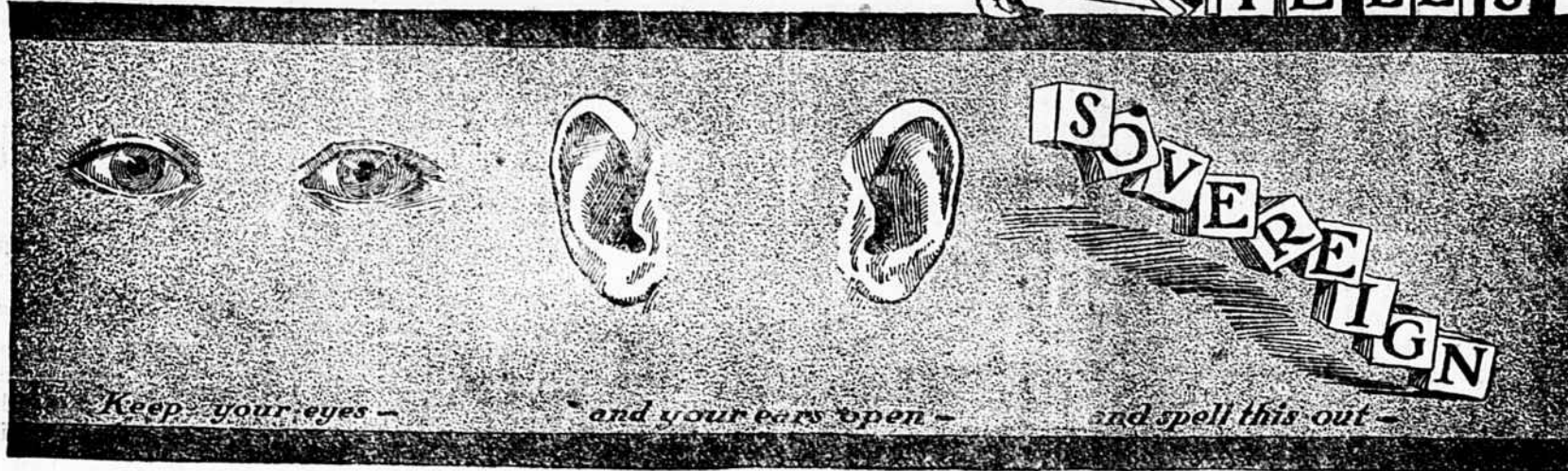
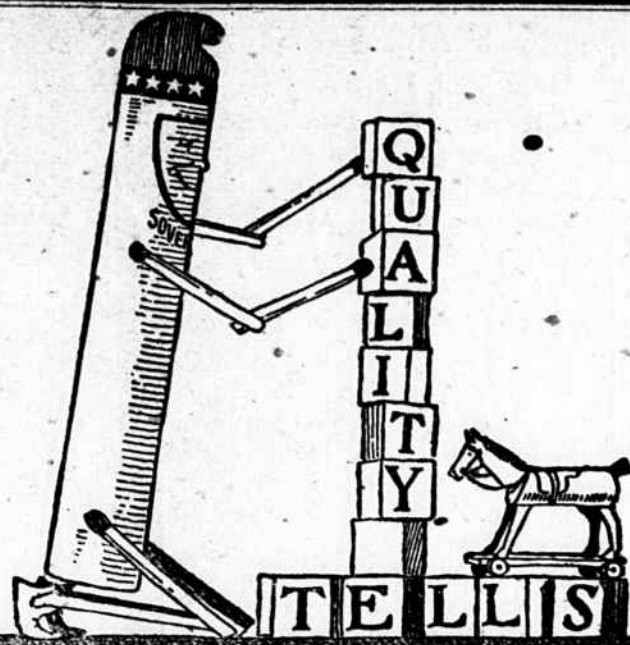


Down South We Learn To Spell



I can spell my name: S-O-V-E-R-E-I-G-N. And I know what it means—good blood and right stock—the finest ever!

My! Isn't there a lot to learn? Have to keep your eyes and ears open. And the Governor says you can't get it all out of books.

My folks keep telling me: "Remember you are a Southern

gentleman. Be clean; be sweet; be good. A good cigarette burns to a smooth, even ash—it never parches the tongue nor dries the throat."

So I'm saying to you—it doesn't matter how you spell cigarette, if you pronounce it—SOVEREIGN. You can rely on real old, smooth, mellow Virginia and Carolina tobacco. Quality tells—and

You Folks of the South KNOW good blood!
You Folks of the South KNOW good tobacco!

Now let's all us good folks stick together. Let us be friends—and you bet I, SOVEREIGN, will never fail you. And besides, just keep this always in your mind—

I am guaranteed by *The American Tobacco Co.* —Buy me. If you don't like me return me to your dealer and get your money back. I have said it. A Southern gentleman is known the world over for keeping his word, and I have given you mine.

Sovereign Cigarettes

FOR THE GENTLEMAN OF THE SOUTH
"King of Them All"

Auditor's Notice.

