

Poole's Medley

BY D SCOTT POOLE

We have not had much snow here since the big snow on March 2nd, 1927. On March 1st snow fell to a depth of 2 inches, and at daylight, March 2nd there was 15 inches of snow. When it ceased to fall it was some 24 or more inches deep.

It was not cold enough for ice when that snow fell, nor hardly cold enough all week afterwards for ice, but the snow gradually thawed. No trains ran here for about four days.

A few times in my life clouds came up something like a rain cloud, and snow fell for a few hours. I remember several like that.

The fall and early winter had been cold in 1876, and the day before Christmas, a Saturday, snow began to fall on frozen ground. That snow was two feet deep and covered the ground for two months or more. The snow was worn off the roads, but that was all the ground in sight till

the middle of March. Our wheat had grown well under the snow.

Cold weather and snow kills insects, and old people used to say that cold weather and snow the preceding winter ensures good crops, that it follows the ground, and the crops grow better after snow.

In the years 1895 and in 1912 eight snows fell during the winter months. These snows were from 5 to 12 inches deep, and the weather was very cold. But the coldest weather I ever saw came in 1897, when we had a real blizzard between February 9th and 14th. 14 degrees below is cold weather sure as you live.

The greatest blizzard to come to this country came last week, over the whole country, it seems. I do not recall reading such news before. It was 10 above zero in Raeford Saturday morning. We have escaped from storms and zero weather, but in other places deaths have occurred. The boll weevil is killed, perhaps, and farmers will make bumper crops of cotton next year. It is probable we will have plenty of fruits.

In 1797 it was said that a man hauled wood from a new ground on the east side of Little River, four miles south of Troy all day for two days over water 25 feet

deep. I once read a book which taught that about the same amount of heat and cold comes to every part of the country. In other words, when there are summers which are not very hot another summer some time afterward will make up the deficiency.

Usually there are frosts in October rarely later than the 16th, and some cold weather all through November, but this year the weather has been mild, and people had not been hardened when this almost zero weather came.

Cold pinches more when there are warm days and suddenly real cold weather comes. Irregular seasons are our greatest climate deficiency, if that is what it is.

The country should replace, or re-enact the 18th amendment. President Roosevelt did some helpful things for our country, struggling for existence, but he certainly played havoc when he had the 18th amendment repealed.

There can be no hope for the drunkard in this nor the next world. Many of these people being killed daily are not sober, in all probability, when they die.

Several months ago The Fayette-

ville Observer stated in an editorial of vitriolic denunciation of prohibition, that it did not prohibit. It can be found in the files of The Observer that on the 4th of July, about the middle of prohibition's short life, that it prohibited in Fayetteville, with the city full of people from the surrounding towns and country who stayed all day, and until ten o'clock that night, enjoying the splendid display of fireworks. If liquor could have been had, that crowd would have been a drunk-en mob.

The people of Fayetteville of the long ago were known for their friendliness, and made friends of the country folks. My first trip to Fayetteville was in 1868, and in almost every store in which we entered the merchant gave my brother and me some candy or cakes. There were streets of the city filled with covered wagons. They were almost as numerous as automobiles are now, but there were no collisions. Twenty miles a day was an average for those wagons, for they came loaded, and they were loaded on their return trips.

Corn growers should prepare their cribs for protection against weevils before storing corn, says George D. Jones, extension entomologist at State College.

Wayside News

By Mrs. Ralph Plummer

Miss Myra Mott of Boone spent the past few days with her mother, Mrs. J. E. Shewbridge.

Miss Elizabeth Parker of Womans College, Greensboro, spent the Thanksgiving holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Parker.

Mrs. Romie Williamson of Fayetteville, Miss Laura McDougald of Clinton, and Wade McDougald of East Carolina College, Greenville, visited their parents over the holidays.

There were many from this community that attended the "Bailey Brothers" show at Rockfish Grammar school last Monday night. The Rockfish Home Demonstration club made and sold chances on a quilt. Mrs. Will Monroe turned out to be the lucky one.

Mrs. D. A. McDougald was a patient at Highsmith Hospital for a few days recently but is now at her home. Mrs. Laura Crowley is still a patient there, but her condition is reported much better.

Mr. and Mrs. Lacy Hair and family of Bonnie Doone spent Thanksgiving day in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Hair.

Mrs. Clarence Koonce entertained in honor of her husband, whose birthday was last Wednesday, with a steak supper with all the trimmings. Mr. Koonce's brothers were the guests.

Charles Barefoot and Bobby Kinlaw made a trip to Lumberton last Sunday.

Mrs. Furman Martin and son, Franklin, visited Mr. and Mrs. Herman Koonce last Thursday. Franklin remained for the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Shewbridge and Robert Mott left Monday for Knoxville, Maryland.

Mrs. Victor Rowan of Wilmington spent last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McFadyen.

J. O. Veasey, Miss Jane Veasey and Thomas McFadyen visited

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Pitt in Rocky Mount last Friday. Mason Bell of Fayetteville, accompanied them.

COTTON FORECAST DROPS STILL LOWER

Official estimates of North Carolina's cotton crop continue to sink lower.

The latest forecast, released November 8, by the Crop Reporting Service of the State and Federal Departments of Agriculture, places lint production at 170,000 bales. This is 20,000 bales less than the October forecast, 64 per cent below 1949 production, 71 per cent below the 1939-48 average, and the smallest crop since 1871.

Fall preparation of the soil is an important task for farmers who plan to grow aromatic tobacco next year.

World cotton production in 1950-51 is estimated at 27 million bales. Production in 1949-50 was about 31 million bales.

