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FARM NOTES

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Farmers should apply top-dressing to their small grain as soon as possible. Use 200 to 300 pounds of nitrate of soda or the equivalent per acre. If the soil is deficient in potash, apply 50 to 75 pounds per acre.

Now is the time to plant kobe lespedeza for hay and seed. All small grain land should be seeded as this is one of the best crops for hay, and will save labor over putting in cow-peas for hay.

Book hybrid corn seed now. Plant in 31-2 feet rows, 18 inches in drill. Put 200 to 400 pounds of 6-8-6 fertilizer per acre and side dress with 300 to 500 pounds of nitrate of soda or the equivalent per acre when 2 feet high and plow out shallow. Cultivate by use of weeder or section harrow when corn first comes up and then use cotton plow or cultivator once or twice before plowing out. Plant local Adapted varieties of corn in 4 feet rows, and work the same as suggested for hybrid corn.

Time To Plant Pastures

Every farm in the county should have some permanent pasture if livestock is to be kept there. February is the best time of the year to put in the permanent pasture. The amount of pasture to have will be determined by the number of livestock on hand or the anticipated number.

If we are to have a balanced farm program, more livestock must be kept on the farm. If we are to have more livestock, more pastures and improved pastures must be established. In general heavy, fertile soil should be selected for the pasture. One to two tons of ground limestone and 400 to 600 pounds of superphosphate should be applied per acre. Broadcast 100 pounds of muriate of potash per acre and harrow it in just before seeding.

The pasture mixture should consist of the following grass and legumes which is a minimum: 15 lbs Kobe lespedeza, 10 lbs Dallis grass, and 2 lbs white dutch clover per acre. The white clover must be inoculated, using 2 times as much inoculant as recommended. When even distribution. If seeded by hand, cover lightly with a spike-tooth harrow or weeder. Do not graze until growth is 5 or 6 inches high. Do not overgraze the first year. Control weeds by clipping with mowing machine. Apply 1 to 1-2 tons of limestone per acre every five years. Apply 200 lbs 18 percent superphosphate and 100 lbs muriate of potash per acre every year.

Colored Man Run Over And Killed Thursday

Thomas C. Fairley, colored man of Timberland, was driving west on N. C. 211 at seven P. M. last Thursday when his car turned over and left the road, falling down a fill. R. C. Fairley, brother of the driver, was a passenger in the car and he climbed back to the road after the wreck and got run over by G. P. Stracker, white man of Southern Pines.

Fairley was taken to the Moore County hospital and died Friday morning. He is reported to have lurched into the road, either from drunkenness or shock from the turning over.

At the coroner's inquest the death of Fairley was held to have been unavoidable as far as Stracker was concerned.

Thomas Fairley was found to have been drunk in recorder's court Tuesday morning and was sentenced to the roads.

Jack Kelley, Extension animal husbandryman, warns that corn for summer feeding to hogs must be protected and dried out now.

POOLE'S MEDLEY

(By D. Scott Poole)

For some years there was an Elders' and Deacons' meeting at Red Springs sponsored by the late Rev. William Black, D. D., Captain William Black of Maxton, he was then. They had a half dozen choirs directed by a good singing "Master" and I have never heard singing equal to that.

At every house all through the Sandhill section of the country there was a little patch of cotton and an indigo patch. The people saved all the rusty pieces of iron they found to set the dye in their thread when they colored it.

I have not seen any good sausage since they quit putting red pepper in it to aid the flavoring, and I have eaten it while it was red hot.

It seems to me music is on the decline. Two things causes this, the radio does not produce correct sounds, and the songs are not musical no matter who sings them.

Several nuisances left the country about the same time but strikes are as great a nuisance as I have known. When one is settled, cause for another is being sought diligently.

It should be a capital offense for anyone to strike. If he wants to quit a job, that is all right, but striking has worn out my patience.

