

FARM GRIT.

GRIT GRINDS

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COUNTY AGENT

Let us grow clover and grass on the hill;
While intensely the levels and flats we till.
The cows and hens will settle our daily bill;
While the beebes, shoes and tobacco the coffers fill.
And, when orchard, garden and sty the larder fill,
Then, with a smile, will Mary greet her Bill.

GRIT.—Grit seems to play an important part in life. It is very necessary on the farm. Grit keeps us from slipping, both literally and figuratively. It takes 'GRIT' to get ahead, to keep going when things break against us. It is 'GRIT' that wins out in this world as much or more so as everything else. It is 'GRIT' in the grind stone that puts the edge on the sickle. It is 'GRIT' in the dirt that makes the plow scour. It is 'GRIT' in the chicken's craw that stills its feed. It is 'GRIT' that stiffens one's backbone when in trouble.

We are going to endeavor to give ideas thru these columns, as we have in the past, that will enable the reader to make the business of farming 'SCOUR'. Usually these ideas are those that have helped another farmer to make his farm 'SCOUR' either here locally or otherwise. We hope that this 'GRIT' will

be of value. **COOPERATE.**—This is an important part of the 'GRIT' that will make the modern farm pay. An exchange states that during the last 10 years the cooperatives in the United States have increased from 5,424 to 11,400 in number. In the same time the members (ship) of cooperatives have increased five times. Isn't it time Madison County farmers are joining up?

TIME OR INCLINATION.—Another essential constituent of 'GRIT' to make your farm scour is a nice decision as to what you have time to do.

We ask a farmer to keep records. "No," is often the answer. "I haven't time." Probably an hour in keeping records would do more to make the old farm pay than two or more hours spent in labor.

An exchange says that he who hasn't time to weigh the cow's milk had best stop smoking for it takes more time to light a pipe than it does to weigh the milk from a cow.

We wonder if it is 'TIME' or 'INCLINATION' that is wanting.

He had been in the habit of using under this tobacco about 400 pounds of an 8-2-2. He usually cut about 700 pounds of tobacco to the acre. He attended the meeting mentioned and listened to what was said in regard to the use of fertilizers. He gave the matter much thought, so much that when he went to buy his fertilizer for his tobacco he purchased a higher grade, 8-4-4, and bought enough so that he could use 700 pounds of this on each acre of tobacco.

This winter, when he had the returns from this tobacco, he found that instead of selling his usual amount per acre he had about 1100 pounds from each acre. This despite the fact that tobacco was lighter than common. This was an increase of 400 pounds on each acre. Mr. Wallin received an average price of 36c per pound for the tobacco. At this rate the extra 400 pounds was worth \$144. The extra fertilizer cost \$6.40.

A GOOD COMBINATION.—I. R. Fisher sold \$575 worth of cream from March first 1928 until about the first of January. This amount of cream was secured from the milk of eight cows, most of which were heifers with their first calves. Aside from the amount sold the family was supplied with the milk, cream and butter they used.

Mr. Fisher told us that until the middle of December he had no roughage, his cows having the run of a field of orchard grass that had been allowed to grow up and fall over. He said that it was the best way to harvest this grass, he knew of no other that the cows enjoyed the job.

This \$575 was clear gain for the most part. The only feed purchased was a ton of cottonseed meal secured when the farmers bought their car the fall before.

This \$575 kept the family expenses paid and the \$244 received from about three-quarters of an acre of tobacco was clear velvet. It did not have to go to settle a store bill or a note given for supplies.

TWO HUNDRED TWENTY MILES OF EGGS. SOME EGGS This is the length of the row the seven million eggs that New York City eats each day would

make if placed end to end. There were 42 cars of poultry unloaded in that city during one week last October. The South furnished only one of these cars. She doesn't grow her own supply for many millions of dollars worth are sent into the South each year from California and the middle west.

Don't believe Madison County had much part in that car! **THE FARM PAID.**—J. S. Brown says that farming has paid this year. From the farm the Browns have marketed 5800 pounds of tobacco; this at an average price of 39 cents per pound.

We were especially interested in the returns received from the sale of one lot of 1366 lbs. This lot averaged something over 42 cents per pound. Of the total amount only 172 pounds sold for less than 40 cents and this brought 34 cents. Mr. Brown told us that the warehouse man spoke of the weight of their tobacco, it having more weight than most of this year's crop carries. This tobacco was grown over a 12-3-5 fertilizer purchased after consulting with the county agent.

CAUTION.—We understand that the warehouse men are urging an increased acreage of tobacco. Let's go easy. You may get into trouble. Have you help to handle more? Have you barn room to cure more?

We are told that Madison County has marketed a crop of tobacco that is remarkable for its quality. We are inclined to believe that this is due to extra attention given. Too many acres means less attention.

THE RIGHT WAY TO TRAVEL is by train. The safest, most comfortable, most reliable, costs less. Inquire of Ticket Agents regarding greatly reduced fares for short trips. **SOUTHERN RAILWAY SYSTEM**

From REVERE

Rev. N. H. Griffin filled his regular appointment Saturday and Sunday.
Miss Mona Lee Wallin took dinner with Misses Nettie and Virga Worley Sunday.
Mr. Geter Wallin took dinner with Mr. W. D. Davis Sunday.
Misses Nettie and Virga Worley were seen in Sodom Friday.
Mr. and Mrs. George Turry are spending a few days with her parents.
Mrs. Ethel Rice visited her mother Sunday.

