

H. Y. Belk

AND HIS NEWS OF NEBO VALLEY

What about that new picture at the head of the column? Its tailor-made. If you don't like it take off your glasses and don't blame me. Hubert Carlisle did the best he could with the material he had. He has built up a nice business in a short while. When you go down you will find he has very nice pictures to show. Look up in the pocket of that new picture. It's a snow shoe rabbit's foot off of the left hind leg. They grow only on Kodak Island. Very large too. If you would be lucky at all times carry one of them. You can charm 'em they say.

Charlie Blalock tells me they have had a lot of trouble this winter with the water pipes freezing and bursting. I told him it hadn't been cold at Nebo. That our spring hadn't froze over yet. He said he didn't believe they would have any more trouble with their pipes bursting. That Hall Goforth had found a sure way to keep the water running. He has an old blind Plymouth Rock hen that gets up on his pipe at night and keeps his pipes warm — can't freeze. If I had pipes in my springs, I'd keep a bunch of old blind hens. A stitch in time saves nine. A blind hen is hard to find. Now please pardon me for what I'm going to say. Its true.

I heard a doctor say our brains are 90 per cent water. I wondered if he had any. A hog has more brains than a man and uses them so much better at times. Some men who get there in life use their brains. Others work themselves to death with their hands.

A famous liar called by. I asked him, Brother John, What's the news? He replied: The Mississippi river burned up last night. A smart fellow standing by replied, I thought something like that had happened, for I saw a whale floating up stream with its tail burned off.

Don't ever apologize to me for looking like hayseed. To me you are the salt of the earth. Whether you are a preacher, a politician, or a newspaper columnist. The man who plows in the dirt, he's the saviour of mankind. In the winter its hard for me to write you a line when there's snow and hail and frost and sleet. I hope

made the first flutter mill and couldn't make it flutter. So he said to hell with the adventure. Folks usually quit when they become disgusted.

Solomon declared there was nothing new under the sun, but its different now. The old-fashioned woman who used to spend her time over a red hot stove, now has a modern daughter who spends her time at bridge over red hot gossip. Truman's social negro equality is like a boot-jack when the South swallows that hogwash the moon will rise in the West and the river in the Mississippi will flow backward.

There is no reason why any fool should revise his opinion of dear Daddy Stalin. Its a one-man government in Russia. But there is abundant reason why all America should take notice of the spread of one-man government here in America.

Its true. If the President can re-write one law of Congress, he can re-write all the rest of them. Strange people live on this earth. The people in Syria do their writing from right to left. The people when they meet nod up instead of down. Men greet each other with a kiss and women wear trousers. The men wear skirts. You see who's boss. They show no legs.

Some people opposed the U. S. Census when it was first instituted in the United States, declaring it to be against God's law. They cited the Old Testament story of how King David brought down the wrath of Heaven by numbering the Children of Israel.

A lady in our little Kings Mountain heroic town asked me would I help her write a book. I said, Miss I can furnish the paper if you can make the lines. Which reminds me of the book by Charles Lamb on "Shakespeare's Tales. I told this lady that I had a book in my collection that was bound in calf, written by a Lamb, with the tales inside. I wonder if you could do as well? She said here you are making light of my work before I get it started. I said, I'm sorry I can't help you. My time all took up doing nothing. She started to go and said, young fellow, you will be sorry some day. Oh, I'm sorry now. I hope this brief retreat don't give the lady the cold feet. A little boy once asked his teacher what to do that I might write a line? The teacher said, if I were you I'd start out with a chorus theme, then lay down for awhile and dream. The "I" fellow threw his pen away and hurried home and hit the hay.

George Bernard Shaw at 94 was still mentally alert and wrote some of his best plays. Maybe it takes gray matter to carry a man into the graybeard years. For a lot of geniuses in the past lived to a ripe old age. The secret is so simple. Never let your brain grow inactive and you may keep young forever.

American Red Cross chapters, working with field directors on military installations, handled a total of 200,000 welfare cases last year involving the personal or family troubles of men of the armed forces.

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Some Boll Weevils Killed, Plenty More Left Reports State College

Treat Peanut Seed For Better Stands

Treating peanut seed with recommended fungicides will assure Tar Heel-peanut growers of greater profits through improved stands and higher yields, according to plant disease scientists with the North Carolina Experiment Station.

W. E. Cooper explains that carefully dusting hand-shelled and machine-shelled peanut seed will prevent seed decay. He recommends use of Arasan, 2 per cent Ceresan, Yellow Cupricide, or Spergon, all available from seed, hardware, and drug stores in most sections of the State.

Recommended amounts of the fungicides for application to 100 pounds of seed are: Arasan, three ounces; 2 per cent Ceresan, four ounces; Yellow Cupricide, four ounces; and Spergon, four ounces. Cost of materials for treating 100 pounds of seed ranges from 14 cents for Yellow Cupricide to 56 cents for Spergon.

