



GARDEN TIME  
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Do you still burn your leaves in the fall? Why not use them to good advantage by making a compost pile. Such a pile, when properly made and thoroughly decomposed, will serve you in many ways as an excellent source of organic material. It can be used as a top dressing for your lawn; for mulching borders, trees and shrubs; and in the vegetable garden to improve the weak spots. Not much trouble either. Here's how.

You will need some suitable place to stack your leaves and other refuse. The corner of a wall will furnish two sides for your pit; you can board up the other two. Use an abandoned manure pit which "Old Dobbin" once filled but is of no use to a Farmall or a John Deere, or convert a hog pen which still has boards around it but may need a little re-inforcing. Do you get the idea?

Now, leaves, grain straw, molded hay, corn shucks and many other materials can be used. Do not add diseased plants or weeds on which seed have matured. Put down about 12 or 14 inches of your dry material and then a liberal layer of chicken or stable manure. Then alternate the layers until your pile is from four to six feet high. If you don't have manure available you can use commercial fertilizer, such as 6-8-6 or 8-8-8. A liberal sprinkling will do the trick. If you want a general guide, use a pint-cup of fertilizer to each 10 square feet of space.

At State College we make all the soil that goes into our benches and beds in the greenhouse. The last time we prepared a compost pile, we used wheat straw, sawdust, chicken manure and soil in layers. After six months, we cut, or turned the pile and left it for another six months before using. You too can use sawdust, the older the better. If you want to add a layer of this material, make it about six inches deep, and apply a little more commercial fertilizer to the sawdust layer. I believe it decomposes faster when manure is used.

Keep the pile moist at all times. During the fall, winter and early spring the rainfall should be sufficient, but watch out for prolonged dry periods in summer.

Angkor in Cambodia, a city buried in the jungle for nearly 500 years before French scholars uncovered it, held more than a million people. It was the resplendent capital of the mighty Khmer Empire from the 9th to the 15th centuries. Sacked by invading Siamese, it was then completely abandoned.

ECLIPSE OF THE MOON

The eclipse of the moon, which will be seen in North Carolina on November 17th is the subject of a special program at the Morehead Planetarium.

The program, "Mister Moon" will continue through November 19.

An exciting climax to the show is a spectacular demonstration of the theory that millions of years from now, the moon may move within a close distance of the earth and shatter into millions of tiny particles.

This would, says A. F. Jenzano, manager of the Planetarium, cause circles around the earth similar to the rings around Saturn.

LARRY S. DAVIS  
COMPLETES TRAINING

Airman Larry S. Davis, 18, son of Seigle Davis, Celo, N. C., has completed the first phase of military training at the "Gateway to the Air Force," Lackland AFB, San Antonio, Tex.

He has qualified for specialized technical training and will be assigned to 3750th Technical Training Wing, Sheppard A. F. B., Tex.

While at Lackland the new enlistee undergoes the transition from civilian to airman through a program which includes processing, aptitude testing, physical conditioning, survival and weapons training, and varied classroom studies ranging from citizenship to military customs and courtesies.

Like the USAF Officer Candidate and Pre-Flight schools, also located at Lackland, basic military training prepares graduates for specialized training and on-the-job assignment.

ASC Committee  
Named

Election was held on Tuesday of last week for township ASC committeemen and delegates to the county convention, which was held last Thursday.

County committeemen who were elected to serve in 1957 were Alvin Pate, chairman; J. L. Dulaney, vice chairman; R. C. Deyton, regular member; John Evans, first alternate; and Tilden Fender, second alternate.

The Yancey County ASC office moved last Monday to the new post office building located near the courthouse on the square.

FRENZ WHEELING  
By Bill Crowell

STOPPING TIP — A good rule of the thumb for quickly estimating safe stopping distance is to fasten the figure "5" over your speedometer. Then multiply any driving speed by five and the result will be the approximate number of feet it will take you to stop safely.

