

ROCKFISH NEWS

By Mrs. A. A. McInnis

A large number of Rockfish people attended both the morning and evening worship services at Lumber Bridge Baptist church Sunday. These services were conducted by Rev. A. E. Osborne of Columbia, S. C.

Mrs. Gordon Barnard and children, Linda and Barbara Sue, of Florence, South Carolina visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Dove last week.

Mrs. Alonza Watson, Miss Lucille Jones and brother, Alfred Jones, of Fayetteville were guests of Miss Lillie Wood Sunday.

John L. Bristow, who has been stationed at Okinawa for some time arrived home last week to be with his father, M. S. Bristow, who has been and still is seriously ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert McDowell of Lexington visited his brother, J. F. McDowell last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Robert McKenzie and son, Wayne, and James McLeod of Asheboro spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Wood.

1st Lt. Gilbert Ray who has been at home for the past two weeks returned to Walter Reid Hospital in Washington last Friday. Mrs. Ray and son, Mac, are spending a while with Mrs. Marshall Ray and family.

Donald Wood was on the sick list the first of this week.

Mrs. E. J. Hare of Ashley Heights and Miss Betty Greene of Aberdeen were Rockfish visitors last Monday.

Mrs. D. B. Ray is staying a few days with her mother, Mrs. Carrie McKenzie, of Arabia this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Carriker visited Mrs. F. P. Bethea and other relatives here last week.

There will be choir practice at Galatia church tonight at eight o'clock.

The Grange meeting last week had to be postponed on account of the very busy season due to tobacco burning time.

Cecil McKeithan fell from a tree one day last week and broke his leg.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Jones of High Point spent the past week end at their home on Raeford R-2.

G. L. Livingston of Charlotte spent last Friday with his sister, Mrs. M. S. Bristow and family. Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Chason were guests of the Bristows Sunday night.

Circle No. 2, Galatia Women of the Church met with Mrs. Will Monroe Tuesday, Mrs. Ruth Willis

joint hostess.

Little Harold Dees, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. George Dees, was bitten on the face by a dog last Monday. The dog was not supposed to have rabies, so it is hoped that no serious trouble will result.

Mrs. G. A. Monroe, who is attending summer school in Wilmington, spent the past week end at home.

The WMU of Tabernacle church met with Mrs. Jim Capps and Mrs. Hattie Capps Tuesday p. m. of this week.

State College Answers Timely Farm Questions

QUESTION: The bottom leaves on my tomato plants are rolling, wilting and dropping off. What is the trouble?

ANSWER: Your tomatoes are probably infested with one or both of the wilt diseases. Most tomatoes in the eastern part of the State are affected this time of year. There are two main types of wilt that attack tomatoes — fusarium wilt and southern bacterial wilt. Certain varieties, including Marglobe, Rutgers, Pan American and the new Southland, are resistant to fusarium. One of these resistant varieties should be grown where soil is known to be wilt-infested. As yet, no variety has been developed that is resistant to Southern bacterial

wilt. To get around this problem, the best idea is to plant your tomatoes early and try to get the crop off ahead of the hot summer weather.

QUESTION: What is this Oxford-type ventilator I've been hearing so much about?

ANSWER: The Oxford ventilator is simply a ventilator located along the ridge of the flue-cured tobacco barn. It should be built to permit openings ranging from four square feet down to fully closed. Ridge-type ventilators have been found helpful in the close regulation of temperature and humidity late in the tobacco cure.

QUESTION: Why is it necessary to detassel corn being produced for hybrid seed?

ANSWER: Hybrid corn is nothing more than the corn that results when one pure line or strain is crossed with another. In normal field culture, there is no way of controlling the crossing or interbreeding of corn plants. The pollen from the tassel is likely to fall on the silk of the same plant, thus producing an inbred. To produce a hybrid, there must be some way to control the pollination to make sure that all the pollen is furnished by one line. Hence, the tassels are broken off from plants being used as the female line. All the pollen is furnished by plants being used as the male line.

Survey Shows Heavy Boll Weevil Attack

The boll weevil survey for the first week of July revealed that four out of five North Carolina cotton fields were infested heavily enough to warrant dusting. Walter M. Kulash, entomologist for the Agricultural Experiment Station, reports. The survey covered 20 southern and eastern counties.

The heaviest infestations were still being reported from Scotland, Hoke and Robeson Counties. Hoke had a 64 per cent infestation last week; Robeson, 55 and Scotland 61 per cent. The survey showed infestations of 35 per cent or more in Harnett, Northhampton and Sampson Counties.

