

**Local Girl Presented In College Play**

Miss Jean Ann Walker, freshman at Bryson College and daughter of — and Mrs. O. O. Walker, was presented in the regular Friday evening play, Nov. 17, "The Dream of Dagon."

Miss Walker is a popular and active student on Bryson campus, and

a pledge of Phi Mu, national sorority.

The farm population in the United States is about 4,000,000 less than 4 years ago. About half these people left the farm in 1942.

Pork production at federally inspected plants was 168 million lbs. for the first week in November 42 million pounds less than a year ago.

**Their Bonds and Stamps Buy a Jeep**



"We're buying one," said members of the Whittier School, Stone Falls, South Dakota, when they saw the jeep above. Actually they expect to have bought their own jeep and truck by the middle of December to pay for two years of the school fees. The county government is the partner interested over Stone Falls Air Field to show the boys and girls just what their savings are purchasing. (Army Photo)

Guilford county has a planting schedule for 45 acres of vegetables for the county home, sanatorium, and county prisoners next year. It was prepared by the Manager of the home, and the assistant county agent.

A thrifty growing forest pays taxes and produces a steady farm income. Cut fuel wood from the cull trees and the poorer species.

Supplies of fresh eggs in the U. S. were heavier during October than a year earlier but still short of needs, says a Government report.

Used motor oil and motor coloring are good for "painting" out buildings on the farm. Several colors are obtainable.

Rockingham County farmers and sportsmen have organized for the protection of wild life in that section.

**LOWER PRICES ARE EXPECTED NEXT YEAR**

RALEIGH.—If the European war ends by next spring, the prices farmers will receive — and consumers will pay—for truck crops in 1945 will be "appreciably" less than they are at the present time.

This is the opinion expressed by J. A. Winfield, marketing specialist with the N. C. Department of Agriculture.

"A study of local conditions and the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reports indicate that it is reasonable to expect a continuation of the slight downward price trend which has been particularly apparent in the producer's market for some time," asserted Winfield. He added that prices will not drop greatly if production of truck crops show unexpected reduction from the 1944 level.

Reports reaching the State Department of Agriculture from throughout the nation are to the effect that prices received by farmers for fresh market truck crops in September of this year were approximately eight per cent lower than Sept. 1943, indicating that large quantities of fresh vegetables were produced last summer.

Marketing experts with the U. S. Department of Agriculture have informed Winfield that prices for Irish potatoes in 1945 are expected to be "nearer the support level than the ceiling," providing floor and ceiling prices are similar to those established for 1944.

**Requests Granted In Emergency**

ATLANTA, Ga. — Due to the many inquiries received by the American Red Cross Southeastern Area office here concerning the policy of the Red Cross in handling requests for the return of soldiers from overseas, Major General Frederick E. Ehl, commanding general, Fourth Service Command, issued this statement:

"Such requests — granted in cases of family emergency or critical illness in the home — can now be made only through the Red Cross," he said.

Under the new War Department procedure for making such applications, first responsibility for investigating the actual need for a soldier's return to the States lies with the local chapter of the American Red Cross, through only at the request of military authorities.

The chapter's report and the family request are then forwarded by the Red Cross to the field director of the proper theater of operations. In turn the commanding officer in the theater takes whatever final action he considers proper.

**State College Hints To Farm Homemakers**

(By Ruth Current N. C. State College)

Most fire losses are due to carelessness. They can be prevented but you can't leave it to the other fellow to prevent. Disconnect the electric iron before you leave it. Be careful with matches and smoking. Store gasoline and kerosene in clearly marked metal containers. Clear out old paper, magazines, rags, furniture and rubbish. Deliver paper and rags to local salvage committee.

Whenever possible choose a flared lamp shade in preference to a drum-shaped shade. A flared shade spreads the light over a wider area for better see-ability, whereas a drum-shaped "hugs" the light around the base of the lamp.

A pot of parsley on the windowsill is not only useful for seasoning winter dishes but decorative as well because of its bright green curly leaves. Of all the seasoning herbs, parsley is probably the easiest to grow indoors.

Take as a plant from the garden. Clip off the larger leaves. Plant in rich, well drained soil — one part to three parts good garden loam. Keep the transplanted plant in the shade and well watered for several days until it starts growing. Then give it sunshine and regular watering.

Parsley gives an especially fine flavor to meats, soups, and egg dishes if it is chopped and then heated a moment in a little fat.

**Used Same Christmas Tree For 5 Years**

"Use what you have to the full extent" is the slogan of the clothing groups in the 2,500 rural home demonstration clubs in North Carolina since materials are hard to obtain and clothing is relatively high in price.

Mrs. H. E. Yount of the Antioch Club in Brunswick County has carried the slogan a step further by using the same Christmas tree for the last five holiday seasons, according to Elizabeth Norfleet, home demonstration agent of the State College Extension Service.

Mr. Yount planted a small cedar by the house and the first Christmas it was about 15 inches high. It was placed in a pot and used as a table tree with proper decorations. Mrs. Yount replanted the small tree by the house and the second year she dug it up again and placed it in a basket on a table for Christmas.

Again it was replanted and the third year it took its place on the floor with the children adding the necessary decorations. It was very thoughtfully treated and again re-planted by the house. For the last six years it has been used as an outside Christmas tree to carry all the lights and decorations.

With the Christmas season rapidly approaching, Mrs. Yount and the other members of the family are making special preparation for the decoration of the traditional Christmas tree and for the usual celebration.

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