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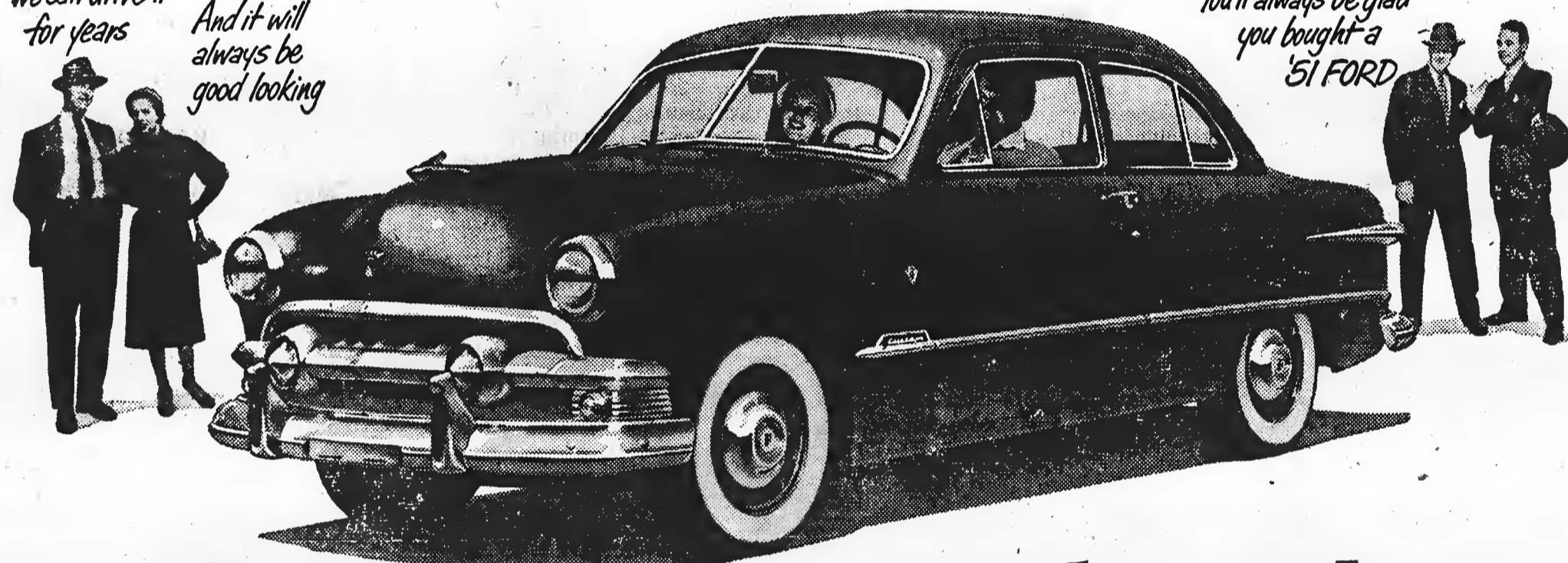
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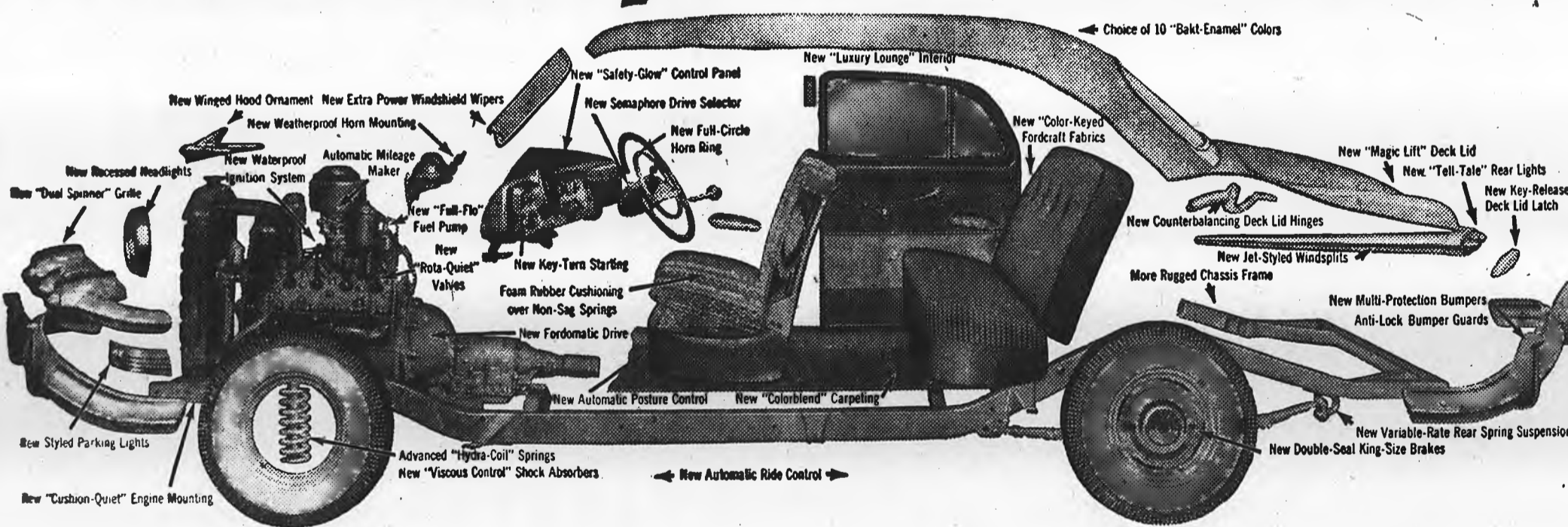
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