Kulash says the average square infestation for the 20 counties checked was 26.83 per cent. Last year at the same time, only 2.27 per cent of the squares had been punctured in the same counties. "In view of the present high infestations, dusting to control weevils is highly desirable," the entomologist concluded. "Many farmers are already carrying out this dusting program."

In a further report of general crop conditions, Kuash says that blooms have been reported in nearly all cotton-growing counties. However, only in scattered fields of the State's southern counties is cotton blooming extensively. Throughout the area around Kinston cotton is large, well-developed and generally in better condition than cotton in any other area.

Seed Of Atlas Wheats Falls Short Of Demand

Seed supplies of the new Atlas wheats, released this spring by the North Carolina Agricultural Experiment Station, will not be adequate to meet the demand, Dr. R. P. Moore, director in charge of the North Carolina Improvement Association, said today. A major portion of the seed pro-

duced this year will not reach commercial channels, Dr. Moore explained.

Fifty per cent of the present crop is being reserved for small grain production contest winners, and the remainder of each grower's crop will be marketed locally, Dr. Moore said.

The 1949 crop of Atlas 50 wheat was produced by 25 growers in 17 counties, and the crop of Atlas 666, by 53 growers in 28 counties. A total of 226 acres of Atlas 50 and 260 acres of Atlas 66 were grown, and all were inspected for seed certification purposes.

Dr. Moore said these new rust and midew resistant wheats mark a new day in small grain production in North Carolina and perhaps in neighboring states. The varieties, which outyield standard strains by a considerable margin, were developed by the North Carolina Agricultural Experiment Station.

Engineer Says To Improve Buildings

Floor and wall joints are the key points in the construction of houses and farm buildings to withstand forces of windstorms, says H. M. Ellis, agricultural engineer for the State College Extension Service. Building improvements should begin with strengthening of the joints, he adds.

Ellis says two engineers at the Agricultural Research Center, Beltsville, Md., have just completed a test of wood-frame joints of various types. "The joints are often the weakest parts of any structure," they said. "Failures are therefore most likely to occur at these places."

As a result of their studies the two engineers concluded that a sturdier house, garage, or farm building will result if the wall framing is toenailed instead of endnailed. Toenailing, they explained, is done by placing a 2 x 4 or other frame member upright on a sill and driving nails slantwise through the upright into the flat sill. The slant of the nail is important, and for best results the test showed that the nail should be driven at a 30 degree angle with the upright framing

member and started at a distance of about one-third the length of the nail from the end of the board. Toenailing takes more nails, but smaller ones than endnailing where the nail is driven straight through the sill into the end of the upright.

Tenpenny nails are recommended instead of the eightpenny nails usually used in toenailing, because the tenpennies give a much stronger joint.

The researchers rate joints made with metal straps as stronger than either method of nailing. Straps take longer to nail in place, however, and are more expensive. But their use on alter-

nate or even every third joint will add considerably to the strength of the building.

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ASSETS

1. Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balances and cash items in process of collection	\$ 515,668.88
2. United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	1,326,400.00
3. Obligations of States and political subdivisions	450.00
6. Loans and discounts (including \$4.47 overdrafts)	591,903.62
7. Bank premises owned \$9757.73, furniture and fixtures \$6775.04	16,532.77
11. Other assets	8,378.12
12. TOTAL ASSETS	2,458,733.39

LIABILITIES

13. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	1,630,835.32
14. Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	560,882.31
15. Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	30,111.46
16. Deposits of States and political subdivisions	48,354.52
18. Other deposits (certified and officers' checks, etc.)	3,186.66
19. TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$2,273,370.27
23. Other liabilities	13,285.87
24. TOTAL LIABILITIES (not including subordinated obligations shown below)	2,286,656.14

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

25. Capital*	50,000.00
26. Surplus	110,000.00
27. Undivided profits	12,077.25
29. TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	172,077.25
30. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	2,458,733.39

*This bank's capital consist of common stock with par value of \$50,000.00

MEMORANDA

31. Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and for other purposes 209,800.00
33. (b) Securities as shown above are after deduction of reserves of 1,909.70
I, R. B. Lewis, Exec. Vice President, of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, and that it fully and correctly represents the true state of the several matters herein contained and set forth, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

CORRECT—ATTEST: R. B. Lewis,

H. L. Gatlin, J. L. McNeill, L. M. Upchurch—Directors.

State of North Carolina, County of Hoke, ss:

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