



"TO THINE OWN SELF BE TRUE, AND IT MUST FOLLOW AS THE NIGHT THE DAY: THOU CANST NOT THEN BE FALSE TO ANY MAN."

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A Merry Christmas

—and—

Happy New Year

is our sincere wish for each and every one.

C. W. & J. E. Bauknight, WALHALLA, S. C. IT PAYS TO BUY FOR CASH.

Give Wisely For Christmas!

From now until Christmas we are going to have something nice for making fine Christmas Presents.

FINE SILK HOSE, Put up Three Pairs to Box, Special for Xmas, \$5.00. FINE MERCERIZED HOSE, Put up in Half Dozen Pairs to Box.

This is our special for the Holidays. We have other grades of Hosiery on which you can save from 33 1-3 to 50 per cent by buying direct from us.

HETRICK HOSIERY MILLS, Walhalla, S. C. Car Coal This Week.

NOTICE.

Highest Market Price Paid for Cotton. Also have ample warehouse facilities for storing cotton. See me if you want to either sell or store.

Office in Moss & Ansel's Store.

BAYLIS W. HARRISON, Walhalla, S. C.

Sept. 27, 1920.—39-ft.

COUNTY AGENTS' WORK GOOD.

Children and Farmers Greatly Benefited by Their Labors.

Editor Keowee Courier: Will you please give me space in your valuable paper to try to prove to Mr. Sanders how much good we children get out of Mr. Briggs' and Miss Counts' labors in our county? I do not believe there are two officers in Oconee who do half as much work as these two do. Both of them have been in our community lots of times this year, and they would have been glad to have helped Mr. Sanders if they had been asked. I live in the same community with him, our homes being just one mile apart. From the looks of his crops I feel sure these two officers could have been of great help to him.

I am sure that our delegation will let us keep Miss Counts, and as for Mr. Briggs, he is paid by the Federal government. Therefore his salary being cut off would do the roads in Oconee no good. He will continue to do the children and grown-ups lots of good, as he has in the past.

I do not know how much salary our good-looking, fat sheriff gets, but from his looks he is well fed, and I hope he will come down this way Christmas and capture some of the "booze wagons" that have been driving around lately. I don't think Mr. Briggs has gained a pound in weight since he has been on his job.

Mr. Sanders, if you had gone over the county some and seen the many patches of green clover and vetch that he has growing, and the nice Jersey calves and pigs that he has over the county—and if you had gone with us to our picnic at Clemson and to our fair at Walhalla, and to all of those farmers' meetings that he has organized around, and especially if you had attended the good lectures at Seneca last August on the subject of legumes, I think you would have been greatly benefited. You certainly were invited through the papers.

Now, let me tell you, Mr. Sanders, how much good we get out of our State and Federal governments. For illustration: There are four of us children in our family, all of school age. My oldest sister gets nine months' tuition at Winthrop College, and the rest of us get seven months' free tuition in the public schools. We have received over two hundred market bulletins and fertilizer bulletins, and others. We also had the benefit of the short course at Clemson College. If you do not get this government aid it is your own fault. When your children get to be older you will be proud of it.

My grandmother is 72 years old, too, and can can fruit and vegetables; but she said that it would have been so much easier if she had had the opportunity that we young folks have.

Our truant officer has visited our school, and he certainly is fed well, if we may judge by his "condition." He is good and fat, too. He went around to the families whose children were not going to school, and started them. If he is the cause of one child learning to read and write who would not otherwise have learned, it is well worth his salary. You know the trustees could not quit their work and hunt up the children and look over their excuses every month. I think the trustees do quite enough free work.

I read in the Constitution last week about the poor man having the operation, and I surely was sorry for him.

I did think about joining the poultry club next year. If there were a few more chicken-eating dogs killed around here I would join the club, but as it is I will have to just stick to the pig and canning clubs.

I also am not trying to create any controversy, but as Mr. Sanders said he wanted proofs, I thought I would try to give him something to think about as to the value of the officers he would like to see "fired."

Mildred McDonald, Richland, S. C., Dec. 18, 1920.

Spartanburg Man Killed Instantly.

