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Hot weather is back. The grass is growing faster than I can keep up with it. I have extracted my honey crop for this year. My hives are over-flowing with bees and I have decided to make some increases. Maybe I can feed some of that honey back to the bees because from this point on, this area of North Carolina does not get much of a honey crop. I have some new news to report with this message. As some of you know, I wrote articles for Bee Culture Magazine in the 1990's and early 2000's. The most extensive article was published in the January 1997 issue. I was invited by ABJ to write articles for the Basic Beekeeping Column recently and if you want to follow more in- depth topics I write about, you might want to check them out starting with the July issue.

Judi and I will be doing a lot of traveling this summer and fall. I just made some summer splits and will share that in upcoming issues with you. Robbing has started here. Weak hives are targets for bees without foraging possibilities. And don't forget wax moth and varroa mites. After honey crops are harvested, it is a good time to use those mite treatments that could not be used while the bees were collecting honey.

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