

Farm Demonstration Agent's Column

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EVIDENCE—J. J. Keys, and J. E. Carter used a 12-3-5 fertilizer under some oats sowed on Mr. Faulkner's land. They report that this fertilizer is sure making the oats.

J. H. Stines used 12-3-5 and 3-2-2 under corn, both at the same rate per acre. When the corn was three weeks old a large difference could be seen in the rate of growth from the two fertilizers. The corn over the 12-3-5 was the larger.

Mr. Stines also has evidence of the value of limestone on the growth of vegetation. Two years ago a portion of a field was covered with limestone. Today the clover is growing on the ground treated and there is no clover on the adjoining ground which received no limestone. Also the vegetation is of a richer color on the limed land.

We quote these as evidence that the use of limestone and of the higher grades of fertilizer pays.

THEY GREW IN MADISON COUNTY—Monday, Mr. J. A. Leake, Revere, sent to our office evidence that strawberries of the best kind can be grown in this county. Two quarts of strawberries as large as the largest and as red as the reddest and with a flavor to match the size and the color constituted this evidence.

Others in the county are harvesting crops of fine berries. Mr. T. A. Woody set out a bed two years back. He used plants of three varieties in setting this bed, early, middle season, and late. This year he is picking berries and will continue for some weeks. Yes, they are good, also.

L. C. Coates, Route 4, is also on the market with strawberries that can not be beat for quality.

The strawberry season promises to be stretched out this year, thanks to the cool weather and the rains. "No great loss without some gain."

TWO CREAM DAYS—Beginning this week the cream will be gathered twice each week, Mondays and Thursdays. This is made necessary by the

weather and by the amount of cream being received. On Monday, May 28, about 220 gallons of cream were taken to Biltmore by the truck. This contained over 600 lbs. of butterfat and was worth in round terms, \$300.

A great deal of this butterfat would have been wasted if the cream hauler had not been ready to take it. The number of patrons grows constantly. The size of the checks varies from a dollar or less to over \$20 per week. The creamery would be glad to get a load like this every day instead of one or two days in the week.

D. S. Tweed, Route 4, who delivered the first cream after opening the cream station here in 1926, started selling again during May. He brought his first ticket to us to calculate the amount and value of the butterfat. We figured that his butterfat, sold as cream, brought him about twice the amount it would have brought sold as butter.

Let's get into the habit, folks, of selling our surplus butterfat as cream instead of as butter. It is easier, it is more profitable, there is all kinds of room to grow.

CORN DEMONSTRATIONS—There are some demonstrations of the use of fertilizer on corn that should be watched this summer. Over on Spring Creek, Roy Woody is using 100 lbs. of nitraphoska, a high grade fertilizer having an analysis of 30-15-15, on an acre of corn. Beside this acre there is another acre of corn which received no fertilizer. One-half of the acre receiving the nitraphoska and the adjoining half of the other acre will be top-dressed with sulphate of ammonia later on in the season. This corn should tell us something concerning the use of fertilizer on corn.

On the farm of Claude Forester, a mile and a half from Mars Hill, is an acre of corn receiving 100 lbs. of the nitraphoska. We will watch this with interest.

On the farm of T. A. Woody, on

the Walnut road, is an acre of corn that received 200 lbs. of 16 per cent acid phosphate and 50 lbs. of muriate of potash at planting time. Later this acre of corn will be top-dressed with sulphate of ammonia. What will be the result?

Near Bluff some young men are experimenting with three acres of corn. They drilled in with a wheat drill when preparing the ground 1600 lbs. of 8-4-4. When they planted the corn they used 400 lbs. of 8-4-4 under the corn. Later they intend to use 600 lbs. of 16 per cent acid when they lay by. We wonder if some nitrate of soda would not have helped at this time. Let's watch and find out.

It will profit the farmers to watch these fields of corn. They might learn that which would be of value to them. We can not learn it all by our own experience, let's make use of the other fellow's experience, also.

USE THE TOBACCO LAND—Many farmers are fertilizing rather heavily for tobacco this year. This is all right if the right grade of fertilizer has been used, one that will supplement the plant food in the soil, one that will not only grow the crop but one that will put the quality to the crop and ripen it up.

There will probably be a residue of the fertilizer left in the ground. If this residue is to be saved for the plants later on it should be changed into a more permanent form. Use a cover crop on the tobacco ground after the tobacco is removed. Something that will make use of the fertilizer and that will put it in a form in which it can be returned to the soil and made available to the growing plant. A small grain is good, rye, wheat; hairy vetch, crimson clover, either one will do the trick. Let's think about it now and be ready when the crop of tobacco is removed.

From REVERE

The decoration has been postponed until June 17 at 2:30. Everybody come and bring flowers.

The Laurel Seminary singing class and the Big Laurel class also the Low Gap class are invited to attend the decoration.

Mrs. N. K. Carson has been very

sick but is improving. Miss Gracie Lee Norton has been very ill for the past week but is better at this writing.

Miss Nola Norton is on the sick list. Miss Viola McDewitt visited Miss Virga Worley Sunday.

Miss Nettie Worley visited Miss Gracie Lee Norton Saturday. Miss Ollie Hendrix visited Miss Nola and Gracie Norton last week.

Mr. A. J. Adams and family visited Mr. Robert Norton Sunday. Mr. Stanley Norton and Mr. Winston Stanton of South Carolina spent Saturday night with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Norton.

Mr. Rankin Ramsey visited Mr. Byard Roy Sunday.

Mr. Hubert Ramsey was the guest of Miss Virga Worley Sunday.

Mr. Andrew Ray and friend from Maggie, N. C., were visiting in Revere last week.

