

NEWS FROM THE MADISON COUNTY

ASCS Office

RALPH RAMSEY, Office Manager

ASCS Announces Grazing Privileges For Diverted Acreage

Effective Oct. 1, 1963, grazing of acreage diverted from production of crops under the 1963 Feed Grain and Wheat Stabilization Programs will be permitted, according to Ralph W. Ramsey, ASCS office manager for Madison County. He stated that the date for which grazing had been permitted was originally Nov. 1; however, in order to alleviate, to some extent, the shortage of forage in areas containing spotty drought conditions, the date has been moved forward to Oct. 1, 1963.

Ramsey cautioned farmers that this grazing operation applies to all acreage diverted under the 1963 Feed Grain and Wheat Stabilization Programs with Madison County. He pointed out that grazing of the diverted acreage prior to Oct. 1 would result in the forfeiture of the diversion payments for this land. There can be no harvesting from the diverted acreage during 1963.

Since many farmers normally salvage crop residue by turning livestock on the harvested cropland in the fall, the permission to begin grazing on Oct. 1 will permit farmers to continue this normal practice without being put to unreasonable work, time, and expense for fencing off their diverted acreage.

In making this announcement, it was pointed out that in most cases, ACP assistance would be available for those desiring to put a winter cover crop on the diverted

acreage. Farmers desiring more information about this assistance should contact their local ASCS office not later than Oct. 10.

1964 Feed Grain Program

The 1964 Feed Grain Program is essentially the same as the 1963 program, according to Emory Robinson, chairman of the county committee. It will be a voluntary program that gives the producer an opportunity to divert a portion of his total feed grain acreage into conserving uses. Producers that participate will receive diversion payments on the acreage diverted and will be eligible for price support on the acreage planted to feed grains. Price support will be made available by price support payments on the planted acreage and through the loan program.

Robinson says the major change in the program is a provision to allow producers to divert up to 50 percent of the total base. Producers diverting 40 percent or more will get the high payment rate. As was the case last year farmers with bases under 25 acres may divert the entire acreage at the high payment rate. The minimum diversion is 20 percent of the total base as it was in 1963.

The sign-up for the 1964 program will start some time in the late winter. Prior to sign-up time, each farmer will get his individual payment rate and the other details that may be pertinent to his individual farm. Any farmer with a question about the program should contact his local ASCS office for further information.

Hot Springs News

R. C. KIRBY, Correspondent

The Methodist Fellowship Dinner is planned for Saturday night, Sept. 28. This is the dinner where each family brings a "covered dish" and a sumptuous meal is usually the result, and good fellowship prevails.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Roberts are in the eastern part of the state this week, calling on various relatives and friends.

Sunday, Sept. 29 is the Fifth Sunday Get-together of all our churches. This time we worship with the Baptist folks, with Brother Harry Sellers, of the Methodist Church, bringing the message.

Mrs. Jesse Moore is home after a week's hospitalization at Memorial Mission.

Mr. Lattie Brooks, who has been in poor health for several months, is recuperating nicely after two weeks in an Asheville hospital.

Mrs. Huffman Luntford and little son, Bennie, left for their home in Pensacola, Fla., Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Myers have moved back to Hot Springs after residing in Newport, Tenn., for two years or more. They plan a nice new home to be started shortly.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Odum and daughter, Billie Jean; and Miss Rosa Midkiff, all of Bristol, Va., were Sunday guests of Mrs. W. C. Swann.

Mr. Lee Fowler, who recently underwent surgery at Memorial Mission Hospital in Asheville, is at home now and in much better health.

A miscellaneous shower was given in the recreation room of the Presbyterian Church, Saturday night, Sept. 21, for Mrs. Ricker, a bride of a few days, and was well attended. The hostesses were Mrs. Earl Konkle, Mrs. Jack Ebbs, Mrs. K. Burgin, Mrs. Bill Ferguson and Miss Margaret Gentry.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Autry and Mrs. K. Burgin spent Sunday in Black Mountain.

Minnie McIntosh Passes Thursday; Rites Held Sunday

Mrs. Minnie Belle McIntosh, 63, died Thursday, Sept. 19, 1963 in the home of a sister, Mrs. Lula Metcalf of Rt. 3, Weaverville, after a long illness.

She was the widow of Morris McIntosh.

Services were held at 2 p. m., Sunday at Upper Laurel Baptist Church.

The Rev. Lloyd Ponder and the Rev. Zane Ponder officiated and burial was in the church cemetery. Nephews were pallbearers.

