

College Offering Special Training

The State College Agricultural Extension Service will offer a course to train technicians to serve county artificial breeding associations, March 7-12, according to T. C. Blalock, dairy specialist.

Blalock said breeding associations are continually having openings for technicians; in many cases they haven't been able to find trained men within the state. Men interested in taking the training should contact their county agent for details.

Blalock said associations that have only one technician would do well to send a man to the course. "Every association needs at least one trained assistant who can fill in occasionally for the regular instructor," he said.

More Research on Insects Is Needed

Despite new insecticides and improved control methods, cotton growers are little better than holding their own against insect pests, according to K. P. Ewing, who is in charge of cotton insect research for the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Ewing believes real and neces-



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Sarah Anne's COOKING CLASS

Sticky Rolls

- 2 potatoes cooked and mashed
- 1 yeast cake or 1 package yeast softened in a little warm water
- 2 cups flour
- 1 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup butter or margarine
- 2 eggs well beaten
- Raisins
- Nuts
- Chopped citron

Add yeast to almost cool potatoes. Mix well and allow to stand overnight. In the morning add flour and let rise 1 hour. Then add sugar, butter and eggs. Knead in enough additional flour to make dough not quite as stiff as for

sary progress against these cotton enemies can come only through expanded research. Pointing out that 10 years ago, it was estimated that cotton insects were destroying one in every seven bales of cotton produced. This loss estimate is still one bale in seven.

bread. Let rise 1 hour. Roll out the dough fairly thin, spread with softened butter, sprinkle with raisins, nuts and citron. Roll into a roll. Cut off pieces about 3 inches long and sprinkle with brown sugar. Bake in an oven 400 degrees for 5 minutes then reduce heat to 350 degrees and cook 15 minutes.

Fruit Salad Plate

- Lettuce
- Pineapple slices
- Cottage cheese
- Whole sections of oranges
- Whole sections of grapefruit
- Seedless grapes
- Cherries
- Melon balls
- Ripe olives
- Celery hearts
- Mayonnaise
- Fruit salad dressing

Arrange a large lettuce cup on each serving plate. Add a pineapple slice and top with cottage cheese. Alternate sections of oranges and grapefruit, slightly overlapping the cheese mound. Add 2 clusters of grapes, cherries and melon balls. Garnish each plate with a ripe olive and celery. Pass mayonnaise and the clear fruit dressing.

Charlotte Russe

- 7 egg whites
- 1 pint cream whipped
- 1 cup sugar
- 2 tablespoons unflavored gelatin
- 1/2 cup milk
- Lady fingers
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/2 teaspoon almond extract

Beat egg whites stiff and add to the whipped cream which has been sweetened with the cup of sugar. Soften gelatin in the milk. Place in a pan of hot water until dissolved. Add slowly to the cream mixture. Add flavoring. Line mold with lady fingers, pour in half of mixture, then a layer of lady fingers. Pour in the rest of mixture. Chill. This dessert may be made any color by adding vegetable coloring.

CARD OF THANKS

The family of the late Floyd B. Bowden wishes to extend sincere thanks and appreciation to neighbors, doctors and friends who were so kind and thoughtful during the long illness and death of their husband and father. May God bless each of you.—Mrs. Lilly Bowden and Family. 1tp.

Woodpecker Good Bird For Trees

Possibly one of the best known of all orchard, street-tree, feeding station birds is the downy woodpecker, a smaller relative of our subject — the hairy woodpecker. When one remembers that hair is longer than down, it is easy to remember that the hairy woodpecker is longer than the downy woodpecker. A hairy woodpecker may be to 10 1/2 inches long while a downy is only about seven inches long.

Both are essentially black and white birds. Each has white outer tail feathers though those of the downy may be faintly barred or marked with black spots while those of the hairy lack such markings. In each of these birds the male differs conspicuously from the female by having a red spot at the back of the head or the nape but the matter of size should ordinarily be enough of a character to establish the proper identity.

