

**MR. CRAVEN'S SKETCH OF BURKE COUNTY**

On the first page of this issue we present the splendid historical sketch of the Origin and Name of Burke County, written by Attorney Bruce Craven, of Trinity, N. C. Mr. Craven takes a different stand from that taken by The News-Herald sometime ago that Burke county was named for Edmund Burke, as we were taught by Wheeler and others; but we are after the truth and are ready to admit that it was Thomas Burke and not Edmund Burke for whom our county was named. The contribution is an authoritative one and one that will be read with intense interest by all our people and preserved by the many who take the right kind of pride in our history.

We feel that we owe a debt of gratitude to Mr. Craven for his work, and we desire to express to him in behalf of Burke county, a vote of thanks for it.

"Bruce Craven" is a name that is known throughout this State, and when the readers of the daily papers see that name at the bottom of a contribution, they read it whether they agree to it or not, because they know they will find something written with ability and in the best and most accurate English. He is not only an able lawyer and a genuine historian but he is a true scholar and a citizen interested in everything in the State, and when he writes something, the reading public takes notice.—The Morganton News-Herald.

**MARY PHAGAN SPEAKS**

Columns and columns, enough to make many volumes, have been written about the tragedy in Atlanta that resulted in the lynching of Leo M. Frank. But, to our minds, says the Winston-Salem Journal, nothing more impressive, nothing truer, nothing finer, has been said than is written in the current number of the New Republic by Mary White Ovington. It is entitled "Mary Phagan Speaks" and is as follows:

You care a lot about me, you men of Georgia, now that I am dead. You have spent thousands of dollars trying to learn who mutilated my body.

You have filled the columns of your newspapers with the story of my wrong.

You have broken into a prison and murdered a man that I might be avenged.

But why did you not care for me when I was alive?

I was a child, but you shut me out of the daylight.

You held me within four walls watching a machine that crashed through the air.

Endlessly watching a knife as it cut a piece of wood.

Noise fills the place—noise, dust and the smell of oil.

I wish some of the thousands of dollars that you spent on the trial might have kept me in school.

A real school, the kind you build for the rich.

I worked through the hot August days when you were boozing the girls, or shooting birds,

Or lounging in doorways cursing the nigger;

And you never paid me enough to buy a pretty dress.

You sometimes spoke coarsely to me when I went to and from my work; Yes, you did, and I had to pretend I liked it.

Why did you despise me living and yet love me so now?

I think I know. It is like what the preacher told me about Christ: People hated Him when He was alive, but when He was dead they killed man after man for His sake.

**SUGGESTIONS TO BOOSTERS OF ASHEBORO AND RANDOLPH COUNTY**

The editor has picked up the following and put them together for the benefit and guidance of those who want to help and not hinder the cause of get up and go on:

Don't be the man who put "it" in city.

Building good houses builds a good town.

Good roads leads not only to town, but to money.

Be a live one and the town will never be a dead one.

A nice front porch has prevented many an old maid.

Why should the town muzzle dogs and not knockers?

When some one plans to help the town, plan to help the plan.

A good way to make the world better is to begin with the home town.

A town like a perambulator; it isn't much good unless it is pushed.

Don't spend all your time talking what you could do if you had some time.

Be like a ball player. The thing he is always working for is home.

Be one of the leaders of the town, if you can; but, anyway, keep up.

Let's not be trying to stop something all of the time. Let's start something.

A good town will do more to keep boys at home than good advice.

A town is like a girl. It is wonderful what a little fixing up will do for her.

Opportunity knocks once at every man's door. Better be at home when the lady calls.

The world owes every man a living, but the street corner is a poor collection agency.

Don't look for soft snaps. The hard snaps are the ones that have the ginger in them.

Don't spend so much time talking war that you haven't time to talk business.

If you would like to have somebody working for you, put a little money in the bank.

It improves the soup to throw a little pepper into it. Same way with a town.

If you spend all you earn some other fellow is banking your money.

Many a young man goes away to seek his fortune, when Fortune is seeking for him at home.

You've got to be a citizen to vote, but you've got to be a good deal more than vote to be a citizen.

If you will consider the men in this town who are well off you will find that most of them made their money here.

The big things were not all done in the big town. The greatest poem in the English language was written in a country churchyard.

There is only one better man than the man who gets behind and pushes, in an effort to improve the town, and that's the man who goes ahead and pulls.

