

Chinquapin Chats

By VIDA MILLOY

(Intended for Last Week)
Mrs. Ernest Easter of Baltimore, Md., recently spent a week end here with his family while away from his duties there.
Mr. Johnny Hollingsworth who has been a long standing semi-patient at Vet's Hospital in Durham was there again last week for observation, for a few days.
Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Sanderson of Wallace and mother, Mrs. Eula Sanderson were over at Richlands last

Sunday, visiting a sister and daughter, Mrs. Guy Rhodes who has been ill recently.

Mr. Frank Parker of Durham spent last week end at home with his family. Mr. Parker has been employed at Durham several months now.

Mrs. Mennie Stevens of Catherine Lake has been spending several weeks here with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Brinkley and family.
Mrs. V. Milloy and sister, Mrs. R. G. Rhodes of Richlands were last week end guests of Mrs. Lillie Sellers of Kinston who has been ill on the sick list recently, but doing nicely at present.

Mrs. Josephine Powell of Kenansville, recently fell in her home and seriously injured an ankle, and is hobbling about, it is reported, in a Clinton hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Sanderson, made a business trip to Wilmington and Greenville last week, and visiting friends.

Relatives here of Mrs. James A. Iversen, recently operated on in a Kinston hospital for a small growth, is glad to learn that she now is at home doing nicely.

Chinquapin now has a new cafe, opened last Saturday night, operated by Mr. and Mrs. Clyde and Ben Batts. Saturday night was officially opening night and it is said, a bang of a business was enjoyed by both operators and consumers, good luck new enterprise!

Little Patsy Maready, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Woodroe Maready of Mills Swamp Section was a recent guest of her cousins, Misses Kay and Thomasine Sanderson at the latter's home over the week end.

Mrs. Henry Williams who has been

ill is visiting her children recently in S.C.

News For Veterans

GI home loan application and appraisal activity showed a moderate seasonal decline in December, 1954 but still was more than double the rate for December, 1953, Veterans Administration reported.

VA received appraisal requests for 73,279 proposed and existing homes during December, 1954, which was a decline of 10,651 under November, 1954, but an increase of 122 per cent over the 32,958 received in December, 1953.

Of the 73,279 homes for which VA received appraisal requests last month, 44,251 were proposed homes, a decrease of 3,478 from November, 1954, and 29,028 were existing homes, 7,173 under the previous month.

VA received 82,171 home loan applications in December, a decrease of 4,963 under November, but an increase of 119 per cent over the 23,884 received in December, 1953.

WHAT VETS ARE ASKING

Q—Is there a charge made for filing a claim with the Veterans Administration for veterans or veterans dependents benefits? Where can such a claim be filed?

A—There is never a fee charged in connection with any type of claim made for any benefit administered by the Veterans Administration. The only VA office within a 50 mile radius is located in the Borden Building in Goldsboro. Your claim can be filed there.

Q—What are the features of the twenty payment life plan of National Service Life Insurance?

A—The 20-payment life policy provides insurance protection throughout the lifetime of the insured by the payment of a fixed premium for 20 years. At the end of the 20 year period premium payments cease, but the insurance continues in force and guaranteed values continue to accumulate. Also, such dividends as may be declared on a participating policy will be payable throughout the lifetime of the insured.

Q—Are there any circumstances under which a Korean veteran would not be entitled to make his one-and-only change of course under the Korean GI Bill training program?

A—Yes. If the veteran drops out of training because of his own misconduct, neglect or failure to apply himself to his studies, he would not be permitted to change to another course. In fact, he could be denied any further training.

Q—How much of a real-estate loan can be guaranteed?

A—Sixty per cent of a loan for the purchase or construction of a home may be guaranteed, up to a maximum of \$7,500, provided the veteran has not previously used any of his entitlement. However, if before April 20, 1950, a veteran obtained a guaranteed loan to buy or build a home, or if at any time he has used his entitlement for purposes other than obtaining a home,

Choose Right Nitrogen For The Job

Commercial nitrogen is mighty important in North Carolina agriculture today, according to E. R. Collins, in charge of agronomy extension at State College.

"Crop yields, except for legumes, are very closely tied in with the amount of nitrogen used," he emphasized.

Tar Heel farmers use about 114,000 tons of nitrogen annually. They could profitably use even more up to about 175,000 tons per year, he explained.

