COUNTY AND FARM PAGE

COUNTY AGENT W. D. SMITH'S column

Nearly 95 per cent of the tobacco growers in Haywood county have already signed the Burley contract. Those who wish to sign contracts should do so at once. We will not have many more days in which to sign. It is a compliment to the farmers of Haywood county that they have acted so quickly and with the intelligence they have. It has been a wonderful spirit of cooperation. The great majority of people regard the contracts from a patriotic standpoint.

All township committees who possibly can do so should meet in the office of the County Agent at 11:00 a. m. Saturday. If it is not possible to be at this meeting come in the first opportunity.

There will be a meeting of the county agents of Western North Carolina in the court house in Waynesville about 10:00 a. m. on Wednesday, January 31. Any farmer in Haywood county interested in the corn and hog contracts should attend this meeting. Farmers from other counties will be here.

Cattle, Fruit and Truck Adapted To Haywood

By Frank H. Jeter.

Haywood generally is regarded as one of the leading agricultural counties of western North Carolina. Unfortunately, it has not had the benefit of an agricultural farm agent consistently during the years since 1911 when agricultural extension work was started at State College and Farm Bureaus, possibly, it has not made the strides in progressive farming practices that other counties have.

Potentially, however, it is an excellent farming section and should lead the western counties in its agricultural output.

As one loyal Haywood citizen says, the county was formed back in 1808 as a part of Buncombe county and was named for John Haywood. It is not only the county known for its mountain ranges and the height of its peaks but it is equally noted for the fertility of the soil in the valleys and coves. The mountain sides except on the summit of the peaks also are fertile and the foothills of the lower ranges lend themselves to the production of nearly the entire list of staple farm products.

The quality of its apples no one will dispute. Haywood county is a natural apple section and the writer has heard many times the statement that if the apple industry of Haywood county were developed it would now have a greater reputation than it has for the famous Hood River apples of the far northwest. The Haywood apples have little, if any, taste as compared with the Haywood apple.

Taking the statistics for the year of 1932 I find that there were 87,810 acres in the operated farms of the county. Of these 44,554 acres were cultivated by the owners and 4,835 acres by tenants. So the problem is not so much as in sections of the State. However, of the farming land 23,431 acres were allowed to lie idle. This was due to the low income of 1932.

The county had 56,256 acres of woodland cleared or pasture and 18,243 acres of good timber with trade trees on them.

Coming to crops, Haywood had an acreage of barley tobacco in 1932 where it produced only 653 pounds. But these acres made good money. Strange to say, the county grew 14 acres of cotton. It is interesting to know the yield of this cotton and who grew it. The cold statistics which I secured from the census statistician's office failed to give these interesting facts.

Haywood farmers grew 17,046 acres of corn in 1932; 1,961 acres of wheat; 3,161 acres of oats; 1,338 acres of rye; 9 acres of peanuts; 50 acres of barley and about the same acres in clovers, cowpeas and soybeans for seed and grain. In other words the county can and does grow most of the feed crops needed for man and beast. In addition the farmers harvest quite a bit of grass hay from the meadows and pasture lands.

The figures show that 1,791 acres of mixed hay were harvested in 1932 and 1,553 acres of clovers were grown for hay. Other grasses and hays were produced on 2,565 acres of land. Irish potatoes were grown on 1,339 acres; sweet potatoes on 82 acres and other truck crops on 161 acres. There were over 700 home gardens in the county adding to the home food supply.

When it comes to apple trees of bearing age, the figures show 131,882 trees. There were also 14,623 peach trees.

The farmers had about 394 breeding cows and sold or slaughtered 2,873 pigs. There are also 42,936 hens of laying age; about 5,000 milk cows and 1,726 bee colonies.

The tax assessors report 2,488 horses and 665 mules in the county. There are nearly 16,000 head of cattle and when the 5,000 milk cows are deducted, this means that there must be about 11,000 beef animals. There are also 6,535 sheep in the small farm flocks still maintained.

Just to recite these bare statistics does not mean much to a man who knows nothing about farming. I give them to show that while Haywood does not have an outstanding cash crop such as the western Carolina farmers know, still the Haywood farmer has all those things which will go to make a well-rounded and complete farm life. Grass will grow no better than in the rich mountain valleys of the county. The farmers have and have livestock. Given a fair height so to speak, and a little more experience in handling the animals for the market there is no reason why Haywood should not regain its lost prestige as a cattle county.

Better than all this, Haywood can grow late truck crops in its fertile coves. While the other parts of the State are blasted in the hot weather of late summer, those coves are cool and refreshing. Haywood should capitalize on the climatic condition that makes possible the production of such crops. However, as long as the fruit is sold as orchard run stuff to every huckster that comes along and goes out poorly prepared for sale the Haywood apple will never secure the proud position in the trade that it deserves.