**HOW EXPLOSIVES ARE MADE FROM COTTON**

Almost all the high explosives have cotton as their base. It is true that very good sporting powder can be made from woodpulp, but as the editor of Nature remarks, "the artist would be in great difficulty if he were provided with such a propellant, because in order to obtain any sort of regularity the nitration of the woodpulp has to be kept at a low point, and the ballistics, on which the artist depends, would be quite thrown out."

High explosives are cellulose highly nitrated—that is, highly charged with nitrogen. This process consists of immersing cotton waste (that has been repeatedly teased, picked and dried) in a mixture of nitric and sulphuric acids, in the proportion of 71 per cent. sulphuric acid, 21 per cent. nitric acid and 8 per cent. water. After the acids have acted for the required time they are removed; the cotton is washed repeatedly and balled several times in water. It is then pulped, partly dried and pressed into moulds.

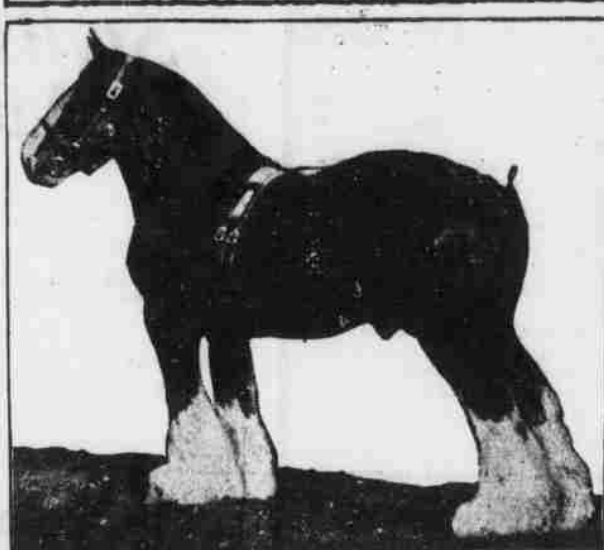
The manufacturer does his best to regulate his output, so that it shall contain approximately eleven molecules of nitrate to the quadruple molecule of cellulose, as shown in the formula, or a content of nitrogen that ranges between 12.93 and 13.05 per cent.

The process is delicate and complex, for the proportions of acids and water must be exact and all must be chemically pure; besides this the cellulose must be of uniform grade, which is a most difficult thing to obtain.

**To The Public.**

"I feel that I owe the manufacturers of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy a word of gratitude writes Mrs. T. N. Witherall, Gowanda, N. Y. "When I began taking this medicine I was in great pain and feeling terribly sick, due to an attack of summer complaint. After taking a dose of it I had not long to wait for relief as it benighted me almost immediately." For sale by all dealers.

**RATION AND ATTENTION FOR DRAFT HORSE**



An English Shire.

(By D. O. THOMPSON, Purdue Experiment Station.)

The average farmer has not learned the fact that to attain the weight of a ton at four years a draft colt must make an average daily gain of about one and a quarter pound from the time it is born. Many colts that at weaning time give promise of developing into good drafters never become more than 1,300 to 1,500-pound horses, largely due to the fact that they were not properly fed. In the management of the draft colt it is better not to let the colt follow the mare while she is at work, but to keep the colt to a box stall, making sure that there are no loose boards or open places in the walls in which the colt might injure itself, and it is well to handle the colt from birth and get it accustomed to being handled with the halter. Coax him along, do not drive.

The following rations have been found valuable in growing draft colts: Until weaning time, in addition to the mare's milk let it have such blue grass pasture as is available and give it access to a box containing a mixture of oats, three parts; bran, three parts, and oat meal, one-half part. After weaning, there is no better place for the colt than blue grass or clover pasture, provided it is supplemented with light grain ration and the colt given proper attention, and as a rough feed when the colt is in the barn dry, sweet alfalfa or clover hay free from dust with a limited supply of such other roughages as corn stover, oat straw, timothy hay, or perhaps a small amount of high quality corn silage.

**HELP SOLVE ONION PROBLEM**

Farmers Frequently Inquire as to Proper Storage of Crop—Provide Plenty of Air Space.

(By J. B. KNOX, Arkansas Experiment Station.)

"How shall I store my onions so they will keep during the remainder of the summer and during the winter?"

