

Farm Demonstration Agent's Column

Contributed by EARLE BRINTNALL

REMEMBER OUR COUNTY'S SLOGAN IS "5 CRACKING GOOD COWS; 100 CRACKING GOOD HENS BUILD YOUR BANK ACCOUNT AND YOUR FARM. And they will.

WHY TRY TO COMPETE!—In the Corn Belt, according to a recent statement by the Press Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, half hour of labor is needed to produce one bushel of corn. In the Southern States 2 1/2 hours labor are needed to produce the bushel of corn. The corn belt farmer grows his crop on large level fields and uses large machines. We can not do this in this country.

The same authority states that in the Pacific Northwest about one third of an hour of labor is used to produce a bushel of wheat. In the Southern States to produce a bushel of wheat the hours of labor used are as with corn, 2 1/2 hours. The reason is similar.

We have not the large fields necessary to the use of large machinery. The lay of the land will not permit large machinery to be used. The only way that we can compete with these other sections in growing crops as above is to increase the per acre yield by better farming methods. We can never hope to do a great deal in this way. It would be better business to cultivate our level lands, cultivating them more intensively, and put the hill lands into grass and husband this grass that we can keep it.

THE VALUE OF PASTURE.

One of the best authorities on livestock and its care is Mr. E. S. Savage, Professor of Animal Husbandry at Cornell University, Ithaca, New York. In a recent issue of the Country Gentleman, Prof. Savage is quoted as follows:—"Pasture supplies one-third the yearly feed of the cows in the United States. The cost of that feed is only one-seventh of the total feed cost for the year. Therefore, we should give more attention to the improvement of pastures. The more feed we can grow for the cows, the better, because they harvest it themselves."

Mr. Savage speaks for a section of the country where the pasture season is not much over one-half of what the pasture season is here. In our county the pasture can be made to furnish more than a third of the yearly feed for the cow. In New York the pasture season at the best is never over 5 months: here, by using the best methods we can stretch it over 9 months or more.

If the pasture can furnish one-third of the feed at one-seventh of the cost it should be a purely business proposition to take better care of our pasture lands. If it requires from 5 to 8 times as much labor to produce a bushel of corn or of wheat here as it does in the competing districts it is not business to grow these crops for market. Combining the last two statements it is surely good business to convert our fertile mountainsides into pasture land rather than to keep them under cultivation. If this is done it will call for more livestock. We have the climate, we have the best of water, we can reach the markets with our live stock products. Then why not grow more of these livestock products for the market.

WHAT KIND OF A SIRE HAVE YOU?—This means what sort of a bull, beef or dairy, have you bred your cow to; what sort of a ram will you use on your ewes; what sort of roosters will be found in your poultry flock? We wonder if you have tried to save a few dollars by buying a cheap head for your herd, your flock of sheep or chickens.

There are only two ways of judging the value of a sire. One of these is to see the way the daughters of the sire perform; how much milk and fat a dairy heifer will give in a year, how a beef heifer develops her frame and place her flesh on that frame, how the lambs develop their bodies and place their flesh, and how the pullets lay. Obviously these facts can be known only of an aged sire. Such a sire is called a proven sire and will usually call for a larger price than a younger unproven sire.

The other way to judge a sire

is to find out what his parents and his grandparents have done. This is where the value of a pedigree comes in. The pedigree is an official statement of the parents of an animal. The best sort of a pedigree has also a statement of the production of these parents. A pedigree without a knowledge of the production of the animals in this pedigree is not of much value, unless one is personally acquainted with the animals named. It is wise, therefore, to always call for and to demand the pedigree of the animal that one is breeding to.

One gambles even when buying a purebred animal with a pedigree unless it is proven. The value of a pedigree is based on the axiom that "like produces like." This axiom fails with the best bred animals at times. However the chances of failure are as 1 in the case of the pedigreed animals with the right sort of parents as 100 in the unpedigreed animal. The grade sire, that is the unpedigreed sire, should never be used.

