

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.

CAR OF LAMBS SHIPPED—Saturday, July 12, a car of lambs was shipped by the Madison Farmers, Inc. Fifteen farmers consigned lambs in this car. The lambs were not extra in quality, not carrying enough flesh to grade tops. Mr. C. G. Filler, Livestock Marketing Specialist of State Department of Agriculture, cooperated with the Madison Farmers and the county agent, in handling this load. Returns have not come at this writing.

At least two sheep men saw the need of greater care in finishing lambs because of this load. It takes feed to make a lamb choice. One lamb in the load, a late March lamb, weighed 82 pounds, was fat and, according to Mr. Filler, was the only real choice lamb in the load. This lamb had received regularly, twice a day, from the time it would eat a small handful of feed. The result was evident.

Every sheep owner should provide a creep for his lambs. In this creep should be a trough for grain. As soon as possible lambs should be taught to enter this creep and eat grain provided. By doing this every sheep owner can put choice lambs on the market. The extra gain will more than pay for the feed as will also the extra price received. Lets do it next year.

CREAM UP—Tuesday, the writer, by invitation, talked to the patrons of the Biltmore Dairy on the care and feeding of dairy cattle. A very interesting meeting was held, about 30 or more being in attendance.

It will interest the cream producers of Madison county to learn that that the price of cream or rather of butterfat, will be around 33 to 35 cents for this week. Also that the Biltmore people are grading cream according to quality. Extra cream brings 3 cents a pound above No. 1 cream which brings the price paid before this. No. 2 cream takes a price below No. 1. We are glad to say that there is very little, if any, of No. 2 cream from this county. Most of it is No. 1. Most of it could be extra if a little more care was used in handling it.

ANNUAL MEETING OF MADISON FARMERS—Saturday, August 2nd, is the day for the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Madison Farmers, Inc. Already plans are being made by the Executive Committee for this day. A big picnic is planned. Some one from outside the county will be here to address the gathering. Every stockholder in the county should plan to attend. Watch for further notice.

ANOTHER MEETING—The annual field day of the State Test Farm, Swannanoa, will be held at that place on August 21. This is a meeting that is well worth the attention of every farmer in Madison County.

The dairy herd, the poultry flock, the farm plots, the pastures, the orchard, all are worth a visit. Let's plan right now to attend this picnic. Learn and play all at once.

ALSO—There is planned for early in August another trip about our own county to inspect the demonstration plots, flocks, herds, etc. The exact date of this will be given later. It is hoped that a large number will take this local tour. Corn, tobacco, pastures, clover, chickens, sheep, cows; they are all here to look at.

COVER CROPS—It is the season to think of these. Every acre of cultivated land should be covered this winter with some sort of a crop to prevent loss by erosion. The losses from erosion are the greatest losses that occur to cultivated land.

Any cover crop will pay for itself and more. But some are more valuable than others. The small grains all enter this list. They are valuable for this purpose. When intended for grain no other crop can be used with them. However, if intended for pasture or hay let's include with these small grain seed a liberal amount of hairy vetch seed. It builds the land; it pulverizes the tight soils; it makes an excellent hay or pasture crop.

If possible sow some rye and hairy vetch early in September, or even in late August for pasture and hay purposes. Cover the tobacco land with this if not needed or intended for wheat. Some of our poultry people could well sow a patch of wheat and hairy vetch for their chickens. They can use it for pasture during the winter and in the spring let the chickens gather the wheat. Out cream producers can go a good distance toward economical production of butterfat by providing winter pasture of a mixture of small grains and hairy vetch. Use a mixture of barley, wheat, rye, about a third of each and around a bushel and a half to the acre with about 25 pounds of hairy vetch included, to the acre. Such a crop will not do for grain but it will make a fine pasture and in the spring can be cut for hay or turned under as a green manure crop.

