



MYSTERY FARM NO. 36 — Pictured above is Mystery Farm No. 36 which readers of this newspaper are asked to identify. If you think you can make the identification of the farm, you are invited to telephone the Herald office, phones (no. 167 or 283) by the 6 p. m. Friday deadline. Four

tickets to Joy Theatre will be awarded via a Saturday morning drawing. The operator or owner of the farm is asked to come by the newspaper office, identify his farm, and receive an enlarged aerial photograph of his properties. (Photo by Zekun-Robbins, Co., Hazian, Iowa).

### READERS HAVE DIFFICULTY IN IDENTIFYING FARM NO. 35

Only 24 readers made identification of Mystery Farm No. 35, the Henry F. Boyd farm on York road. Winners of complimentary tickets to Joy Theatre are Wayne Wells, Whitney Wells, and Mrs. Conrad Hughes, all of route two, and Mrs. H. C. Patton, of route one. Bill Myers, a member of the Herald mechanical staff, drew the winning tickets from a hat. All readers who enter the contest have a chance to win the tickets via a Saturday morning drawing. Mrs. H. C. Patton, of route one, was the first reader to identify the farm. She made the identifi-

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cation on Friday. Wayne Wells was the second reader to make the identification. Any reader may identify the farm in each issue of the Herald by telephoning the Herald office (phones no. 167 or 283) by the 6 p. m. Friday deadline. The operator or owner is requested to visit the Herald office, identify the farm, and receive an enlarged aerial photograph of his properties. Other readers correctly identifying the week's mystery farm were Johnny Barber, Jr., Mrs. J. B. Barber, John B. Barber, Dudley Hughes, Mrs. D. C. Hughes, D. C. Hughes, Carveth Wells, John Lewis Hughes, Conrad Hughes, Mrs. Wayne Wells, Shirley Hughes, Gene Hughes, Mrs. Payne Hughes, Janice Sipes, Erwin Hughes, Mrs. Whitney Wells, Mrs. Dathia Sanders, Jeff Wells, Steve Sanders, and Dathia Sanders, all of route two.

Today, 8½ million American farm workers produce more than 13½ million did 30 years ago. Tying wool fleece with paper (wine adds 2 cents a pound more to its value.

### Disabled should Contact Security Office by June 30

Seriously disabled people who used to work in employment or self-employment covered by the social security law should get in touch with the social security office by June 30, Mr. Joseph P. Walsh, social security district manager, announced today. Mr. Walsh pointed out that people who 1) have been totally disabled for 6 months or longer, and who 2) worked in employment or self-employment covered by the social security law for as many as five years out of the 10 years before they were disabled should get further information about this provision. Active military service and employment in the railroad industry may count toward the needed amount of work. By applying to have their social security earnings records frozen, disabled people may prevent loss or reduction of future benefits.

Some people now receiving old-age insurance payments or who will become eligible for old age payments in July were disabled for long periods before they reached age 65, and are still disabled. They may start getting larger payments as of July and will get them more promptly if they file an application for a "disability freeze" by June 30. If the disabled person dies after June 30, the disability freeze can protect his family's rights to survivors payments but only if he had applied for it before death. For this reason, it is important for every person who meets the requirements for the "freeze" to apply for it by June 30.

Mr. Walsh emphasized that the law protects the social security rights of a worker who is suffering from prolonged total disability but does not pay cash benefits to him before he is 65. The address of the Gastonia social security office is 212 W. 2nd Avenue. If a disabled person is unable to call at the office, he may telephone or someone else may call for him, Mr. Walsh said. The phone number is 5-4611.

High quality and low shrink make North Carolina mountain wool among the most valuable in the East.

### Boyd Home Was Mystery Farm 35

The Henry F. Boyd farm on York road was Herald Mystery Farm No. 35, Mr. Boyd made the identification on Friday.

Mr. Boyd reported that they purchased their home three years ago from Tom Huffstetler. Mrs. Boyd is the former Miss Geneva Wood, of Gastonia.

The Boyds have two children, Betty June Boyd, a student at Appalachian State Teacher's college, Boone, and Tommy Lewis Boyd, a student at Kings Mountain high school.

Mr. Boyd is concessions manager at Firestone Mill, Gastonia. He has been an employee of the Gastonia textile firm for 19½ years.

The Mystery farm feature is a 52-week series.

### Fumigation Speeds Farmer's Plants

Herbert Sneed, Raleigh, Route 3, says his methyl bromide-fumigated plant beds furnished him tobacco transplants two weeks earlier than beds fumigated with cyanamid. Sneed treated 400 yards of plant bed last fall with cyanamid; he sowed in January. He treated another 400 yards with methyl bromide and seeded in February.

According to C. L. Boone, assistant Negro extension agent in Wake County, the plants on the methyl bromide plot were ready for transplanting two weeks ahead of the others.

Some farmers are running into trouble in that their plants are ready too soon, Boone says. Farmers who waited too late to fumigate their tobacco fields, and now must wait for the materials to act before transplanting, are faced with what to do with their maturing plants.

In most cases, according to Boone, they are leaving untreated some of the land they had formerly planned to treat.