Surviving in addition to the sister are two sons by a previous marriage, Carl Thomas of Rt. 3, Weaverville and Edward Thomas of Hendersonville; three other sisters, Mrs. George Hamlin, Mrs. Joe Hylemon and Mrs. Jeter Davis of Rt. 3, Weaverville; two brothers, Joe Robinson of Rt. 1, Mars Hill and Ernest Robinson of Rt. 3, Burnsville; and four grandchildren.

Holcombe Funeral Home was in charge.

CARD OF THANKS

We want to express our deep appreciation and sincere thanks for the beautiful floral arrangements and the kind expressions and thoughtfulness shown in the death of our family. We also wish to thank Bowman Funeral Home for their services.

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Mars Hill News

MRS. J. W. HUFF, Correspondent



MISS HELEN ELIZABETH FISHER is the daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Vaughn C. Fisher of Asheville. They announce her engagement to Claude Wayne Griffin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Posey Griffin of Mars Hill. She is employed at Sayles Billmore Bleacheries and he by Sears, Roebuck Co.

Miss Carol Kendall has returned to WCUNG, Greensboro, where she continues graduate study.

Others who have gone away to college are Jimmy Ray, son of Mr. and Mrs. Huey Ray, who has gone to State College, Raleigh, and is enrolled as a junior; and Miss Grace Ledford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Ledford, who is enrolled at WCC, Cullowhee.

Miss Judy Elam has gone to Winston-Salem, where she is a teacher in the Fourth Grade.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Cooper, returned last week to their home in Sanford, Fla., after spending the summer at their home here.

Mrs. H. C. Cox has gone to Greer, Sunday.

S. C. for a two weeks visit there with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Vergil Cox.

Mrs. Essie Edwards is still quite ill at her home here.

Dr. and Mrs. Hoyt Blackwell have another grandson, Mark Emory McCall, born recently to Dr. and Mrs. Charles McCall, in Atlanta Georgia.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Marshbanks, of Tampa, Fla., are in this section for a visit to relatives here and in Asheville. They have been with his mother, Mrs. Gregg Metcalf and sister, Mrs. J. G. Briggs and Mr. Briggs for several days. They had a family get-together at the Briggs home last

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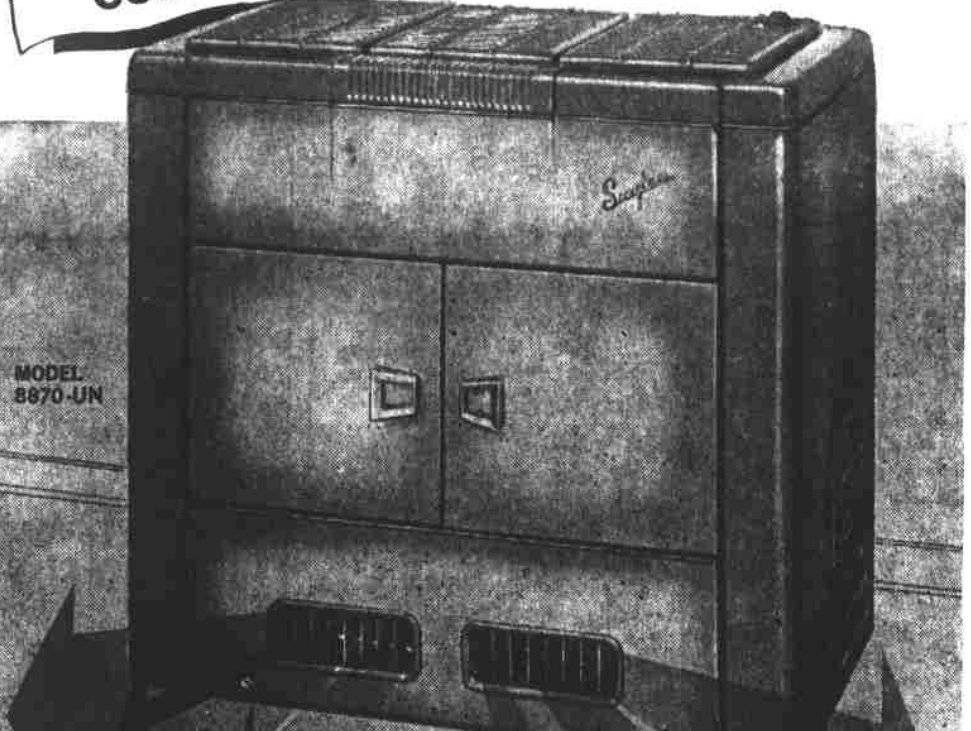
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