NERVOUS NAGS — Fifty years ago the approach of "one of them infernal horseless carriages" sent Grandpa into a tizzy. And with good cause for his team was sure to take fright and bolt, a contingency the State of North Carolina recognizes to this very day. Even though Old Dobbin figuratively succumbed to the auto age years ago, he still can stop traffic dead. The law is heavily one-sided in his favor as evidenced by an obscure passage in the Motor Vehicle Manual.

Putting it roughly, the book says any person mounted or leading a horse has only to raise his hand and cars must stop, period. And if the animal is badly frightened the motorist is further directed to shut off the engine and if hidden to assist the horseman to quiet the animal. The law originally was passed in 1917 to "insure the safety of all persons concerned and to prevent accidents." Assemblymen through the years have never repealed the quaint law, possibly because the Tar Heel State boasts the nation's greatest horse and mule population.

SUCCOTASH — An astonishing hodge-podge of raw material goes into the making of a new automobile, even such unlikely stuff as sugarcane. To create a "dashing international figure" which is what the Automobile Manufacturer's Association calls the modern American automobile, builders use such products as cattle for glue, glycerin, hides and hair for air cleaners. Also coconut oil for paints and lacquers, cork for gaskets and insulation, diamonds for cutting and grinding. They throw in gold to plate ornaments and silver for electrical systems, plating and brazing. And sugarcane is

COMMISSIONER'S SALE  
In The Superior Court  
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY OF YANCEY

THE COUNTY OF YANCEY, et al  
vs.  
FRANK BRYANT and wife, MRS. FRANK BRYANT and JANE BRYANT

Under and by virtue of a Judgment of the Clerk of the Superior Court appointing the undersigned as Commissioner to sell the property hereinafter described for the purpose of satisfaction of tax judgment, interest and cost, the undersigned Commissioner will, on December 3, 1956, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the Courthouse door in Burnsville, North Carolina, sell to the highest bidder for cash that tract or parcel of land situate in Ramseytown Township, County of Yancey, State of North Carolina, and described as follows:

BEGINNING at the mouth of Deep Hole Branch on the West side of said branch; thence on the same side of the branch to Wiley Tipton's line; thence with Wiley Tipton's line to a forked White Pine in his line; thence with his line to the top of a ridge; thence with the ridge to Dock Tipton's line at the cliff of rocks; thence North with Dock Tipton's line to back line of the 230 acre tract; thence West direct line to the BEGINNING, containing 75 acres, more or less.

Excepting from the above tract of land that parcel of land sold to Hazley Ralley and wife, July 1, 1937, described as follows:

BEGINNING at the mouth of Deep Hole Branch, on the West side of said branch; thence on the same side of the branch to Wiley Tipton's line; thence with Wiley Tipton's line to a forked Pine in his line; thence with his line to the top of a ridge; thence with the ridge to Dock Tipton's line at a cliff of rocks; thence Northwest a direct line to a Hickory Tree at the head of a branch of water; thence with said branch to a small Hemlock Tree on East side of branch; thence East a direct line to a Hemlock Tree at the back of a Branch Bave Road; thence up and with said old road to a Maple Tree on East side of road; thence Northeast a direct line to back line of I. R. Love's 230 acre tract; thence with I. R. Love's line to the BEGINNING, containing 37 1/2 acres, more or less.

This the 2nd day of Nov. 1956.  
Dover R. Fouts, Commissioner  
Nov. 8, 15, 22, 29

