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WHAT I SAW AT

U. S. RODDY'S.

In order that the readers of this little human interest story may have a better understanding of what I am trying to write about, I will say first that Mr. Roddy is a plain old-style farmer and lives on a hundred-acre farm on Green river in Greens Creek township in Polk county, North Carolina and adjoins lands of Miss Maude Cox and others.

Mr. and Mrs. Roddy have a very happy home. Happy because they have four dutiful sons and two daughters. This home is a happy home, because it is a home of contented workers. The father plans his work well and every one of the family works except "My Old Man" and he is the busiest one on the farm.

Mr. Roddy is not a very exceptional man in his farming operations. He is an average, or a little above the average Polk county land owning farmer. It is not on account of his well directed farming that I am trying to write this little story about him and his family; but because of the fine discipline he has maintained in his home and the contented spirit of his sons and daughters which he has managed to keep burning in them for the love of home and country life.

Now let me try and show where the cause of this home-loving disposition in his children lies. I found by conversation that six years ago a Ford car was purchased for the various needs of this family, and here are the uses to which this machine has been put.

They use it to go to church, to go to town on business, to go to fairs, to go for the doctor, which is an exceedingly rare thing in that home; and he said everlastingly to the boys' credit that their car has never been in a garage from the day of purchase to this good day. This shows two good traits in this family of boys. 1st, that they have ingenious minds and can do things for themselves; and, second, that they are conservative and know how to treat a good thing when they get it. Now Mr. or Miss Reader, just for one moment think of another family of boys who would run a Ford car for six long years over the rough roads of Polk county and round about and not have it to a garage for repairs. It is a marvel and everlasting monument to their sense, and good behavior on public roads and intelligent management of their car. Not only this, but I received a letter from Mr. Roddy to visit his farm and the first opportunity I went and found the way by a narrow, well-kept road leading from the main road to his house. The purpose of this visit was to help Mr. Roddy start on his farm a permanent pasture looking forward to the time when he, like Grant Miller, will be selling from his farm monthly from \$100 to \$150. Of course we started that pasture all right and his neighbors will be coming his way to see results before two more years roll away. More than this; he has a spring of never failing water on the hill much above the house which will within the next two years be running through his house pouring its blessings on the whole family. Now what Mr. Roddy has done and is doing in an humble way, is what should be done on every farm in Polk County and in the whole United States. Make the home in the country so attractive to the boys and girls of the home that City attractions will not carry them away from the farm. You could not pull one of U. S. Roddy's boys away from that farm with an Early Bird Stump puller.

Respectfully County Agent
J. R. SAMS

The United States will soon have to appoint a foreign bill collector if things get much worse. Who wants the job?

LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Miss Edna Wallace is occupying Kennedy Lodge.

Mr. Dewey Owens spent the week-end with friends in Gaffney.

Miss Mamie Thompson spent Sunday with her parents, near Saluda.

Mr. S. E. Sloan returned home from Aberdeen, S. C., yesterday.

Mr. Carter P. Brown has returned from a business trip to Chicago.

Mrs. N. B. Jackson and little daughter, Mary, visited friends in Spartanburg, Tuesday.

Mrs. Dickinson of Chicago will sing at the Congregational Church on Easter morning.

Special Easter music at the Congregational Sunday School at 10 o'clock Sunday morning.

Mrs. J. B. Livingston spent Monday in Spartanburg with her son, Mr. Joe Livingston.

Miss Rosa Box left Tuesday for Charleston, S. C., where she expects to spend the next few weeks.

FOR SALE:—One Atlanta-Lotus, No. 7 Cook Stove. Never been used. Mrs. J. W. McIntosh, Columbus, N. C.

Easter sermon and music at 11 o'clock on Sunday at the Congregational Church. Welcome to strangers.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Liles, of Mill Spring are the proud parents of a fine boy, born at the Tryon Infirmary, last week.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stevenson is visiting her cousin Mrs. Sandifer, of the Blue Ridge School at Hendersonville this week.

Mr. Douglas Monroe enlisted in the U. S. Army at Spartanburg this week. He will be stationed at Ft. Worth, Tex.

Christian Endeavor meeting at the Congregation Church at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon. of denomination, are welcome.

Mrs. E. K. Warren of Evonston, Ills., who has been visiting her cousin, Mrs. Nelson Jackson Jr., returned to her home Wednesday.

Mr. Milton Ivey, of Spartanburg and Miss Virginia Sherfey of Tryon, spent Sunday with the latter's parents near Saluda.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cain of St. Matthew, who spent about two weeks in their home here have returned to St. Matthew, S. C., Sunday.

Mrs R. E. Ballenger, of Hickory, was in Tryon a few days this past week visiting her mother, Mrs. Collins, who is a guest at Pine Crest Inn.

Mr. M. T. McCown, after spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. McCown, in Tryon, has returned to his duties at Clemson College, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Missildine and little daughter Edith, left Saturday for Winter Park, Fla., to visit their daughter, Miss Eva, who is attending school at Rollin's College.