Hairy woodpeckers like their relatives are for the most part bark gleaners. They do not ordinarily seek ants on the ground as do the flickers nor do they ordinarily pursue insects in flight as do the red headed woodpeckers. Instead they attend strictly to business and that business is the removal of insects in the bark and dead wood of trees. They have neither the vigor nor the implements with which to compete successfully with the pi-



HAIRY WOODPECKER

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leated woodpeckers in this connection but they do their best and they are to be found where the larger pileateds are not to be found. Without them, the insects that attack the dead wood in orchards would have a field day. Without such dead wood the woodpeckers would be likely to seek it elsewhere.

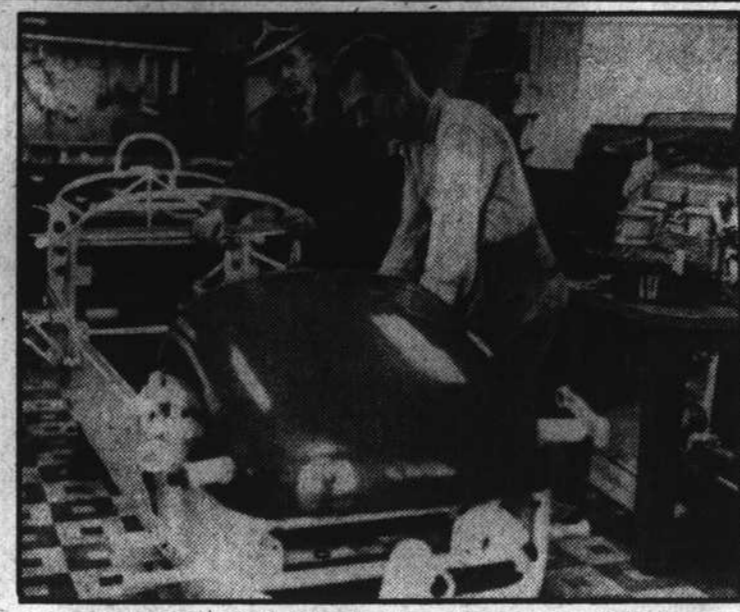
There are 13 subspecies of hairy woodpeckers ranging from Alaska to Newfoundland and south to Florida and Lower California. They are resident birds perfectly able to survive in either winter or summer and therefore find it unnecessary to go to the trouble of migrating. The nest is built in a hole in a dead tree trunk or branch. The entrance is about two inches across and the depth of the nest hole is from five to 50 feet above the ground. In the nest the female lays three to five shining white, inch-long eggs. They are incubated for 14 days by both parents. Care of the young is shared by the parents, too, and while the young do not closely resemble the adults at first they soon do so. There is usually but one brood a year.

Careful studies of the food habits of hairy woodpeckers indicate that over three-fourths of the food is insects including grasshoppers, hairy caterpillars, gypsy moths and ants as well as the wood-boring insects which they are eminently fitted to catch. The remainder of the food is vegetable matter including nuts and seeds.

The individual range of a hairy woodpecker is only a few acres if suitable food and nesting sites are available. These birds will nest in suitable boxes, will visit feeding stations supplied with suet and will generally please those who must study their birds from inside a house. The National Wildlife Federation recognizes these birds as useful in the process of interesting people in birds generally.

—E. Laurence Palmer.

Every man has a right to get up in the world, but hitting the ceiling is the wrong way to do it.



SURE SIGN OF SPRING—It's May in January in Indianapolis, Ind., where the first car to be entered in the Indianapolis Motor Speedway 500-mile Memorial Day Race is being made ready for the track. Owner Roger Wolcott, left, watches as mechanic Herb Porter prepares to install the 550-h.p. engine on bench at right in anticipation of the May 30th classic of motordom.

Market News Summary

EDITOR'S NOTE: Following is a summary of market price information for the week ending January 21, 1955, as gathered and edited by the Market News Service, North Carolina Department of Agriculture.

