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Farmers are urged to make preparations to save their own Crimson Clover seed. It is expected that the European war will reduce our supply of Crimson Clover seed for next fall, since we have been importing more than half our requirements of this seed from Europe. The demand for Crimson Clover seed in North Carolina has more than doubled during the past two years—Yancey County has about tripled the Crimson Clover acreage since the beginning of the Soil Conservation Program. The prospects are for a still greater demand for winter cover crop seed this fall.

For this reason it would be wise for Yancey County farmers to plan to harvest part of their Crimson Clover crop for seed. Due to the increase in demand, it would be profitable for our farmers, both from the standpoint of a cash crop and to build up the soil, to save their own seed. Returns per acre will vary from about 200 to 600 or more pounds of cleaned seed per acre, depending both on the actual seed production and the conditions under which the crop is harvested. The largest yields of Crimson Clover seed are obtained on soils of medium fertility, where the crop does not grow very rank, according to results obtained by E. C. Blair, Extension Agronomist. In large fields there are often areas of this sort that can be left for seed production, the more fertile acres being turned under at the usual time.

A harvester suitable for harvesting Crimson Clover seed can be made by any good workman. A comb type stripper is the most commonly used. This harvester is a wooden comb, which is drawn through the crop after the heads are dead ripe. It strips the seeds from the stalks, catching them in a box. A stripper for hand use may be made by removing the top and one side from a wooden box and attaching teeth along the edge of the bottom. It should be fitted with convenient handles. A horse-drawn model may be made by swinging the box beneath an axle mounted with any kind of wheels that are convenient and high enough to allow the teeth to run just below the heads. Long shafts are attached to the axle, and a handle to the rear of the box. The latter is for raising and lowering the teeth to suit variations in the height of the clover.

DOUBLE ISLAND
A revival meeting started at the church Monday night, conducted by Rev. Wm. Turbyfill. Mrs. Carter Thomas and baby Shirley Jean were brought home from the Marion hospital Saturday. Emory Robinson visited relatives in Mars Hill over the week end. The Harris Clay Plant has started work, it is reported by Jobe Thomas, superintendent. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hughes and children of Bandana visited friends and relatives during the past week end.

JACKS CREEK
Rev. A. Z. Jamerson filled his regular appointment at the Baptist church here Sunday. Miss Evelyn Hunter and Junior Hunter were hosts to a party given for the B. Y. P. U. Saturday night.

which unquestionably gives best results.

SILO IS GOOD KILLER OF NOXIOUS WEEDS

An increasing number of Yancey County farmers are planning to put up silage this fall. Corn is most commonly used as a silage crop; however, many other crops are being successfully used as you will note in the following results obtained through experiments carried out in cooperation with the United States Department of Agriculture.

Put weedy hay crops in the silo instead of the stack or mow, to stop the spread of weeds. This is the substance of advice to farmers which T. E. Woodward, of the Bureau of Dairy Industry, offers on the basis of experiments with seeds of noxious weeds buried in ensilage when silos were filled at the Beltsville Research Center. Of 26 varieties of weed crop seeds that went into the silo, 23 were killed outright, and the germination of the other 3—bindweed, Lespedeza sericea, and American dragonhead mint—were greatly reduced.

Many farmers have burned clippings from weedy pastures and hay from weedy meadows because they were unwilling to take a chance on fouling cultivated fields with the weeds in the manure hauled from the feed lot. When weedy material goes through the fermentation in the silo and then through the digestive process of animals there is no likelihood that weed seeds will be troublesome. The silo and the livestock will safeguard the cultivated fields, and the farmer can safely get out of the weedy material any feed values that exist.

Johnson grass seed was one of the varieties killed completely in the silo, and this suggests that making silage instead of hay may provide a new and safe way of making use of the good feed values of Johnson grass without the danger of spreading the seed to cultivated fields through manure.

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THE FLICKER

The flicker or Yellowhammer, a member of the family of Woodpeckers, is said to have as many as 124 names.

It is about twelve inches in length; there is a black crescent on the breast and a red band on the back of the head; the upper parts are golden brown barred with black; the wings are yellow-lined; the rump is white (conspicuous in flight); the breast is white with black spots. The female is like the male except it lacks the black cheek spots noticeable on the male.

The Flicker, unlike other Woodpeckers, spends much of its time on the ground. With its saliva-coated tongue, which it extends two or three inches from the tip of the beak, it takes in great quantities of ants (as many as 5,000 being found in the stomach of one bird). It also devours a great variety of other very noxious insects.

It builds its nest in a hole carved in a tree or a building and, as a rule, lays five or six eggs. By keeping all but one egg removed from the nest it has been known to lay as many as 71 eggs in 73 days (my authority, Charles L. Phillips in Bird-Lore).

The Flicker keeps up perhaps more fuss than any other bird, uttering in all as many as forty different notes.

The Flicker is a great asset. —(James Hutchins).

SINGING CONVENTION AT DOUBLE ISLAND

The Singing Convention for the Eastern District was held at the Double Island church on last Sunday with a large attendance. The singing was very good. A quartet from Marion was especially fine.

The next convention will be held at Upper Shoal Creek Baptist church on the fourth Sunday afternoon in June beginning at 1:30. Everyone is invited to attend, and to bring singers from all communities in the county.

RECENT BIRTHS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Vilous McPeters of Windom a son, May 5.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hughes of Micaville a son, May 7.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Pittman of Burnsville a son, May 7.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Earl King of Cane River a daughter, May 9.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Bealer Young of Newdale a son, May 10.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bartlett of Newdale a son, May 13.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tallent of Ramseytown a daughter, May 15.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. James Marsh, Jr. of Micaville a son, May 16.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Fox of Bald Creek a son, May 17.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Issac Whitson of Ramseytown a daughter, May 18.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Ballew of Celoville a son, May 19.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hensley of Bald Creek a son, May 19.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Penland of Pensacola a daughter, May 20.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Young of Burnsville a son, May 24.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Anglin of Banks Creek a daughter, May 24.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Brinkley of Burnsville a daughter, May 25.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Renfro of Estatoo a daughter, May 27.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Rex Hughes of Burnsville a daughter, May 27.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Robinson of Day Book a daughter, May 28.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Miller of Bolens Creek a daughter, May 30.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Roland Hensley of Vixen a daughter, May 31.

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