What is \$25 or \$50 when spread among 25 or 50 heifers; what is \$15 or \$20 when spread among 50 or 100 lambs; what is \$4 or \$5 when spread among 50 pullets? It will pay to stop and think when buying a sire.

Talking of mites! This is a good season of the year for them. Use plenty of old crankcase oil with a little kerosene mixed with it and keep the hen roosts painted. It will kill them. We can tell you how to build the roost so that the mites have no chance at all.

Keep the young stuff, chickens, calves, lambs, pigs, thrifty. See that they have some sort of shade in the middle of the day. Make sure that there is a good supply of fresh, clean water; don't scrimp on the right kind of feed. A well-developed animal is worth much more than the underdeveloped one.

TAXI

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From FORD'S JUNCTION (Too late for last week)

Our S. S. is progressing fine at this place at present. We have a good attendance but there is room for more. We would like for the old folks to come out more. I think if fathers and mothers would take more interest in Sunday School and church it would be more encouraging for the young people but it seems that Pharaoh plagues have returned again and with every plague causes more hardness at heart. We people are going after everything but the worship of God. Let's steal away in some lonely place and get on our knees and pour out our hearts in prayer—I mean in earnest prayer—and see if God the Father won't hear our petition and then we can tell our friends what the Lord has done for us.

From BEECH GLENN (Too late for last week)

We wish to say Beech Glenn Union S. S. is doing well considering opposition. The last three Sundays numbered 45—25—and 38, which when we came here about 8 months ago, numbered 3 to 10. Miss Meda Peek was the faithful worker in getting the S. S. started. We thank her. The good influence she exerted is still living.

We wish to thank the good Baptist people for cooperating with us and for their generosity and kindness toward us. The membership at Beech Glenn church is small and we need help. Everyone who comes is welcomed. We are working for our Lord and Savior and not for denominations. We also have prayer meeting on Friday nights. 30 present last week. Everybody invited to attend.

On last week Rev. S. L. McIntosh with others from this section attended Asheville District Conference held at West Asheville Methodist church.

We are sorry to hear of the assault on Mr. Jake Carter committed by 3 unknown men, published in last week's News-Record.

On last week, Mrs. Bailey, who owns the Fountain of Youth, with other persons motored to the home of Mrs. Bynum, the Healer, for treatment. Reports were good.

On last Sunday Mrs. Metcalf of Barnardville spent the day with her daughter, Mrs. Willard Anderson; also attended Beech Glenn church.

Mr. Thomas Pack and wife of Hendersonville motored to Beech Glenn Sunday, who after enjoying supper with Rev. and Mrs. McIntosh, returned to their home accompanied by their sister, Miss Mary Sue Pack, who has spent some weeks with Mrs. McIntosh.

On last Sunday afternoon Dr. Anderson and wife of Asheville were the pleasant callers of their sister, Mrs. Ellis Robinson.

We wish to congratulate Dr. Loch-invar Robinson, who has completed his medical course at Wake Forest College, who came home with his diploma last week, and will spend some time with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Robinson. On last Saturday Mrs. Hattie Wilson of Asheville, called to see her sister, Mrs. Etta Sawyer.

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DEATH

By TEXA HUNTER
Are you prepared to meet the fate
Of Death's cold, icy finger?
Why do you shun the Pearly Gate
Where the redeemed ones linger?
Will there be guilt upon your face
When that Death Angel beckons?
Will hell and brimstone be the place
You plunge with all the weak ones?

Today you live and seem quite gay,
But don't forget to-morrow.
It may bring happiness your way,
And it may depart with sorrow.
Be prepared to shed some tear-drops;
Be laughing and forgiving;
And when the heart its beating stops
Be numbered with the living.

That sleep will be a peaceful one—
That ache shall be a dream.
In Death, our victory we have won;
We've crossed the troubled stream.
Our hands are closed in bony gesture,
Our flesh returns to clay,
With treasured hopes to meet our
Master
In that Eternal Day.

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From ALEXANDER

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Carter spent Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Parris.

Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Parris visited Mr. and Mrs. Troy Haney Sunday.

