

Farm Demonstration Agent's Column

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North Carolina Tobacco Sales Broilers, 10,908,000 pounds in 1927 against 13,789,000 pounds in 1926; fryers, 1,935,000 lbs. reached us this week. While in 1927 against 2,200,000 lbs. this report is interesting it does not necessarily tell anything about the price Burley will bring his winter.

The report is divided, being given for the Old Bright Belt and for the New Bright Belt. The total sales of tobacco for the Old Bright Belt were 55,054,970 pounds at an average price of \$20.66. Last year's average price for the same time was \$24.91. The total sales in the New Bright Belt were 92,352,048 pounds at an average price of \$24.15. Last year's average price for the same time was \$27.83.

The total sales in the state for 1927 were 148,872,238 lbs. at an average price of \$22.81 against a sale of 119,581,670 pounds last year at an average price of \$26.73. We can not, of course, say that these figures give any indication as to the price of Burley. Madison Co. has considerable very good Burley tobacco.

Poultry Statistics—A recent publication states that on Oct. 1st there were 7,953,000 cases of eggs in cold storage. Last year, same date there were 8,048,000 cases on hand. The five-year average of eggs in cold storage at the same date was 8,146,000 cases. With normal consumption the market for eggs should be good this winter.

How about frozen poultry?

For these classes of poultry there is 6,400,000 pounds less on hand this year than on last year. Turkeys, however, are in excess of what they were last year, 5,165,000 pounds compared with 2,674,000 pounds last year. Miscellaneous poultry in storage this year is 15,165,000 pounds compared with 13,655,000 pounds last year. Of all poultry in cold storage there is a decrease this year compared with last year of 1,613,000 pounds.

Judging from these figures and concluding that the consumption of these products will be normal in amount at least there should be a good market for eggs and poultry this winter and spring. Producers should not go out of business when prices are low and go in when prices are high. The only way to make a success in any business is to keep at it; to study the business in order to operate in the most economical manner; and keep in line for the good prices when they come. When one goes out with the decline in prices and comes in with the rise in prices he is sure to lose. The farmer who sells his crops to his livestock, who endeavors to grow what

his livestock will need, who keep the quality of his livestock up will in the end win out. He can, with care, depend on market prices for his crops at the lowest when sold thru his livestock.

A Good Example—Tuesday the County Agent was in the White Rock section. He called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Chandley. The greeting received was right to the point. It was "We have water in our house." Mr. Chandley had just completed piping the water from a spring on the adjacent mountain side to his home. Just to the rear of the house he had built a cement spring house containing a trough with graduated floors for different sizes of receptacles thru which the overflow from the spring was gushing. No more lugging of water in this home.

We wish that more of our Madison County farmers could install some sort of a water system. There is scarcely a home in the county that could not, with a little expense and more or less effort, put the running spring water in the house. We believe that if the husbands in the farm house would stop and consider the number of miles that the housewife travels during a year in lugging water from the spring that these husbands would endeavor to figure out some way of doing away with this back-breaking work. WHO IS NEXT?

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FROM HOT SPRINGS

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Plimmons and two sons, Herbert and Howard, motored to Tusculum, Tenn. Friday.

Miss Margaret Culbertson of Asheville stopped a short time in Hot Springs Thursday on her way to Bluff to visit home folks.

Mrs. W. R. Ellerson visited Mr. Ellerson in Andrews, N. C., over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hensley and Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Davis motored to Marshall Friday.

Mr. George Odell of Greenville, Tenn., was in Hot Springs Friday.

Miss Alene Burgin had as her guest last week Miss Brown of Knoxville.

Mrs. D. B. Duckett and daughter and Mrs. J. W. Morris were shopping in Asheville Monday.

Mr. Carson Lawson and Mr. Tom Davis motored to Greenville, Tenn., Friday.

Mrs. Rachel Kirkpatrick of Bluff was in town Wednesday.

Miss Whilmington and Miss Epps Haws motored to Jonesboro, Tenn., Friday.

Dr. and Mr. Kimberly had as their guests for the week-end the doctor's sister and friend, of Asheville.