Mr. J. T. Kennedy entertained her Sunday School Class at her home on "Kennedy Hill" Monday afternoon. Needless to say the youngsters had an enjoyable afternoon.

CORONA TYPEWRITER dealer wanted in every community. More than half million sold. Money for spare time. CALHOUN Office Co., Distributors, Spartanburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Cockran of Indiana, who spent the winter in Florida, arrived in Tryon last Thursday for a visit with Mrs. Cockran's sister, Mrs. W. F. Little. Mr. Cockran left Sunday for his home but Mrs. Cockran will remain for a longer visit.

REMEMBER!

Regular meeting
Board of Trade
Wednesday night
April 4. Important matters to be discussed.
Non-members are invited to attend.

There will be a meeting, tonight at the Methodist Church for the purpose of re-organizing the Epworth League. All the members, and those who wish to become members are especially invited.

Polk County is sure some healthy place in which to live. County Health Officer Carthay informs us that during the months of January, February and March, not a single case of whooping cough, measles or any other contagious disease was reported. Just think, one-fourth of the year gone and not a single case of the kind in the county. We call this some record for health.

TRYON BAPTIST CHURCH.

Services each Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Subject for next Sunday. Evidences of the Resurrection.

T. L. Justice, D. D. Pastor.

COLUMBUS BAPTIST CHURCH

Preaching Every 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Sundays at 11 o'clock. Every Sunday night.

S. A. STROUP, Pastor.

TO ERCT WAREHOUSE IN TRYON

The Columbus Mercantile Company, of Columbus have leased a lot 20x50 feet from the Southern Railway here and will begin at once the erection of a sheet metal warehouse to take care a lot of their fertilizer and other goods.

THE TRYON DETOUR.

Our friends in North Carolina will contribute very much to the happiness of their friends in South Carolina if they will just give the detour at Tryon some care and attention. Since early last Fall traffic has been seriously interrupted about Tryon. A little consideration as Spring comes and the "driving fever" rises by the folks at Tryon will be appreciated.—Spartanburg Herald.

REVIVAL SERVICES

The Rev. Leonard Gill, of Charlotte, N. C., evangelist of the Synod of North Carolina, will begin a series of services at the Methodist church next Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock.

The day services during the week will be at 3:00 P. M., the night at 7:45 o'clock.

Dr. Gill is an unusually interesting and engaging speaker and will delight those who hear him. The public is cordially invited to attend these special meetings.

FRED HUTSON DEAD.

Fred Hutson the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hutson of Lynn, died Wednesday 21st, about 10:30 was buried at the Tryon cemetery Thursday at 1 o'clock. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. M. E. Summey of Pickets, S. C. Fred leaves a father and mother and 5 brothers and 4 sisters to mourn his death.

Fred was a devoted Christian boy. He has been suffering with tuberculosis but on Wednesday Jesus called to him and he went to a City where there is no disease. Fred was greatly loved by everyone that knew him, and his request was for us to pray that he might die easy. We will miss him here we are expecting to meet Fred in the Great Beyond.

M. E. SUMMEY.

SHERMAN UNABLE TO RECOMMEND MIXTURE

Franklin Sherman, State Entomologist, who has devoted practically his entire time for the last several years to study of the boll weevil pest, states that he is unable to recommend some of the widely advertised mixtures that have been placed on the market, and advises the farmers stick to the calcium arsenate treatment that has been tested out by the government.

"Although I have seen many of the advertisements of this mixtures," says Dr. Sherman of these widely advertised mixture, "and have heard discussions of it by the salesman for the firm, yet there has not, in any case, come to me any clear-cut, explicit evidence that careful comparative tests have been made to prove the worth of liability of this comparative material and, therefore, I recommend that no farmer should spend one cent on it."

TO THE COUNTY. AGENTS:

We want to call your attention again to the fact that nitro-cultures from legume crops can be had in any desired quantities from this Department at 50 cents an acre bottle. Our laboratories are prepared to fill orders promptly. You will greatly oblige your farmers by calling their attention to this fact.

Yours very truly,
W. A. Graham,
Commissioner.

The above should be known to all farmers, as these cultures cost about \$1.00 per acre when bought elsewhere.

J. R. Sams, County Agent.

What can Post Office system do with WORK? This will surely be a NEW experience! What's in a name anyway?

LYNN

Dr. Justice filled his regular appointment last Sunday at 4 P. M.

Several of the Columbus people were at church here last Sunday evening, including Rev. Mr. Stroup, pastor of Columbus Baptist Church.

It is to be hoped that some way be developed that the badly needed church can be finished.

It sounds good to know that the Odd Fellows will soon be re-installed and in working order again. Good Institutions like this noble order should have never been suspended.

Mr. Melvin Rhodes and wife were visiting home folks last Sunday. Melvin is a patient in the Government Hospital at Greenville, S. C.

Mr. Geo. M. Hicks and family of New Prospect, S. C. were the guests of Mr. H. G. Cannon and family last Sunday.