Mr. Charlie Haney of Craggy visited his mother Mrs. Sara Haney Mrs. Mary West spent Wednesday with Mrs. Della Parris.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Haney and little daughter spent Tuesday night with Mr. and Mrs. John Allman.

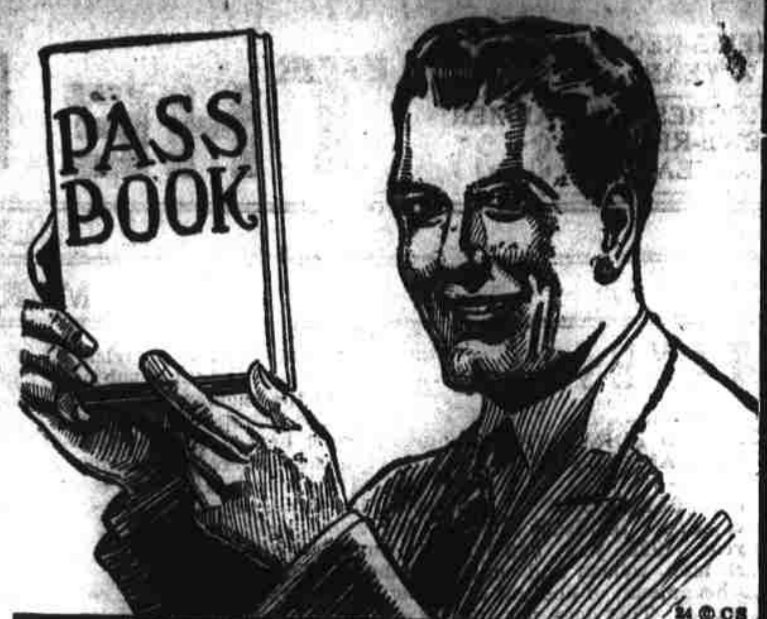
Miss Lillian Parris and Miss Virginia White went to Alexander, Sunday.

Miss Virginia White spent Tuesday evening with Mrs. Minnie Williams.

Mrs. Etta Buckner was visiting Monday evening.

her daughter—Mrs. Hester Foster Mrs. Clarence Morris of Hot was visiting her mother Mrs. Sally Freeman Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Jessie Parris and family were visiting Mrs. Nannie Flynn near Marshall Sunday.



HAVE MONEY! Be Happy

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From REVERE

The S. S. is getting along fine. The farmers of this section are getting up with their work.

We are all sorry to hear of the death of little Thelma Gosnell.

Mr. C. C. Gosnell is not improving fast.

Mr. A. J. Adams is ill at this time.

Miss Faye Wallin spent last week end with Mrs. S. B. Roberts of Marshall and reported a nice time.

Miss Ollie Hendricks was calling on Big Laurel Wednesday.

Miss Cornelia McDevitt was called home from Black Mountain Saturday on account of her mother's illness.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The annual session of the French Broad Baptist Sunday School Convention will be held with Chapel Hill Baptist church July 30-31, 1927.

MINDING THE BABY

Hey you, with your contant pleading, Can't you see I'm busy reading! Don't you know my legs were never Made to run and romp forever? If I leave you for a minute, There's a crash and you are in it, Guess I'll have to rope and bind you Next time that I'm left to mind you.

Goodness gracious, I can't think well! How'd you ever get that ink-well? See that dreadful mess you've made now!

When your mother comes we'll get it! Don't touch that, or you'll upset it! Stay right there where I can find you, Oh, but it's a job to mind you!

Two years old, and full of pepper! My, you're certainly a stepper! No, no, Janet, do not take that; It's cut glass and you will break that. There, you've dropped it and it's broken.

And it was a wedding token! Now look out, the lamy's behind you! Oh, but it's a chore to mind you!

Gosh, my nerves are all a-flutter! Yes, I'll get you bread and butter. But I tell you that I wish now That your mother—watch that dish now!

Hey, that knife don't run away with! Knives are not for babies to play with Who to mischief so inclined you? Wow! but it's a task to mind you!
—By Edgar A. Guest



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