

FARM GRIT

GRIT GRINDS
EDITED BY THE 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 beeves, sheep and tobacco the coffers fill.
And, when orchard, garden and sty the larder fill,
Then, with a smile, will Mary greet her Bill.

WOOL POOL—May 23rd, and 24th, have definitely been set for the sale of wool in Madison County. The sale will be held in the new brick warehouse of The Madison Farmers, Inc. There will be a representative there from the State Marketing Division, who will also represent the Federal Farm Board and who will have authority to pay for the wool on that day. The county agent will help out. It will profit all who have wool to bring it to the warehouse on one of the two days named. The price has not been given us as yet but we can say this—that the wool will bring to the farmer all that it is worth on the market.

Burry wool and clear wool should be kept separate. There will be no other division. Also the tags should be separated from the clean wool. If you will have as much as 150 pounds see the county agent and get a wool sack.

REMEMBER THE DAYS—MAY 23RD. AND MAY 24TH.

ANOTHER REASON FOR GRASS—Recent estimates by specialists of the United States Department of Agriculture indicate that a total of 126,000,000 pounds of plant food is washed out of the fields of the United States every year. This is 21 times as much as plant foods used by crops.

If this is an average figure for the whole country what would the wash be valued at here in the mountains? Often a whole field washes away. A great deal of the land in Madison County should never be tilled. It should be either in grass or in timber.

COST OF SOYBEAN SEED—Every year more of our farmers are planting soybeans for hay. Many times during the season we are asked what the best variety of beans is to plant. There are two recognized varieties for hay that are excellent for use in the mountains. We refer to the Laredo, a little black bean, and to the Early Virginia, a brown bean of medium size.

The cost of the seed of these varieties seems large when the price of a bushel is compared with the price of a bushel of Mammoth Yellow beans, the

sort most often used up to a year or two back. But let's look at the number of seed in a bushel.

The Laredo runs 466,000 beans to the bushel. The Virginia, 207,300. The Mammoth Yellow, 128,700. Considering the size of the bean a bushel of Laredo should sow as much land as 4 bushels of Mammoths. The cost of the Laredo bean could be 4 times that of the cost of the Mammoth and yet cost no more to the acre. The Virginia comes between the two in size. It would require about one and two-thirds bushels of Mammoths to equal a bushel of Virginias. A bushel of Laredos is equal in the number of beans it contains to 2.2 bushels of Virginias.

If Mammoth Yellow beans can be purchased for \$1.50 a farmer could afford to buy Laredos at \$6 per bushel and \$2.50 for Virginias. That is if there was no difference in the quality and the yield of hay.

In reality the Laredo makes the most hay and the best quality of hay of the three varieties while the Virginia ranks second. Both varieties branch freely and hold their leaves well until cut. The Mammoth Yellow makes a coarse woody stem and the leaves are shed, to a great degree, as the plants grow. It does not yield as much hay as the two first named sorts.

Everything considered, the Laredo should be used if the planting can be made early enough. If delayed somewhat in planting use the Virginia.

A TEST THAT PAID—N. E. Jervis, whose farm is on Middle Fork of Ivy, was doubtful as to the condition of his seed corn. Mr. Jervis and the county agent ran a germination test on it. A total of 140 ears were sampled and the kernels placed where they would grow and left for a week. The corn was sampled in such a manner that the ears from which any lot of kernels came would be known.

This corn, to all appearances, was all right. As far as looks were concerned one ear was as good as another. When the tests were examined some eight days later, it was found that one-half of the ears would not grow at all. Had Mr. Jar-

vis planted this corn without a test he would have needed to replant and several days would have been lost.

Up at Otis Chandley's place a similar test on 120 ears of corn showed that 14 of the ears were not fertile. At R. A. Edwards' a test on 40 ears showed that 6 ears were not fertile.

A seed corn test, if rightly used, will select those ears for seed which will grow the most vigorous plants. It will select those ears for seed that will make the best use of the fertilizer which is fed the corn plant and, by so doing, will bring the most profit to the farmer.

HOME DEMONSTRATOR'S COLUMN

LEADERS' SCHOOL

Miss Mary E. Thomas, Extension Food Specialist, will conduct her second leaders' school May 8th, at 10:30 A. M., in the court room. Miss Thomas will give vegetable cooking. All leaders are especially urged to come.