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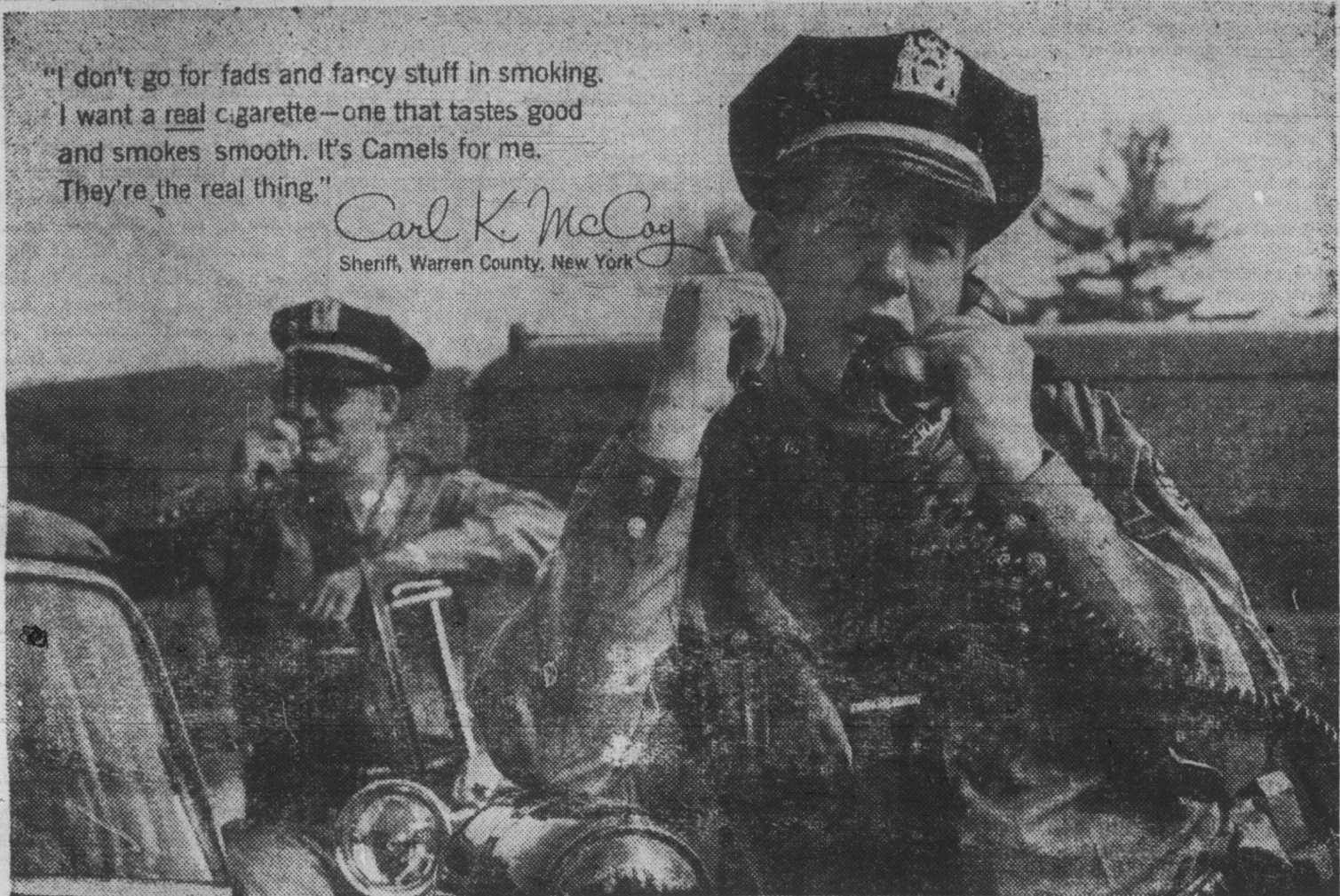
LOOK QUICK — Glance at this figure, then look away quickly and repeat it to yourself mentally: 5 2 6 4 9 1. How did you do?

Over in Chapel Hill at the State Highway Patrol Training School recruits are getting a steady diet of such exercises to develop "flash recognition" says Sgt. E. W. Jones of Asheville, commander of the current school. In practice a projector flashes on the wall a series of six scrambled digits for intervals of one hundredth of a second. Instructors then question the class to see who remembered. It's good, to report that most of the rookie troopers have sticky minds for such details. It'll serve them well later on when they might have only seconds to identify a fleeing car's license plate.

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