Handicrafts, Long Dying Art, **Coming Back Strong In Mountains**

The rebirth of the old arts is especially significant in the Blue Ridge Parkway and Great Smoky Mount.

Mountains National Park. ins of Western North Carolina. in shops and homes along busy

in mountain caves, nimble fing-

ers of hundreds of craftsmen ply

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ood fashion a variety of articles which find aready market. Travelers encounter little difficulty finding places where they may see crafters at work and



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RALEIGH-Handicrafts, which where they may make purchases not so many years ago were con-sidered a dying art in North Car-craft centers which welcome visolina, are coming back strong, itors are in operation around re-

Several schools and some of the centers offer courses of lighways, and in cabins far back struction.

Quality and production of Nor-th Carolina handicrafts have grown steadily within the past generation through the efforts of individuals who became alarmed at the increasing neglect of the native skills of pioneer days ... once so necessary to existence and always a potential source of extra income to families living on small farms,

Organizations such as the Southern Highland Handicraft full one, opens May 30 and con fuild, the Penland School of Handicrafts at Penland, the Huck leberry Mountain Workshop Camp near Hendersonville, the John C. Campbell Folk School at Brasstown, and the Crossnore School at Crossnore have done much to stimulate production and raise the quality of handicrafted articles. The Handicraft Guild, a non-

profit association with headquarters at Asheville, has a num beg of centers in the mountains where handicrafts are demonstrated and articles sold. To qualify for Guild membership, a craftsman must meet rigid standards.

The Guild has contributed much to revitalization of crafts through its annual Craftman's Fair of the Southern Highlands, summer exposition at which artisans demonstrate their skill and show the finest examples of their work. The 1952 Fair-thefifth will be held at Asheville July

The Guild also participates in operation of the Parkway Craft Center on the Blue Ridge Park way near Blowing Rock, which from June to September presents a continuous show of handicrafts Craftsman demonstrate their work an display articles in the former manor house of the Moses H. Cone Memorial Park. The Center's 1952 season, its first

tinues through September 1. Other Guild centers are: Asheville -- Allanstand (display and sale of articles) and Stuart weaving); Cherokee - Cherokee | Growers Warned On Nye Silver Shop (jewelry); Bilt- Indian School and Qualla Arts Nye Silver Shop (jewelry); Bilt more--Freddy-Lou (silk screen ing); BooneWatauga Industries woodcarvin, weaving); Cross (hooked mats, longleaf pine baskets); Brasstown--John C. Campbell Folk School (wood



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nore--Crossnore School (weaving hooked rugs); Murphy-Chero kee County Crafters (leather, pewter, weaving, woodworking); Norton-The Cabin Weavers (weaving); Penland .. Penland Weavers and Potters (weaving, metal work, enamels); Saluda--Mrs. Lillian Mosseller (rugs);

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lege Crafts (weaving); Sylvia-Riverwood Crafts (pewter); Tryon .. Valhalla Hand Weavers (baby blankets, neckties, bags, nylon place mats, rugs, hooked mats hooked rugs). At Arden, between Asheville

Swannanoa-Warren Wilson Col-

and Hendersonville, visitors are welcome at the Pisgah Forest Pottery, where Walter B. Stephen produces his distinctive Amerian Cameo Pottery.

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Many Tar Heel tobacco growers are now using more concentrated forms of fertilizer than in the past. For this reason, they need to be especially careful about how this fertilizer is ap-

Roy R. Bennett, tobacco speclalist for State College Extension Service, says slow starting growth and poor stands in tobacco often are due to fertilizer injury, especially in dry weather. To prevent such injury, growers should use two-band placement equipment when available, or else place the fertilizer at considerable depth in the row.

Tests conducted in 1951 indi cate that fertilizer placed at depths of six, eight, and 10 inches is efficiently utilized by looms which have been in the same families for generations, Woolen coverlets are one of the most popular products. Blankets. ervation at Cherokee, the east- draperies, table covers, lunchern entrance to the Great Smoky eon sets, shawls and scarves, baby robes, handbags, and many itors may see crafts demonstrat, kinds of cloth known for fine ed at the Qualla Cooperative workmanship and dyes come

Other of the more popular handicrafted articles include Coverlet patterns such as "Saint March", and "Whig Rose", along with many others, have been

town: Watauga Industries at craftsmen their work is only part Boone, Crossnore School at Cross-time, and actually done more ore, and Warren Wilson Coll. for pleasure than for profit, it ege at Swannanoa. The Huckle- nevertheless means a welcome berry Mountain Workshop Camp and sizeable addition to family also gives handicrafft instruction income. A survey last year Probably the most widely showed North Carolina's Handipracticed of the handicrafts is craft Guild members alone reveaving done both on modern ceive about \$300,000 annually



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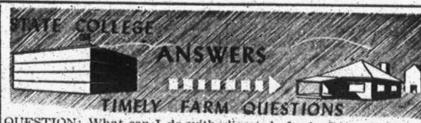
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Incidentally, honey is an easily he tobacco plant. Fertilizer placed in this manner should be covered with the equivalent of two furrows with a one-horse turning

Even with recommended rates of fertilizer, all two-band placement equipment available should be used to the fullest extent possible, Growers who use more than the recommended rates, especially of the more conentrated 4-8-10, should be particularly careful about the method of placement. They should use two-band placement distributors, bury the fertilizer to considerable depth, or use a split application.

one which will crystallize readily, QUESTION: Can beef cattle be bred artifically, as is now done with dairy cattle?

on in several counties of North Carolina, Aberdeen-Angus semen is shipped to Asheville every other day from a stud in Indiana. Because of the record-keeping, however, an artificially bred Angus calf will not be accepted for registry. Another disadvantage is that QUESTION: What can I do with digested food. It's particularly closely and must be broken at halthe animals must be watched

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