

McDowell County Helps To Carry On Experiments

McDowell county farm are aiding the Agricultural Extension service in their program to promote the growing of hybrid corn for heavier yields by actual co-operative testing of hybrids on private farms.

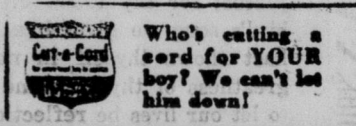
Carl Whiteside, assistant county agent revealed here last week that, among others, J. Fred Moody is now conducting tests on four hybrids with test patches open to the public at his place near Mackey Creek filling station.

Two of the varieties have been used before in the county by 4-H members and others with excellent results. The farm agent's office has great hopes for the other two, Mr. Whiteside said.



MARINES IN DANGER... Says Gen. Alexander A. Vandegrift, to senate naval affairs committee at hearing on proposed merger of the armed services. He stated that the unification legislation will in all probability spell extinction for the marine corps.

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OLD FORT NEWS

LOCALS

BY Mrs. D. T. ROUGHTON

Mr. and Mrs. Howard LeFevre and children, Billy and Bobbie, of Old Fort attended the funeral of their grandfather which was held at the Rutherford College Methodist Church.

A Handsome nine piece pulpit set made of solid oak has been presented to the Old Fort Methodist church by Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Ragle of Old Fort and Point Loo'out, in memory of their son, Henry Edward Ragle who died five years ago.

The furniture was installed and used for the first time last Sunday.

Mrs. R. O. Bullard of Winston Salem is spending this week at the home of her mother, Mrs. S. F. Wilkinson in Old Fort.

Joe Crawford, Jr., and Tom Crawford have come from Charlotte to spend several weeks at the home of their aunts, Mrs. Joe Giles, Mrs. Blanche Rock, and Mrs. Elizabeth Beam of Old Fort.

Margaret Lou Caplan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Caplan of Old Fort has completed her sophomore work at Lenoir-Rhyne college, and is spending the summer holidays at her home here.

Miss Elizabeth Laughridge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Laughridge of Old Fort, who was graduated from G.C.U.N.C. last week, is spending several weeks at her home here.

Mrs. Harvey Johnson and son Thomas Jean, of Portsmouth, Va. are visiting at the home of Mrs. Johnson's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Burgin at Old Fort.

Lt. Col. Sidney F. Mauney, Jr., of Tulsa, Oklahoma will arrive Monday to spend a week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney F. Mauney of Old Fort.

Other guests of the Mauneys include their nephew, Frank Mauney and son, Pat of Atlanta; Rob Yancey of Salisbury, Mr. and Mrs. Starr Hanna of Gastonia, and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Mauney of Chattanooga.

Mrs. Irene Burgin and two sons, Jordan and Bobbie Harding of Washington, D. C. arrived Sunday for a week's visit at the home of Mrs. Burgin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Jordan in Old Fort.

Colonel Thomas M. Chaney of Fort Jackson, Columbia, S. C. his daughter, Mrs. Edson D. Raff spent the week end at the home of in Old Fort.

Colonel E. Duncan Raff who is spending a furlough with his wife and son at Old Fort, spent several days in Washington last week, returning to Old Fort on Monday.

Mrs. James Taylor of Old Fort entertained at her home on Friday afternoon at four o'clock. The courtesy was in compliment to her sister, Miss Millie Kanipe, who has recently returned to her home here from Burlington where she is a member of the city school system.

Included in the hospitality were Mrs. Austin Harris, Mrs. T. R. Kanipe, Mrs. George Sandlin, Mrs. Fred Bradley, Mrs. H. J. Rockett, Mrs. Ryan Stanton, Miss Margaret Marley, Claire Artz, all of Old Fort, and Misses Janie Tucker, Wilma Snoddy and Elizabeth Conley of Marion.

Mr. and Mrs. James Thomas have returned to their home at Greensboro, having been called to Old Fort on account of the death of the Mrs. Thomas's grandfather, A. L. Lefevre.

