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Farmers Warned Against Poisonous Gas in Newly Filled Silos; Disease Found From Breathing Silo Fumes

At silo-filling time, farmers should watch out for a poisonous gas - nitrogen dioxide - that may form in fresh silage, the U. S. Department of Agriculture advises.

This gas causes "silo-filler's disease," a recently discovered hazard to farmers and their families and to livestock. Articles on the disease have appeared in the farm press during the past summer and fall. The Department emphasizes the importance of farmers knowing about the disease and ways to guard against it before another silo-filling season begins.

Symptoms of silo-filler's disease are severe coughing and burning or choking pains in the throat and chest. After awhile the pains disappear, leaving the exposed person free of discomfort for 5 to 12 hours. But then severe illness can strike, due to lung irritation caused by the gas.

The disease may attack just as

you enter a partly filled silo, or while filling is in progress. If you get the symptoms, see a physician promptly.

The University of Minnesota Medical School has reported 4 cases of persons who became seriously ill immediately after inhaling irritating fumes in silos or silo chutes. In each case, the person entered the silo less than 48 hours after filling began. Two of these people died.

Other cases of illness under similar circumstances have been reported from Missouri. Researchers at the University of Wisconsin have found that harmful amounts of nitrogen often collect at the bottom of the silo chute in lower silos.

Recognizing the hazard from this gas, USDA's Agricultural Research Service points out that by observing proper precautions, farmers can avoid nitrogen dioxide injury in

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Attention Farmers

Farmers who have excess tobacco acreage may dispose of their excess and be eligible for price support providing he comes to the county ASC office within 10 days from the date of the acreage notice. If a farmer harvests tobacco from the excess before receiving his notice or harvests the excess after he receives his notice, he will still be eligible for price support. This is done by disposing of the excess both in the field and from the pack house.

Last week an article in this paper had this provision of the regulation confused. A farmer will be eligible for price support if he disposes of the excess providing a deposit is made with the ASC office within 10 days after the date of the notice.

Farm Bureau Takes Stand On Mix-Up In Tobacco Seed; Proposed Plan Is Released

Stanley Matthews Killed In Auto Wreck Tuesday Afternoon; Duplin's 4th Fatality

Stanley Edison Matthews, 56, of Turkey, was killed almost instantly Tuesday afternoon around 12:45 when he apparently went to sleep while driving and his car left the road and ran head-on into a tree.

Highway Patrolman Willie Rogers said investigation reveals that Matthews was traveling around 25 miles per hour at the time of the accident at Beasley's Mill, three miles west of Magnolia on a rural dirt road.

Earl Beasley said he saw Matthews when he passed his house and that everything was apparently all right. J. W. Elston, route 4, Wallace, was the first on the scene after the accident. The horn was blowing and he detached the wires before looking at Matthews.

Elston said Matthews was leaning to one side meaning that he never spoke a word before dying.

Patrolman Rogers said the steering wheel of the car was bent down and that the steering post knocked a hole in Matthews' chest about the size of a man's fist just right of the center of his chest.

There was no evidence of brakes being applied before the crash. He was driving a 1949 Chevrolet.

Matthews represents Duplin County's fourth highway fatality this year.

County Coroner Garland Kennedy ruled that death was unavoidable.

Assisting Patrolman with the investigation was Patrolman T. A. Bryan. Also at the scene of the accident were Sheriff Ralph Miller, and Chief Deputy Norwood Boone.

Delinquent Men Urged To Make Report To Draft Board Right Away

Two men were inducted into the Armed Forces from Duplin County in July 1957. They were Oscar Junior Hardison, and Joe Lewis Miller.

The August induction is for 7 men to be delivered on August 22, 1957. Ten registrants will be forwarded for physical examination on August 29, 1957.

The registrants listed below are now delinquent with the local board. These men should get in touch with the office of the local board and make every effort to remove their delinquency or they will be subject to immediate induction. Anyone knowing the whereabouts of anyone named here should contact the office of the local board and furnish such information.

Ernest Stanford Simmons, Gerald Smith, Major McKinsey Stallings, Charlie Birk Davenport, Wendell Boney and Delmos Ray Foot.

Leroy Simmons Takes Lead To Help Farmers That Are Affected



LEROY SIMMONS

An investigation of the mix-up in tobacco seed planted in North Carolina involving varieties 711 and 244 was initiated on July 18 by the board of directors of the North Carolina Farm Bureau Federation, according to Federation President, Randolph Eagles of Maclefield.