Mrs. Ross Norton visited Mrs. Robert Norton Sunday.
Miss Pattie Rice is still ill with flu.
Miss Bettie Norton was at Sunday School Sunday.
Miss Mona Lee Wallin was seen in Revere Saturday.
There was a large crowd at meeting Saturday and Sunday.
Mr. Cas Wallin was the pleasant guest of Miss Viola McDevitt.
Miss Larcie Norton is still in Revere.

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Child's Best Laxative is "California Fig Syrup"



Hurry Mother! Even a bilious, constipated, feverish child loves the pleasant taste of "California Fig Syrup" and it never fails to open the bowels. A teaspoonful today may prevent a sick child tomorrow.
Ask your druggist for genuine "California Fig Syrup" which has directions for babies and children of all ages printed on bottle. Mother! You must say "California" or you may get an imitation fig syrup.

From Lower Bear Creek

The people of this section seem to be getting better with the flu. The Sunday School at this place is going along nicely. Everybody is invited to come.
Mr. Sams gave us a very interesting sermon Sunday. A nice crowd was present.
Mr. Ervin Brown visited his mother on Little Pine Sunday, who is very ill.
Rev. Mr. Mallie Rice, Rev. Mr. John Ward, and Rev. Mr. Sams took dinner with Rev. Mr. Woodson Sunday.

Mrs. Jessie Burnett and Mrs. Iona Brown visited Mrs. Lee Ramsey Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. Joie Payne and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Hanson Redmon Sunday.
Mr. Ervin Brown and daughter, Vadie, were on Paw Paw Saturday.

What about the FLU?

HAVE you had it? Are you going to have it? What are you doing to prevent it?

Everybody is asking these questions just now.

Doctors say to keep out of crowds; be cheerful; eat good food; get plenty of sleep; keep the bowels open.

At the first sign of constipation, take a dose of Theford's BLACK-DRAUGHT.

At the first sign of Flu, that is, when you begin to have a little temperature and feel like you are taking cold, go to bed and call your doctor. You can not cure the Flu on your feet.

Prevention, as everyone knows, is better than cure. One of the best ways to prevent catching a cold which might develop into the Flu, is to keep your system free from impurities by using Theford's

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REED-SANDERS

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From Lower Bear Creek

Everyone here is thankful that the good Lord spared the life of Mrs. Rome Woodson and enabled her to come back to her home from the hospital at Marshall to be with her little children again.
The many friends of Miss May Worley will be surprised to hear of her marriage. We wish her and her husband a happy life.
Mr. Harrison Goforth and two sons were busy hauling wood Saturday.
Those visiting Mr. and Mrs. Chester Worley Sunday the 13th were his mother Mrs. E. T. Worley and Mr. and Mrs. C. Worley and children and Miss Jenny Tweed of Marshall.
Mrs. Chester Worley has been very ill but is improving at this time.
Miss Emeline Ball was visiting Misses Cumi and Vada Worley Sunday.

The flu seems to be dying down in this section.
Mrs. Ollie Messer and four children spent Sunday with Mrs. Allie Worley.
The mother of Mr. Ervin Brown is very sick at this writing.
We were thankful to the Lord that we had such a good Sunday School last Sunday also for the good preaching services conducted by Rome Woodson, Deal Sams, Mallie Rice and John Ward. We feel that the Lord was with us and we hope that these good preachers will come again.
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Payne and three children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Redmon.
The people of Bear Creek were all sorry for Pearson Marler for having to give up his loving wife and little daughter. His daughter died the 9th of January and his wife died the 17th. We know that he hated to give them up but God knew best. He is left with five little children and we hope that they will all live to meet their mother and sister in the other world.
Mrs. Hart Ball is still improving.
Misses Roxie and Ruth Buckner took dinner with Misses Agnes and Coralee Worley Sunday.
Mrs. Lytle will visit her mother Mrs. Jim Stines Sunday. Mrs. Stines has been very sick but is some better.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the people of this community for their kindness during the illness and death of our husband and father, J. E. Gregory. We also wish to thank Dr. Kimberly for his interest.
Mrs. J. E. Gregory and family.

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Guilford County farmers are using native shrubbery to improve their home grounds. Many homes have been beautified this fall by such landscaping.

Are You Ready



When your Children Cry for It

Baby has little upsets at times. All four care cannot prevent them. But you can be prepared. When you can do what any experienced nurse would do—what most physicians would tell you to do—give a few drops of plain Castoria. No other done than Baby is soothed; relief is just a matter of moments. Yet you have eased your child without use of a single doubtful drug; Castoria is vegetable. So it's safe to use as often as an infant has any little pain you cannot pat away. And it's always ready for the crueler jags of colic, or constipation, or diarrhea; effective, too, for older children. Twenty-five million bottles were bought last year.



School Children

Open a Savings Account with us for \$10.00 or more on or before February 1st, and we will add \$1.00 to it on the first of next January, in addition to the regular interest paid on Savings Deposits.

This plan is open to Children of school age in Madison County.

The Bank of French Broad