

ROCKFISH NEWS

By Mrs. A. A. McInnis.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. McKee, his brother and sister-in-law of New York were guests of Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Ritter Monday.

According to information received from W. R. King the road by his home to Fayetteville will soon be under construction. When this is done it will be a very direct route from Rockfish to Fayetteville.

Miss Carrie Smith of Wagram, Mrs. T. J. Russell and daughter, Dorothy, of Rocky Mount spent last Wednesday night with relatives at Rockfish.

Mrs. W. C. Blount and Mrs. Ida Lancaster of Miami, Fla. came to visit their nieces, Mrs. J. E. Wood and Mrs. M. L. Wood, the

first of this week. Mrs. Lancaster went from here to Parkton, her former home, while Mrs. Blount stayed for the remainder of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Brock and sons, E. T., Jr. and Harold, Mrs. M. R. Knight, Mrs. Mary McInnis and Thomas McInnis and Gernon Britt spent last Saturday at White Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McKenzie and son, Wayne, of Asheboro visited relatives at Rockfish Saturday.

Forest a few days last week.

Miss Vera King visited in Wake

Cecil McKeithan is at home again and doing fine after spending

some time in the hospital with a broken leg.

Miss Eleanor King of Fayetteville spent the past week end with Miss Sallie Tomlinson at Morehead City.

Misses Eloise McGill, Katie Black and Viola Ellis of Lakerim were Rockfish visitors Sunday.

Miss Juanita Long, student nurse at Highsmith hospital, is spending part of her vacation with home folks this week.

Mrs. Roy Shockley was the only club woman that planned to go to Farm and Home Week from Rockfish that we heard of, but it seems that some other clubs in this county will be well represented.

A. L. Long, who has for years been in the employ of a lumber company in South Carolina came home last week to stay.

State College Answers Timely Farm Questions

QUESTION: How can I eliminate mastitis in my dairy herd?

ANSWER: Mastitis can be controlled with practical sanitation measures. Tests conducted at the North Carolina Agricultural Experiment Station on two herds showed that where sanitary practices were followed, infection was held down to less than 4 per cent of the quarters tested. Recommended sanitary practices include: (1) clean, dry stalls with plenty of good litter; (2) the application of good disinfectants such as lye solution or superphosphate to rear half of stall beds; (3) good udder hygiene—udders and teats wiped clean at each milking; (4) early treatment of teat injuries; and (5) partial segregation of active cases to one end of the milking line.

QUESTION: I've heard a lot about mulching of small fruits. Does it pay to mulch red raspberries?

ANSWER: Mulching of red raspberries produces a larger plant, but C. F. Williams of State College finds that yields are not increased because of increased disease. Williams has tried grain straw, legume hay, pine straw, sawdust and strawy manure on red raspberries, but in each case disease was so severe that the canes died back before the plant could yield heavily. Mulching lowered soil temperatures and improved soil moisture conditions, but these gains were off-set by loss of canes from disease.

QUESTION: I have been dusting my peanuts with copper-sulfur dusts to control leafspot disease. Will the copper residue on the leaves be harmful to livestock when I feed the hay?

ANSWER: No. Tests at State College have shown that even the heaviest rates of copper dusting leave no harmful residues on peanut hay. Copper residue varies widely with methods of application, climatic conditions, and time and number of treatments. Even so there seems to be no likelihood that the copper content would be poisonous to livestock. Research at other centers has

shown that doses up to 80 grams of copper were not poisonous to weaners or adult cows. An animal consuming as much as 10 pounds daily of peanut plants with the highest levels of copper shown, would have an average intake of only .23 grams of copper.

Agent Warns Against Machinery Accidents

American farmers have established an enviable performance in mechanizing their farm, except where they have let accidents mar the records, H. E. Vernon, county agent for the State College Extension Service said today.

America leads the world in mechanized agriculture. Three million farm tractors now play a vital role in the production and harvesting of the nation's crops, Mr. Vernon said. But at the same time, National Safety Council reports indicate that tractors may be involved in nearly 75 per cent of all accidents with farm machinery. All these accidents are needless.

The main safety rule for operating tractors in the field is just good common sense. You can't afford to gamble the loss of a limb or life by operating without the power take-off shield in place. Cranking a tractor while in gear is another dangerous way to start a day's work. Excessive speed, and careless operation around ditches will also hurry a trip to the hospital. Jumping on the tractor while it is in motion is another way to invite an accident. Careless parents who permit children to ride tractors or hitch a ride on trailing implements are not really thinking about the child's welfare.

Here are a few more important rules:

1. Be careful coupling implements to tractors, always stay in the clear.
2. Avoid wearing loose, floppy clothing while operating tractors.
3. Observe standard traffic signals when operating on public highways.
4. Use light for night operation, don't operate in the dark.
5. See that everyone is in the clear before starting a tractor.

Cotton Council Asks For Improved Baling

A drive to reduce the number of overweight, big-ended and rolling bales of cotton this fall has been launched by the National Cotton Council, according to Dr. I. O. Schaub, director of the State College Extension Service.