The board action is an effort to determine who is responsible for the sale of mixed seed resulting in growers unintentionally planting variety 244. This variety has been classified as undesirable and will be supported at 50 per cent of the normal support rate.

This action by the Farm Bureau was brought about when Leroy Simmons, president of the Duplin County Farm Bureau brought to the attention of the State Farm Bureau Board of Directors the conditions now existing.

The program as proposed by the Farm Bureau would lessen the penalty on farmers who planted the 244 variety unintentionally. But, at the same time, the Farm Bureau feels that the farmer who planted a desirable variety of tobacco must pay the complete penalty.

While a study group is being set up by Eagles, Farm Bureau leaders are working with USDA officials and representatives of other tobacco growers to devise a plan of offering some degree of relief to growers innocently caught in the mix-up.

In a meeting held in Phoenix, N. C., on July 23 Farm Bureau leaders from North Carolina and other states met with USDA representatives including Joe Williams, director of the Tobacco Division and Charles Miller, director of the Commodity Stabilization Service, to work out a plan permitting innocently involved growers to sell their mixed leaf at the best possible advantage. Officials of Tobacco Stabilization met with the group and offered their support for a workable plan.

Several plans were discussed but one which received support from all sides would call for notation as to the percentage of undesirable leaf contained in each individual crop. This leaf would go into regular market channels. If the mixed leaf is not purchased at prices above support rates, it would be placed in stabilization storage and offered for sale shortly after regular markets close.

This would permit stabilization to grade and class the mixed tobacco according to the percentage of undesirable leaf and place it in a special pool. It is felt that such an arrangement could mean higher prices for lots containing small percentages of undesirable varieties.

Any increase above support rates received by stabilization would be passed on to the growers having leaf in the special pool after deduction of handling charges. This would be accomplished by paying growers a special dividend reflecting any price advantage received.

Further announcements on the details of the plan will be announced after the proposal and others have been checked for legality by the USDA and other agencies concerned.

This proposal would provide a degree of relief to all growers who unintentionally planted undesirable varieties of tobacco seed by placing their tobacco into a special pool. While it would not insure prices to be received by farmers it would place their tobacco in a position where it could be sold at the best possible advantage.

To take part in such a program each grower would be required to offer proof to his county ASC committee that he planted the undesirable varieties unintentionally.

Farm Bureau leaders and other interested in the flu-e-cured tobacco industry also express alarm at recent attempts to discredit the tobacco industry. There is some feeling that there is an organized force behind recent moves, because they came just as tobacco markets were beginning to open.

Now is no time for internal fighting, they say, but time for growers to get together and solve their problems through an organized program.

Poultry is North Carolina's No. 2 farm income producer, after tobacco.

North Carolina has the largest number of 4-H Club members of any state in the nation.

Whiteville Tobacco Market Opens Tuesday, July 30

Tension has been on a steady increase among both farmers and other business men since the first chant of the Auctioneer on markets to the south of us; however, we can now relax because sales will start on the Whiteville Market promptly at 9 o'clock on Tuesday, July 30th. Growers are rapidly finishing their harvest, and one can almost feel the blood pressure rising in the area as opening day approaches. Main concern among growers and merchants is "What will the price be for this year's crop?" Indications are that the price will be good especially for those of our farmers who have open contracts on both the 1956 and 1957 crops.

The Whiteville market is the largest and most important in the tobacco producing states. In fact, it is the largest three sale market in the entire country.

Farmers like Whiteville because of the friendly atmosphere exercised by every person connected with the sale of leaf tobacco. Buying companies like Whiteville because of the availability of quality tobacco marketed in an orderly fashion. We invite all farmers to take advantage of this combination. 34 giant warehouses, three sets of buyers, 12 daily sales, all in Whiteville, the Border City leader in PRICE AND SERVICE. \$200,000,000 worth of leaf tobacco, 4,000 bales sold daily.

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Final Wheat Referendum Results Given

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Soil Bank Requirements Still In Effect

Many Duplin farmers will receive payment under their 1957 Soil Bank contracts. Samuel T. Brown, Jr., Duplin ASC office manager, issued a reminder to county farmers that the harvesting of grain from designated acreage is still not permitted.