You can get your nitrogen from various sources, which vary in their nitrogen content. For example, nitrate of soda has 16 pounds of nitrogen per 100 pound bag, while anhydrous ammonia has 82 pounds of nitrogen per 100 pounds of material.

In selecting your nitrogen source for a particular job, one of the first things to consider is whether to use the ammonia or nitrate form. In general, the effectiveness of either seems to depend on the kind and age of the plant. Plants can use ammonia or nitrate nitrogen. Corn, cotton, and many other plants do equally well on either form.

Organic nitrogen, such as that found in cottonseed, meal, and urea must be changed to either ammonia or nitrate nitrogen before the plant can use it.

Regardless of the form used, the nitrate nitrogen will be present in the greatest amount for summer crops in well drained, warm soils. This is true because of the rapid change from ammonia to nitrate under those conditions.

For the same reason, you should be cautious in using sources containing all ammonia nitrogen for cool season crops unless you know the specific requirements for the crop, he continued. Ammonia changes to nitrate very slowly under cool, damp conditions.

All ammonia sources of nitrogen include sulfate of ammonia, and anhydrous ammonia. Nitrate of soda contains all nitrate nitrogen, while Calnitro, ANL and nitrogen Solution 60 have equal amounts of ammonia and nitrate nitrogen. Nitrogen Solution 5 is two-thirds ammonia and one-third nitrate nitrogen.

Some other things you will want to keep in mind in selecting your nitrogen sidressing or topdressing material will be the cost per pound of nitrogen, cost of application, time of application, the acidity or basicity, and the residue left after the nitrogen has been used by the plant.

You can find out the cost per pound of nitrogen by dividing the cost per 100 pounds by the per cent of nitrogen contained in the material. Collins pointed out.

Cost of application is mighty important, too. This is especially true when you are considering changing to liquid or anhydrous nitrogen sources. Can you handle the job with your present equipment? Will the savings in cost of material offset the cost of additional equipment? Or, can you get custom application at a reasonable price? These are some of the questions you need to

ask. The veteran has additional entitlement remaining for a loan to buy or build a home in the amount of the difference between the total guaranty previously used and \$7,500. Real-estate loans for farm or business purposes may be guaranteed 50 per cent up to \$4,000.

answer.

In some cases the time of application may be important. Some farmers like to preplant their nitrogen and save much-needed labor later on during the rush season. This practice will not work on sandy soils, Collins emphasized. If you should try preplanting, use the ammonia form of nitrogen, since it does not leach from the soil so readily. Make preplant applications six to 10 inches deep.

What is the acidity or basicity of the source? This will be important in some cases, depending on your soil condition and the crop. Collins explained that nitrate of soda tends to make the soil basic. Calnitro, ANL, and other 20.5 per cent ammonium nitrate-lime sources are considered neutral and have no permanent effect on soil acidity.

Ammonium nitrate, anhydrous Nitran 4, Februn, Urea and sulfate of ammonia are acid. One of these sources would be particularly desirable where overliming is a problem, Collins said.

Another thing to consider is the residue left in the soil after the nitrogen has been used. Nitrate of soda leaves sodium. This is known to substitute to some extent for potash, on low potash soils, for some crops, such as cotton. It is not known to do this for other crops, such as corn.

Ammonium nitrate, anhydrous ammonia and urea leave no residue. Calnitro and ANL leave the lime in the soil. Sulfate of ammonia leaves the sulfate.

Health For All

Life-Saving Trio
It started with a headache that wouldn't go away. The pretty little six-year-old girl lay in bed for days crying pitifully for relief from something she could not understand. Finally she lapsed into a semi-stupor, recognizing no one, moaning constantly.

"Tuberculous meningitis." These are tragic words. Less than 10 years ago when a doctor pronounced them they meant death. There was nothing to be done for this most serious type of TB which affects the covering of the brain.

Then came a drug, streptomycin, and in 1947 the survival rate went up to 25 per cent. Soon another drug with an even longer name, para-aminosalicylic acid (PAS), was added. In 1949 the survival rate climbed to 60 per cent. Then in 1952 came isoniazid. With all three in use, over 90 per cent of the victims of tuberculous meningitis live.

The pretty little six-year-old is one of those saved from death. It was touch-and-go for weeks, but the trio of drugs finally pulled her through. She can join her playmates now. She can go back to school.