I remember how important the farm work was during the Civil War. When my father and mother were married in 1852 grandfather Ray gave her Millie, who was 20, and a boy, Lum. Lum was 14 when the Civil War started and could plow, although he could not count he was trusted to feed the horse, which ate 8 ears of corn three times a day.

I was three when the war started and learned to count before Lum. Father put a handle in a little hoe for me to use while he was gone, as I did not go to school until 1865 and then learned very slow. I could not speak some words plainly; I said free for three. Scott McKenzie, four years older than I took me in charge one day in school and said three over and back again, having me to say it after him, and at last I said T H R E E

I guess the Confederate government took part of all farms produced. Anyhow, we had not a bit more than we needed. Mother milked four cows and made more butter than we needed so others who had none were supplied.

Folks had old John Baton to make wooden cane mills to grind cane so we could have syrup to eat with that butter. It was as black as molasses but it tasted as well as any I have ever eaten. Those cane mills squeaked and you could hear them screaming all up and down Drowning Creek early in the morning.

Soon after the war started there were many things which could not be had, sugar, coffee, copers, and even the simplest family medicines were out of the question. Everything folks wore was home made, even hats and shoes.

Then, as I have said before in this column, that for a few years prices of farm produce was good and the whole South prospered. The government was bad. Sealaws from the North came here, had the slaves freed so they could vote for them, and men who knew nothing of government were elected to office, even judges to hold courts. It was very rotten.

My grandfather Ray's slaves Tom and Winnie were married after he bought them. Their children were Jennie, Margaret, Henty, Millie, Nancy and Willis, and when the Emancipation

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CWO Joe A. McBride is now attending the Armored Force School at Fort Knox, Ky.

Project Started To Remodel Swimming Hole

Contributions Needed

Harry Greene announced yesterday that he had received excellent financial support from all he had approached with his plans to repair the road to the old swimming hole on Rockfish creek about one mile east of Raeford and to have the place itself graded and cleaned out. Contributions, however, are still in order, Greene stated.

He has acquired the services of the bulldozer from a road construction company of Charlotte, which has been working in this neighborhood for a fortnight or so already. This machine will grade the approaches to the beach and will do some work on the road beyond the city limits.

Greene appeared with his project before the county commissioners on Monday and the town board on Tuesday. The County board approved the project, which was necessary inasmuch as the property belongs to the county, and announced their intention to give some financial assistance as well. The town board was asked by Greene to repair the street leading to the town limits nearest the creek. They also expressed their approval of the project and promised their cooperation in keeping the street mentioned in good condition.

Although response has been good to the appeal, it seems that Greene has resorted to blackmail in some cases to get his money. It is reported that in at least one instance he threatened to tell a man's children on him if he did not come across. He came across.

Aberdeen High Defeats Raeford In Final Game

Tournament Well Attended

In the finals of the first annual American Legion Invitational Tournament here Monday, Aberdeen High School clearly outclassed the Hoke County High team by a score of 32 to 20. The tournament started Thursday night with games Friday and Saturday.

The game was close for the first half, Raeford leading by only one point, 15-14, when it was over. The Moore County boys came back strong in the second, however, to score 17 points to Raeford's five and won 22-20.

Aberdeen reached the finals by defeating Wagram on Thursday night and Candor high school in the semifinals on Saturday night.

The Hoke County team started the tournament with a victory 42 to 14, over Fairmont on Friday night and followed up by beating Red Springs 26 to 16, in the semifinals on Saturday.

Officials of the Ellis Williamson Post of the American Legion here state that the tournament was considered highly successful from every angle and that the post intends to make it an annual affair.

The all-tournament team, selected by a committee whose names were not made public, was made up of the following players: Burns and Wicker of Aberdeen, Wood of Red Springs and Malcolm McKeithan and Frank McNeill of Raeford. Rev. Harry K. Holland of the local post, presented the trophy to the visitors.

Miss Dorothy Pearson, Mrs. A. R. Currie and Ervin Currie visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Livingston in Laurinburg Sunday.

