

WHAT THE MOTHERS CAN DO. RAISE PURE BRED LIVE STOCK.

Mothers Are Asked to Co-operate with Quarantine Officer to Control Contagious Diseases.

Nobody knows what it means to have a sick child like the mother, therefore, I am asking the mothers of this County, especially, to co-operate with me, their county quarantine officer, and by all working together, to keep down those preventable diseases like whooping cough, measles, scarlet fever and diphtheria, as far as is possible.

Some old fashioned mothers used to believe that whooping cough and measles were like taxes, just had to come, and the sooner they "came and went," the better. But now mothers know different. They know that even if children should have these diseases when they grow up it goes less hard with them then, and they are more likely to recover without defects and impairments. Why, when a mother's baby, has measles if it is less than five years old, she never knows whether it is going to be left blind, deaf, lame, or with weakened heart or kidneys, for life. The safest plan is to take no chances with any of these so-called children's diseases. Children don't have to have them, and why not protect them?

Some of the things mothers can do to keep down whooping cough, measles, scarlet fever, infantile paralysis and diphtheria in their homes and communities are, first, to suspect the diseases and keep home the children having the first symptoms, such as sore throats or head colds, particularly if any contagious diseases are in the community. Second, in case no physician is called to attend the child, the mother should see that the disease is reported at once to the county quarantine officer who will then tell her what to do and how to treat the case. The law requires her to do this. Third, every mother should respect the Quarantine law. It may inconvenience her slightly but what will a few days of inconvenience mean if it saves a child's life or even if it saves him from a life long defect, like blindness, which is often one of the after-effects of measles. The mother who disregards the Quarantine law, is not only an undesirable citizen to have in the community but is an enemy of little children.

The number of cases of contagious diseases in this county last month reported to me were:

Whooping Cough—Two children of A. F. Barnes, one child of A. Fitzgerald, child of Ner Hatcher and child of A. J. Corbitt, Micro; child of J. P. Hales, three children of R. H. Boykin and two children of Austin Pittman, Kenly.

Measles—John P. Edlridge, Bentonville; W. D. Patterson, Smithfield, and Jack Crawford, Zebulon, R. 1.

Diphtheria—Child of T. Bud Johnson, Clayton, and Lillian George, Selma.

Small Pox—Joe McLamb, Four Oaks, R. 2, and Alex Blaylock, Wendell, R. F. D.

Scarlet Fever—Cariva Davis, Kenly. Typhoid Fever—Nettie Capps, Pine Level.

Six diseases reported with a total of 20 cases.

MRS. THEL HOOKS,
County Quarantine Officer.

BENTONVILLE NEWS.

Miss Cora Blackman is in Smithfield for a short stay at the home of Sheriff W. F. Grimes.

Mr. Harvey Blackman drove to Smithfield Sunday where he was married to Miss Ennis at 2:30 P. M. Esquire Z. L. LeMay officiated.

Mr. K. L. Rose came near being hurt by his cow running with him Sunday afternoon and pulling a chain through his hand, inflicting a bad wound in palm of hand, making it necessary to take a few stitches.

The members of Acme Council No. 489 Jr. O. U. A. M. held their Thanksgiving services at Ebenezer M. E. Church last Sunday afternoon at 3 P. M.

Mr. and Mrs. Grover Hood, of Wayne County, spent Sunday in this section, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. K. L. Rose.

The different choirs of this section are beginning to get in shape for the next Vocal Union which convenes with St. John Holiness Church on the fifth Sunday in this month.

Mrs. A. M. Rose narrowly escaped death Tuesday afternoon when a mule she was driving became frightened and ran away with her throwing her from the buggy and dragging her until the animal broke loose from the buggy. Mrs. Rose received several bruises and was pretty well shaken up, while the buggy was torn to pieces.

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Bentonville, Dec. 6.

If farmers who raise sheep would grade and pack the wool more carefully they would find the increased price would yield a good return for the extra labor.

Aged Farmer of Meadow Township Gives Some Suggestions.

I am addressing this article to the readers of The Herald and especially to Meadow township and the southern part of the county.

A few weeks ago I became interested as to what I might do best for the upbuilding of our community, being that my age, (nearly 81 years) will not allow me to do manual labor. I became interested in the subject of better cattle for our community for which there is getting to be quite a demand. Some of our people going up in the vicinity of Fuquay Springs, and over in Moore County, I decided that now is the time to start and start right. So I wrote to the Experiment Farm at Raleigh and asked them if they could furnish me with a bull calf whose dam had a two-pound butter record per day. About this same time I got in touch with the owner of a herd over in Virginia who seemed to have about what I wanted. He asked me \$75.00 for a bull calf four and a half months old. Now some say that this price is too much. Here is his argument: Well, let's suppose the first ten heifer calves are worth ten dollars more apiece than the calves of an average registered Jersey bull, this would be twenty-five dollars above the first cost with practically the same cost. If there are some who do not believe these statements as to the butter records, I wish to say that they are made by disinterested parties chosen for that purpose. A few points in regard to this calf. He is a grandson of the famous Golden Ferns Noble which sold for \$25,000, and the full sister of this calf is a prize winner and in our show here not at the National Dairy Show. His pedigree is enclosed, and I am holding the bull awaiting your early reply."

