

FARM GRIT.

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Edited by
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 bees, shee and tobacco the coffers fill.
And, when orchard, garden and sty the larder fill,
Then, with a smile, wil Mary greet her Bill.

CLUB WORKERS REWARDED—On Thursday, Dec. 12, Warren Davis, Cashier of the Hot Springs bank, presented the prizes to those in the 4-H Club at that place doing the most efficient work during the past year. Maude Corbett, the most successful 4-H club girl, was awarded a \$5 gold piece. Ellen Brooks was presented with a \$2 1/2 gold piece as second best club girl. The boys were not so fortunate. No boy was considered eligible for the first award but Paul Bryan got the \$2 1/2 gold piece. The boys say that a different story will be told next year.

Mr. Davis also told the boys and girls that the same prizes would be presented next year. In addition he would offer a \$10 gold piece to the boy or girl doing work that excels any other boy or girl in the club, a sort of a sweepstakes prize. Mr. Davis is much interested in this work and sees how it can be of much value to the boys and girls who take hold and do their best.

COMMEND THE GET-TOGETHER "When are you going to feed us again?" was the remark that greeted the county agent this morning when he went to get into his car. "That was the best two hours that I ever spent," the party speaking continued. Another day, H. K. Rogers, from near Redmond, remarked that he had never spent a more enjoyable 2 hours in his life.

John F. Bryan, President of Madison Farmers, also says that he does not remember enjoying another two hours to the same extent.

Mr. Eller, Cashier of Bank of Mars Hill, writing to the county agent, said, "We enjoyed the day immensely and heartily commend other such occasions as most beneficial for all Madison County."

We print these remarks because we believe that the thanks for the occasion are due to those sponsoring it, the Marshall business men and ladies and the Madison Farmers, Inc., and to those furnishing the entertainment. There seems to be an idea prevailing that the occasion should be repeated.

THAT SLOGAN AGAIN—Mr. Story has handed the county agent a letter from Elizabeth City, N. C. (clear the other end of the state) which reads as follows: "Be good enough to mail me half-dozen of your County Slogans, either card, booklet or pamphlet,—think it good."

Another section heard from. We have inquiries and have heard of others having inquiries about the Madison County Slogan from nearly all sections of the United States. West Virginia, Colorado, Louisiana, Tennessee, South Carolina, are some of the states that we recall having sent correspondence about Madison County.

At first thought this does not amount to much. However, every time the slogan is asked about, Madison County is asked about. It is all advertisement. Let the good work go on.

PROFITABLE HENS—Eight flocks sent in reports for the month of November. In these eight flocks were 1149 birds. Of these 1149 birds 294 were old hens. Most of these old hens were in a molt at the time, not laying much. The rest were pullets, hatched last spring. These 1149 birds laid 13,939 eggs, an average of



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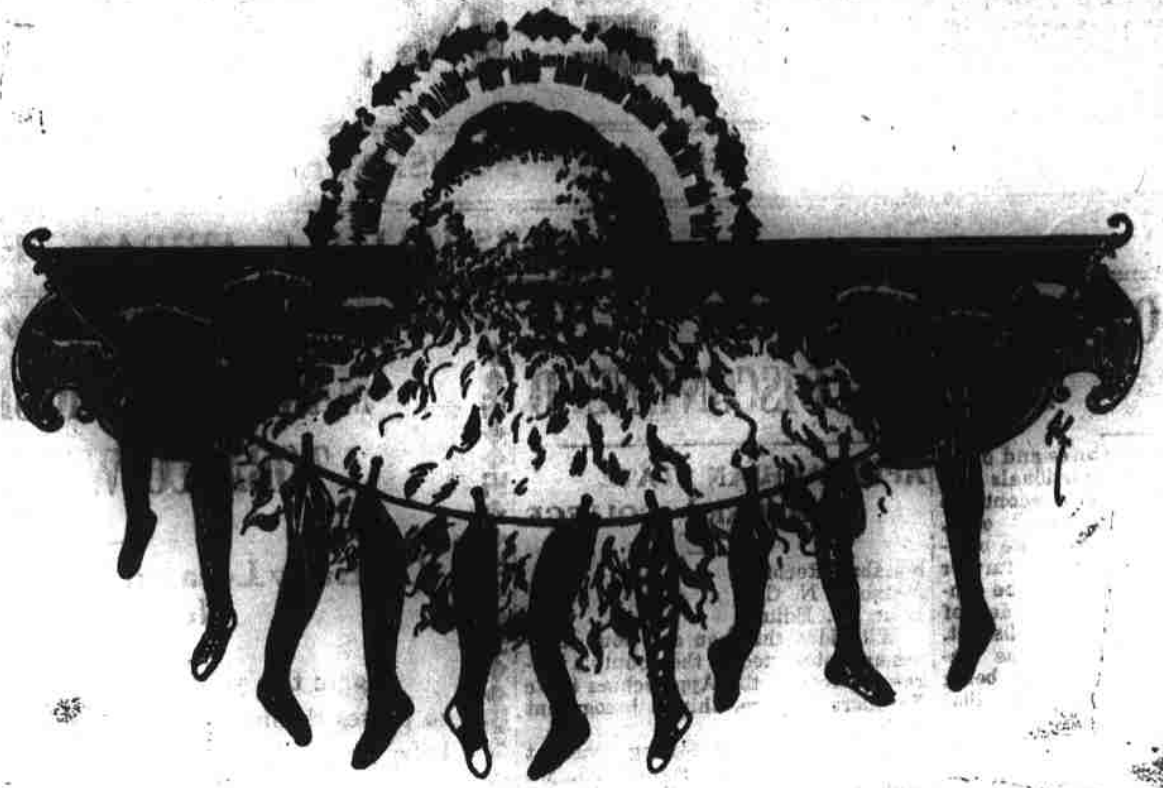
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Below we quote a few of our many good
sales for the past week:

- John Susong of Washington Co.—1360 lbs., av. 30c
- C. A. Humphreys of Washington Co.—948 lbs. av. 31c
- D. C. Bailey, Buncombe Co., N. C.—1060 lbs., av. 32.37

I can make just as good sale for you as I
have for the above people and am awaiting
the opportunity of serving you.