Four Reports In Red Cross Drive

The Red Cross drive which started last week has had good results in the Allendale, Antioch, Sanatorium, and Dundaroch communities, according to K. A. MacDonald, chairman of the publicity committee for the county. These communities have already reported that their quotas were fully contributed.

Other communities in the county either have not raised their quota of money or their chairmen have not reported and turned in the money. Mrs. H. A. Cameron, drive chairman for the county, has issued an appeal to these chairmen to make these reports in order that the county consolidated report may be prepared. There is also no report on the success or failure of the drive in Raeford.

Lieutenant And Private, Drunk, In Collision

Other Cases Involve Liquor, Autos, Firing Woods

Last Friday night Second Lieut. S. A. Zeller, white, of Fort Bragg and Pfc. Ben M. Barber, also white of Fort Bragg, had a collision on the Fayetteville road about three miles east of Raeford. Neither was seriously hurt until Tuesday morning when Judge Henry McDiarmid found both guilty of drunken driving and sentenced them to sixty days each on the roads to be suspended on payment of a fine of \$50 and the costs. Each paid his way to freedom.

Thomas Fairley, driver of the car which turned over near the Moore County line on Thursday night shortly before his brother was killed there, was found guilty of driving drunk and careless and reckless driving. Sentence was one year to be suspended on payment of a fine of \$100 and the costs. He is still in jail.

John Nicholson, colored man of Quewhiffle township, got a sentence of six months suspended on payment of \$50 and the costs for setting fire to woods and causing damage to personal property thereby. The \$50 was to be paid to John Cameron of Timberland, who lost property in the fire.

Chester Lee McArn, colored, and Mack Monroe, colored, were each charged with violating the road law by having improper lights. Each paid the costs.

K. C. Mainor, Henry Little, and Milton Roper, all colored, paid the costs for being drunk and disorderly.

Elden G. McNeill and Ed Brown, both colored, paid the costs for having improper brakes.

Henry Graham, colored, paid the costs for using profane and indecent language.

World Day of Prayer (Contributed)

Friday, March 8, is World Day of Prayer. On this day people in more than fifty countries will be observing the World Day of Prayer. If we listen closely we can almost hear their universal prayer—the voice of all peoples and nations, great and small, echoing on and on—"Guide our feet into the way of peace."

The World Day of Prayer will be observed in Raeford at a service in the Presbyterian church, Friday (March 8) at 3:30 o'clock. Won't you plan to attend?

S2-c John A. McGregor is spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McGregor of Shannon, Route One. He has just finished his training at Great Lakes, Ill.

Courses in Red Cross First Aid were begun in 1910.

Lieutenant Governor Ballantine To Address Farm Bureau Meeting Here

Wagram Veteran Killed Friday In Truck Wreck

At Rockfish Bridge On 15-A Sixth This Year In County.

George Wiley Russell, 25-year old white man of Wagram who was discharged from the navy about three weeks ago, was instantly killed last Friday at about seven P. M. when he lost control of the truck he was driving west loaded with veneer blocks.

Russell lost control of the vehicle just after he changed into high gear at the crest of the hill beyond the Rockfish creek bridge about two miles east of Raeford. Later examination showed that the steering rod of the truck had come loose, leaving the front wheels entirely free. The truck ran into a bank and the blocks rolled over the cab and completely demolished it.

Russell was accompanied by three colored men, Henry McKay, John McKenzie, and Manuel Harrington. McKay and Harrington were seriously injured and hospitalized. McKenzie was hurt slightly on one arm.

The coroner's jury, at an inquest Tuesday night, found that Russell met his death in an unavoidable accident. His death was the sixth this year in automobile accidents in this county.

FUNERAL SERVICES CONDUCTED SUNDAY

Funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon at three o'clock at the Spring Hill Baptist church by Rev. J. D. Whisnant, pastor. A military service was held. Burial followed in the Spring Hill cemetery.