Spartanburg, Dec. 18.—B. A. Buckheister, superintendent of the Spartanburg Street Railway Co., was shot down on Main street, in the business section of this city, last night about 8 o'clock, by George W. Putman, life insurance agent, but formerly an employee of the street railway. He died on the way to the hospital. Bad feeling is known to have existed between the two since the strike of employees several months ago. Putman is stated by police to have been under the influence of whiskey at the time of his arrest. There were no eye-witnesses and it is not known whether or not any words passed between the two men before the shooting started. Five shots were fired, one taking effect in the eye. Buckheister, who was unarmed, had been connected with the street railway about 25 years. Putman was placed in the county jail immediately after the shooting.

Hog Island Being Depopulated.

Philadelphia, Dec. 17.—From the high water mark of 36,000 the Hog Island shipyard force of workers has been reduced to 3,500, and in about a month these men also will be gone.

Moving?

I'M YOUR MAN.

Hauling?

I'M ON THE SPOT.

I do MOVING and all kinds of HAULING any time and anywhere on quick notice. It is cheaper to move by truck than by rail, or with teams---and much quicker.

GIVE ME A TRIAL.

It makes no difference if you wish to move 5 miles or 100 miles. I can get you there quicker than any other way.

ARTHUR BROWN, Walhalla.

To the Mothers of South Carolina:



THIS BABY WAS SAVED BY OUR MILK.

The mothers of Italy are appealing to you, the mothers of South Carolina, as did the mothers of Belgium in 1914.

It is the same distressing cry—"Give us milk, that our babies may live!"

With beating heart we went to the succor of the "Babes of Belgium." What shall we answer to the desolate mothers of Italy?

The need is urgent. Five hundred thousand babies are suffering from hunger and the hunger diseases.

The whole child life of Italy is endangered, and disaster can only be averted by sending milk in sufficient quantities to tide them over this crisis; and we must ask ourselves this question: Are we willing to make the sacrifice to send it?

Milk is the very elixir of life to the baby; but in Italy there is no milk. A milk famine exists, war and disease having left the nation without cattle or milk goats.

Will you help save these babies? Will you interest your neighbor, your club, your church society, the women of your city and community, in saving these babies?

It is the work of the Good Samaritan.

Your babies have all that a tender mother's love can give them—the same mother's love "Over There" is powerless—there is little to give. It is your privilege now to give for that other mother.

Upon your answer waits the hope of many a sad mother in Italy.

Checks may be sent to Miss Jane B. Evans, Florence, S. C., or to The State, Columbia, S. C.

AN APPEAL FROM THE NEAR EAST.

Here's a personal letter to every man and woman in South Carolina.

It is sent out from the State headquarters of the Near East Relief to every newspaper in the State. Each reader is requested to consider it addressed to him or her individually and to "take it to heart" in the true Christmas way:

Dear Friend: The children of sorrow stand before you to-day. Won't you set a place for them at your table on the glad Christmas day?

They are ragged, hungry and homeless, but they are not hopeless. In their simple faith they turn trustfully to you.

The children of sorrow! There are unknown thousands of them—110,639 of whom are under American care. It is an appalling number of pitiful, orphaned wards the Near East Relief must shelter under its merciful wings. There is mile after mile of human misery to be relieved.

Fatherless and motherless—these are the children of Armenians and Greeks, Syrians and Jews, made homeless and dependent by the atrocities of the Turks. They will have no place this year at a family

table of their own on the Great Day we celebrate.

As you eagerly plan the Festival for the Children, dear to your own heart, think for a moment what it would mean if some terrible fate deprived them of your love and care, left desolate, suffering with disease and bitter cold. Yet these children across the sea were once the adored and beloved babies of other fathers and mothers whose protecting love they never will know again.

A diet of bread for breakfast, of bread and soup for dinner, and bread for supper! And yet this slender ration means life to them!

Five dollars a month will feed one child. Ten dollars a month will feed and clothe one. Fifteen dollars a month will feed, clothe and educate one of these children of sorrow.

At this season of giving, won't you let the claim of one of these children of sorrow find a place in your heart?