Those taking dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Norton Sunday were Mr. A. J. Adams and family, Mrs. William Norton and Miss Juda Norton.

Miss Margaret Leake of Walnut was visiting Miss Nora and Netta Norton.

Miss Margaret Leake and Netta Norton spent Friday night with Mrs. Perlie Rice.

Mr. Perlie Rice was visiting in the Cove Saturday.

Little Virginia Wallin is ill.

Miss Loduska Roberts was here on Saturday.

Mr. Stanley Norton was visiting at the home of Mr. Robert Norton Saturday evening.

It has been reported that Miss Larcie Norton of this place, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Norton who has been at Iowa City, has returned home to her aunt Mrs. J. W. Schoop, wild where she is improving nicely.

From BULL CREEK

Mr. and Mrs. and Mrs. Claxton Cohn were at Bull Creek Sunday.

Mr. Channey Metcalf was the guest of Miss Ella Callahan Sunday evening.

Misses Georgia Buckner and Clota Merrill were the guests of Miss Glen Hunter Sunday for lunch.

Mr. Arville Edwards is at home from the hospital. He is improving fast.

Mrs. H. H. Merrell was the guest of Mrs. J. H. Hunter Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Arrowood spent

Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Carlus Fore.

Miss Mamie Buckner was the guest of Miss Zura Edwards Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Brown was in Asheville shopping Thursday.

Misses Minnie Belle and Robbie Lee Brown spent Thursday night with Miss Laura Silver.

Miss Beatrice Corn was the guest of Miss Glen Hunter Wednesday evening.

Miss Ola Hunter spent Thursday night with Miss Glen Hunter.

Mr. Patty Messer made a wonderful talk at prayer meeting Thursday night. We hope he will be with us quite often.

Mr. and Mrs. Zade Rice spent Sunday evening with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Hunter.

Miss Glen Hunter spent Monday evening with Ola Hunter.

Miss Ella Buckner was out motoring Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Fore were here Sunday.

Everybody come to prayer meeting Thursday night. We have fine service Sunday evening. A cordial welcome to all. We have singing here every to everyone.

From LITTLE PINE

The people of the section are busy setting tobacco.

Rev. Jesse Watts and Rev. Mr. Roberson preached at Payne's Chapel on last Sunday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Payne a girl.

Mr. Walton Tweed has returned home from Winston-Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimbo Redmon called on Mr. and Mrs. Moody Parris Sunday.

Misses Ibbie Ball, Zura Payne and Gertrude Brown are planning to go to Asheville the 11th where they will attend summer school.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Ball were visiting homefolks Sunday.

Miss Zura Payne and Mr. Theodore Worley were car riding Sunday.

Rev. Harrison Lunsford preached at Shoal Hill Sunday.

Misses Zetta Riddle, Nora Riddle and Bonnie Wilson took supper with Mrs. Harrison Riddle Sunday.

Miss Lucy Wilson is visiting Miss Bonnie Wilson.

Miss Ibbie Ball and Maud Ledford were horseback riding Saturday.

Mrs. Bob White called on Mrs. Hubert Payne.

From LEICESTER

There were decoration services at the Bell Church and dinner on the ground and the services were held all day. Everyone enjoyed it much.

A revival is being conducted at the New Found Church and all are invited to come.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Brank were visiting their relatives here Sunday.

Miss Edd Gillespie has been very ill but is improving now.

Miss Kate Young was visiting Miss Ruby Cassada Sunday.

Mr. Woodrow Mears and Miss Hazel Ford were out motoring last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Pool were in Leicester Sunday.

Mr. Charleston Cole and Miss Desie Honeycutt were motoring Sunday.

Mrs. Minnie Rogers and Miss Merie Hunnicutt were at Recreation Park Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gillespie were in Asheville Saturday night.

There is no objection to a man's taking up his residence almost anywhere, but when it comes to shoplifting—well, that's different.

BASEBALL GAMES

Marshall Wildcats Defeat Walnut Team, 4 to 1.

Another very interesting game was played at Walnut, last Tuesday, by the "Wildcats" and the Walnut team. It was the best game the Wildcats have played this season. Redmon pitching a splendid game allowing only one hit during the game. We were glad to see that the bigger boys and girls take an interest in our team. And we appreciate their help. When we have games out of town we would like if some of Marshalls men and women would go with us to different places and watch us play.

The "Wildcats" try to play fair and argue as little as possible. We want to play Hot Springs soon. So if any one is interested in us, it would help if you would "yell" for us.

The line-up of Tuesdays game is as follows.

| Wildcats | ab | r | h | po | a | e |
|---------------|----|---|---|----|---|---|
| Gies, 2b | 4 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 |
| Cox, 3b | 4 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3 |
| F. Ramsey, ss | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Davis, cf | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Pritchard, c | 4 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 2 | 0 |
| Allison, lf | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Gage, rf | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Hinkle, 1b | 4 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 1 |
| Redmon, p | 4 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 2 |
| W. Ramsey, rf | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |

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| Walnut | ab | r | h | po | a | e |
|--------------|----|---|---|----|---|---|
| Ramsey, c | 3 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| Allen, p, 3b | 5 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 1 |
| Waldrop, 1b | 4 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 2 | 1 |
| Guthrie, 2b | 4 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| Chandler, ss | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 1 |
| Frank A. 3b | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Rector, cf | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Briggs, rf | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Wade, lf | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Payne, ss, p | 3 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 1 |

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The "RA" team was again defeated by the "Wildcats" Friday. It was the second game of the season that these two teams have played. Both games were won by the "Wildcats".

The score of the last game was, 20 to 10.

Pitchers "Wildcats"—Ramsey and Story. "RA"—Nix and Payne.



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