The Auditor's office will be opened for the assessment of personal property from January 1st, 1917 to February 20th, 1917. All male citizens between the ages of 21 and 60 years are deemed Taxable Polls, except those who are maimed or for other causes are incapable of earning a support. The law requires 50 per cent. penalty added to taxes on property subject to taxes and not returned for assessment on or before the 20th of February, 1917. I will be in the Auditor's office January 1, 13, 18, 20, 27 and 29; February, 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19 and 20, and at the following places on the dates named: Patrick: January 2, from 11 to 3 o'clock. Cedar Creek church: January 3, from 11 to 2 o'clock. John H. Wallace: January 4, from 11 to 3 o'clock. Cash's: January 5, from 10 to 2 o'clock. Westfield Creek, at new school January 6, from 10 to 12 o'clock. Cross Roads: January 8, from 11 to 2 o'clock. Jefferson: January 9 and 10, to

11 o'clock. Catarrh, at J. G. Holly's: January 10, from 1 to 3 o'clock. Plains, at J. W. Hicks: January 11, from 11 to 1 o'clock. Grant's Mill: January 12, from 1 to 3 o'clock. Angelus: January 15, from 11 to 3 o'clock. BcBee: January 15 at night; and 16 to 5 o'clock. Middendorf: January 17, from 11 to 3 o'clock. Ruby: January 19, from 11 to 3 o'clock. Dudley: January 22, from 1 to 4 o'clock. Pageland: January 23 and 24, to 12 o'clock. Mt. Croghan: January 25, from 12 to 4 o'clock. Guess: January 26, from 12 to 3 o'clock. Cheraw: January 30 and 31st. T. W. EDDINS, Auditor.

We have plenty of meal and hulls now on hand. J. E. Agerton.

Bethlehem's Bid on Shells for the United States Navy

To the American People:
The Secretary of the Navy has awarded contracts amounting to over \$3,000,000 to British bidder for 14 and 16-inch projectiles for the Navy because of very much lower prices offered by the English bidders. We know nothing of the basis upon which the British bids were made, but the public is entitled to know the facts upon which we ourselves bid for this work. Two years ago we took contracts to make 4,200 14-inch shells at a price of \$1,515,000. Up to now not a single shell has been accepted by the Government, although we have expended, in wages, materials, etc., on these orders \$522,881, and we have not received a SINGLE DOLLAR on these contracts. In addition, a literal interpretation of the contract might make us liable for penalties amounting to \$678,016. In the light of our experience, and having no other basis, we bid for 16-inch shells approximately the same rate per pound as that which the Navy Department actually awarded a 14-inch shell contract one year ago.

Bethlehem Steel Company
CHAS. M. SCHWAB, Chairman
EUGENE G. GRACE, President

Dr H. Smith, Eye Sight Specialist will be at his office, Monroe N. C. balance of winter. Have him examine your eyes and fit you with glasses—e, o, i, t, f.

Monuments

Now is the time to buy that monument you expect to buy. See me and save time and money.

G. R. Knight.

WOOD'S Seed Catalog for 1917, tells about the best Farm and Garden Seeds

and gives special information as to the best crops to grow, both for profit and home use. The large increase in our business which we have again experienced during the past year is the best of evidence as to the high quality of

WOOD'S SEEDS.
Write for catalog and prices of Grass and Clover Seeds, Seed Potatoes, Seed Oats or any Farm Seeds required. Catalog mailed free on request.
T. W. WOOD & SONS, SEEDSMEN, - Richmond, Va.

M. L. Davis H. W. Funderburk
Davis & Funderburk
NEW CASH STORE

To the public. We propose to carry a general line of merchandise and will sell goods for cash as cheap as the cheapest. We promise fair dealing to every customer. We carry dry goods, shoes, hats, caps, clothing and everything usually carried in that line. In heavy groceries, we carry flour, meat, lard, tobacco, snuff and other things kept in that line. Give us a trial and we will treat you right. One door South old Mercantile Co. store.

Davis & Funderburk

Every Farmer Needs

An "Averv" Cotton Stalk Cutter. We have only one new one will sell for \$30.00 cash. The next ones will be \$35.00.

See us for two horse and one horse turn plows.

The next 30 days is the time to use two horse plows.

PAGELAND HARDWARE CO.

DO YOU EAT?

Then you should buy from the store where everything is right new and fresh and guaranteed to be the Best. Mr. McGuirt has instructions to buy only the very best, and when you get it here you may know it's good.

We are still receiving new stuff to make our line complete. Come or phone.

Plummer Grocery

Financing The Farmer

The farmer's business often needs a little extra financial backing if it is to grow and prosper.

That is one reason why he should have strong and willing bank behind him.

It is an important function of this bank to give temporary assistance to the farmers who seek it of us, and who have demonstrated their ability to repay obligations when due.

The best way to have a credit here is to carry an account with us, and we cordially invite not only the farmer but every one who wants to gain ground financially to do so.

The Bank of Pageland