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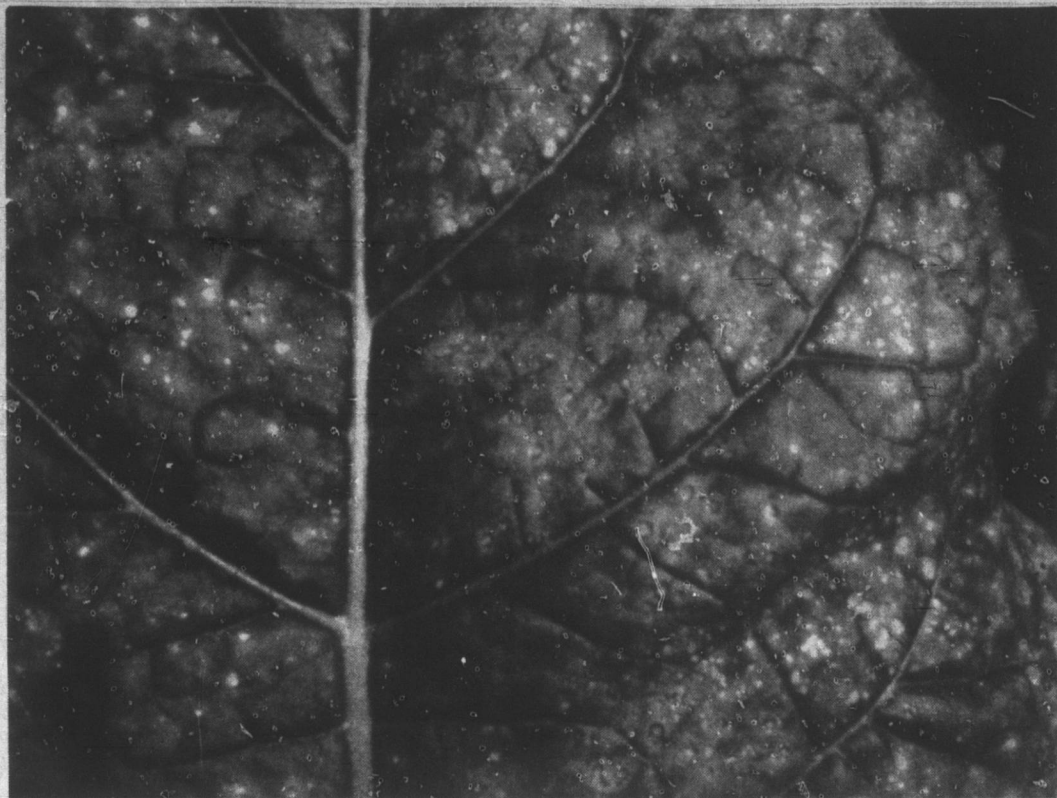
Shown in the accompanying picture is a condition affecting tobacco in Yancey County, Western North Carolina and Eastern Tennessee known as "Weather Flecking". The condition is recognized by numerous small spots or "flecks" less than 1/8 inch diameter. The spots are first white, then turn brown. They show on the older tobacco leaves nearer the ground. The condition may affect only certain plants in a field or only certain leaves

on a plant. The condition is a result of ozone toxicity and atmospheric pollution getting on to the leaf. The toxic materials are carried down by raindrops from upper air layers.

Although the condition is somewhat harmful, it is not a cause for alarm as would be the case with certain diseases. This is not a new thing. Weather fleck shows up every season. Weather conditions have favored its occurrence this year and incidence is

higher than normal. It is hard for some of our folks to accept the fact that pollution is actually the underlying cause of this condition.

There is no prevention and no treatment for Weather Fleck. Tobacco in a healthy growing condition is better able to withstand weather flecking. Any cultural practices such as cultivation or needed sidedressing can be helpful by keeping the crop in a good growing condition. The recent letup in rainfall will be helpful also.



Tobacco-Leaf Shows "Weather Flecking"

Webworm Is Major Problem

The fall webworm is one of the most important enemies of many trees that grow in North Carolina. Fortunately, the worms can be controlled in valuable trees in the home landscape.

The worms, or caterpillars, live in colonies protected by a web attached to the tree branches. The web, usually in a fork of the branch,

is easy to spot. They should be eradicated before large sections of the tree are defoliated, caution North Carolina State University extension specialists.

The worms crawl out of the web, eat the leaves and then crawl back for protection.

One method of control is spraying with one of the insecticides sevin or malathion. If used, be sure to follow label directions carefully and use safety precautions necessary in handling poisons.

Some people prefer to eradicate webworms by

burning the web cover. Use a wad of kerosene-soaked cloth on the end of a pole. Don't use gasoline or other highly flammable materials. If you use the kerosene-soaked cloth and pole, use quick thrusts with the flame in order not to damage the foliage more than necessary. Be safety conscious in using the flame method.

