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Reading Is To The Mind What Exercise Is To The Body

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SUFFRAGE MEETING HELD

Fair Crowd Out To Hear Suffrage Speaker De. Live Address

The first woman's suffrage convention ever held in Beaufort and probably in the county took place here Tuesday night in the court house.

The meeting had been arranged and advertised several days before by Miss Lola Trax of Baltimore who is in the State now working in behalf of the suffragists. The object of the suffragists is to arouse so much interest in the matter that the General Assembly will ratify the amendment at its session this Summer.

About seventy-five persons were present at the meeting Tuesday evening and they were about equally divided between the sexes. No resolutions of any sort were passed and so the sentiment of the crowd could be not judged but by the close attention which was paid to the speakers it was evident that those present were considerably interested.

Lieutenant E. Walter Hill presided over the meeting and made a strong speech in behalf of suffrage after calling the meeting to order. W. G. Mebane was asked to introduce the speaker of the evening which he did after making a few remarks on the subject under discussion.

Miss Trax was a pleasing and fluent talker, she spoke about an hour on her subject and went into it very thoroughly. She mentioned the various arguments against suffrage and answered them in detail. Her speech made a very favorable impression on the audience.

After the speaking was over a meeting of the women present was held at which Miss Trax undertook to get those present to aid in the work of getting the amendment ratified. A ratification committee was appointed composed of Mrs. G. W. Duncan, Chairman, Mesdames L. E. Greenleaf, Sallie Shelton, E. W. Hill, Chas. Norcom, N. F. Eure, J. H. Potter Jr., G. W. Huntley, Misses Lottie Sanders and Ella Davis. This committee will get signers to petitions to be presented to the Legislature.

Mixture of Civilizations.

Key West, Fla., is a quaint mixture of American and Latin-American civilization, with about equal parts of each. Harry A. Franck writes in the Century Magazine. The Spanish songs heard there fully as often as English, and, as in the towns along the Mexican border, the official tongue is bilingual, and Americans from the North are frankly considered foreigners by the Cubanized rank and file.

When Stoppers Are Obstinate.

Bottle stoppers have an annoying habit of refusing to come out just when one wants them to go so. The following is a sure way of removing the most refractory stopper. By means of a feather apply a drop or two of salad oil just where the stopper joins the neck of the bottle. Then put the bottle at a little distance from a fire, where it will become slightly warmed but not hot. The oil rapidly works down in between the stopper and the neck, and by giving the whole thing a slight tap the stopper will come out.

Superstitions of the Great.

Dr. Samuel Johnson, so it is recorded, would never enter a room left foot foremost, and never Marshal Saxe was in terror at the sight of a cat. Peter the Great was in a tremor of fear if he had to cross a bridge, and Eyra turned pale if he spilled salt at the table.

Appearances Are Deceptive.

Those who have been able to catch sight of shells passing through the air, as described through an appearing "like long lead pencils with indistinct blurred edges."

Special Offer

For the sum of 75 cents we will send the Beaufort News to any new subscriber from now till January the first. The same rate will apply to any old subscriptions that run out this month or next. If you wish to take advantage of this offer act quickly.

Mrs. W. B. Guthrie

After an illness of about ten days with pneumonia Mrs. W. B. Guthrie died at her home on Harker's Island last Saturday evening at about seven o'clock. On Wednesday a little girl just ten months old preceded her to the grave. Mrs. Guthrie is survived by her husband and three children all of whom have the deep sympathy of the community.

Notice

Ocean View Lodge No. 11 will hold the burial services over the remains of brother J. O. Atkinson May the 30th., at 4 o'clock P. M. All members are requested to be present.
J. R. Styron Secty.

St. Paul's School Closes

St. Paul's School will end its Spring term this week. No formal Commencement will be held but some appropriate exercises will take place. On Friday evening at 8:00 o'clock the Kindergarten exercises will be given and on Saturday evening at 8:30 a band concert will be rendered on the school grounds. Bishop Darst will preach the commencement sermon on Sunday morning at eleven o'clock. On Monday morning at 10:00 o'clock promotion cards and diplomas will be awarded to the students who have won them. The public is cordially invited to attend all of the exercises.

Rush Of Business

An unusually large amount of political and other sorts of advertising recently has made it impossible for this paper to carry all the news that it has a chance to publish. The rush is about over now and it will be unnecessary to sacrifice our news columns hereafter.

Building Notes

A force of men started yesterday on the work of remodeling the brick building on Front street formerly a part of the Thomas estate, now the property of C. D. Jones. The interior of the building will be made over entirely and a handsome front put in which will make it one of the best buildings on the street.