CLUB ORGANIZED AT EBBS CHAPEL

A woman's club was organized April 29th at Ebbs Chapel. The following officers were elected: Mrs. W. D. Ramsey, president; Mrs. J. J. Hensley, vice-president; Mrs. Guy English, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Bryan and Mrs. Guy English, leaders. A girls' club will be organized at the next meeting, May 21st.

SCHEDULE:
Tuesday—10:30 Spring Creek girls
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Wednesday—2:00 Walnut Women
Thursday—10:30 Leaders School
Friday—10:30 White Rock girls
Friday—2:30 White Rock women

SPRING CREEK HIGH SCHOOL

The commencement program of last week was a marked success. Our school has the honor of having at least two notable speakers during the year, State Supt. A. T. Allen, who spoke at the dedication and Lieutenant Governor R. T. Fountain, who gave the commencement address. The grade program Thursday night was a brilliant success and largely attended. Class day exercises, the address and dinner on the ground attracted another record crowd Friday.

Mr. Blankenship, County Superintendent, announced that both the elementary and high school of Spring Creek have attained the standard rating and the high school is placed on the accredited list with other schools of its class in the State and the county. This rating means that

graduates can enter college without examination, and also presents other advantages.

Mr. Ebbs, chairman of the County Board, also adds, upon the authority of a statement from State Supt. A. T. Allen, that Spring Creek is the first high school in the State to make this standard rating during the first year of the existence of the high school. So we claim a remarkable unique record.

We also claim another record. Our seventh grade graduates made the highest scores of any in the county. Martha Meadows, daughter of B. C. Meadows, made the highest marks of the class.

Georgia Coward of the fifth grade received a 5-dollar gold piece for best student in the fifth grade. Floy Ponder received a \$2.50 check from the science teacher, Miss Verna Ramsey, for the best notebook in biology. Senator Ira Flemmons of Hot Springs delivered the prizes.

Mr. Ellis C. Jones, attorney of Asheville, was at our closing and introduced the Lieutenant Governor. Rev. Mr. Caudill, Methodist pastor, presented attendance certificates and seventh grade diplomas. Mr. Ebbs, of the Board, presented the Seniors' diplomas. Principal Douglas M. Robinson, of the Marshall high school, and his large Senior Class were our pleasant visitors, also.

The Spring Creek folks had plenty of dinner on the ground and lots left over after the large crowd was filled.

Those graduating in high school are: Misses Bertha Hunter, Ada Meadows, Alma Phoenix, Annie Davis, and Messrs. Rickman Davis and William Meadows. Bertha Hunter was Salutatorian and Rickman Davis was Valedictorian.

Supt. Blankenship had the State landscape man on the grounds last week doing planning for building drives and beautifying. Wednesday of this week is work day on the grounds and several have promised to work.

Mr. Fox, Moving Contractor of Asheville, is placing material for moving the Methodist church. Workmen are to begin grading the new site this week. Mr. Jasper Ebbs was surveying the new location last week. So far, people are responding favorably to this much needed move. The churches should do as much as the State and County in the education of the children. Do we not neglect this essential part of their training?

From ALLANSTAND

The weather is very cool at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Gunter were visiting in Greenville, Tenn., Sunday.

Miss Kathleen Sexton visited Mrs. Birchard Shelton Monday.

Mr. Lonnie Sexton spent the weekend with his folks.

Mr. Fred Shelton was visiting Mr. D. Gosnell Sunday.

Mr. Bud Lamb and son spent Sunday night with Mr. Warner Gahagan.

Miss Kathleen Sexton visited Miss Morton Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Gunter attended the Y. P. S., at Miss Morton's home Sunday night.

Miss Dorothy Shelton visited Mrs. Warner Gahagan Sunday.

Mrs. Lon Payne and daughter, Edith, were visiting Mrs. Birchard Shelton Sunday.

Come on, Shakin' Sam. Let us hear from you.

From Lower Little Pine

Saturday and Sunday were our regular meeting days. We had a good meeting with quite a large congregation.

We sure are proud to see so many taking an interest in our church work and Sunday School. We are proud to see people doing work for the Lord. What we need to do, is to do more for the Lord each day we live.

Mr. John Henderson's family served a big Easter dinner Sunday. Several took dinner with them.

Mr. Reagan Worley and Emaline Ball were married Saturday. We wish for them a long, happy life.