The fact that payment has been or will be received under the contract does not mean that the contract has expired, he said. Contracts under the Soil Bank Acreage Reserve will be in force through December 31, 1957.

Under the Conservation Reserve phase of the Soil Bank Program the producer agrees during the entire contract period to: (1) keep the designated acreage in the approved practice (2) harvest no crop from the designated acreage except timber under good forest management or wildlife (3) permit no grazing on designated acreage (4) Control noxious weeds on designated land (5) comply with all acreage allotments except wheat allotments of less than 15 acres permitted or peanuts less than one acre.

Under the AR phase of the Soil Bank Program the producer agrees during the entire contract year to: (1) harvest no crop from the designated acreage (2) permit no grazing (3) control noxious weeds on the land (4) comply with all allotments (The same as required under the Conservation Reserve except that a wheat allotment may not be overlapped when wheat is being placed in the Reserve.)

Violations of terms of a soil bank contract during any part of the contract year will necessitate a refund by the producer of the amount paid plus 6 per cent interest. A civil penalty of 50 per cent of the payment may be applied where the violation is found to be willful.

According to Brown, ASC field representatives will again check farms participating in the Soil Bank before the end of the contract year to determine if the regulations of the Soil Bank Act have been carried out.

Briefs

TELEPHONE NUMBER
In this issue you will find the opening announcement of the New Clarkson Warehouse. The management announces that any farmer may call them collect, telephone 3381 for reservations or information on tobacco sales.

WEST REUNION
The annual West Reunion of the Y. B. and Jane Duncan West families will be held on Sunday August 4 at Sampson Memorial Roadside Park, Taylor's Bridge in Sampson County. All descendants are urged to attend and bring a picnic lunch.

BABIES BORN DUPLIN GENERAL
From July 11 to July 18 the following births were recorded at Duplin General Hospital, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bertice Quinn, Magnolia, a girl, July 17; Mr. and Mrs. John M. Williams, Kenansville, a girl July 16; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Earl Smith, Deep Run, a boy July 15; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Richard Williams, Kenansville, a girl July 13; Mr. and Mrs. David Leon Thornton, Mt. Olive, a boy July 12; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lee Taylor, Faison, a boy July 12 and Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Brinson, Warsaw, a girl July 11.

During the past week the following births were recorded at Duplin General Hospital, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Collins, Faison, a boy, July 19; Mr. and Mrs. Altair Brinson, Warsaw, a boy, July 20; Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Ward, Rose Hill, a boy, July 22; Mr. and Mrs. Albert Sholar, Warsaw, a boy, July 22; Mr. and Mrs. Martin Allen Brown, Mt. Olive, a girl, July 22 and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Thompson Jr., Clinton, a boy July 22.

Attention Motorists

You are advised from the State Highway Patrol that there is an unmarked patrol car on the highways in Duplin County every day. That car could be moving out of Wallace, Rose Hill, Magnolia, Warsaw, Faison, Kenansville or Beaufort.

Patrolmen don't want to catch you for speeding. Go slow and don't get caught. Their job is not to arrest but to prevent wrecks.

We have in our county some of the finest Patrolmen in North Carolina. They do not want to arrest you but to protect you. Let's all cooperate.

Tri-County REA Members Read Light Meters

Tri-County Electric Membership Corporation serving Wayne, Duplin, and Lenoir Counties, has recently evaluated the savings made due to its members reading their own electric meters.

According to Bob Holmes, the co-op's bookkeeper, over 90 per cent of Tri-County's members read their meters accurately and mailed the result of the co-op's office before

Contracts Awarded Here Today For County Building Projects

Bids were opened and contracts awarded today for two county projects, that of enlarging the Duplin County Agriculture Building and construction of the Negro County Agents office.

Construction of the two projects was awarded Godwin Building Company, for a bid of \$18,000.00.

H. C. Cooke of Calypso received the electrical contract for both jobs.

Officers And Committee Members For Warsaw Rotary Club Named For '57-'58

Elected officers: D. J. Rivenbark, Jr., President; J. Ed Strickland, Vice - President; Norman H. Flowers, Secretary and Treasurer; and Directors Mett B. Ausley, A. Mitchell Britt, Rivers D. Johnson, Jr., Milford Quinn, Eugene C. Thompson. These officers make up the Board of Directors.