Mr. J. L. Lee (Lisbon) and myself have ordered this bull. We propose to order a car load of heifers, cows and bulls of high grade. We want to supply our community with high grade, and expect to deliver them at Benson. We do not propose to buy anything less than six months old. Those who are interested should write Mr. Lee or myself. There will be no speculation in the business. Buy one and at the proper time, sell that old scrub or anything that does not give a pound of butter per day, if you want butter. I do not know of anything else that will add so much to the community.

We ought to have at least three bulls in Meadow and 10 to 20 cows. By all means let us use high grade bulls. What applies to this section applies to the County. In four or five years we should get others, and if possible get highest standards every time. As the country becomes more thickly settled we will need to use more of these products.

Now, let's see how rapidly the cow may increase. Let's suppose she finds her first calf at two years old, and it is a heifer calf, and her next calf at three years old is a bull calf, at the fourth year a heifer, and all the females go on at this ratio; when the first cow is twelve years old there will be 32 females, at 14 years old 64 females, at 16 years 128 females. This leaves of what would be due at 16 years, which is 256 females if all should live. The most valuable cow I ever raised, its mother, as I remember, was 17 years old. It was a heifer and its father was a full blooded Jersey. I write this to show the importance of starting with a few full bloods of real merit.

Notwithstanding my age I am interested in the future welfare of our section.

Now, I hope our people will get busy and get up a car load of high grade cattle. The difference in raising high and low grade is very little, though the difference in value is much. If I can be of any benefit, I will write later.

H. M. JOHNSON,
Bentonville, Route 2.

Parker-Ward.

On Wednesday afternoon, November 28, at the home of the bride in O'Neals township, Mr. William B. Parker was married to Miss Lillie May Ward. Rev. T. A. Sikes, pastor of the Horne Memorial Methodist church, was the officiating minister. Mr. Gordon R. Westrope played the wedding march on the violin. Those who went from Clayton were Mrs. James Stancil, Misses Ida, Lula and Annie Smith and Messrs. Walter Smith and Gordon Westrope.

Mr. Parker has a position with the Clayton Department Store, and is a young man of sterling worth.

The bride is one of Johnston County's popular young ladies and has a host of friends.

They will make their home for the present with Mr. James Stancil. The News welcomes them to the city.—Clayton News, 6th.

Speed in finishing the animals for market is one of the most important factors in the baby-beef industry.

The Man With a Book

Is the man who rules the world and leads men on to higher and better things.

The home filled with good books will be the home out of which will come our future Presidents, Governors, Senators, Congressmen, Legislators, Editors, Preachers, Teachers, and the leaders of men and women everywhere. For this reason it is exceedingly important that fathers and mothers of today surround their children with good books. A good book may change the course of their lives for better things.

Christmas is almost here and even though the nation is engaged in a great war, hundreds and hundreds of folks will continue to give presents to their relatives and friends. Nothing is more appropriate than a good book and nothing is appreciated more.

We have a number of stories for the boys and girls from six to ten years of age. Among them are Bible stories for the children and other stories that children have read and loved for generations.

Then we have a shelf or two of Bargains which we are selling at about your own price. Look them over and see what you want out of the list.

We have a larger stock of books this year than ever before. We have novels and stories for those who love to read the works of fiction of the leading writers of the day.

We have some books of Poems and little gift books which will gladden the hearts of your friends.

We have a few books in our list that will appeal to the more serious minded. Religious and devotional.

Sunday School Books

We have Peloubet's Notes for \$1.25; Tarbell's notes for \$1.25; Arnold's Notes for 60 cents, and Torrey's Gist of the Lessons for 25 cents each. Better buy now before it is too late. Last year we had sev-

eral calls for Peloubet's Notes, and could not supply them..

We also have a lot of Dictionaries from 25c up to \$3.50. A dictionary is a book that is always useful.

Bibles

See our line of Family and Teachers Bibles and Testaments

We have the best line of Sixty Cent Novels we have ever carried. We can supply a copy of almost any of the best sellers of the past years. Send your Soldier Boy a book for Christmas, something live and snappy, it will be read with pleasure by many of our brave boys and highly appreciated.

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