Mrs. C. C. Brown and sons, Frank and Phil, visited relatives in Inman, S. C., Sunday.

Mrs. Charles Burgin spent Tuesday in Asheville.

Mr. and Mrs. Dock Culbertson were in Hot Springs for a few hours Tuesday.

The Hot Springs Parent-Teacher Association this week provided 29 practically destitute school children with 69 new garments. Other garments not new had been given them before, bringing the total up to about 100 garments. Mrs. Mildred Isler is the president of this association, and Miss Olivia Drennon, one of the teachers, is secretary. This information was given us by Mrs. Warren Davis, who with her husband and other good citizens of Hot Springs, is quite active in this and other benevolent organizations.

Mrs. Charles Burgin gave a party Wednesday night celebrating the birthday of her father, Mr. John Sanders.

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From ALEXANDER

The people of this section are about through sowing wheat and are now getting in their supply of wood for the cold days when they come.

Last Sunday was our preaching day at French Broad. Our pastor, Rev. Everett Sprinkle sure gave us a good sermon. There was a large crowd out to hear him.

Rev. Fred Pegg was also out with us Sunday. Hope that everybody will come out and help us in our S. S. work. We are working for the upbuilding of our community and the Lord will bless us all that work for Him.

Mr. Henry Lamb of Paint Rock is spending a few days with his sister Mrs. Willie Ward.

Rev. N. P. Martin and Mrs. Guy spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Porter Collins of Craggy. Mrs. Guy left Monday for her home in Spartanburg, S. C.

Mr. Lee Carter had singing at his home Sunday night.

Mr. Ervin Parris and family, Mr. John Allman and family and others that were there sure had some good singing. Hope more will come out next Sunday night and join us.

Mr. Leonard Sumner of Oak Ridge was the guest of Miss Dora Sumner Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Rube Austin is going to leave for Asheville, Tenn., to spend a few days.

Mr. Joe Wilkinson took dinner with Mr. Gaston Warlick Sunday.

Mr. Jeter Myers of Paint Rock is visiting his brother Mr. Della Myers. Mr. Gudger Goforth is moving up near the Alexander barber shop.

Mr. Will Parris was at Alexander last Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Richard of Oak Ridge spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Lee Carter. Mr. D. S. Warlick is now off the railroad and is spending his vacation at Alexander.

From RED OAK

Mr. Geo. Arrowood was the guest of Miss Hope Woodson Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Bill Arrowood was the guest of Miss Lucy Hunter Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Harry Hunter, Mr. Robert Tompson, Mr. Harry Hunter and Mr. Geo. Arrowood were in Asheville on Saturday, Nov. 6th.

Mr. Clifford E. Bailey was the guest of Miss Stella Rice Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Buckner and Miss Nellie Buckner were visiting relatives in Newport, Tenn., Saturday.

Mr. Harry Hunter was the guest of Miss Gladys Hider Sunday.

Mr. Bill Wilson was the guest of Miss Wayne Snelson Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Bill Wilson was the guest of Miss Violet Revis Sunday, Nov. 8th.

Mr. Bill Arrowood and Mr. Harry Hunter were visiting Miss Agnes and Stella Revis, Sunday, Nov. 6.

Mr. Roy Buckner is planning on a new Ford roadster before long.

Mr. Clifford Bailey was in Asheville last Friday on a business trip.

Robert C. Freeland

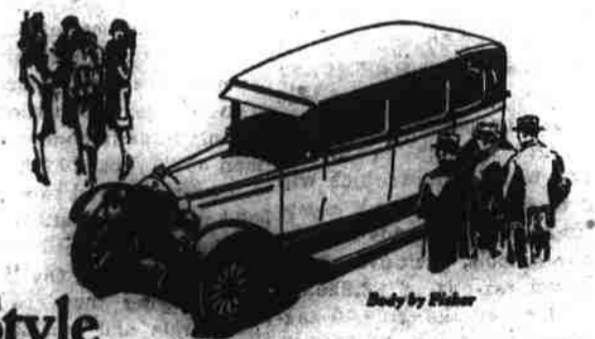
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