Club Service Committee: Mett B. Ausley, Director and Chairman; B. C. Sheffield, Attendance; R. E. Wall and Paul B. Potter, Classification; Wm. Y. Vann and J. F. Strickland, Fellowship; Otto S. Matthews, Rotary Magazine; Lee E. Brown and Robert L. West, Membership; Wm. P. Lee and Otto S. Matthews, Program; N. H. Flowers, Public Information; Paul B. Potter and W. B. Gooding, Rotary Information; John N. Fonville, Sergeant - at - Arms.

Vocational Service Committee: Milford Quinn, Director and Chairman; Sidney Apple, Buyer - Seller Relations; J. J. Armstrong, Competitor Relations; Richard Cavanaugh, Employer - Employee Relations; James A. Cavanaugh, Four-Way-Test; Hopston Smith, Occupational Information; W. B. Gooding, Trade Association.

Annual Awards Presented By Warsaw Rotary Club; Cavanaugh Is Honored

At its meeting on Thursday, July 18th, the Warsaw Rotary Club presented the annual awards for outstanding service and for attendance. The Rotary year extends from the first day of July of one year to the thirtieth day of June of the next year. The awards presented were for the year of 1956-1957.

The service award is given to the Rotarian who has been voted the "Rotarian of the Year" by his fellow Rotarians because of outstanding, "unselfish" service to his community. It personifies the Rotary Ideal of "Service Above Self." A silver loving cup was presented by Earl Wall, its donor to James A. Cavanaugh. The recipient of the recognition and cup holds them for one year. James A. Cavanaugh is an employee of A. J. Jenkins and Son Construction Company. He was honored for his outstanding social work in Warsaw and the surrounding area. He is married and has one son.

The attendance award, a silver loving cup was presented by the Attendance Chairman, B. C. Sheffield, to Dr. Otto S. Matthews who had made a 100 per cent attendance record for the past year. In making his perfect attendance Dr. Matthews had attended Rotary Clubs in several other towns and cities both in North Carolina and other states. Other members of Warsaw Rotary Club who made perfect attendance records for the past year were: Julien J. Armstrong and Norman H. Flowers. Dr. Matthews is married to the former Joyce Carroll of Warsaw and has one son, Jeffrey. He is the owner and medical doctor of Matthews Clinic in Warsaw.

Pictured are members of the recreation group who attended Kiddle Time, T. V. Show on Channel 6, W.M.F.D., Wilmington, last week. Reading left to right: Back row; Johnny Hester, Carol Pate, Polly Brinson, Alice Brown, Brenda Brown, Mickey Chesney, Jackie Nethercott, Charles Ingram, Sue Thigpen, Lucy Blake, Rudy Hasty, Joan Cavanaugh and Hiram Brinson. Middle row: Robert Chesney, Allan Sencer, Kay Bell, Gayle Murphy, Linda

Willis, Jane Brinson, Kay Thigpen, Joyce Hester, Anita Williamson, Cynthia Kretsch, Barbara Williamson and Wayne Brown. Front row; Patty Ann Willis, Randy Hall, Gail Nicholson, Rebecca Oakley, Nancy Stephens, Jane Rivenbark, Billy Craft, Jerry Pate, Doc Brinson, Woody Brinson and Carroll Hall. Stars of the show, Honey Bunny and Mrs. Kathrine Godwin.

PATIENTS REGISTERED

The following are patients who are registered at Duplin General Hospital, Richard Wellington Best, Wilmington; Griddle Bradley, Baltimore, Md.; Thadious Hix Bradshaw, Rose Hill; Elworth Ramon Branch, Warsaw; Norma Lanier Braswell, Kenansville; Arnold Brinson, Warsaw; Millie A. Brown, Mt. Olive; Cary W. Carter, Pink Hill; Hattie Jane Dobson, Magnolia; Mildred Lewis Gooding, Trenton; Louise Hardison, Wallace; C. Virginia Henderson, Hampstead; Ellen Johnson, Willard; Agnes Guy Jordan, New Bern; Jacob W. Kissner, Magnolia; Marzelle Blount Loftin, Bowden; Robert Joe Mathis, Warsaw; Roscoe Mathews, Jr., Garland; Malliea Newkirk, Magnolia; Robert Donald Phillips, Kenansville; Ada Raynor, Chincupina; Ernestine A. Sholar, Warsaw; Maggie A. Smith, Pink Hill; Vera Scott Smith, Faison; Hobe Vann, Warsaw and Mollie M. Ward, Rose Hill.