

ROCKFISH NEWS

By Mrs. A. A. McInnis.

Mrs. J. E. Wood and Mrs. M. L. Wood entertained with a buffet luncheon at the home of Mrs. M. L. Wood on Tuesday of this week honoring their mother's sisters and brother, the "Pat Johnson family" who are having their first complete reunion in many years, at Hotel Raeford. Those attending the luncheon were Mrs. W. L. Blount and Mrs. Ida Lancaster of Miami, Fla., Mrs. C. C. McGee and Mrs. B. M. McGee of Miles City, Montana, Mrs. Gordon Lee of New York, and Mrs. Bill Ford of New York and Bombay, India. Mr. and Mrs. McKay Johnson and son, John Vinson, of Chesson, Alabama. Others present were members of the Wood family and guests who called during the afternoon to renew their acquaintance with this large and interesting family.

Miss Vera King, soprano soloist of Wake Forest Glee club, sang a special number at last Sunday night's service at Tabernacle

church, which was very beautiful. Miss King has been taking voice for several years, first at FMC, Red Springs and then at Wake Forest College, where she graduated recently.

Larry English spent last week with his grandmother, Mrs. Pearl Howell, of Raeford.

Mr. and Mrs. Murdock Brown of Greensboro and Mr. and Mrs. Loren Smith of Parkton were guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Bristow Sunday.

The congregation at Tabernacle church was well pleased with the Rev. J. Parks Hackney of Siler City who preached for them Sunday night.

Circle No. 2 Galatia Women of the Church met with Mrs. Marshall Ray Tuesday evening. Mrs. F. P. Bethea joint hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Williams

and children of Charlotte visited Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Britt and family the first of this week.

Miss Patricia Ritter left Tuesday to attend Synod's Conference at FMC, Red Springs.

Mrs. C. V. Williams and children, Kay and Clarence, of Rocky Mount were guests of Mrs. Marshall Ray, Mrs. K. P. Ritter and other relatives here the first of last week.

Mrs. John Ray went to Conference at Peace College, Raleigh last Wednesday and returned Tuesday of this week.

Mrs. Gilbert Ray heard from her husband, Lt. Gilbert Ray, who was on his way home from Guam, last Friday. He had arrived in California and would be sent to a hospital in Augusta, Ga. before coming home. Whether he could come home anytime soon he did not know.

Mrs. G. A. Monroe left Sunday to attend summer school in Wilmington for 6 weeks.

Quite a number of folks from

Rockfish and vicinity attended the home coming at Philippi church Sunday.

Frankie McDougald was meant in place of Franklin Martin last week in the list of those who went to camp. And we are sorry that we reported Miss Carrie Lee Townsend so much improved, as we learned later it was untrue, but we hope that the same statement can be truthfully made very soon.

Mrs. Lawrence Barnard has accepted a position at Fort Bragg and began her work last Monday.

Miss Jean McCall of Washington, D. C. is spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. N. McCall.

Bruce Dees of State College came home last Tuesday but returned to Raleigh Sunday to take part in the Brownson-Wright wedding, Monday evening.

Miss Ruby Wood of Rockfish School faculty the past year visited relatives in Asheboro since school closed and is spending some time with her brother, How-

ard Wood and family of Newport News, Va. this week.

Mrs. Maggie Dees of Seventy-First is visiting her son, George Dees, and family this week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Brock and family, Mrs. Roscoe Bundy, A. A. Wright, Mrs. M. R. Knight, Miss Bessie Wright all of Rockfish and Mrs. Lonnie Brock of Raeford attended the Brownson-Wright wedding at Tabernacle Baptist church in Raleigh Monday night.

Mr. A. A. Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Bundy and family moved to Rockfish last week.

Miss Vera King, who recently graduated from Wake Forest College, is now at home after spending a week at the Beach.

State College Answers Timely Farm Questions

QUESTION: What precaution should be followed for safety during a thunderstorm?

ANSWER: Do not go out of doors or remain out during a thunderstorm, unless it is necessary. If there is any choice of shelter to enter, choose shelter in the following order: (1) large metal frame building; (2) dwelling or other building which is protected against lightning; (3) large unprotected building; (4) small unprotected building. If you must go or stay out of doors, keep away from isolated trees, wire fences, hilltops and wide open spaces, and small sheds and shelters in an exposed position. Try to reach thick timber, a cave, a depression in the ground, a deep valley or canyon, or the vicinity of a steep cliff, if any of these is nearby.

QUESTION: Please give suggestion for proper chimney construction.

ANSWER: Walls should be built of hard brick or stone. The thickness should be four inches for brick; four inches for reinforced concrete; eight inches for hollow tile; and 12 inches for stone. All chimneys except reinforced concrete should be lined with fire clay, not less than three-quarters of an inch thick. Mortar used in setting flue linings and in all masonry above roof should be one part cement and three parts clean sand. Ten per cent hydrated lime can be added to each bag of cement. Chimneys should be built upon a solid concrete or masonry foundation strong enough to carry the weight without cracking.

QUESTION: How can I avoid damage to watermelons during harvesting?

ANSWER: Harvest only mature melons; do not pick green or over-ripe ones. Do not press down on top of melons to determine ripeness, since this practice often results in damage caused by bruised rind and cracked flesh. Cut melons from the vines, leaving stems as long as possible. Do not stand melons on end, since this bruises them. Keep bottom side of melons down when in the sun, and do not pile melons in the field. Handle them carefully to avoid skin injury. Do not drop or jar them. Carry them to the shade or load as soon as they are picked. Inspect truck or wagon and remove nails or cleats with sharp corners in order to prevent damage. Load melons not over five layers deep in truck or wagon when hauling to railway cars.

The value of lint and cottonseed produced in North Carolina last year was \$121,023,000 according to the final estimate released by the Federal-State Crop Reporting Service. In monetary value, cotton was second only to tobacco, with corn ranking third.

A total of 17 North Carolina counties are growing Turkish tobacco this year as compared with five counties in 1948. About 40 per cent of the Turkish crop is in Wilkes County.

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