The large three story building occupied by the Hancock-Huntley Company on Front street is being painted and its appearance is greatly improved thereby.

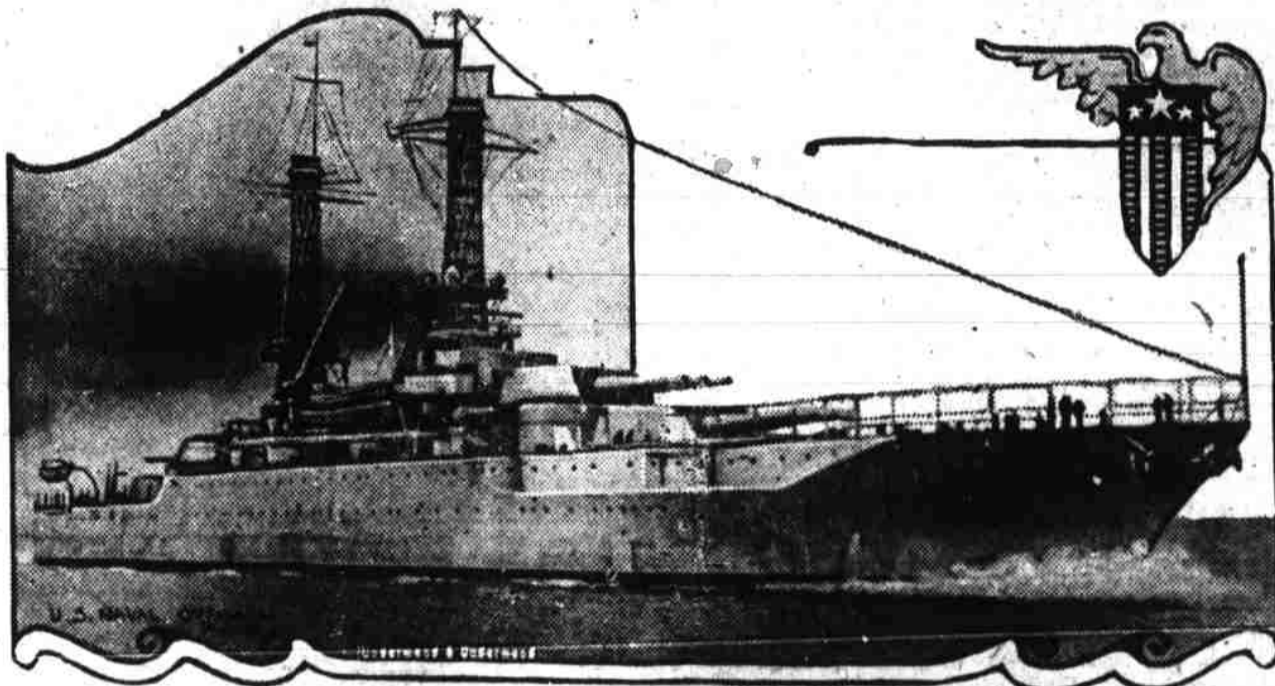
The handsome new soda fountain bought by the Beaufort Drug Company some weeks ago is now being installed.

Work on the interior of the building of the Beaufort Banking and Trust Company is going forward and that structure soon be completed.

What Appealed to Robert.

His father wasn't anxious to have Robert play with a certain urchin in the neighborhood whose language wasn't always proper, so he said, "Robert, seems to me that boy always has a dirty face; if I were you I'd play with someone else that is cleaner." To which Robert responded, "Why, daddy, I don't need to look at his face—but he's got the best legs on the ball team."

"Queen of Navy" Is Best Shot in Pacific Fleet



The U. S. S. Idaho, called the "Queen of the Navy," established a record during the Pacific fleet target practice, when her gun crews made nine direct hits in 36 shots at long range with the 14-inch guns. The Idaho is one of the very latest of the United States navy's superdreadnaughts. She has a main battery of twelve 14-inch naval rifles and is fitted with the latest antiaircraft and submarine protections.

VALUE OF LIME IN AGRICULTURE

Pulverized Limestone Should Be Stored In Bins Or Warehouses So Farmers Can Get Any Amount Needed at Any Time

(By W. M. Goodman.)

In a bulletin issued by the Michigan Agricultural College on lime and its uses and functions in soils, the statements are made that "Lime was used more than three thousand years ago in parts of Europe to improve soils," and that "in some of our Eastern States liming has been practiced since the earlier stages of the agricultural development and its use has gradually spread until it is added to the soil to a greater or less extent as far westward as the region of lighter precipitation."

