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## HOW SOUTHERN FARMERS MAY GET A START IN PIG RAISING.

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The Irishman calls his pig "the gentleman that pays the rent." In the corn belt the United States "mortgage lifters" was a nickname given hogs almost as soon as settlements began. In the South no less true than in the Middle West hogs can be made a source of meat supply for the home and of income as well. Years of study and demonstration by State and Federal agricultural authorities have shown beyond all doubt that hogs may be raised in the South with results fully as profitable as elsewhere.

Four things are necessary if the Southern farmers wishes to get a start.

1. A place to raise and fatten the pigs.
2. A pig worth raising and fattening.
3. Feed on which to raise and fatten them.
4. The necessary funds.

Let us consider these points in reverse order.

1. This article is written for the man whose principal concern is to supply food for his family. For such a man one or two sows will be enough. Good sows can be bought for \$10 or \$15 each; razor-backs can be bought for less and will produce good pigs if bred to a good purebred boar. If there is no purebred boar in the neighborhood whose services can be obtained, enough men should club together to represent the ownership of 20 to 25 sows and buy a good boar, paying pro rata for the boar, depending on the number of sows owned by each. Boars can be bought for from \$10 to \$25 for weaned pigs, and from \$50 to \$100 for yearling and 2-year-old hogs. If 20 men owning 20 sows bought a yearling boar for \$50, each man would pay \$2.50 toward the price of the boar. Put the boar in the hands of one of the members of the club and let each other member agree to pay him one pig at weaning time for the care of the boar one year, for attending to the breeding, etc. When sows come in heat, they can be loaded on a wagon and carried to the farm where the boar is kept for service.

2. Sows farrow almost exactly 16 weeks after they are bred. When the sow farrows try to be near at hand. Do not worry her with attention, but be there if she needs it. Watch that the buzzards do not carry off the little pigs or injure the sow. Give her a warm thin slop as soon as she begins to move around. Then leave her alone for awhile. That evening give her a slop with a little bran or corn meal in it. Feed lightly for a few days and increase her feed gradually until the sow is getting about 4 pounds of grain each day for each 100 pounds of her weight. This will be within a week or 10 days after she has farrowed. She should be fed morning and evening. Kitchen scraps and slops will be good for her and will reduce the grain needed somewhat. These slops must not contain any soap or glass.

As corn is the most available grain in most sections of the South, it will have to be relied on for feeding both the sows and pigs. With the grazing crops which are sug-

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## DILLSBORO TO THE FRONT.

Dear Editor—I have not seen a correspondence from Dillsboro since I came here and as some interesting things have recently occurred, I am taking the opportunity to let the people of other parts of our county know what we are doing.

The trustees of our road are moving along rapidly with their work and ere long we hope to boast that all Dillsboro's roads are on proper grades and sand clayed.

Within the past few weeks, quite an improvement has been made in our sidewalks and we can boast now of having more concrete sidewalks than any other town of its size in North Carolina.

The day following Thanksgiving, Congressman-elect J. J. Britt made a very interesting and instructive lecture to the school and its patrons, on the subject "The Average Boy and the Forgotten Man." Those who heard him were greatly pleased.

The night following the afternoon of Mr. Britt's speech the school gave an entertainment which was highly enjoyed by all attending.

On the days set apart by Gov. Craig for Community Service work the teachers and pupils gave the school house a thorough cleaning, polished stoves and desks, and did several little things that add very materially to our health and comfort. Friday night about seventy-five patrons and friends assembled, in spite of the inclement weather and discussed "Ways and Means of Improving Our Community." Quite an interesting program was carried out, as follows:

1. "The Duty of Patrons toward the School," Mrs. S. W. Enloe,
2. The Community Betterment Club in Community Life", Mrs. Holmes Bryson.
3. The Relation of Music to Good School Work," Mrs. C. H. Daniels,
4. The Reading Club in Community Life", Mr. Clyde Jarrett,
5. "The Reading Club in Relation to School Life", Miss Beulah Dills,
6. "The value of Regular Attendance", Misses Proffitt and Francis.
7. The Needs of our School", G. Taylor Hampton.