It was in Haywood county that a young man starting in agricultural work I first learned about cow-pea hay. Up to that time I had thought that cow-peas were grown for the peas and that the vines were turned under as a fertilizer. I learned that cow-pea hay was a valuable feed for cattle and horses. Since that time I have learned that cow-peas are a valuable soil builder and that they will grow on land that will not produce a crop of corn.

Haywood has a wonderful opportunity. Its people are intelligent and progressive. Its location is ideal. Its markets are at the doors of its farmers. Its soil is fertile. Its climate is ideal. Its people are willing to work. Its farmers have the money to buy the things they need. Its banks are sound. Its merchants are progressive. Its newspapers are boosters. Its schools are good. Its churches are numerous. Its people are law-abiding. Its roads are good. Its tax rate is low. Its bonded indebtedness is small. Its water supply is unlimited. Its scenery is unsurpassed. Its summers are cool. Its winters are mild. Its people are hospitable. Its county seat is a beautiful town. Its citizens are proud of their county. Its county is a good place to live in. Its people are glad to welcome visitors. Its county is a good place to do business in. Its people are glad to welcome new citizens. Its county is a good place to raise children in. Its people are glad to welcome new citizens. Its county is a good place to do business in. Its people are glad to welcome visitors. Its county is a good place to live in.

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Committee Named For Federation Work In County

Members of the Haywood County standing committee of the Farmers Federation, Inc., were announced yesterday by James C. K. McClure, Jr., president and general manager of the cooperative. They are Glenn A. Boyd, R. T. Boyd, George Brown, Jim Boyd, J. B. Campbell, V. A. Campbell, Frank Davis, Z. C. Davis, P. C. Green, T. L. Gwyn, Joe Hargrove, J. B. Mann, Jr., H. G. Moore, D. Reeves Noland, H. A. Osborne, F. A. Reiger, Glenn C. Plumer, Harley Rees, E. B. Rickman, W. C. Russ, Clarke Smith, Glenn Tate, Ed Wells, and Harley Wright.

The committee will advise and help in the organizing of the Farmers Federation Inc., on a farmer-owned basis, such as it operates in Buncombe, Henderson, Polk, Rutherford, and Burke counties. Mr. McClure explained. In these counties the farmers are common stockholders in the Federation, and each owner of a share of common stock has one vote in the election of directors.

On February first the Haywood County Farmers Federation will be merged with the Farmers Federation, Inc., and the two farm supply warehouses at Waynesville and Canton will be operated as a part of the larger cooperative, which now operates ten other warehouses in five Western North Carolina counties as well as a marketing department for poultry and farm produce.

A plan to handle Haywood county certified seed potatoes has been worked out by county farm agent W. D. Smith in cooperation with the Farmers Federation Inc. Mr. Smith directed the growing and certification of these potatoes.

Timely Questions And Answers On Farm Problems

Question: What variety of lespedeza is best for hay production in North Carolina?

Answer: The Tennessee No. 76 variety is a specially good for hay as the growth is from 8 to 24 inches in heighth. Tip Kobe is another variety with a growth equal to the Tennessee but the stems and leaves are larger and coarser. For the best all-round variety the Common gives excellent results. This variety makes good yields of hay and reseeds itself in pasture much better than other varieties. The average hay production of the Common is 2,300 pounds an acre as compared with 2,800 pounds of the Tennessee 76 or Kobe varieties.

Question: What effect will the lespedeza roots have on a grower who hatches for his personal use and also hatches a few eggs for his neighbors?

Answer: The coin does not effect any person who hatches eggs from it, even luck but, if the hatching eggs are sought they would have to come from the cock as to weight. The same chance to the cock would also affect the grower who is comparatively neighbor by hatching a few eggs. The would, in all probability be eliminated as to color but long and the cock provided that all egg setting hatched must weigh not less than 2 ounces to the dozen. Strict supervision of the various point will be discussed at the Hatcherman's meeting in Sylva on January 22.

CURB MARKET SALES

Total sales on the Hendersonville, N. C., curb market for the months of July, August and September amounted to more than $12,000.

EATING PRESERVED EGGS

Cattaraugus county, N. Y., (Cattaraugus County) housewives are finding that eggs preserved by water glass last quite well when the product were selling for 50 cents a dozen and are selling fresh eggs at 28 cents a dozen.

As the tobacco and cotton reduction campaigns get further under way in North Carolina it becomes evident that those who do not cooperate will have a hard time disposing of such crops as they do produce this fall.

Hard grass would grow up, fall over and cover the succulent roots underneath so that grazing cattle could find plenty of green grazing in the heart of winter. I have never forgotten that information. Experienced cattle growers told me that they could maintain their cattle all winter on such grazing. Of course, the animals need shelter in extreme weather and need roughage and grain when they are being finished.

However, I make this point. Haywood is a natural cattle, fruit and truck country. It has every advantage of climate, soil and farm experience to develop these three great resources. If the people will work together cooperatively and with the new farm agent lately placed in the county, I feel sure that commendable progress will be made in developing these three income sources. The county is also adapted to dairying and there is no reason why a sound dairy industry should not be developed along with the beef cattle without harm to either and for the ultimate profit of all the people.