Lime was used on farms of the South more than fifty years ago, and with excellent results, but only in recent years has its value in soil and crop improvement work become generally known. Dr. H. A. Morgan, President of the University of Tennessee, and one of our most eminent agricultural authorities, says: "The heavy annual rainfall of the South leaches the soil of lime to such an extent that clovers can not be satisfactorily grown and indeed the yields of nearly all the common crops are reduced. An application of two tons of ground limestone per acre once in, say six years, can bring about astonishing results."

"Thus we see that the lime needs of soils are recognized in all sections, and it is plainly apparent that every effort should be made to supply these needs."

Some Illustrations.

We find in Georgia, the Carolinas and other Southeastern States, the fields of alfalfa, clover and the grasses where a few years ago there were galled and gullied hillsides, or sandy soils impoverished by clean cultivation, and, upon inquiry, learn that in every case the change was brought about through the use of agricultural limestone which made legume raising possible. Such object lessons in a county show what can be done with the soils of the whole country, and of all counties in these states.

With clover and the grasses—good hay fields and permanent pastures—lime raising can be made to double the farm incomes of the South, and the production of such forage crops means the improvement and conservation of soil, fertility and larger yields of other crops that follow.

Limestone Should Be Stored in Bins or Warehouses.

The use of agricultural limestone for the improvement of soils and crops would be more general if arrangements were made for storing this material in bins or warehouses at convenient points.

The farmer who can buy and handle pulverized limestone, as shipped by car loads, can not always get the material when needed on account of car shortage or other difficulties which delay shipments, while others are deterred from supplying the lime needs of their soils because of their inability to use large quantities at one time.

Examples Set By Other States.

"The building of limestone bins at ray stations has solved the prob-

lem in some sections of Illinois, Ohio and Virginia. The plan followed in these states enables the farmer, coming to town with a wagon or truck load of produce, to haul a load of limestone back to his farm, instead of returning with an empty vehicle, and thus supply his needs at little expense in time and labor. Limestone associations have been formed by farmers in a number of counties in Illinois to encourage the use of limestone and for having it stored in bins or warehouses for the benefit of members and the general public. The expense of erecting bins and the employment of selling agents is paid out of dues collected from members.

This plan might be adopted with profit by farmers of any section of the Southeast, but other arrangements could be made which would enable them to procure the material as needed, and business men could join the farmers in this work with the certainty of sharing in the benefits to be derived from the advancement of general farming interests. Where it is not thought advisable to build limestone bins, arrangements could be made for storing the material in warehouses or cheaply constructed sheds. The main point is to have pulverized limestone available at all times, so that the small farmer can get any amount he wants at any time and haul it to his farm when it is convenient for him to do so.

Important To Peanut Growers.

Just now the need for having limestone available for use on Southern farms is rendered more urgent for the reason that lime is necessary in growing peanuts, the most valuable crop now produced in boll weevil sections of the cotton belt. The planters of Virginia, the state which ranks third in peanut production, and where this crop has been grown commercially since the Civil War, consider lime very necessary in peanut soils. A bulletin issued by the Virginia Agricultural Experiment Station states that "peanut soils should be limed once in four years with 1,000 pounds of burnt lime, or 2,000 pounds of ground limestone, and 200 or 400 pounds of acid phosphate should be applied in the rows at the time of planting the crop."

Dr. W. W. Long, Director of Extension, Clemson Agricultural College of South Carolina, says: "It is necessary to lime soil for peanuts unless it is definitely known that there is an abundance in the soil. In this state at least 1,000 pounds of burnt lime or 2,000 pounds of ground limestone should be used per acre." This will apply to most of the peanut soils of the Southeast, and shows the necessity for having lime stored where it can be procured without delay and in quantities required by large and small growers.

The business of peanut growing alone is of such importance to the South at this time as to call for the united action of business men and farmers in making available for immediate needs a material which must be used in order to produce profitable crops.

Fashion Note.

A snuff is cooler in summer and warmer in winter than a French-Voulez 8 centime.

Do Today's Jobs Today.
The habit of postponing is a fatal decision. It is founded on false hope. The victim thinks he will have time to do tomorrow what should be done today. That more contentment is seldom ever comes. Shakespeare emphasizes the idea when he says: "You can't turn the wheel with the water that is past." Another writer has said: "Procrastination is the thief of time." It is a more apt to confound jobs than to have no time for them. It should have been done yesterday.

Rat Always Feared.