The meeting was a very enthusiastic one and I feel sure great good will result. We have the best people I know of in many respects and we are going forward with the good work begun at that meeting.

The Community Service organization was made permanent with G. Taylor Hampton, Pres., Mr. R. F. Jarrett, Vice-pres., Mrs. S. W. Enloe, Sec., and Mr. Holmes Bryson, Treas. It was decided to have a Community Meeting every Friday night and I feel sure we will have more things to relate in the near future.

Incidentally, Dillsboro is the only community that had a representative appointed specially for the purpose at the County Progress Meeting which wasn't at the county capitol Saturday. Not even the capitol itself sent a delegate, at least none come to the courthouse.

Thanking you for so much space, and assuring the Journal and its readers my best wishes, I am a well-wisher to all good work.

"A Newcomer."

Prof. John N. Wilson of Cullowhee was in town Saturday, on business.

## SYLVA COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE

During the two weeks which Mr. J. C. Owen, the Evangelist for the Baptist schools, spent among us, a great change was wrought in the atmosphere of our school. Prior to his coming, the christian membership of the school was a small factor. But through Mr. Owen, God came into many hearts so there are now very few among us, who are not following in the footsteps of the Great Teacher.

The effect of this on our school work has been quite noticeable. Since the close of the special services, the school work has been very enthusiastic. Knowing that examinations were fast approaching, the students have been doing their dead level best to prepare their minds for the tests and not only for these written tests, but also for the greater test of practical use in every-day life.

In addition to heavy school duties, some students have been doing extra work in the Department of Expression. As a result they will present, under Miss Tisdale's direction, a very interesting program in our school auditorium Saturday evening December twelfth at eight o'clock. An admission fee of twenty-five and fifteen cents will be charged. The program follows:

Prof. Baxters great invention, Youth restored by Electricity.

Prof. Baxter.....Pola Crisp  
Sam Wooley.....Hugh Monteith  
Peter Crawford.....Harlowe Kitchen  
Roxanna Tucker.....Fanie Corbin  
Dorothy Tucker.....Alma Berry  
Mary Ann.....Etta Snyder  
Vocal Solo.....Raph Jarrett  
Pond Lillies.....Sextette  
Piano Solo.....Norma Wilkins  
Vocal Solo.....Betsy Barker  
Male Quarett.....Pola Crisp,  
Roscoe Parris, Ralph Jarrett, William Snyder  
Vocal Solo.....Miss Tisdale

## DILLS REBUILDING

The work of clearing away debris preparatory to rebuilding the part of the A. J. Dills building, that was burned a few weeks ago, started Wednesday and the construction work will be commenced at once. The building will be larger and more conveniently arranged.

## COHEN FOOTBALL CAPTAIN

Sylva friends of Russel Cohen will be interested to learn of his election as Captain of the Football Team of Vanderbilt University.

Cohen spent the summer in Sylva at Camp Jackson and is well known here.

## ALARKA LUMBER CO. CHARTERED

News and Observer Dec. 4.

Secretary of State J. Bryan Grimes has issued a charter to the Alarka Lumber Co. of Bryson City, capital stock authorized \$100,000 subscribed by J. E. Coburn, S. W. Marr and others. This company owns a large boundary on Alarka, and it is proposed to build a railroad from Bryson City to the headwaters of the creek, for the purpose of marketing lumber, acid wood and tanbark. Work will commence early in the spring.

## A SEVENTH BIRTHDAY PARTY

Little Miss Annie Joe Hooper entertained a host of her friends on Wednesday afternoon from 3:30 to 5:30. The color scheme pink and white was carried out beautifully. After several interesting games were played the little ones were shown into the dining room by Misses Isabella Keener, Lucy Wells and Hattie Flowers, where dainty refreshments were served. Miss Mary Candler won the box of candy in the Donkey Contest.

## BALSAM GROVE.

Again the old timer of Caney Fork, will try to give a little sketch from our dear old mountain country.

I wonder where all of our correspondents to our dear old Jackson County Journal are? Why can't we have more letters from all over Jackson County?

