# **Declaring February as National Clover Month**



AG News Bruce Steelman

### Here are a few ways you can celebrate:

First of all, plant clovers in pastures and hayfields. Remember the Joe Burns' slogan -2, 4, 8 let's renovate. Two pounds white, four pounds red, and eight pounds annual lespedeza the last two weeks of Feb. You can leave out the lespedeza, but make sure to use both red and white clover.

Name your next pet after a clover variety. This is a good way to get a name for a dog, cat, horse, etc. Just look at some of the names: Rustler, Dynamite, and Cinnamon. These names are sweet. For you that are not impressed, there is always Companion white clover.

Find a way to include clover in at least one conversation each day in Feb. Think about it - you're out to eat with friends and during the conversation about Vol football you say, "If they seed clover in Neyland Stadium, it could add the equivalent of 60 lb. N per acre." They would look at you in amazement.

Look at UTBeef.com a couple of times each week. We try to add new things to the website pretty often, so celebrate clovers by trying to learn the latest information on forage production. I realize this is a shameless plug for the site, but oh well.

Remind your forage producing friends to plant clover. We all know that pretty much everyone in the state waits by their mailbox for my article to arrive. But for those few people that might miss it, be sure to remind them February is clover planting month. Plant the last two weeks of the month, either by broadcasting or drilling. Broadcasting is bests, since it helps keep you from planting too deep with a drill.

#### What a Pretty Yellow Pasture – NOT!

The yellow cast of pasture is a sure sign spring has arrived and warm temperature is just around the corner. As sure as spring, so does the troublesome Buttercup. Buttercup is a winter annual that thrives in weak or thin pastures. The goal is to spray buttercup before bloom. Winter annuals such as buttercups have kicked in high gear since with the warmer temperatures. Take a walk across your pastures and you will find an abundant of buttercup invading your pastures. This is especially the case in those areas with weaker stands of grass and pastures which have been grazed hard. There are summer weeds that need to be sprayed during June and July, while there are cool-season weeds that need to be sprayed during the winter. One of the most common weeds we see across the state is yellow buttercup.

Driving across the county in May can be quite colorful, with many pastures solid yellow with blooming buttercup. While this might be pretty, it doesn't make for a productive pasture. Yellow buttercup, like many other weeds, is detrimental because it reduces the yield from a pasture or hayfield. It uses nutrients that should be for the grass and clover. It also decreases the nutrient content and palatability of a field. Although buttercup is damaging to a farm's forage production, it is an easily controlled weed. Now is the time to start planning for buttercup control.

The following details can help you obtain excellent control of yellow buttercup on your farm.

#### 1. When should I spray?

You need to spray before the buttercup blooms. This is normally anytime between late November and early April. Buttercups emerge in the fall and gets a "foot hold" waiting for warmer weather in the spring. Do not wait until you see yellow blooms, plan now for a window to control this troublesome weed. Favorable weather (3 days of day time highs of 60 F); plenty of water (at least 20 gallons per acre spray volume); and

the addition of a good, nonionic surfactant (1 qt./100 gallons of spray mix) are all important ingredients in success. An added bonus for the fall spray program is that it is also a very good time of the year to control musk thistle, buckhorn plantain and wild turnip. If buckhorn plantain is severe, research has shown that you must increase the rate of 2, 4-D.

#### 2. What should I spray?

The ester formulation of 2, 4-D is very effective in buttercup control. There are several brand names for this chemical, so read the label to make sure you are getting the right herbicide.

#### 3. How much should I spray?

For buttercup control, apply 1 quart per acre of 2, 4-D. If you have buckhorn or broadleaf plantain, increase the rate to 2 quarts per acre Apply the chemical in 20-25 gallons of water per acre. It is important the label is read carefully, and all instructions are followed, including avoiding drift to sensitive crops and waiting periods for hay cutting.

#### 4. Will this kill my clover?

The 1 quart rate of 2, 4-D will not kill established white clover, but it will kill red clover, higher rates will kill all clover.

Remember herbicides are just one step in a forage weed control program. Fertilizing and liming according to soil test, and good grazing management will also help reduce the impact of weeds on a pasture. Following these recommendations will help you have beautiful green pastures this spring. Yellow flowers belong in the flower bed, not the pasture.

You need help in control weeds in your pasture and hay ground, give Bruce Steelman a call at the UT Cannon County Extension Office at 615-563-2554 or 615-542-1364 cell.

### **LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES**

#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of Naomi Joyce Tiffin.