Grange Installs New Officials

(Contributed)

In an open meeting last Thursday night the installation of officers was carried out successfully by the Raccoon Grange. The making of this event since its beginning. A large crowd was present in which each one seemed to think it well carried out. Being only for the many setups thought the time of was extended.

We Grangers are not forgetting trying to win new members but we don't hope to satisfy the needs and wants of the present ones, although we would like to have others join us. If you should want to know something about the Grange or its members see any of the new officers who were installed last Thursday evening.

R. C. Francis Master; W. D. Smith, Overseer; Ethel Leopard Lecturer; Herman Francis, Steward; Eugene Francis Assistant Steward; C. C. Francis Chaplain; Rufus Ratcliff, Secretary; Arthur Francis Treasurer; Lois Leopard, Gate Keeper; Mrs. W. D. Smith, Ceres Grace; Oberna Ratcliff Pamona Grace; Louise Edwards Flora Grace; Ruth Ratcliff, Lady Assistant Steward, and Arthur Francis the Reporter.

Ninety-five per cent of the tobacco growers in Beaufort County have signed reduction contracts.

ATLANTA SUNDAY AMERICAN TO PUBLISH UNCENSORED WAR PICTURE

Atlanta Ga. The Atlanta Sunday American announces the publication in its next three issues of a series of uncensored photographs of scenes of the World War. There will be from three to five full pages of these war pictures in each issue.

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The first picture will appear in The Atlanta Sunday American dated Jan. 21st. Others follow in the issues of Jan. 28th and Feb. 4th. Order The Atlanta Sunday American through your local agent or ask for it at your newsstand or drug store dealer.

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Develop Pullet's Body Before Laying Begins Advised

The proper feeding of chickens during the period of early development is of vital importance in determining their future laying capacities, so tests at the Branch Station farms near Willard and Six Runs during the past five years have proved.

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Dearstyne makes further observation that too great an amount of protein in the food before the laying period is apt to start the pullet laying too soon. An excess of carbohydrates or a feed of cereal crops alone also are conducive to too early laying. A good feed should have the protein and carbohydrates well balanced.

A mash containing 14 per cent protein of which 4 per cent was animal protein fed along with the regular scratch feed was found to give the best results in the experiments conducted with Rhode Island reds and White Leghorns. Fed on this diet the birds reached sexual and physical maturity at approximately the same time.

FLIGHT TO U. S. COST ITALY OVER $625,000

ROME. A current report that the mass flight of Italo Balbo's airplanes under Balbo Ruffo to Chicago last summer cost Italy's millions of dollars was denied by General Armando Vaccari under secretary for air in a report to the chamber of deputies.

He announced that the total cost was 9,625,000 lire, which was contributed for advertising purposes.

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

NORTH CAROLINA,
HAYWOOD COUNTY.

UNDER AND BY VIRTUE of the power and authority contained in that certain deed of trust executed by Samuel Lee Howell and wife, Willie Rose Howell and Mrs. C. E. Howell, widow to the Raleigh Savings Bank and Trust Company, Trustee, which said deed of trust is dated March 1, 1927, and recorded in Book No. 20, page 22 of the Haywood County Registry, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured and in the conditions therein secured the undersigned Substituted Trustee, the instrument recorded in Book No. 20 page 00, Haywood County Registry, will on the 5th, day of January, 1934 at the Court House door in the town of Waynesville at 12 o'clock noon offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash the following described property:

BEGINNING on a rock in the proposed new Highway, a corner of the Methodist Parsonage lot and runs with the center of the proposed new Highway South 19 degs. 50 West 4.84 poles to a stake in the center of the proposed Highway; thence West 2.50 poles to a stake corner of house lot; thence S. 8 poles to a stake; thence West 8 poles to a stake in the present road; thence S. 7 degs. E. 11 poles to a stake in the road; thence West 36 poles to Jonathan's Creek, thence down the creek as follows: N. 76 degs. 30 E. 5 poles; N. 21 degs. 30 E. 4 poles; N. 84 degs. 15 E. 10 2-3 poles; N. 56 degs. E. 6 1-3 poles; N. 25 degs. 30 E. 11 poles; N. 20 degs. E. 10 poles; thence E. 9 poles to the center of the present road; thence N. 4 degs. E. 39 2-3 poles with the center of the road to a stake; thence East 12 poles to a stake, corner of the Methodist Parsonage lot; thence South 10¾ degs. E. 11½ poles to the BEGINNING containing 12.8 acres, more or less, and being all of the Samuel L. Howell home place and also being a part of the land conveyed to Samuel L. Howell by deed recorded in Book No. 20 page 22 and all of the land conveyed to Samuel L. Howell by deed recorded in Book No. 20 page 00, Haywood County Registry.

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