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Marshall, North Carolina



a little over 12 eggs per bird. There is no doubt but that these eight flocks are receiving more attention than the average flock of hens in Madison County receives. There is also no doubt that they are laying more eggs per hen than the average hen in Madison County lays. They are, we believe, an excellent flock of birds.

These 1161 1/2 dozen eggs sold for \$371.55 besides some that were used at home. The feed cost for these hens was \$205.46 for the month. This leaves a net profit over feed cost of \$166 for the month.

What these eight flocks have done can be duplicated by many other flocks in the county. These 1149 birds are "CRACKING GOOD HENS," enough for 11 farms.

SOME MORE ANNUAL REPORT—The use of ground limestone has increased this year over the amount used in 1928. During that year three carloads were delivered to the farmers. In the year just closed seven carloads of limestone were purchased by the farmers, more than doubling the amount used the previous year. Of these seven carloads, 90 tons, almost three carloads, were used by 24 farmers purchasing ground limestone for the first time. Another growth, 1928 showed 8 farmers using it for the first time.

Of the 11 lime and clover demonstrations started with the car of lime donated by the Buquo people in the fall of 1927, one was discarded because the lime was not used as directed; three plots were used as pas-

ture, all of which spoke 'out loud' in favor of limestone; and one we failed to get a report upon. The other six plots gave striking results. The chart, given below, is the more interesting, and the results more valuable, when the red clover has played in the agriculture of the county in the past and the difficulty with which a stand is secured and retained today is considered. Bushels of red clover seed have been sowed every year and no stand secured. Farmers were stopping the seeding of it. Land was becoming thinner with each succeeding year. "If we can get a stand of clover we can grow any crop," was and is a common complaint. Now we can point them to ground limestone as the remedy and tell results to prove our point.

LIME AND CLOVER DEMONSTRATION, MADISON COUNTY, 1929

| Name | No 1000 | | In- 2000 | | Increase | | 3000 | | Increase over | |
|--------------|---------|-------|----------|-------|----------|-------|-------|-------|---------------|------|
| | Lime | lbs. | crease | lbs. | None | 1000 | lbs. | None | 1000 | 2000 |
| W. O. Rector | 1280 | 2400 | 1120 | 1800 | 320 | 0 | 1280 | 3540 | 1600 | 2880 |
| J. E. Carter | 4400 | 3360 | -1040 | 4400 | 0 | 1040 | 7040 | 2640 | 3780 | 2640 |
| J. J. Keys | 3320 | 5600 | 2480 | 8800 | 5480 | 3200 | 10080 | 6760 | 4480 | 1280 |
| Rex Allen | 1800 | 5600 | 4000 | 10400 | 8800 | 4800 | 13600 | 12000 | 8000 | 3200 |
| Zeb Whitt | 4960 | 11840 | 6880 | 7200 | 2240 | -4640 | 6880 | 1920 | -4960 | -320 |
| A. L. Howell | 2917 | 4960 | 2043 | 5773 | 2856 | 813 | 7387 | 4470 | 2427 | 1614 |
| Average | | | | | | | | | | |

In every one of these demonstrations the 'No lime' plot was given the best land if there was any difference. The same plan was used in placing the 1000 lb plot in reference to the 2000 lb plot, and the 3000 lb plot in reference to the 1000 lb plot. This accounts for the fact that in some of the demonstrations there was a decrease in the amount of clover secured when the lime was increased. All weights are for green clover.

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MARKET EXISTS NOW FOR CERTIFIED SEED

Inquiries received by the North Carolina Crop Improvement Association indicate that a market exists at present for certified seed guaranteed by the association and the plant breeders of State College. "One seed house has written us that it could use 10,000 bushels of

small grain seed, principally Abruzzi rye," says Gordon K. Middleton, field seed specialist. "We have received a number of wires from other states asking for quotations in 40r lots. The heaviest demand so far has been for Abruzzi rye but we have requests for other grains used for feed and cover crops. Apparently much thought is being given to providing feed for livestock and growing winter crops for soil improvement and cover crop purposes."

Mr. Middleton says that the need for a more adequate supply of reliable seed is tremendous. The small amount of wheat, oats, barley and rye that was certified this year is being seeded with the view of increasing the amount as rapidly as possible. This seed is going on fields free of onions and cockle and which were not in grain last winter. The latter precaution is necessary to prevent mixtures which might arise from volunteer seedling. The fields are also being well fertilized so that maximum yields may be secured. In the seed inspection work, Mr.

Middleton finds many farmers who have paid money for Abruzzi rye and received common or Rosen rye instead. He also finds others who bought Hooded barley to find it badly mixed with bearded heads. These men fully appreciate what certified seed will mean to them, says Mr. Middleton. Numerous samples have been sent in to the Association headquarters at State College showing considerable mixture. One sample of rye was received recently that was almost pure Rosen though it had been offered for sale as Abruzzi.

Meet Mr. Goldfish

You may think the little goldfish that floats around in a glass bowl is a rare specimen. Maybe he used to be, but that day is no more. A Government report issued to Washington shows that 21,500,000 goldfish, worth \$1,000,000, were raised and sold as part of the Nation's fish-farming industry last year.

PRESSING THANKS

Our business is pressing and before
Christmas we wish to press this message to
you.

We appreciate your business during
the year now closing and wish our customers a

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AND
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