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NEW CORN-PRODUCTION RECORDS in Wilkes County, Georgia, have been set by two former Haywood County farmers; E. E. Morgan (left) and his son, Clyde. In their first year, they got a yield in excess of 100 bushels per acre.

Former Haywood Farmers Set Georgia Corn Record

Even when farming on "foreign" soil, Haywood countians have a knack of getting the most out of the land.

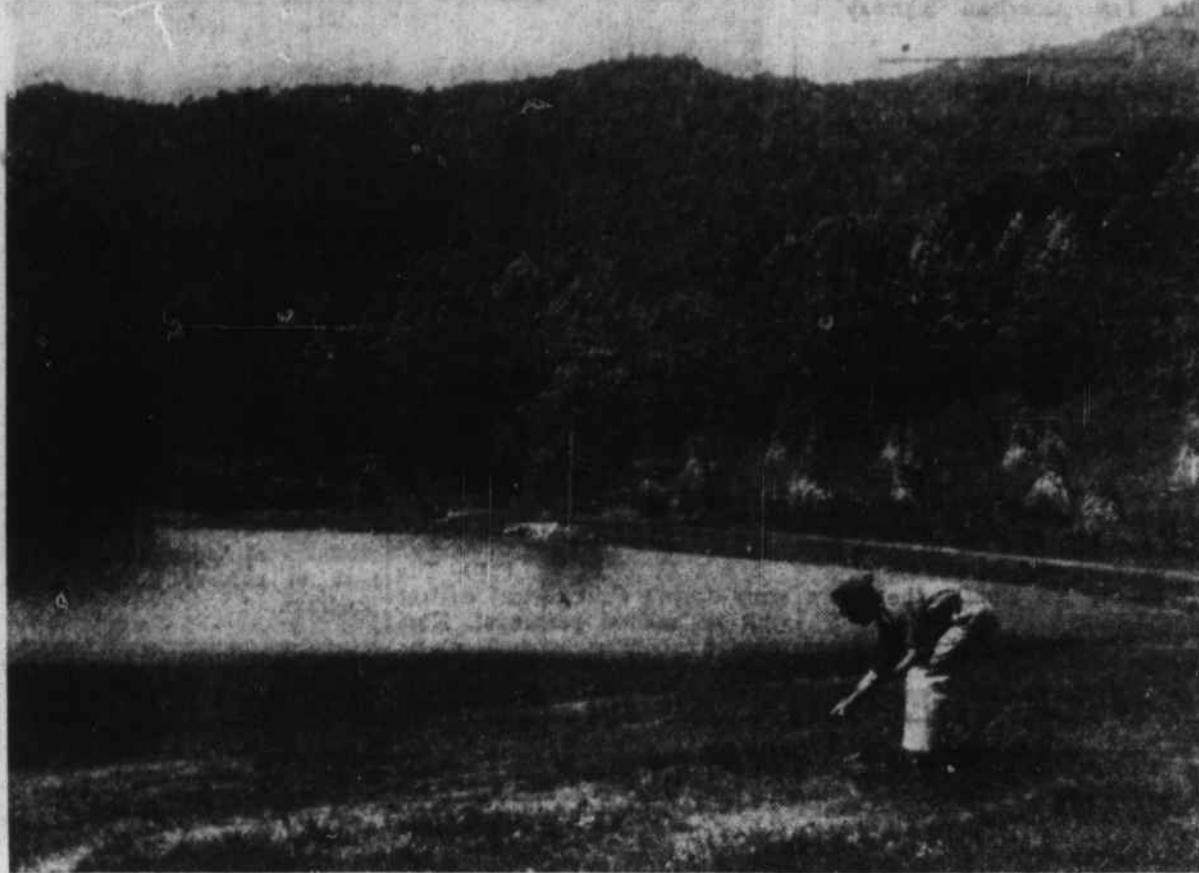
Taking their Tar Heel know-how to Georgia 22 months ago, E. E. Morgan and his son, Clyde, began farming and raising cattle in Wilkes County, Ga.

In their very first year, the Morgans raised an average of more than 100 bushels of corn per acre on land that native Georgians said would not support more than 50 bushels. Furthermore, their heavy yield was said to be an all-time record in corn production for the Georgia county. The corn reached as high as 18 feet, and grew to an average of 13 feet.

County Agent Allmon Carter attributed the Morgans' success to three factors: the "perfect" preparation of land before planting, fertilizing, and then "letting it alone and letting it grow," and, lastly, "the fact that the Morgans are fine farmers and not afraid of hard work."

During the first week in June the Morgans planted 20 acres of Pheister's hybrid corn, and fertilized with 400 pounds of 4-12-12 fertilizer per acre, with a side dressing of 200 pounds of ammonium nitrate. They cultivated their crop only once.

