

LOCAL NEWS BRIEFS

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JOINT HOSTESSES HONOR BRIDE

Charming in every detail was the bridge party given on Tuesday afternoon by Mrs. Kenneth Ferguson and Mrs. Felix Stovall, at the home of Mrs. Ferguson, honoring Mrs. Robert McLeod of Asheville.

Pink roses and larkspur and blue delphinium were combined in artistically arranged vases for decoration in the living rooms where the tables were placed for playing. On counting the scores Mrs. McLeod was found to hold high and Mrs. Tom Lee, Jr. held low. Each was presented a prize. Mrs. McLeod and Mrs. Wayne Battle of Sylva, another bride, were presented lovely honor gifts as souvenirs of the occasion. After the games attractively appointed refreshments were served.

The guests included: Mrs. McLeod, Mrs. Wayne Battle of Sylva, Mrs. Tom Lee, Jr., Mrs. Henry Davis, Mrs. Clifford Lupton, Mrs. Sammy Duvall, Mrs. Harry Rotha, Jr., Mrs. Hubert Limer, Mrs. A. P. Ledbetter, Miss Tillie Rotha, Miss Babbie Way, Miss Rosalyn Ray, Miss Mary Adams Ward, Miss Jewel Hipps, Miss Susie Fisher, Miss Elizabeth Henry, Miss Gladys Dicus, Miss Martha Neal, Miss Eileen Louise Killian, and Miss Mary Pauline Platt.

Dr. C.C. Shell, who has spent the winter in Enka, returned to Waynesville this week and has taken his former position at Alexander's Drug Store. His son, Charles Shell Jr., has also arrived to spend the summer.

FINES CREEK

RUSSELL-LEDFORD

Mr. Weaver Leford was married to Miss Opal Russell last Saturday evening. Mr. C. B. McCracken, magistrate, performed the ceremony.

REVIVAL MEETING

The Rev. Byron Shankle is now conducting a revival meeting at the Laurel Hill Methodist church. Services are being held at night only. A large number of people are attending regularly. As yet, however, there have been no conversions.

BEEN VISITING

Miss Catherine Green spent the past week with her grand mother, Mrs. G.W. Greene, of Canton.

IN WAYNESVILLE HOSPITAL

Messrs. Jim Ferguson, Charlie Duckett and Clyde Trantham have been operated on for appendicitis this last week. All three are now in Waynesville Hospital.

Mrs. C. S. Greene, Mrs. F. C. Greene, Miss Margaret Green, and Miss Frances James shopped in Waynesville Saturday.

FINES CREEK VISITORS

Mr. D. S. Greene and his mother, Mrs. G. W. Greene, were Fines Creek visitors Monday.

Early gardens are thriving and the first alfalfa cuttings have been made in Burke County. Recent rains have permitted the setting of a good acreage to cabbage, tomatoes, sweet potatoes and other food crops.

Unable to write, a storekeeper down in the Ozark country keeps his accounts by drawing pictures of the "charged" items. One day a customer came in to "settle up." The queer looking account book was brought out. Coming to a picture that didn't resemble any article in particular, the perplexed merchant scratched his head and employed his "thinker."

"Now, I remember, it's a hoop of cheese."

"But, objected the customer, 'I never bought that much cheese in my life.' After considerable thought the customer remembered that he had bought a grindstone.

"That's it," said the relieved merchant, "and I just forgot to make the hole in the center for the handle."

Poison Tobacco Worms With Lead Of Arsenate

A mixture of corn meal and arsenate of lead dropped into the tobacco bud at this season will control the bud worm which has begun to appear in epidemic form in a number of counties.

"It takes only a small pinch of the corn meal bait to poison the bud worm on each plant, but this pinch must be dropped squarely into the bud of the plant," says C. H. Brannon, extension entomologist at State College. "We have had requests from a number of growers in the last few days asking for information about controlling this pest and it seems to have started in full force this season. The bait should be applied promptly and if the treatment is done as it should be, the worms are easily controlled."

For large amounts of the bait, Mr. Brannon says mix one pound of arsenate of lead to 50 pounds of corn meal. If the meal is shucky, it should be sifted. The mixing must be done thoroughly and is best applied by hand. This assures the operator of getting the bait squarely on the small bud. If there is only a small acreage to be poisoned, six tablespoonfuls to one peck of meal may be used. It will take about a peck of bait to an acre of tobacco.

The application is best made early in the morning when the bud of the plant is well opened. The plant need never be touched by the hand. The bait is used in the dry state.

Mr. Brannon suggests that the applications be started ten days to two weeks after the plants are set in the field and repeated every week or ten days until the plants are topped. It is not wise to delay application until the worms have done serious damage. To do so may be to lose valuable tobacco.

Timely Farm Questions Answered

Q. How can I make my old colonies finish filling their supers after the bees swarm?

Ans. The swarm should be hived on the old stand after moving the old colony to one side. The unfinished supers are then placed on the swarm above the queen excluder and the parent colony moved to a new location. This condition is caused by the field bees going with the swarm and leaving a weak force with the old colony. This may be remedied, however, by proper management so that the storing instinct is dominant during the honey flow.

Q. Will it pay to continue heavy feeding of my old hens during the summer months?

Ans. Yes—it is just as important to maintain high production during the summer months as at any other time. Egg prices usually begin to rise in July and this continues through August. Heavy feeding makes it possible to secure highest production from the old hens before the pullets come into lay. It also keeps the birds in good condition for proper culling and the selection of high producers for breeding.

Q. Does it pay to have the poultry flocks blood tested?

Ans. Poultry specialists at State College say that it does pay and a letter received this week from Mrs. J. E. Broom of Union County proves that it does. This is the second year that Mrs. Broom has had her flock tested and the mortality this year does not exceed two per cent as compared with as high as fifty per cent prior to the testing.