The deceased is survived by his widow, an infant daughter, his father, W. H. Russell of Wagram, his mother, two brothers, Coleman and Preston of Wagram, two sisters, Mrs. Bennie McMinnis of Wagram and Mrs. Jack Warner of Ellerbe.

Davis Family Leave

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Davis and children left Raeford Wednesday for Concord where they expect to make their residence temporarily.

The Davises moved to Raeford early in 1942. Mr. Davis was owner and manager of the Davis 10 & 25c store, which he still owns. They bought Julian Wright's newly built home on Donelson Avenue and have lived in it up until their leaving. Both Mr. and Mrs. Davis have been popular in civic, church, and social organizations of the town.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Niven have bought the Davis home and are moving into it this week.

Course For Sunday School Teachers

The Fayetteville Presbytery of the Presbyterian church will hold a school for Sunday school teachers at the Red Springs Presbyterian church with the first session on Sunday afternoon, March 17 and with evening sessions nightly through Wednesday night, March 20.

Outstanding teachers have been secured, including Mrs. J. L. Fairly, of Richmond, Va., who will conduct the classes for teachers of children's classes from beginners through juniors. Miss Myrtle Williamson, of the Assembly training school faculty in Richmond, will teach a course for teachers of adults and young people.

Sunday School teachers of all denominations have been invited to attend.

Committees Meet Monday Arrange Program

Officials of the Hoke County Farm Bureau announced yesterday that plans had been completed for the annual meeting of the Bureau at the armory at eight P. M. on March 14 and that Lt. Gov. L. Y. Ballantine would be the speaker at that meeting.

There was a meeting of all committees at the courthouse on Monday to arrange plans for the meeting. The nominating committee made its report at this meeting and the nominees for the new year are as follows: Marshall Newton, president; T. B. Upchurch, vice president; J. M. McGougan, secretary-treasurer; and the following directors: J. L. Newton, N. F. Sinclair, C. L. Thomas, John Parker, C. H. Marks, M. D. Yates, J. W. Hasty, J. M. Norton.

Also on the program for a short talk at the meeting next Thursday is R. Flake Shaw, of Greensboro, executive secretary for the North Carolina Farm Bureau. Mr. Shaw is expected to tell the gathering briefly about the work the Farm Bureau has done in the state and nation in the past few years.

The Hoke County Farm Bureau is affiliated with the State and National Farm Bureaus and was organized about five years ago. During the war the farm bureau cooperated with the war effort, by contracting for prison labor for farms in the county, and by working with the Extension service closely to improve farming generally.

The Hoke Bureau has a membership of 250 farmers and their families. The membership fee of \$3.00 includes a farmer's whole family and is used to promote better farming in county, state and nation. The organization is non-political and strictly non-profit. The money received is used entirely for the good of farmers.

Significant is the statement made three years ago by the N. C. Bureau: "Under no conditions will the farmers of North Carolina strike but will do everything possible in the war effort."

Jack Hastings Is Declared Dead

Information has been received here to the effect that Jack Hastings, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hastings of Ocean City, Md., and former resident of Raeford, has been declared dead by the War Department after having been missing for two years.

Hastings was last in action in the Pacific about two years ago.

School News

By K. A. MacDonald

The Board of Education met in regular monthly session on Monday. Routine business was conducted.

The Board of Education and Commissioners inspected the new Upchurch school building and expressed themselves as being well pleased with the progress being made with the construction.

Scientific Program

Today there will be a program given at the High School auditorium at two o'clock by James Elliot, Scientist, on Liquid Air. Mr. Elliot gave this program at the Chicago World's Fair in 1933. He has an immense amount of equipment with him. The program will be both interesting and educational. The graded school pupils will attend this program.

Zoology Program

On Friday there will be a program on zoology given by the S. Society of Zoology at the High School auditorium at nine o'clock.

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