In spite of the great progress that has been made, meningitis is still a most serious complication of pulmonary tuberculosis, one which frequently occurs in young children. The disease must be diagnosed early and treated promptly to save life and to prevent crippling, blindness, and retarded mental capacity which it sometimes leaves in its wake. The earlier treatment can be started, the better chance the patient has for complete recovery.

There is no need to be fearful whenever a child has a painful headache and nausea, but the doctor should be consulted. The symptoms are vague, and could indicate a number of childhood diseases. If there is any chance that the child has been exposed to TB, the doctor should be told so that he can make the necessary tests immediately.

A politician may be a very good talker, and still have an impediment in his thoughts. Opportunity has been known to meet a man half-way, but seldom travels in a jet plane.

26.35 Miles Of Roads Improved; 3 Structures In Third Division During Month Of December

Raleigh—The State Highway Commission completed 26.35 miles of road improvements and three structures in the Third Highway Division during December, Commissioner C. Helde Trask reported today.

Duplin, Sampson, Brunswick, New Hanover, Onslow, and Pender comprise the Third Highway Division. Division headquarters are in Wilmington. C. E. Brown is division engineer. R. V. Biberstein is assistant division engineer.

In Duplin, the Kelly Road was graded and drained for 0.8 mile. The road is 18 feet wide.

In Sampson, the old bridge on the Proctor Road was improved by removing one span and replacing it with two 60-foot metal culverts. The roadway over the culvert is 36 feet wide. A bridge on the Williams Mill Road was removed and replaced with a 50 foot concrete spillway. The Williams Mill Road was soil surfaced for 0.7 mile. Wiggins Road for 1.5 miles and Crumpler Mill Road for 4.2 miles were drained and graded, 24 feet wide. Hudson Road was graded and drained, 22 feet wide. The Leon Best Road was soil surfaced, 24 feet wide, for 2.1 miles. The Proctor Road was soil surfaced, 22 feet wide, for 2.3 miles. All the work on the above roads was done by State highway forces.

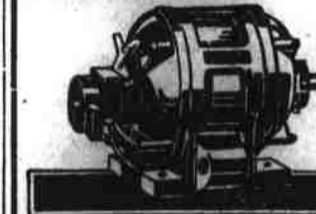
In Brunswick, contractor forces laid bituminous concrete, 22 feet wide, from Maco for 2.1 miles to Northwest. State forces changed a 0.2 mile location of the Malmo Road and built a new bridge. The Malmo Road is 24 feet wide.

In Onslow County, State highway forces paved the following 18-foot wide roads, and their lengths: George Lewis Road, 0.7 mile; Swan Point Road, 0.8 mile; Jimmy Lewis Road, 0.6 mile; Ben Mills Road, one mile; Walton Road, 2.7 miles; Deer Island Road, 0.7 mile; Belgrade Cut-off Road, 0.35 mile; and Kellum Loop Road, 3.8 miles.

Observe Signs And Save Lives Says Bill Crowell

By BILL CROWELL
Raleigh—"If all drivers strictly observed traffic signs, signals and markings North Carolina's traffic rate might be cut in half." This prediction, made this week by Major C. A. Speed, director of

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5. Disregarding stop sign.
6. Disregarding signal or officer.

"Proper observance of 'Signs of Life' will do much to cut North Carolina's traffic death toll," the major said.

He also reminded motorists that speed too fast for conditions, a violation in itself, can destroy the protection offered by signs.

"If the driver is going too fast to see them, they won't help him of course," he explained. "Also, though the speeding driver may save them, he sometimes is going so fast that he does not have time to follow their warnings."

One of the best pieces of safety advice the Tar Heel motorist can get is contained in the slogan of the National Safety Council's "Signs of Life—Know Them, Obey Them!"

The woman who knows her husband like a book is seldom satisfied with the knowledge. "Also, though the speeding driver may save them, he sometimes is going so fast that he does not have time to follow their warnings."

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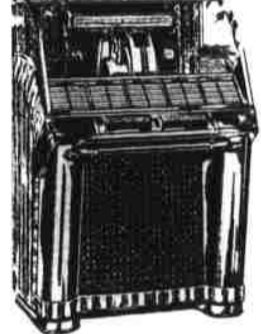
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