His hungry eyes look at your well-fed children, and his longing hand reaches out to your Christmas tree. Will you bring a smile to this child of sorrow by sharing with him your Christmas?

Please send contributions to Near East Relief, 211 Liberty National Bank Building, Columbia, S. C.

ATTENDANCE OFFICER SPEAKS.

All Must Go to School After the Re-opening of Schools.

To the Public Schools and Patrons of the Oconee Schools:

I have this to say to the parents who have not sent their children to school before Christmas: Having various excuses, some to pick cotton, others to play and hunt rabbits, will not be acceptable. No pupil will be excused except for sickness or a death in the family. So parents had better see that the holidays are spent in finishing picking cotton crops. I do not intend for any to escape—not even those over 14 years old and not 17 years old. I will explain this law when asked. It was an Act that was passed in 1915.

Now, I know the existing conditions, but when the new year starts I want every teacher in the county to notify me of any child in his or her district, if such children are not attending school. In such case I will go and stay until they are put in school. So if you want to get ahead of me coming to put you in school, you had better get ready to be on hand when school opens after Christmas. My reason for being a little lenient up to this time was that so many were poor and needy and had to move and finish gathering their crops. But some would not finish if they were let alone for five years.

The teachers are anxious to have all the children in school, and some teachers think that I am quite slow, but I have covered 44 districts since the 1st of November. I have taken the census of these districts through the co-operation of the teachers. And here I want to thank them for it.

Now, one more request of the teachers: Just as soon as the holidays are over, find out, in your respective districts, the children that are not coming to school, and I will be on hand to know the reason why. I am going to hew to the line, and it does not matter where the chips fall.

Please do not pass this notice by unheeded, for everybody must go to school in Oconee county or leave it—that is under the compulsory law.

A pleasant Christmas to all the teachers and pupils.

Respectfully yours,

J. R. Plyler, Attendance Officer.

Farmers Shoot Each Other.

Dalton, Ga., Dec. 18.—Jim Sloan and V. W. Bishop, two prominent farmers, met in the road near Tilton, nine miles south of here, this afternoon, jerked revolvers from their pockets and shot each other to death, the encounter being the culmination of recent trials in the court involving two other families.

Bishop was one of the defendants in a habeas corpus case instituted in the Whitfield County Superior court here by E. P. Moore, alleging that his daughter, Bonnie Moore, formerly a stenographer in Atlanta, was being restrained of her liberty by Bishop and his kinsmen.

Jim Sloan was not a party to the proceedings, but was an interested neighbor, and the killing to-day is believed to have been the result of feeling engendered by the habeas corpus trial. The shooting to-day created intense excitement. The sheriff has begun an investigation.

Population of the United States.

Washington, Dec. 18.—The population of the United States on Jan. 1, this year, as enumerated in the 14th census, was 105,708,771, as announced yesterday by the Census Bureau for certification to Congress to form the basis for reapportionment of the members of the House of Representatives from the various States. The new figure shows a gain of 25,663 over the preliminary figures announced Oct. 7th.

South Carolina's population is 1,683,724.

the habits of a boy who has not been trained properly. If you have no orchard, or else have a very old one, you should order some suitable trees now, and some grape vines. The County Agent has numerous price lists and will be glad to help you select varieties. There will be an "Orchard Week" held in every county in the State, and there is no reason why Oconee county should not have more and better orchards as the result than any other county. Please let me hear from you at once. Then watch for announcement of "Orchard Week" and attend the orchard schools. Geo. R. Briggs, County Agent. Flat Shoals S. I. A. Meeting. The Flat Shoals S. I. A. will hold its regular monthly meeting at the school house on Thursday afternoon, Dec. 23, at 2 o'clock. The special feature of the meeting will be a Christmas program, consisting of songs and recitations given by the various grades of the school. All members are urged to be present. Visitors will be cordially welcomed. Ora Arve, President. Christmas Tree at Rocky Knoll. There will be a Christmas tree at Rocky Knoll church on Dec. 25. The exercises will begin at 1 o'clock. An interesting program is being prepared, and the public is cordially invited to be present.