

Speed Contacts With Our Navy Man in Pacific

Got a boy in the Pacific? If you have, here's some news of interest to you about getting mail to him. The Navy mail service suggests:

1. Since newspapers will be months old before they arrive (Okinawa is 5,280 miles from Fleet Post Office, San Francisco), families should clip items of news interest and enclose them in letter mail, rather than send the whole newspaper.
2. If a man is "guessed" to be in an invasion area, his family and friends should wait for sometime before sending any parcel post packages. And, if he is known to be in the far Pacific, packages with food or perishables should not be sent at all.
3. Send photographs, snapshots and newspaper items to your Bluejacket over seas, and send them in first class mail. Enclosures cannot be sent in V-Mail letters.
4. Use V-Mail as often as possible. Write short, frequent letters. Remember V-Mail has air priority over all other classes of mail in an effort to increase the volume.

One Penny Returns \$2.77 With Peanuts

Since it costs only about 10 cents an acre to treat peanut seed before planting to obtain better stands, no farmer can afford to overlook treating his seed with one of the several materials now available, says Howard Garriss, Extension plant pathologist at State College.

While the returns from seed treatment will vary from field to field and farm to farm, this practice has proven itself to be an excellent insurance leading to larger yields.

One of the largest gains reported to Garriss last year came from the farm of J. J. Matthews in Gates County. The per-acre yield without the seed treatment was 14 bags, while the acre with treatment gave a yield of 17 2/3 bags. The ten cents invested in seed treatment gave a return of 330 pounds of peanuts, worth \$27.70.

Another good method for increasing peanut yields is the dusting of the crop with copper-sulphur or sulphur dust to control leafspot diseases. Not only does this practice give increased yields of nuts but it also increases the amount of hay and gives hay of better quality. Under average conditions the extra hay pays for the cost of the dusting and the extra nuts are clear profit.

Garriss suggests that growers immediately order their dusting equipment and not wait until it is needed this summer. Some growers had their crops dusted by airplane last year but it is not known whether this service will be available during the coming season.

"Release Cutting" For Farm Woodland

"Release cutting" is important in many instances to get the best growth of timber, says H. E. Blanchard, farm forester of the State College Extension Service at Whiteville. On most of the cutover land there is a residue of undesirable trees. These trees are usually badly diseased or of such poor form that the sawmill could not use them. These worthless trees have furnished the seed for the present stand of trees with the better trees coming in gradually and usually underneath the undesirable trees.

"The only way to release the good trees is to kill those you don't want for crop time," Blanchard says.

This killing can be done by cutting the smaller and girdling the larger trees. Of course, any of these that are to be removed should be utilized as fire wood or in some other way. Large bushy topped trees often take up enough land for 10 good trees. If

WALSTONBURG NEWS

Mrs. C. T. Hicks, Mrs. I. J. Rouse and Betty Sue Hicks were Goldsboro visitors, Monday.

Pvt. Ed. Shirley, of Camp Meade, Md., spent the week end here with his family.

Misses Ola Grace Gardner, Frances Moore Dixon and Frances Shirley visited relatives in Raleigh during the week end.

Miss Evelyn Cobb spent the week end with friends at Chocod.

Miss Eunice Parkers of the local school faculty, spent the week end at her home in Woodland.

Miss Virginia Page Davis spent the week end at her home in Milwaukee.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Bailey and Misses Marjorie Dean Garris, Lucille White and Grace Draughan attended the May Day exercises at E.C.T.C., Saturday.

Henry Dempsey, of Raleigh, visited friends at the teacherage Sunday.

Miss Hilda Corwin was the guest of her sister, Miss Dorothy Corwin in Winterville during the week end.

Carl T. Hicks left Monday night to attend a Farm Bureau meeting in Washington, D. C., this week.

Misses Evelyn Cobb and Annie Sue Hunsucker were Kenly visitors, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jason Shirley and children visited relatives near Wilson, Sunday.

Mrs. Herbert Garris has returned to her home in Phoebus, Va., after a few weeks visit with her father, R. D. H. Gay.

Mrs. Edward Hardy spent the week end here with relatives.

Misses Evelyn Cobb and Page Davis were Elm City visitors, Monday.

Miss Mary Louise Ott spent the week end at her home in Raleigh.

Miss Sara Griffin spent the week end at her home in Lynchburg, S. C.

Members of the Men's Club entertained their wives and the school faculty at a barbecue supper Tuesday night. B. L. Davis, as program leader, conducted a musical contest.

These big trees are deadened, they will soon die and good trees will take their places.

Another form of release cutting is the destruction of vines that may destroy an otherwise valuable tree. This can usually be done by cutting the vines near the roots.

"One farmer keeps his woods vine-free by merely carrying a bush axe every time he goes into his woodland," Blanchard explains. "If he sees a vine climbing a tree, he cuts it. The result was that in the hour I spent in his woods, I saw no vines that were damaging trees although an adjoining area was almost a jungle. This farmer is growing a crop of valuable trees. The adjoining owner was growing a crop of rattle snakes and brush."

You hire a secretary expecting her to do most of your work but too often she turns out to be just another duster, picker-upper, and arranger.

Producers' selling prices have been advanced about 1 1/4 cents a pound to encourage farmers to produce more young chickens this summer. The increase will be effective from July 1 through December.

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Farm Clean-Up Week Will Pay Dividends

Livestock growers in North Carolina can do no better job at this time than declare a spring clean-up week, says Dr. C. D. Grinnells, Agricultural Experiment Station veterinarian at State College.

A thorough cleaning of the barnyards and livestock quarters to eliminate parasites and disease hazards is one of the best methods of decreasing production costs and increasing the meat supply at a time when it is so vitally needed in the war effort.

Grinnells suggests that all buildings where young animals are to be born or housed be thoroughly disinfected. Clean up yards or lots that may harbor parasites and disease germs. Drain yards where water stands and fence off those areas that can not be properly drained. Such places are ideal breeding spots for germs.

Old straw stacks may harbor worms, parasites, and disease. Manure is a prolific source of parasites. Pick up nails, glass, and other sharp objects that animals may swallow with fatal result.

One of the best methods of keeping animals healthy and thrifty is to put them on a clean pasture or a good temporary grazing crop.

"As you drive down the road, pick

out the spots where a good grazing crop of about three bushels of small grain and 20 pounds of ryegrass per acre, well fertilized and planted about September 1, should now be giving wonderful grazing and excellent disease protection," Grinnells says. "For every grazing crop that you see, you will find hundreds of fields that should now be furnishing grazing. Get your children to join with you in picking out just the right spots for grazing crops between home and town, and make a game of it. Don't forget to seed such a plot this summer and another this fall."

Twelve to fifteen tomato plants per person are needed to furnish fresh tomatoes and some extra for canning.

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