Weaver Swangim, is slowly improving. We all hope to see him about again soon.

Quite a number of farmers, of this place were hauling cotton seed meal from Sylva, last week. They say the roads are so muddy that they will not try hauling any more this winter.

Prof. Finley Arrington were seen on our streets Sunday. Mr. Arrington will come to Balsam Grove, if the roads are muddy, the wind blowing, raining and snowing, he will be there just the same.

It is reported that Ransom Phillips killed a big black bear last week, near the Judie Cullio old field. J. W. Wood, is on the sick list. Dr. Candler, was called there Friday.

J. E. and Merrit Hooper, went on a flying trip to Cullowhee Sunday.

T. L. Phillips, will go to Spartanburg, Thursday to attend Queens Barber College.

J. C. Parris, of Hendersonville, N. C. was in town Thursday on business. Listen Christmas times are almost here. I suppose every one are planning for a merry Christmas. Some are planning to celebrate Christmas, in one way and some in another way.

Doubtless hundreds and hundreds are now making preparations to get their liquor to get drunk Christmas. I am speaking to the young men individually, surely the old men have learned better.

Young men of Jackson County and elsewhere try, to forget there is such a thing as liquor. Think what you are celebrating Christmas for. I have heard young men say suppose we get some liquor and have a good time. I always thought the ones that don't drink have the best time laughing at the drunkards wallowing, in the mud wading creeks, to drunk to walk the foot logs.

The readers of this paper can realize how delighted I would be, if on Christmas day, I could go up and down Caney Fork, my home community and see every body enjoying Christmas, and not see one young man intoxicated. This would be a great thing for me to report to my county paper.

I wish for this time to come when liquor will be a thing of the past. I hope for the abominable snuff to be wiped out of existence. I wish that each fair girl in our fair land would say, I will never give my heart or my hand unto one whom I ever had reason to

think would taste one small drop of the vile, cursed drink, but say when you are wooed, I'm a foe the wine and the lips that touch liquor shall never touch mine.

Mountain Times.

## NEW OFFICERS ASSUME DUTIES.

The new board of County Commissioners met Monday, and organized by electing S. T. Cooper as Chairman.

The officers who assumed their duties are, W. L. Henson, Clerk of the Court, John D. Norton, Register of Deeds, W. L. Cowan, Treasurer, W. P. Stewart, Surveyor.

J. W. Buchanan entered upon his third term as sheriff and J. Westley Shelton is again coronor.

The board of County Commissioners is composed of S. T. Cooper, Chairman and J. N. Burgamer and H. R. Queen.

The Commissioners elected W. R. Sherrill as County Attorney and Ed. J. Bryson, County Physician.

## MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT

There will be a musical entertainment at the Auditorium Friday evening December 18th at 8 o'clock. Given under the auspices of the Woman's Auxilliary of Baptist Church.

## CHIEF JUSTICE CLARK IMPROVES

Chief Justice Walter Clark, of the North Carolina Supreme Court, who on Friday evening was taken suddenly with an acute attack of indigestion at his home on Halifax stree, was yesterday reported much improved. In fact, he was well enough yesterday to make an intended visit to his farm in Halifax county, but the advice of his family thought it best to defer the trip.

Judge Clark's illness came upon him while he was in the bath room. He was unconscious when found by his son, Walter Clark, Jr. This started a rumor that he had been paralyzed but was stated by a member of the family last night that he had no trace of paralysis nor apoplexy.—News and Observer.

## SMAL POX IN CHEROKEE.

Cherokee Scout Dec. 4.

A serious epidemic of small pox has broken out at Culberson, and has caused the school at that place to be closed indefinitely.

E. W. Henson died at Culberson last week from this dreadful disease. He leaves a wife and three small children.

There are a number of cases of small pox reported there at the present time.

The Belleview school has also been closed on account of small pox reported to be along the North Carolina-Georgia line at several points.

B. M. Peek was here on business, Wednesday, from Erastus.

H. O. Curtis has been recovering the residence of W. L. Gidney.