TOPPING EARLY TOBACCO—Some of the early tobacco is budding. It is now, it is

crop, to only pinch out the bud advisable, when topping this not taking any leaves. If the season then turns to one that will cause a rapid and luxuriant growth you are best prepared to meet it. If, on the other hand, the season continues dry, the tobacco can be topped again if necessary.

Do not wait for the bud to bloom. Pinch it out as soon as it appears. By doing this the top leaves develop and make good tobacco. If allowed to develop the bloom causes the top leaves to grow narrow and pointed making poor leaves.

50 Years' Use of Black-Draught

"About fifty years ago," says Mr. Lewis G. O'Shields, of Forestville, Ala., "my mother gave me the first dose of Black-Draught, and I have taken it ever since, when I needed a medicine for constipation. I have used this remedy all my married life, in raising my children. I have used Black-Draught for heartburn, as I have had spells of this kind, off and on, for years. This follows indigestion, and indigestion comes close on constipation. I have found that the best way to head off trouble is to begin taking Black-Draught in time. It relieves me of dizziness, tightness in the chest and backache. By getting rid of impurities, Black-Draught helps to keep the system in good order. I always keep it in the home, and have recommended it to many people, in my time."

THREDFORD'S BLACK-DRAUGHT
FOR CONSTIPATION, INDIGESTION, BILIOUSNESS

Women who need a tonic should take Caswell's. Used over 50 years. 5-15

WHITE ROCK GAMES

The boys of this section are sure having some good ball games. White Rock defeated Marshall last Saturday, July 5, scores being 18-5

Naval Treaty Hits Snag in Senate Johnson Threatens to Grow Beard

By E. W. Nelson

Our special commentator on Naval Affairs pulled a stroke for the I. C. S. and for fourteen years was a conductor on the States Island ferries. Aside from his attempts to swim the English Channel, he is a licensed bilge pump and was decorated three times by the Coast Guard for passing the narrow mile limit. Next week he will tell how the treaty affects the Great Lakes navigation boats and tugging on the chest.

Sen. Johnson—Mr. Secretary, would you say this treaty gives us parity with Great Britain?
Sen. Simmons—I decline to answer that on the ground it might incriminate me, but I will say that we secured the right to carry fresh vegetables in case of war and the ports on Great Britain's shores are to be no larger at the bottom than ours.
Sen. Johnson—Still you must admit that the 5-3 ratio with Japan is practically nullified, if not annulled?
Sen. Simmons—I don't admit that! While Japan carries more tonnage our anchors are much heavier, and our outboard motors exceed theirs 30 to 1.
Sen. Johnson—Yes, but how do you reconcile Great Britain's tonnage with our category?
Sen. Simmons—You have six there. The fact is, in measuring our category, Sen. Adams lost our yardstick and we used a piece of string, measuring from the chin. But don't forget we got an escalator clause and the right to age our steel from the barrels.
Sen. Johnson—Does that explain the number of tugboats assigned to the Canada Line?
Sen. Simmons—I wouldn't go that far, but we secured the right to mount six-inch pin-wheels on the Lehigh Valley coal barges and the Hudson River Night Line.
Sen. Johnson—You seem to have forgotten the irreducible minimum?
Sen. Simmons—Well, in the hurry of packing I did forget it, but the hotel forwarded it later along with my Indian club.
Sen. Johnson—The General Board of the Navy claims that our sailors no longer have a sweatshirt in every port. How did we lose that ratio?
Sen. Simmons—A secret conference was held on this and the papers reported next day that we were recruiting low-legged sailors. My personal belief is that Indians lost us this tonnage and that every sailor should wear a grasshopper.
Sen. Johnson—Actually, Mr. Secretary, what do we get to balance Japan's four-wheel barges and Great Britain's extra gunboats?
Sen. Simmons—China XXIV gives us choice wood pulp in the workfield of our rambling boats to keep the spray off our fat down bottoms. In addition to that we retain the right to sing the Marine "Boat Song," and to dip all conditions when crossing the Bosphorus.
Sen. Johnson—Do you believe our Navy can hold the Philippines?
Sen. Simmons—Against Submarine, yes.
Sen. Johnson—Aren't our guns heavier than here?
Sen. Simmons—Yes, but her shells is stronger.
Sen. Johnson—Is this Committee to understand that our delegates get what they want also?
Sen. Simmons—Well, we got four quarts of Scotch, and we've out all hands yet.
Sen. Johnson—Mr. Secretary, you must think I'm a fool?
Sen. Simmons—Well, as I wouldn't say that. But, of course, I