The Morgans also have one of the largest herds of dairy cattle in



YOUNG FESCUE GRASS sowed around the farm pond on the property of C. N. Leigh in Maggie Valley is inspected here by D. J. Boyd of Jonathan Creek, one of the three supervisors of the Haywood County Soil Conservation District, who

commented: "This is a very nice pond, Bream and bass fingerlings will be stocked here next year through the facilities of our district."

(Photo for The Mountaineer by Roy Beck).

Down On The Farm County Agent's Column

Tom Brummitt, a poultry farmer of the Fines Creek community, was recently elected chairman of the poultry Division by the County Program Projection group. Mr. Brummitt and other members of this committee believe that the poultry income of the county can be greatly increased within a few years, and have established as a goal a poultry income of \$1,000,000.00 for the county by 1966. This compares with present income of \$409,000.00 from poultry.

T. L. Moore, a farmer of the Fines Creek community, is exhibiting with pride this week a number of Texas White sweet potatoes. His large potatoes weigh better than four pounds each. However, he says that he secures a rather small number of this size potatoes per hill.

Julian Smathers of Clyde is

putting up a "Duke's Mixture" of silage this year. He has five acres of molasses cane that he is cutting and blowing into his trench silo after the juice has been pressed out for molasses. Along with this, he is adding an acre or two of corn. To be added to all this is another six acres of late soybeans.

Julian admits that he doesn't know what his beef cows are going to think of such a mixture.

"Some of the finest Burley tobacco that I have seen anywhere in the Burley belt," was the comment of Mr. Flack of the Tobacco Grading Service, USDA, at a recent series of tobacco stripping and sorting demonstrations in Haywood County. Mr. Flack cautioned burley growers in regard to stripping burley too early. He urged farmers to wait until the crop is thoroughly cured and contains no "fat stems" before stripping.

State College Answers Timely Farm Questions

QUESTION: Should house plants be watered by applying water on the top surface, or should it be allowed to soak up from below?

ANSWER: Either way. Preferably let it soak up from below. Place the pot in water until surface becomes moist, then remove. Another method is the "self watering" method. You need a container for the water, a wick to carry the water to the plant, and the potted plant. This works the same way

the Georgia county—with about 50 grown cows and 125 head of heifers and calves, mixed Guernseys, and Holsteins.

Another son of Mr. Morgan—Fread—is a farmer in the Fairview section of Haywood County near Hazelwood.

a lamp wick carries oil to the flame. Make the wick of burlap or cheesecloth. Place the wick through the drain hole and unravel about 1 1/2 inches. Place this on the bottom of the container and put in soil and the plant. Don't use cinders or gravel at the bottom. The wick must be in contact with the soil. Keep water in the container below the plant at all times.

QUESTION: What advantages result from artificially drying hay?

ANSWER: There are many advantages, but important among the reasons for artificially drying hay are: The leaves are not lost in the field, resulting in higher quality; Field exposure time is reduced, and losses due to weathering are reduced by getting the hay off the field sooner; Haymaking labor peaks are reduced and labor demands level off.

November 16 through 22 will be celebrated as National Farm-City Week.

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State's Producers Appear Pleased With Aromatic Leaf

"We've enjoyed working with this tobacco more than any other enterprise on the farm," say Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Barnett of Route 1, Moravian Falls.

R. H. Crouse, Extension agronomy specialist at North Carolina State College, says this Wilkes County farm family is well pleased with aromatic tobacco as a source of additional farm income.

Crouse says the Barnetts have received over \$500 from less than one-half acre of aromatic tobacco

proceeding largely on schedule, and it was reported that about 90 per cent of the crop had been picked by the end of the week.

this year. He adds that they have produced aromatic tobacco for the past two years, averaging over one dollar per pound for both crops.

The Barnetts have found aromatic tobacco to be a crop which anyone, without prior experience in tobacco production, can produce and market a good quality product the first year, simply by following Extension recommendations, states Crouse.

Crouse points out that Barnett, and many others, are now making preparation for their 1957 crop by preparing their land and getting necessary buildings and curing equipment ready during the winter months, Crouse states that it is ad-

visible to have a soil analysis made of each field where the tobacco is to be grown to help determine the fertilizer requirements. He says this is necessary because aromatic tobacco is very exacting in its fertilizer requirements. He advises growers to follow recommendations on individual fields rather than following too general recommendations.

If growers send in their soil samples now, adds Crouse, they will be able to get the analysis back from the Soil Testing Service before it is time to order fertilizer next spring.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture has reported the fixing of a single variety of common wheat, Chinese Spring, with resistance to 22 races of wheat rust for which it has been tested.

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