The Experiment Station scientist says the barrel treader often used with cotton seed, is suitable for peanut seed. treatment if turned very slowly. If operated too quickly, seed may be damaged. A barrel or drum with a tight fitting lid may be used. It should be rolled slowly along the ground or floor to coat the seed.

Whatever the equipment, the container should be filled about half full with a known weight of peanut seed. The required amount of seed protectant should then be carefully measured and added. Best results are obtained when each seed is completely coated with a layer of dust by slowly rotating the treader.

Cooper points out that peanut seed can be treated safely any time from 90 days before planting until just before being placed in the planter. Care should be used, he warns, to use treated seed only for planting. The same lot of seed should never be treated with more than one material.

Red Cross learn-to-swim programs are increasing steadily in popularity. For the third successive year the organization has passed the half-million mark in the annual total number of persons taught how to swim. Last year, 728,000 certificates were issued over the nation. Civic organizations, schools, recreation departments, youth groups, newspapers and radio stations, and others recruited classes, looked to the local Red Cross chapter to provide the training.

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a deed of trust given by John George Demetriades and wife, Mariene J. Demetriades to the undersigned as trustee for the Kings Mountain Building and Loan Association on the 13th day of November, 1947, now on record in the Register of Deeds Office for Cleveland County in book 336 at page 75 to secure the payment of the indebtedness therein mentioned and default having been made in the payment of same and at the request of the Kings Mountain Building and Loan Association, I will sell for cash at the courthouse door in Shelby, Cleveland County, North Carolina, on Monday, March 26th, 1951, at 10:00 o'clock a. m. or within legal hours, the following described real estate:

BEGINNING at a large oak near a branch in W. K. Mauney's line and making a new line N. 25 deg. 10 min. E. 287 feet passing over a large stone near a barn to a stake north of the barn; thence another new line N. 58 deg. 26 min. W. 171 feet to a stake in the rear line of a lot that faces Timms Street; thence with this line and Joe Timms line S. 76 deg. 53 min. W. 279.5 feet to a stake in a ditch, Herman Blalock's corner; thence with Blalock's line (and also Pubank's) S. 15 deg. 5 min. E. 379.5 feet to a small oak, W. K. Mauney's line; thence with Mauney's line S. 85 deg. 36 min. E. 150.5 feet to the **BEGINNING**, containing 2.74 acres, more or less.

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Good Price Expected For Sweet Potatoes

Sweet potatoes are expected to be a profitable crop for North Carolina farmers in 1951, asserts George S. Abshier, extension marketing specialist at State College.

Because of increased consumer demand and reduced acreage, this year's crop should bring good prices, he believes.

Abshier explains that the greatly expanded cotton acreage and increased tobacco allotments will cut deeply into sweet potato acreage this year. He says the decrease will be particularly noticeable here in the South.

"In view of the expected strong demand and short supply," says Abshier, "North Carolina farmers should find sweet potatoes a very profitable enterprise this year." The demand for the Porto Rico variety is expected to be particularly strong, according to the specialist.

Farmers who have enough land and sufficient labor are urged to grow as many sweet potatoes as last year. The U. S. Department of Agriculture is recommending the same sweet potato acreage for 1951 as was advised for 1950. Crop specialists urge sweet potato population was some three or four times the number estimated for the winter of 1949. Jones recalls that boll weevils and other cotton insects caused Tar Heel farmers to lose about one-half — or more than \$40,000,000 worth — of the 1950 crop.

He urges cotton growers to be thoroughly prepared to fight insects again in 1951. "Farmers who spent \$15 to \$20 per acre last year for insecticides — and applied them properly — harvested from 400 to 900 pounds of cotton per acre," says Jones.

The specialist believes farmers can expect about the same number of weevils this year as there were in 1949, "if the recent count presents a true picture."

While 1949 was a "bad" weevil year, many lint growers found that poisoning paid. Average cotton yield that year was 250 pounds, but farmers who dusted their crops properly five to seven times produced from one to one and three-quarter bales to the acre.

Last year's overwhelming weevil

tato growers to plant good quality, disease-free seed and use recommended cultural practices to insure receiving top prices. Careful harvesting, field grading and packing are also essential, they point out.

Dr. L. T. Anderson
Chiropractor
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There is Nothing Finer than to Live in North Carolina

North Carolina Garden Tours are dated up for the entire month of April. The dogwood blooms this month and the whole state takes over as one of nature's spectacular beauty spots... Also the trout season opens April 15... Best fishing days—April 7 through 22.

April 9—Asheville Dog Show
April 12—is Halifax Day in North Carolina (also North Carolina Garden Tour date)
April 16—North and South Amateur Golf—Pinehurst
April 28—Sandhills Skeet Championships—Pinehurst

Yes—April is a busy month for North Carolinians—work to be done and other things to do. Almost anything and everything in the fields, in gardens and lawns can be planted in April.

Average date last "Killing Frost"—Raleigh area—March 27.

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