Scientists have pointed out that the agency of the rat in the dissemination of plague was well known in ancient times. Our ancestors carefully protected, and, when possible, domesticated the natural enemies of the rat and even defied some of the more useful ones, as the cat, the kestrel and the cobra. They made special use of rat-eating species of snakes, keeping great numbers of these harmless snakes in pits in their medical temples.

The Big Yield of the Village of Amon Turkey.

has risen from approximately 6,000 tons raised on 10,000 acres of land about 30 years ago, to about 22,000 tons raised on 25,000 acres. However, this advance in supply has not kept pace with the demand, and prices of figs have steadily risen. The big producing areas are, under normal conditions, exclusively tapped by the Ottoman (Alden) Railway company's system. The orchards, located mainly in the Meander valley, are owned chiefly by Turks.

Hindu Youth Precocious.

A tourist traveling in India wrote home that he was astonished by the precocity of the Hindu children, says the Home Journal. Many of them are skilled workmen at an age when other children are learning the alphabet. One of the most expert carvers in wood he saw was a boy of seven, and many of the handsomest and most costly rugs and carpets are woven by children not yet in their teens.

Nature's Wise Supervision.

The part important played by the weather as a means of preventing the too rapid development of the plant life of the world can be realized only when we consider the vast number of seeds produced. If conditions of the atmosphere favored a more even temperature all over the earth, as was probably the condition in the early history of the planet, there would be fewer varieties of plant life, because the more rapidly producing plants would crowd out the others.

Food Value of Potatoes.

That potatoes differ widely in food value is shown by a report of the government's scientific committee. It is laid down that the most useful potato for food is the one which contains the largest amount of dry matter. Where two varieties are practically equal in this respect the nitrogen they contain enters into the estimation of their feeding quality.

Small Things of Great Moment.

A piece of twine that fell into the steering gear of a trans-Atlantic liner cost the company \$1,000,000 for repairs and delay. A word carelessly dropped will sometimes cost a life of regret.

CRUSHED BY ENGINE WHEELS

Employee Of Carteret Company Meets With Sudden Death

While attempting to board the tender of an engine Monday morning James Atkinson an employe of the Carteret Lumber Company was caught between the wheels and was so badly crushed that he died almost instantly. Mr. Atkinson and several other men had gone out on the company's log train early in the morning to work in the woods. The engine was disconnected from the rest of the train and the men got into the tender to go on their way. Mr. Atkinson was standing by the track and just as the engine started tried to get on with the result that he was caught beneath it and killed. He had only been with the lumber company two days. He was formerly employed at the City electric light plant. Mr. Atkinson was thirty eight years of age. His widow and three children survive him.

Services At St. Pauls

Services at St. Paul's church Trinity on Sunday, May 30th will be as follows: Holy communion, 8 a. m.; Sunday School at 9:30 a. m.; Morning prayer and sermon for the commencement of St. Paul's School by Rev. Thomas C. Darst, D. D. Bishop of East-Carolina, 11 a. m.; Evening prayer and administration of the rite of confirmation, 7:30 p. m.; The public is always welcome.

Examination for Postmaster

An examination for postmaster for the town of Beaufort will be held on June the 16th. The examination will be held in New Bern. Application blanks can be obtained at the postoffice here.

Political Activity.

Congressman S. M. Brinson is to speak here on Saturday and at Atlantic Saturday night. It is understood that his rival Mr. Abernethy is also to speak here soon and possibly elsewhere in the county. Robt. N. Page candidate for Democratic nomination for Governor spoke here this afternoon to a fair sized crowd.

"Growing on the wrong side of the road" will not prosper, peas and beans, and difficult to raise, and that children born in leap year will be the old English tradition, which says that children born on leap year have two birthdays, and that the fortune of a man or woman is determined by the number of leap years they live through. In all probability the theory is incorrect.

Bridal Cakes.

The bride cake which so invariably accompanies a wedding nowadays and which must always be cut by the bride, may be traced back to the old Roman form of marriage by "confarreatio," or setting together. So also among the Iroquois the bride and bridegroom used to partake together of the cake of Sagamite which the bride always offered to her husband.

Natural Supposition.

The girls employ such a redundancy of nomenclature in describing their garments, such as slip-over night-gowns, for instance, that if they ever really should come to our style of dress we suppose they'd call 'em step-in pants.—Ohio State Journal.

Beers Long Opposed Railways.

For a long time the Beers refused to sanction the construction of railways in the Transvaal on the ground that nowhere were such contrivances mentioned in the Bible.