The average family in the 1920's spent about 25 cents of its wage dollar for food. Today's family still spends about the same proportion of their income for food, but eats more meat, milk, eggs, vegetables and fruits and fewer cereals and other staples.

Dairy products in this country are expected to be the largest on record this year, according to present indications. Poultry commodities will also be large again.

In 1954, nearly two million casualties were recorded for motor vehicle accidents.



GARDEN TIME  
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Should daffodils and tulips be taken up each year and when should this be done?

This is a perennial question after the blooming season of spring flowering bulbs is over. Daffodils need not be taken up, divided, and replanted every three or four years in order to give them more room to grow and reproduce. It is best to take them up when the foliage has turned yellow and begun to die. While the foliage is green, the plant is storing food materials in the bulb for next year's bloom. After the foliage has turned yellow the bulbs may be dug, divided and replanted at once, or may be dried and stored in a cool dry place over summer and planted in the fall.

Tulips should be taken up and replanted at least every second year. In our climate the bulbs de-

teriorate quite rapidly and should be replaced by new ones if large flowers are desired. As in the case of daffodils, tulips should not be taken up until the tops turn yellow and begin to die.

Bearded iris (German iris) are blooming now and will be ready to divide and replant in about a month after the blooming period is over. However, they may be divided any time during the summer or early fall. A good division consists of a new rhizome or thickened underground stem with aculester of fan or leaves. The true roots originate from the bottom of this rhizome. In replanting the division the rhizome should be planted so that the top of it will be about even with the top of the soil. Deep planting is not desirable. Bearded iris do best in well-drained soils that dry out quickly.

### FARMERS' HELP SOUGHT BY USDA IN IDENTIFYING NEW GRAIN BUG

The U. S. Department of Agriculture and state agricultural officials are asking farmers and grain handlers to help them locate an insect pest which is capable of causing great damage to stored grain if it succeeds in establishing itself in this country.

The khapra beetle, a native of India, Ceylon, and Malaya, is new to North America. It has been found in stored grain in California, Arizona, and New Mexico but it may have spread unnoticed to other parts of the country. Agriculture officials hope to find it and wipe it out before it becomes firmly established throughout grain-producing areas.

The insect can be spread from place to place in grain, feed, seed, or used sacks. It will probably be found indoors (warehouses, storage bins, feed mills and railway cars or trucks used to transport grain).

The khapra beetles are usually first noticed because of the presence of fuzzy larvae, one-eighth inch long, or their cast skins, in clusters around the corners of grain bins or in used sacks. The beetle itself is only one-sixteenth inch long, and is harder to detect, though it can usually be found in the vicinity of the larvae. Like the rice and granary weevils, it can attack sound kernels of grain.

C. D. Jones, extension entomologist, suggests that, if you find unidentifiable, small fuzzy larvae or their skins in your grain, you may be able to play an important part in locating new infestations of the khapra beetle so that they be destroyed before the pest spreads farther. Take specimens of both larvae and beetles to your county agent. He can send the information along to State College's insect reporting system — part of a network that gives timely insect warning to farmers.

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### Strawberry Harvest Estimate Reduced

North Carolina's 1955 strawberry crop will be reduced by about 75,000 crates from last year's harvest.

T. T. Hatton, horticulture specialist for the State College Agricultural Extension Service, says the freeze killed almost all small buds, blooms and small fruit that

had set when the big cold came. Berries are now being harvested but the season will be short. The Crop Reporting Service estimates that the prospect is for 40 crates an acre, compared to 85 crates last year. The reduction in yield is coupled with a slight acreage decrease. This adds up to a total estimated production of 60,000 crates. Last year the state's strawberry growers produced 135,000.

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
The undersigned will sell at public auction at 12 noon on May 28, 1955, at its place of business the following described vehicle for Storage Lien of \$30.00 for storage from June, 1953, to April 28, 1955:  
One 1941 Pontiac 4-door, Motor No. 8-252326, Serial No. P8J8 1878, registered in the name of Robert Costner, Box 171, Kings Mountain, N. C.  
This the 28th day of April, 1955.  
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**NOTICE OF SALE**  
The undersigned will sell at public auction at 12 noon on May 28, 1955, at its place of business the following described vehicle for Mechanic's Lien of \$61.92:  
One 1940 Plymouth 2-door, Motor No. F10-294341, Serial No. 11049601, registered in the name of Luther M. Gordon, General Delivery, Kings Mountain, N. C.  
This the 28th day of April, 1955.  
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The undersigned will sell at public auction at 12 noon on May 28, 1955, at its place of business the following described vehicle for Storage Lien of \$20.00 for storage from April 12, 1954, to April 28, 1955:  
One 1940 Chevrolet sedan, Motor No. NC 31765, Serial No. 8KA01 9257, registered in the name of Hazel Florence Carter, 309 Linwood St., Gastonia, N. C.  
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**NOTICE OF SALE**  
The undersigned will sell at public auction at 12 noon on May 28, 1955, at its place of business the following described vehicle for Mechanic's Lien of \$35.56:  
One 1949 Ford Tudor, Motor No. 98HA-104348, registered in the name of John Gray Daniels, Sr., 3250 Rozzells Ferry Road, Charlotte, N. C.  
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