Miss Legeay of Paducah, Ky. will arrive on Tuesday to be the guest for a week of Mr. and Mrs. James Taylor at Old Fort.

Capt. Jack Vess, AAF, of Washington, D. C. is spending several days in Old Fort, visiting his mother, Mrs. Bertha Cline.

Working Church Means An Interested Membership

The chairman of the building committee of a church which had constructed a new building—partly with Lord's Acre Funds—recently stated, "Now that our building is finished, our people do not take the interest in the church which they did while working—for the completion of the building."

That is a very meaningful statement. It clearly indicates the truth that when people are at work for a good cause they become interested in the cause. When an immediate objective is obtained, interest is apt to decline.

People who work for the Church are interested in the Church. This is one of the sound reasons for using the Lord's Acre plan. The Lord's Acre plan alone gives the opportunity to put all the people of the country church, young and old, at work for its support and spiritual upbuilding. People who work for the Church are interested in the Church.

There are always advances to be made and improvements to be accomplished. If there is already money in the church treasury, that is no reason why stewardship activities should be lessened. Let some funds be put in reserve, and then use more money than ever for the service of the church to the community and to denominational causes.

Some constructive objectives are the following: Setting up of a church bus service. Improvement or enlargement of church building. Beautification of grounds. Support of ministerial student in missionary field. Purchase of electric organ. Strengthening the pastor's opportunity for service by providing him with funds for increased visitation.

Let everyone be enlisted in a worthy Lord's Acre project in your church for your best objective! People who work for a church are interested in the Church!

Conservation News

By L. B. HAIRR

G. D. Walker of Glenwood community in cooperation with the Catawba Soil Conservation District, has terraced the field to the south of his home.

Mr. Walker with the help of O'dell Poteat, who has a tractor and terracing plow, and personnel from the District built these terraces Wednesday and Thursday of last week.

Mr. Poteat constructed over 6,000 feet of standard terraces and opened most of the outlets with his tractor and plow in 17 hours on Mr. Walker's farm.

Grover Tabor of Old Fort Rt. 1 mowed the pasture east of his house last Wednesday. This pasture was seeded last fall. Mr. Tabor says mowing the pasture will help to destroy the weeds and help the grass to become better rooted before the cattle start to grazing; therefore, it can stand more grazing and tramping without injury to the sod.

John W. Busch, Regeonal photographer, from Spartansburg, S. C. visited the Catawba Soil Conservation District last week and got news pictures for use in the farm sections of the different newspapers of North Carolina and South Carolina.

Mr. Busch took action pictures on several farms in McDowell last week, including W. C. Mc Luer, G. D. Walker and G. C. Tabor.

Pleasant Gardens PTA Elect Officers

Officers were named at the last meeting of the Pleasant Gardens Parent-Teachers association, before disbanding for the summer. Mrs. Luther Skaggs, was named president; John R. Jimeson, vice president, Miss Rose Stacey, secretary, and Miss Zelma Atwell, treasurer.

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Play Presented At Old Fort School

The play "Lena Rivers" was presented last Friday night by the students of Old Fort school in the Old Fort school auditorium at 8:00 o'clock.

There is no graduation class at the school this year and the play was one of the school's closing features. Final classes will be held June 14.

Slaughter Of Pork Drops Fifty Percent

Total pork slaughtered in the United States last year was 22 percent less than in 1944, figured on a dressed weight basis and 25 percent less on the basis of live weight, the State Department of Agriculture has been informed by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics.

Although the amount of pork killed on a dressed weight basis in 1945 was the fourth largest on record, the actual number of hogs slaughtered was 29 per cent below 1944 and the lowest since 1939, said the report.

While appearing in Washington last fall before representatives of the Office of Price Administration in an attempt to obtain a raise in the local pork ceilings, John Winfield, markets newsman with the State Department that farmers would withhold their hogs from market rather than sell them at top of \$14.55 per hundred pounds.

He estimated that the number of hogs marketed in North Carolina last year was not more than 50 per cent of that of 1944.