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A Sporty and Up-to-date 18 Hole Golf Course

NEXT TO PRINCESS THEATRE

NIGHT PLAYING

in favor of White Rock. On July 10 White Rock defeated Cedar Creek the score being 11-3. White Rock defeated Spring Creek Saturday, July 12, score being 24-11 in favor of White Rock. There will be a game at Spring Creek Saturday, July 19. If anyone wants a ball game write Ostin Chandley, White Rock, N. C.

From BLUFF

A revival meeting was started at Bluff Sunday night, conducted by Rev. C. L. Miller of Bluff, N. C., and Rev. J. C. Wallace of Asheville, N. C. Only last week they conducted a week's revival at Ball City on Spring Creek and fourteen souls were saved, and we believe God has sent these men here because they are able men to teach God's Word. Now, friends, we have some one to help us. Let's get to work for God, cleaning up our own lives

From SEXTON

Rev. A. P. Rich will preach at Sexton church at 7:30 P. M. on July 20th, 1930. Everybody invited to come and hear him.

VACATION COACH EXCURSIONS

On each Friday, Saturday and Sunday, in July and August, the Southern Railway will sell coach excursion tickets to all stations in South-eastern territory at the following rates and limits:
One and one-tenth fares, final limit 15 days.
One and one-fourth fares, final limit 30 days.
These tickets are not good in parlor or sleeping cars. Apply local Ticket Agent for full information.
J. H. WOOD
Division Passenger Agent
Asheville, N. C.
O-Sept. 1.

FROM GRAPE VINE

The showers that have been coming since Thursday have put new life into the growing crops.

Mrs. L. C. West and children were guests of Mrs. Jack Rice Sunday afternoon.

Misses Molley and Dora West were guests of Mrs. A. E. Fisher Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Edra Presnell was the Sunday afternoon guest of Mrs. Frank Presnell.

Mr. George Lewis was called to Asheville last week to the bedside of his son, Winfred, who is seriously ill. He is reported as being a little better at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Rochester and children were guests of Mrs. Rochester's sister, Mrs. Victoria Proffitt, of Woodfin, Sunday. Mrs. Proffitt has been seriously ill, but is improving some.

Mr. and Mrs. Attley Hunter of South Carolina and Miss J. Ince Lee Hunter of Bull Creek were the guests of their brother, Wesley Hunter, Friday night.

Mr. Emless R. Hall of Biltmore, N. C., was on Grape Vine, Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Ziller Dill and children were guests of her mother, Mrs. M. E. Hudgins, Wednesday.

Miss Mary Hudgins was the guest of Mrs. Ernest Dill, Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Hunter and family were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Sprinkles Sunday night.

Mr. Ernest Dill visited Mr. M. Hudgins Monday.

Mr. Devious Gosnell who is at work at Woodfin spent the weekend at home.

Mr. Carson Gosnell was the guest of Mr. J. D. Gosnell Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Wallin and daughter, Vera, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Gosnell for dinner Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Hunter and son, Willard, were guests at the home of Mr. J. B. Fisher, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. A. E. Fisher was the Sunday afternoon guest of his sister, Mrs. Margaret West.

Mrs. Ella Fagan had several relatives as guests for the week-end.

Mrs. Margaret was visiting her children in Asheville last week.

Mrs. Ada Hunter was the Sunday afternoon guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Fisher and family.



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