Mr. A. N. Kunkle returned a few days ago from visiting his mother, at Statesville, N. C. His mother being quite ill.

A Mr. Young of Asheville is erecting a dwelling on his little 17 acre truck farm near Lynn Dairy.

Mr and Mrs. Dewitt Cannon and baby Mary Elizabeth also Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Bradley and children were the guests of Mr. W. A. Cannon and family last Sunday.

Mr. John W. Lashlee recently set himself up to a new Touring Ford car.

The Williams Brothers have bought a Ford Truck to enable them to put their Truck Farm products on the market to a better advantage.

It's to be hoped that our citizens will take on a little pride and clean up their premises as the spring approaches, you know what is said about cleanliness.

Several old open wells very unsightly and dangerous should be filled up are well covered with timber.

The Tryon Hosiery Co., are shipping some of their products across the waters by export—Sounds good.

Mrs. John L. Jackson reports having a good time at her mother's, Mrs. James Nunn, who celebrated her 88 birthday last Friday, her home is in Green River Cove.

SUNNY VIEW

Several from this section attended the preaching services at Big Level Sunday.

Mrs. Sarah Bradley and children visited the home of William Gibbs Sunday afternoon.

Little Gladys Jackson is very ill at this writing.

Miss Hoyet Steppe was the dinner guest of Miss Lora Gibbs Sunday.

Mrs. Nellie Ammons and children visited Mrs. Sophia Steppe Sunday.

Mr. N. E. Williams and family visited the home of Mr. A. H. Lynch Sunday.

Mr. Noah Lynch made a business trip to Rutherfordton one day last week.

Mrs. W. W. Steppe visited her mother, Mrs. A. J. Dimsdale Sunday.

Miss Maggie Jackson left Monday for Chimney Rock where she expects to spend the summer.

A large crowd from this section attended the preaching at the home of Boma Biddy Sunday afternoon.

PIEDMONT EXPOSITION

Spartanburg promises a rare treat in her second Piedmont Exposition, to be held from April 6 to 14. The doors will open to the public at seven o'clock Friday evening, April 6th and the dedicatory exercise begin soon after. Senator Nat Dial and Congressman J. J. McSwain will make the address of the evening and there will be also an interesting musical program.

As the exposition will cover between 25,000 and 30,000 square feet, and there is no

building of this size, several large tents have been hired from New York to house the exhibits and entertainments. These will be erected on the lot where the Billy Sunday Tabernacle stood and the city lot adjacent. They will be new tents of U. S. Army-Khaki with red borders and trim, and an imposing sight they will make, this immense spread of gay canvas in the heart of the city.

Floors, booths and wiring will convert them into a regular exposition building and a scheme of decorations, especially designed and made, with beautiful lighting effect will convert the interior into a veritable bower of beauty.

The great variety of articles made in the Piedmont, with the many kinds of merchandise offered will fill dozens of attractively decorated booths and special and unique exhibits will be of interest to everyone.

A most complete showing of several and latest models of each of the great automobile factories will be in this department, with interesting line of accessories. Home water plants and farm implements will be an important part of this show.

A full showing of the latest modes in street and sport wear, and afternoon and evening toilet with the appropriate hosiery, shoes, millinery and jewelry will be displayed by Spartanburg's fairest girls on a fully equipped stage and before a seated audience of some twelve hundred people. A special Style Show will be offered on Wednesday afternoon April 11th for the benefit of out of town guests. Others will be held on the evening of April 9, 10, 12 and 13.

Special entertainment features with a change each evening by talented musicians consisting of popular pieces, jass and classical renditions.

Only 25cts will admit to everything, exhibits and fun, and 10 cts will be charged for children between six and twelve.

SPACING COTTON FOR HIGHER YIELDS

The production of good yields from our field crop is dependent upon many more things than planting by the moon. We must have good seed, a well prepared seed bed, the right kind and quantity of plant food, proper spacing and frequent cultivation. Suppose we have given the first four requirements, what about spacing?

Our crops differ in the space they require for producing the highest yields. If we space corn too closely it will suffer from lack of moisture. In the large number of tests made with cotton we find that it will produce much higher yields when left closer in the row than is generally done.

Closer spacing also stimulates early maturity, thus making it possible to produce a better grade of lint. In one of the tests of last season the plants that were thinned to six inches between hills yielded 672 pounds of seed cotton at the first picking and those left 18 inches apart yielded only 575 pounds difference of nearly 100 pounds of seed cotton per acre at the first picking. The total difference in yield was 228 pounds of seed cotton per acre in favor of the closer spacing.

R. Y. WINTERS,
Plant Breeding Agronomist,
State-College Station, Raleigh.

Uncle Sam hopes to see the next war from cheap bleacher seat.

A better biscuit campaign in Polk County attracted bigger and better crowds to the courthouse than the Court itself. Perhaps this means for the future, fewer courts and better homes, suggested the home agent.

Bond of civic unity, protector of civic rights—the home town newspaper.