There are about 135 small patches of the new perennial lespedeza sericia in Robeson County.

THE NEW COURT HOUSE

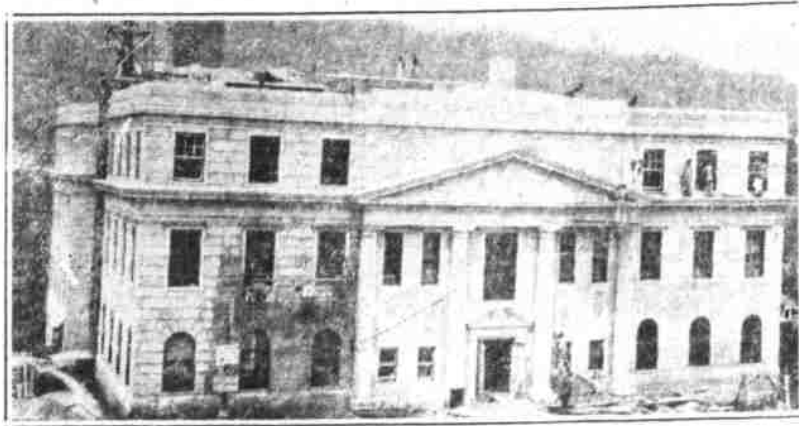


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This is a view of Haywood County's new quarter million dollar Court House which will be complete about July first. The County Commissioners are to let the contract for grading and improving the grounds on June 27.

Make Quick Breads With Liquid Yeast

Liquid yeast, made at home with a commercial yeast cake, some Irish potatoes, a little sugar and salt and warm water, will aid the farm housewife in having bread and rolls whenever desired, say State College home demonstration workers.

Miss Violet Alexander, home agent of Beaufort County reports an interesting story of how Mrs. Edmond Jarvis of the Pantego home demonstration club kept a supply of this liquid yeast for about two years after the original cupful had been given her at a home demonstration meeting in April, 1929. Mrs. Jarvis secured the recipe for making the yeast at the same time and did not use commercial yeast in renewing her supply, but used a portion of the yeast previously made. She kept a fresh quantity on hand until Christmas, 1931, when she moved from the Waynesville community.

This liquid yeast is prepared from eight medium-sized Irish potatoes, boiled one-half cup of sugar, one quart of luke warm water and one cake of yeast dissolved in one-fourth cup of luke-warm water. The potatoes are peeled and mashed while warm and the other ingredients are then added in the order named. The mixture must not be more than lukewarm when the dissolved yeast is added. Cover and set in a warm place for an hour. Stir and then pour into glass fruit jars, not filling over three-fourths full and not closing the lids tightly. Keep in a cool place.

Miss Alexander says liquid yeast will keep in an ice box for a week or more and in some other cool place for several days. One cup can be substituted for a cake of commercial yeast and one cup may be used in starting another culture. One cup will raise a quart of flour quickly or one-half cup may be used when there is more time. Farm women in all parts of the state are now using the liquid yeast and find it economical and efficient.

Recent rains and recovery of tobacco plants from blue mold have caused Columbus County growers to set a large acreage of late tobacco this season.

R. O. Lancaster of Craven County made some money on a lot of 181 hogs this spring and sold his corn at a better price than had he disposed of it at market prices for grain.

The tobacco acreage of Cumberland County is about 60 per cent of that of 1931 and the crop is from ten days to two weeks late.

H.L. Brown of Conetoe, Edgecombe County, used some old brick, some stove pipe, and bought one bag of cement to construct a brick brooder for his chickens at a cost of \$1.50. The brooder is giving excellent results, he says.

Lack Of Livestock On Farms Is Very Serious Handicap

The preponderance of the acreage to cash crops and the comparatively small amount of live stock grown in North Carolina constitutes the most serious handicap to a successful and permanent agriculture in the State.

"North Carolina has a land area of approximately 33,000,000 acres," says Dean Schaub, dean of agriculture at State College. "Eighteen million acres of this total are farm lands; however, only about seven million acres are planted to cultivated crops. The major acreage is to corn with about one-fourth of the cultivated farm land being in this crop. Then about 400,000 acres are planted to small grain; 500,000 to hay; 1,500,000 to cotton; 700,000 to tobacco; 120,000 to potatoes and about 40,000 to vegetables harvested for sale. This means that too much of our land is given over to the growth of the so-called cash crops."

Good farmers are demonstrating that feed and forage crops needed by livestock can be grown in all parts of the State and if North Carolina farmers will change their system of cropping so as to produce feed, then increase their poultry, hogs, sheep and cattle to a point where they may supply all family needs with some for market, they will see an improvement. This will aid in maintaining the fertility of the soil, will help to utilize the labor throughout the year, will provide a constant income and will bring about a better day in agriculture.

Dean Schaub says some are doing this but not enough. The strength of North Carolina lies in the soil and a fertile soil with livestock will bring about new conditions which will be favorable to all the people in the State, he believes.

L. M. Smith, dairyman of Wake County, reduced his grain feed by 200 pounds a day and cut out the use of beet pulp when he turned his herd of 50 cows on a pasture that was limed, fertilized and planted last fall.

A stout woman slipped on the icy top step of the stairway and rolled to the bottom carrying with her a small man who had been climbing up just behind her.

As the landing was reached, the little man waited a moment for action, then lifting her head as far as circumstances would permit, gasped: "You'll have to get off here, lady. This is as far as we go."

Martin County farmers have sold about 60,000 bushels of sweet potatoes cured in modern houses for a price of 50 to 75 cents a bushel this spring.

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