Mr. Joe Worley has purchased a new car.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Roberts and daughters, Mrs. Anna Price and Miss Clara Worley, went to Newport Tuesday to have some dental work done.

Mrs. Lillie Davis spent Saturday night with Mrs. Letha Worley.

Miss Minnie Rice spent Saturday night with Mrs. Myrtle Sprinkle.

FROM BLUFF

We had a good S. S. last Sunday, but small attendance. We hope for a larger crowd next Sunday. We also had singing Sunday afternoon.

Miss Ruby Waldroup took Sunday dinner with Miss Rose Waldroup.

Mr. Boyd Waldroup, who is working at Fossil, N.C., spent the weekend with his family here.



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Mrs. N. C. Waldroup was visiting her sons and their families Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Waldroup and Mr. and Mrs. Otis Waldroup.

Messrs. N. C., Floyd, and Elmer Waldroup took dinner Sunday with Mr. Boyd Waldroup.

Mr. Edd Lankford has been seriously ill, but is improving a little. Mr. Obie Waldroup spent Sunday night with Mr. Edd Waldroup.

Messrs. Hobart and Obie Waldroup spent Saturday night with Mr. N. C. Waldroup.

There were several from Bluff who attended the commencement exercises at Spring Creek high school. Among those that went were, Mrs. Eliza Waldroup, Mrs. Ora Connor, Misses Mae Finley and Mae Holt, Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Flemmons, Mr. W. M. Bright, Messrs. Castle Henderson and Thelmer Waldroup and several more.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodson Henderson and children from Balfour, N. C., have moved in our community.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Dave Brooks, a baby boy, Fred Oliver.

Miss Gertha Henderson spent Saturday night with her sister, Mrs. Fred Bright.

It's a Wise Precaution

When some men put their feet down at home they first take off their shoes so as not to wake friend wife.—Pathfinder.

St. Peter—And here is your golden harp.

Newly-arrived American—How

much is the first payment?—The Pathfinder.

His Value
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Graphic
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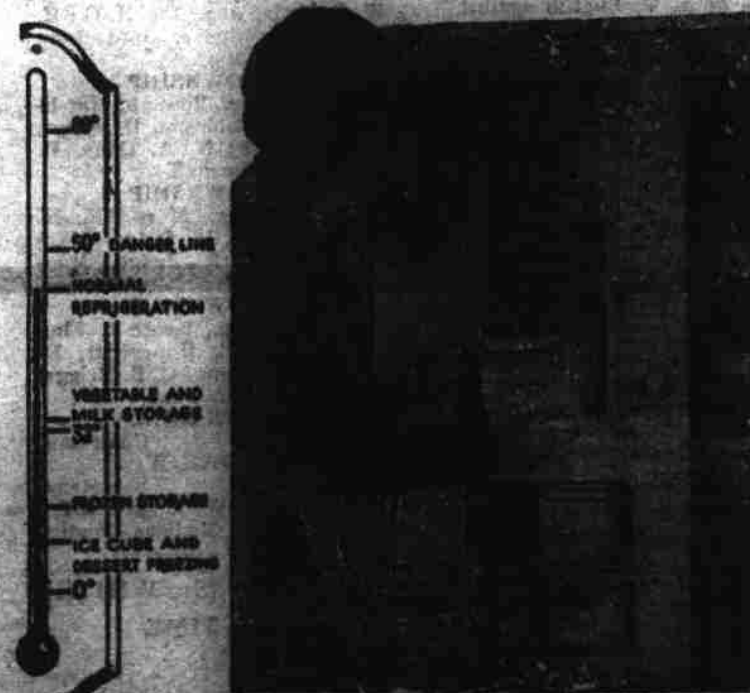
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H. E. ROBERTS

MARSHALL, N. C.



Four temperatures and two atmospheres in one refrigerator is a far cry from pans and crocks in the old springhouse, but science has made them available for the housewife in a new Frigidaire, according to H. E. ROBERTS, local dealer.

Normal refrigeration just below the 50 degree danger line; vegetable and milk storage just above freezing; ice cube storage well below the freezing mark; and the cube and deposit making temperatures ranging all the way to zero, are provided in this latest achievement in kitchen equipment, he said.

In addition to the usual dry atmosphere provided by electric refrigerators for the preservation of the bulk of perishable foods, this multi-cold model has twin hydrators for crisping and preserving of leafy vegetables. An ideal temperature and atmosphere is provided for preservation of every kind of perishable food.