Hog prices were steady to 25 cents lower at local buying stations this week and closed with tops ranging from 17.50 to 17.75 per hundred pounds. In Chicago, hogs were 25 to 75 cents lower, closing with a top of 18.60.

Auction prices for cattle were steady on the Rocky Mount and Rich Square markets during the week. Good steers were reported at 20.50; good heifers at 17.00 to 18.25 and good vealers at 28.00 to 30.00. Utility and commercial cows ranged from 9.00 to 14.50 and utility and commercial bulls from 10.00 to 13.50.

Cattle prices were irregular on the Chicago market this week. Slaughter steers and yearlings were mostly 50 cents to 1.00 lower and heifers were steady to 50 cents lower. Cows, on the other hand, were steady to 25 cents higher and bulls were about steady. Good to low choice steers were reported at 20.50 to 25.50 and good and choice heifers at 19.50 to 27.00. Utility and commercial cows brought 9.25 to 13.00 and utility and commercial bulls 13.00 to 15.00. Good and choice vealers brought 23.00 to 29.00.

Live poultry prices were steady to stronger in the Central North Carolina area. Fryers and broilers advance 1 1/2 to 2 cents per pound and heavy hens were steady to one cent higher. Farm pay prices for fryers and broilers were reported at 26 1/2 cents per pound and heavy hens at 18 to 20. Fryers were generally weaker in other leading areas of production. Closing farm pay prices were reported at 24 1/2 to 25 1/2 in the North Georgia area; at 24 to 26 in the Shenandoah Valley and 26 1/2 to 30 1/2 in the Delmarva area.

Eggs were unchanged this week on the Raleigh market with local grading stations paying 38 to 40 cents per dozen for A, large; 35 for A, mediums and 32 for B, large. Durham also reported a steady market for eggs with A, large at 39 to 41 cents; A, mediums at 32 to 34; and B, large at 33.

New York reported a dull market for sweet potatoes at the close with bushels of Porto Ricans from North Carolina wholesaling at 4.75 to 5.00.

Soybeans were irregular at local grain markets during the week

Too Much Fertilization for Pastures Aids June Beetles

You can probably hold down damage to pastures by June beetle grubs quite a bit by avoiding excessive amount of barnyard manure when fertilizing.

Insect specialist J. R. Dogger of the North Carolina Experiment Station has noticed that pastures damaged the worst by June beetle grubs also had been most heavily manured. Over-stocking with too many animals per acre also results in excessive manure.

For some reason, manure seems to attract the beetles when they're flying in June and July. They pick the heaviest manured fields and lay their eggs there. Then grubs develop and do their damage underground for the rest of the summer.

Most farmers do not notice the damage until late summer and it's while corn, wheat and oats were about steady. Closing prices for No. 2 yellow soybeans were reported at 2.70 to 2.79 per bushel. No. 2 yellow corn closed at 1.55 to 1.65 per bushel in the eastern part of the state and at 1.70 to 1.75 in the piedmont area. No. 2 white corn was reported at 1.50 to 1.60 in the eastern markets. No. 2 red winter wheat brought 2.10 to 2.25 per bushel; No. 2 red oats 85 to 90 cents per bushel and No. 2 yellow milo 2.75 per hundred pounds.

The price of cotton advanced 1.05 per bale on the nation's 14 leading markets this week. Middling 15/16 inch averaged 34.10 cents per pound on Friday. This compares with 33.89 last Friday and 33.30 a year ago.

Prevention is best though—avoid heavy applications of barnyard manure.

The ideal time to apply chemicals is before seeding. This is especially true if you're reseeded an old pasture that's been ruined by June beetle grubs before. Five to six pounds of chlordane in dust or granular form is recommended now in North Carolina. Other long-lasting, chlorinated hydrocarbons have also given good results.

For established pastures, the earlier you discover grub injury, the better off you are in controlling it. You're also farther ahead to put on a long-lasting chemical like chlordane. It takes about 45 days to kill all the grubs it's going to kill. But chlordane stays in the soil much longer and may prevent damage the next year, too.

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