr Glenn and Dayton Riddle were guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Riddle Tuesday. They were entertained by the Victrola.

Mrs. Sallie Plemmons is visiting relatives of Marion, N. C.

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From SPRING CREEK

Mrs J. C. West returned from Asheville Saturday and reported that Mr. J. C. West wasn't any better, that he was to have another operation this week.

Mr. Riley Graham delivered an interesting sermon at Liberty Sunday A. M. We are having prayer meeting at



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