The world lifetime record yield of milk is 334,292 pounds by a Holstein cow named College Ormsby Burke.



Student At Workshop

Wade Biddix, a rising junior at Mountain Heritage High School, recently attended a Student Conservation Workshop. One hundred and one boys from all over the state attended the session which was held on the campus of NCSU. Wade received training in forestry, wildlife, watershed management and soils. His trip was sponsored by the Yancey Soil and Water Conservation District. Each-year a student from Yancey County is invited to attend, and the District pays his expenses, management and soils.

Taylor Is Candidate For District Judge

Edwin D. Taylor, Avery County Attorney, announces that he is a candidate for the District Judge in the 24th Judicial District and will run against the incumbent, J. Ray Braswell in the Republican primary on August 17. Taylor filed his qualification papers in Raleigh.

Taylor has been a practicing attorney for over 24 years, the last four years thereof, in Banner Elk. He was on the faculty of Appalachian State University in Boone for three years.

"I believe that my experience as a trial lawyer would

qualify me for this post and I believe that justice should be administered fairly and impartially," he said.

He is widely known in this area for his confrontation with the "Way, Truth, and the Life" cult over his son. He has also been active statewide in exposing youth orientated cults.

Taylor is married to Doris E. Taylor, director of Nursing at Caldwell Memorial Hospital in Lenoir. They have three sons and a daughter. He resides in Watauga County, is a Kiwanian and member of the Episcopal Church.



REPORT FROM
U.S. Senator
JESSE HELMS

WASHINGTON—Clever politicians learned a long time ago that it is easy to fool a majority of the American people by forcing them to pay hidden taxes. The politicians wouldn't dare to impose the taxes direct, so that the taxpayers could know what their government is costing them.

Therefore, the tax schemes dreamed up by government are a tapestry of deceit. If you'll stop to think, you hear and read a great deal these days about politicians who attack "big corporations." That is regarded as smart politics, because nobody loves a "big corporation."

At the same time, there ought to be some way to make consumers—the customers who buy things from the various businesses—understand that when the government imposes an additional tax on the corner grocery store, be it large or small, that tax will really be paid by the customers of that store.

HIDDEN—That's the way hidden taxes work. The taxes that any business pays are a part of its overhead, just like all of its other business expenses. The only way that business can pay its expenses—including taxes—is by including its expenses in the prices it charges you and me, and its other customers.

Someone sent me a copy of a recent report made by the president of Safeway Stores, Inc. W. S. Mitchell delivered his report in May at the annual meeting of Safeway's stockholders. Safeway is one of the nation's larger supermarket chains.

Mr. Mitchell pointed out that taxes consumed two-thirds of Safeway's net income last year. To be precise, Mr. Mitchell reported that Safeway paid \$264,269,000 in taxes. But the point is: Safeway didn't really pay those taxes; Safeway collected those taxes from its customers by including the cost of taxes in the price of food and other goods bought by millions of Americans who were paying hidden taxes!

Think of how much cheaper that food could have been if it had not been for those hidden taxes.

GUILTY—Government is the guilty party that has caused the inflation that all Americans are now suffering. Government spending is now roughly four times what it was just ten or twelve years ago. On top of that, government regulations—which involve all kinds of red tape and paperwork—are costing the American taxpayers \$130 billion a year.

That's approximately what the American people are now spending for food each year!

So, when you hear some politician-advocate that we raise taxes on the businesses of this country, what they are really saying is: Let's raise some more hidden taxes for the average consumer to pay.

I am convinced that the only realistic "tax reform" the Congress could adopt would be a reduction in federal spending. We need to stop wasting the taxpayers' money, and balance the federal budget. I don't suppose that any of us will ever fall in love with "big corporations," but we ought at least to understand that the government really can't collect any taxes from corporations. Government can only require corporations to collect more taxes from their customers, and send the money to Washington—to be wasted by bureaucrats and Congress.

When the people understand that, maybe they'll want to have something to say to their clever politicians about hidden taxes.

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Insects attracted by sight, sound, odor

Mosquitoes, bees and wasps just like people are attracted, infuriated, or repulsed by sight, sound, or odor.

To avoid an eyeball-to-eyeball confrontation with the business end of a stinging insect this summer, follow these simple rules: 1) At picnic outings avoid colorful dress and sweet-smelling fragrances; 2) Never swat a flying insect; 3) Taking vitamin B tablets may create a repulsive skin-odor to many insects; and finally, 4) if stung, remove stinger with knife edge, taking care not to squeeze more venom into affected area. Stop swelling



with ice pack, and relieve itching with calamine lotion, baking soda, or compress moistened with ammonia spirits.

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