Wholesale Grocery To Open In Marion Soon

A new wholesale grocery will commence operation in Marion on or about July 1. The establishment will be known as the McDowell Wholesale Company and will have its location on Baldwin Avenue in the Clinchfield section of this city.

The new establishment will be Gibbs of the Lake Tahoma road, well known to many people around Marion.

Mr. Gibbs commenting on his new business, states that he will handle a complete line of all types of groceries, tobacco and candies. These will be sold and distributed by his organization directly to retail outlets, drug stores, restaurants and service stations.

The owner of the new business is well known in McDowell county having been connected with a local wholesale grocery firm here for a number of years prior to his entrance into the service. He was in the army during the recent conflict, and received an honorable discharge from the service last March after serving thirty-eight months in the Infantry.

Mr. Gibbs is a member of the Francis Marion Club, local civic and social organization, and of the First Methodist Church of Marion.

The Temporary Pasture Important To Farmer

Temporary and permanent pasture have their importance where livestock is kept. Where your permanent pasture is short or needs a rest for awhile a temporary pasture is of great value and can be made by sowing a mixture of Sudan grass, oats, and barley at this season of the year. It will come in September when other pasture is getting low and help save high priced grain feed.

Use plenty of seed and fertilize at seeding time.

Wheat Harvest Is Here Wheat harvest is here and wheat is scarce. As soon as wheat is dry enough get it in sacks, or better still, store it in a dry barn until you can get it threshed in case you can't use a combine. The wheat and straw are both valuable.

Dealers In Bread To Display Bread Cards

Agriculture Commissioner Kerr Scott has announced that all North Carolina retail stores and other businesses selling bread or rolls short of the weight printed on the package are required to have on display near their bread counters card informing the public that "bread rolls sold here may be short of the labeled weight up to ten per cent, or not over two ounces."

He explained that pursuant to the recent Government order, bakeries are reducing the weight of their products in order to conserve flour.

At a recent meeting held between representatives of the North Carolina Baker's Council and the officials of the State Agriculture department it was agreed that cards informing the public of the short weight of the bread and rolls would be preferable to having new wrappers printed according to Scott. He said that the order, in effect only through June 30 would otherwise have necessitated considerable waste of paper and involved large printing cost for the bake.

The card system, he explained, has been cleared with the State Attorney General's Office.

FRAMING ERECTED ON NEW PLANT

Steel framing of the main building of the rayon processing plant under construction at Old Fort for Clearwater Manufacturing Co., has been erected and brick on the building begun. Pouring of concrete floor slabs is now in progress.

According to statement made by Stanley Blazyk, electrical engineer on the project, 40 people are engaged at present, however more will be needed for the piping, electrical and other brick work.

Next on the construction program will be a powerhouse, warehouse, and filtration and sewage disposal plants.

The original plan calls for three units which will employ approximately 800 people.

PARKER OBTAINS BOAT DOCK LEASE ON FONTANA LAKE

Mr. and Mrs. Roy W. Parker, of Asheville and Orlando, Fla., are now operating two boat docks at Almond, Fontana lake. They have placed on the lake two passenger boats which carry seven persons.

These are speed boats and more will be added soon.

They also have on the lake 35 small boats for fishing. Mr. Parker states that he has a long time lease on this boat landing and that he has obtained the boat concession at Fontana village. He states that he will have two landings at each place.

Mr. Parker began operating about two weeks ago. Mr. Parker is a dealer in boats at 46 Banks avenue, Asheville.

Good Service On Southern Railway

Six new two-unit, 4,000-h. p. Diesel passenger locomotives, ordered by the Southern Railway System more than a year ago, have now been received and will be used to provide additional Deisel-powered passenger service on the Washington-Atlanta and Cincinnati-Jacksonville main lines, it was announced today by Ernest E. Norris, the railway's President.

According to present plans, the new locomotives will enable the Southern to use Deisel power on trains 33 and 34, the "Piedmont Limited," between Washington and Atlanta; trains 45 and 46, "The Tennessean," between Washington and Monroe, Va.; and trains So. Ry. Continued on Pg. 8



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