In a letter to Director Schaub, Claude L. Welch, director of the Council's production and marketing division, said that reducing the number of overweight bales will make the rolling and big-ended problems less severe.

"An estimated one out of every ten bales weighs more than 600 pounds," Welch said. "Overweight bales are sometimes docked as much as \$6 each and may even be rejected."

Welch listed several other disadvantages of overweight bales. They cause damage to gin machinery, he said, and this means higher ginning charges in the long run. They cost more to load, han-

dle, transport and store, and ultimately the farmer must stand this added cost. They put extra strain on warehouse and gin presses. Rolling bales are extremely expensive to press.

"The entire cotton industry is geared to a 500-pound bale," Welch added. "Wide variations from this weight increase costs all along the line."

Director Schaub pointed out that farmers can help reduce the number of overweight bales by paying more attention to the amount of seed cotton they bring in per bale. Ginners can help by carefully controlling the amount of seed cotton going into a bale, when ginning from multiple-bale loads and from storage.

North Carolina poultrymen are losing over 200 carload lots of eggs annually, largely through improper handling and care. Much of the loss occurs during summer months when eggs are most likely to be improperly cooled.

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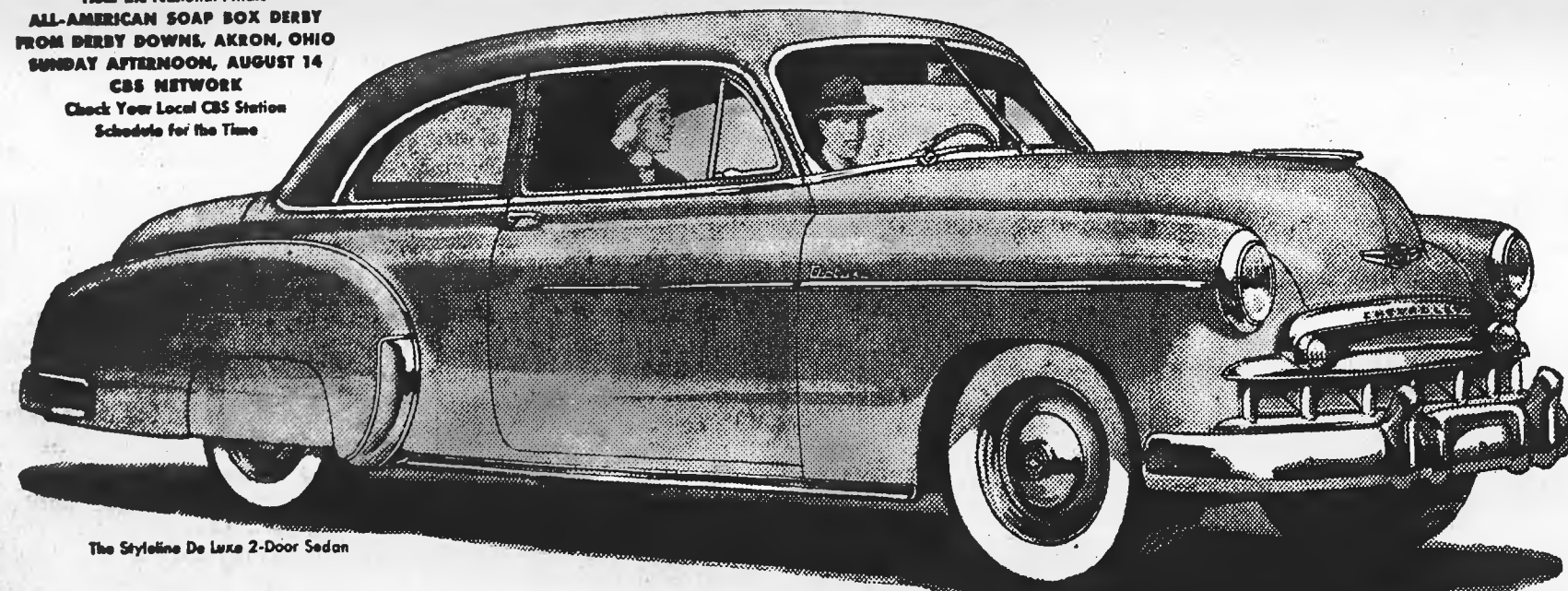
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It's not that way everywhere. In some countries, the government puts a man in a city, a house, a job, with no choice in the matter. He can't quit, leave town or move around the corner without permission. If he gets a vacation, he is told where and when to go. The government runs everything, the people nothing.

That's what happens when a free people turn over their responsibilities to their government. They also turn over their freedom of choice. Socialism is the result. How does Socialism happen? Not overnight. It is woven slowly, a thread at a time, into the bonds of slavery. Little by little the government assumes powers other than governing—until it finally assumes all power.

In this country the government has already entered the electric light and power business—and is aiming at medicine, steel, railroads and other industries. Advocates of the plan refuse to call it socialism, but that is how socialism got its start in other countries. Call it anything you please—it is a threat to freedom!

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