The above question is one that is frequently asked by the farmers of the country. The following suggestions, if carried out, will greatly help in solving the problem:

Do not allow the onions to remain in the ground after they are mature, but dig them when from 80 to 90 per cent of the tops die and fall over. Three or four rows may be piled together in windrows as they are dug and allowed to remain in this way until the tops are dry, which will require several days, owing to the degree of sunshine. It may be necessary to turn the onions over at intervals of two days until they are thoroughly dry. Do not allow white onions to remain in the sun until they turn green.

As soon as properly cured in the field, place the onions in bags and carry to the storage house. The storage house should be well ventilated, especially until the bulbs are thoroughly dry. If only a few bushels are to be stored, it is a good idea to spread them out on the floor of a building. When placed in this way there is little danger of the bulbs heating or sprouting from moisture. Some of the regular onion storage houses have a series of shelves one above the other, in which the bulbs are spread out to dry. If you have to store them in bags leave plenty of air space between the different bags and be sure the bulbs are all cured before placing them in the bags.

**TAKE CARE OF FARM MANURE**

Every Reasonable Precaution Should Be Taken to Prevent Loss of Fertilizing Qualities.

Unless barnyard and stable manures are well cared for, a great part of their value is lost to the farmer. Many farmers allow practically all the liquid manure to go to waste, yet liquid manure contains more fertilizing value than solid manure, and every reasonable precaution should be taken to prevent its loss. The loss from leaching is large and can be prevented by the use of good floors and by keeping the stock well bedded. Fermentation is another source of loss. It cannot be wholly prevented, but can be held in check by keeping the manure moist and compact.

**BUYING BETTER BEEF SIRES**

Continued Good Prices for Cattle Will Result in Greatly Improved Quality in Our Herds.

The outlook for continued good prices for stock cattle has had the effect of encouraging farmers in the Southwest to buy better sires to head their herds. Recently a farmer paid without question \$140 for a Shorthorn of proved quality. Five years ago he would have gone straight up in the air had it been suggested to him that a sire worth \$100 would pay in his herd. It is evident that continued good prices for cattle will result in greatly improved quality in our herds.

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**GROWING WINTER OATS**

Reduces Feed Bill and Prevents Washing of the Soil.

Variety Most Commonly Used in South is Red Rustproof—Winter Turf is Hardy and Valuable for Pasture or for Hay.

Every southern farmer should grow enough oats to feed his work stock during at least a portion of the year. In addition to furnishing feed grain at less cost than it can be purchased, fall-sown oats prevent the washing of the soil, by which much fertility is frequently lost. There is still time to sow winter oats in the Gulf States, though this work should be done at once if good results are to be obtained. According to specialists of the department, oats sown in the southern states during October or the first half of November may be expected to produce at least twice the yield of grain obtained from spring seeding.

Winter grain may be sown on land which produced a crop of cotton, corn, or cowpeas the past summer. If this land has not already been plowed, it will be better to make the surface soil fine and loose with the disk or drag harrow than to delay seeding by plowing now. Better results are obtained from sowing with the drill than from broadcast seeding, though if a drill is not available sowing the seed broadcast on well-prepared land usually results in a good stand. If the preceding crop was well fertilized, 100 to 200 pounds of acid phosphate will be all that the oats require this fall, though a little nitrate of soda will help the fall growth, especially if the soil is not already well supplied with nitrogen from the growing of cowpeas or some other legume. A top dressing of 50 to 100 pounds of nitrate of soda applied when growth starts in the spring will greatly increase the yield.

The variety of winter oats most commonly grown in the South is Red Rustproof. Applier, Lawson, Hundred Bushel, Bancroft and Cook are selections or strains of Red Rustproof which are said to be particularly valuable in some localities. The Fulghum is a promising new variety which matures a week or ten days earlier than the Red Rustproof, and usually produces as much or more grain. As the kernels of all these varieties are large, from two and one-half to three and one-half bushels should be sown to the acre. The smaller quantity is sufficient if the seed is drilled early on well-prepared land, while three bushels or more are needed when the seed is sown broadcast late in the season. The Winter Turf or Virginia Gray is a very hardy variety, which is valuable for pasture or hay production, but which does not yield as much grain in the southern states as the Red Rustproof. On account of the small size of the kernels, only one and one-half bushels of seed of this variety are required.

Wholesome Food for Hens. Experiments have proven that the flavor of the eggs is influenced by the food supplied the hens, hence it is of the utmost importance to supply the hens with nothing but wholesome food.

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