Notice is hereby given that on the the 8th day of February 8th, 2021 Letters of Administation or Letters of Testamentary in respect of the estate of in respect of the estate of Naomi Joyce Tiffin deceased were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Cannon County, TN. All persons both resident and non-residents, having claims matured and unmatured against the estate are required to file same with the Clerk of the Chancery Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise claims will be forever barred: (1) (A)Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting as the case may be) of this Notice if the Creditor received an actual copy of the Notice to Creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date of the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or (B) Sixty days from the date of the creditor receiving an actual copy of the Notice to Creditors, if the creditor received the copy of the Notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting) as described in (1)(A); or (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedents death. This is the 8th day of February, 2021. Phyllis McBride, of the Estate of Naomi Joyce Tiffin, deceased. DANA DAVENPORT CLERK & MASTER JAY B. JACKSON ATTORNEY FOR THE ESTATE

of Testamentary in respect of the estate of in respect of the estate of Wilma Joyce Hale deceased were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Cannon County, TN. All persons both resident and non-residents, having claims matured and unmatured against the estate are required to file same with the Clerk of the Chancery Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise claims will be forever barred: (1) (A)Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting as the case may be) of this Notice if the Creditor received an actual copy of the Notice to Creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date of the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or (B) Sixty days from the date of the creditor receiving an actual copy of the Notice to Creditors, if the creditor received the copy of the Notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting) as described in (1)(A); or (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedents death. This is the 10th day of February, 2021. Pamela R. Horne and Vangilee H. Jones, co-administratix, of the Estate of Wilma Joyce Hale, deceased. DANA DAVENPORT **CLERK & MASTER** DARWIN K. CELSTAN ATTORNEY FOR THE ESTATE

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#### February 18, 2021

To: Cannon County Commissioners

The Cannon County Board of Commissioners will meet in regular session Thursday March 4, 2021 at 5:30 P.M. in the courtroom of the Cannon County Courthouse.

Meeting Agenda

- Call to Order
- 1. 2. Prayer
- Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag 3.
- Roll Call 4.
- 5. Approve / Change Agenda
- 6. Consent Agenda (Voice Vote)
  - a. Approve meeting minutes (February 4, 2021)
  - Approve meeting minutes (Special Called Meeting February b. 22, 2021)
  - b. Approve Notaries с.
- Public Comment Period (15 minutes) 7.
- Public Hearing / Approval of rezoning for address: 8486 Jim Cummings 8. Highway
- Old Business / Tabled Items: 9.
  - a. Beer Board Committee Appointment
  - Cannon County / City of Woodbury Interlocal Agreement (Atty. b. Fagan)

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- c. Planning Commission Appointment
- 10. Budget Amendments / Finance Department Updates a. County General
- 11. Approve Cindy Henry to the HR Policy & Procedure Committee
- 12. Video from Jail to Courtroom (Commissioner Reed)
- 13. CTAS/TEMA, Ben Rogers & Kevin Laurey on the Requirements of EMS/EMA/911 (Executive Bush)
- 14. Cannon County Ambulance Department Discussion / Vote
  - Ambulance Debt Write Offs for 2020? (Commissioner Floyd) a.
  - TN Risk Management Insurance Rates due to lawsuit? (Comb. missioner Floyd)
  - How does insurance company determine Sexual Harassment c. Culture? (Commissioner Floyd)
- 15. Adjourn

Greg Mitchell, 3rd District Commissioner / Chairman Next meeting date: Saturday April 3rd, 2021 at 10:00 A.M. (Quarterly Meeting)

## **ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

Sealed bids for the furnishing of all labor, material, equipment and services for One Bridge Replacement in Cannon County, Tennessee will be received until 10:00 AM Local Time, March 4, 2021 at the office of Diane Hickman, Finance Director, 110 South Tatum Street, Suite 216, Woodbury, Tennessee 37190 at which

time and place they will be publicly opened and read aloud. Bids being mailed for this work should be addressed to Diane Hickman, Finance Director, Cannon County Department of Finance, 110 South Tatum Street, Suite 216, Woodbury, Tennessee 37190.

Printed and electronic copies of Plans, Specifications and Contract Documents may be obtained from Hazel Engineering, LLC at kylehazel1122@gmail.com or PHONE: 931-650-0060 upon payment of \$200.00 (non-refundable) to Hazel Engineering, LLC. Bids shall be submitted on a separate copy of the PRO-POSAL supplied for this purpose. Plans, Specifications, and Contract Documents must be purchased from Hazel Engineering, LLC. prior to the bid opening for a bid to be considered qualified.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any informalities or reject any or all bids.

> Cannon County Highway Department Mr. Wayne Hancock, Road Superintendent