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SOOT! SOOT!

(By Achille du Fresno.)

This is no advertisement but if you know how to handle soot, never mind reading this article.

If instead of writing I was speaking, most of the readers would understand SUITS, for sale, which may be a full dress to be worn at the ball, it may be the Prince Albert which you wear to go to church, may be the Tuskedo or the OVERALLS, which should be worn at the BARN DANCE.

But keep this out of your mind, it is not at all the article under consideration. And I am not either in trouble with some of our lawyers, because I have by experience found that IT PAYS TO KEEP OUT OF LAW.

I really mean SOOT TROUBLES, caused by that deposit in the smoke pipes caused by the fumes of the dirty steam scotch soft coal. Impossible to burn soft coal and not have soot trouble, as unless the firing is done very scientifically, and even then unless one uses some chemicals that will cause the soot to be dislodged from the inner walls of the smoke pipe, and carried by a strong blast and sent out in the air. Unless these things are made, some trouble will soon cause the soot to dislodge from the inner walls of the smoke pipe, and carried by a strong blast and sent out in the air. Unless these things are made, some trouble will soon cause the soot to dislodge from the inner walls of the smoke pipe, and carried by a strong blast and sent out in the air. Unless these things are made, some trouble will soon cause the soot to dislodge from the inner walls of the smoke pipe, and carried by a strong blast and sent out in the air.

Consequently the remedy is first, PREVENTION; and second, CURE. The prevention is: BURN SMOKE—SAVE COAL.

Smoke and soot that escape into the atmosphere cause large losses to citizens through damage to fabrics and buildings, making necessary much extra cleaning and painting. Inhaled with the air we breathe, smoke lodges in the throat and nasal passages, and the finer particles get into the lungs. The tar and sulphur acids make it an active irritant and predispose the breather to throat trouble and pneumonia.

(To be continued.)

Culberson, N. C., Route 2, January 4, 1927.

Editor The Scout,
Murphy, N. C.
My Dear Sir:

I have not been actively associated with your family of correspondents for the last few months, but during this New Year, would like to help make The Scout bigger and better and there-by help to make our mountain country a better place to live. A friend of mine who lives in Chattanooga writes me that during the high waters of last week, which we didn't have, that three-fourths of that great city was under water, and that in many places the water was up in one foot of the eaves of the houses. The papers said but little about conditions there, no doubt, as it would be a bad advertisement. But we have nothing of the kind to fear in the mountains. The more facts told of our country the better for it.

From some facts just at hand, no doubt the State will soon be working on the Hot House road which runs through our hamlet, and then there will be many things to write out that

Dr. Frank Crane Says



AMERICA MAKES HER OWN PROSPERITY

It should be remembered that the cause of prosperity in a country is not only its ability to produce, but its ability to consume.

America is prosperous not only because its labor is efficient, it has great skill, and produces a large quantity of goods, but also because it contains a very large proportion of people who want a great many things.

The superiority of America over Europe is not only cause by the fecundity of the American workman, but also by the supremacy of American wants.

Recent figures show that real wages in the United States, that is, wages in terms of food, clothes and rent, says George W. Hinman, are double the wages in Great Britain and three or four times the real wages on the continent of Europe. This is due not only to our enormous supplies, but equally due to our enormous demand. In the prosperity of a country must be taken into account its ability to manufacture and transport, but equally important is its ability to consume.

sume.

The advertisements in the newspapers are constantly creating new desires among our people. They are stimulating the want for more and better things and thus creating an enormous market for our products. Thus there is direct connection between the superior newspapers of the United States and its superior prosperity.

Whatever induces a people to want more and better goods is valuable, as well as whatever stimulates them to produce more and better goods.

It must always be remembered that prosperity is two-edged. It must include a sharp demand as well as a sharp supply. Because the people of this country live so well and ask so many luxuries, there is a constant demand for the goods we produce.

We sell much goods abroad and the profits from our external trade are considerable. But those profits are small compared with the advantage of our internal consumption. Andrew Carnegie said some years ago that the Pennsylvania Railroad alone carries more goods than the entire shipping of Great Britain.

Your Birthday

Is it this week?

January 9-15
If your birthday is this week you are conscientious, critical, truthful and just. You are conventional to the last degree, and very conservative—to the point of being almost prudish. You are precise, careful, and economical. You are quiet and studious, mathematical and fond of reading. You are not easily aroused to anger but when you are you become quite unreasonable.

You are an accurate, logical reasoner, and have a clean, sound mind. You have a strong will, and at times are stubborn. You can be very secretive.

will make good reading for all your readers.

Wishing you and yours a Happy and Prosperous New Year, I beg to remain,

Sincerely yours,
W. L. GARREN.

Editor of the Cherokee Scout:

Sir:—If it is not, lese majeste, we would like to have space in your paper to inquire of the officials of the county and local departments thereof, when, if ever, the tax-payers of this neck of the woods, are to have a report in legal form, "itemized", of the monies, which they have received and dispensed with, during the last two years, the law says each year, but we are short for two or more years.

Therefore take notice delinquents: Two departments, the Board of County Commissioners, and the County Highway Commission, offered, as a pacifier or subterfuge, an auditor's report, and a consolidated statement, in lieu of the report required by law.

Some of us may not know a Kowtow from a Kangaroo, or be so venal as to sell ourselves for a sop of potato, or so servile as to lick the hand that smites us, or believe that the moon is made of green cheese, but we believe that there are yet some, who have not bowed the knee to Baal.

We are being ground and crushed to dust, with oppressive taxes, while some are luxuriating and feeding from the "flesh pots of Egypt."

Patience is said to be a virtue, but ours is about worn to a frazz. Get busy, come across, remember, "itemized", with name of party to whom paid.

Yours for business,
W. M. WEST.

READ SCOUT FOR THIRTY YEARS

Just who has been reading The Scout the longest? Since Mr. Palmer has been reading it thirty years, we wonder if there are those who have read it longer? The editor wants to know to the extent of five-subscriptions. The five subscribers who have been reading The Scout without interruption the longest we will give a year's subscription to this paper. Write us. The letters will be car-

ried here until February first.

December 25, 1926.

The Cherokee Scout:
I am inclosing you a check for my renewal, I have been a reader of The Scout for thirty years. I am lost without it. Wishing you a happy New Year.

Yours,
B. B. PALMER.

PATRICK

Mr. and Mrs. K. W. Shearer and Miss Edna Curtis of Hiawassee were the guests of Mrs. Shearer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Ledford and family Sunday.

Mr. W. A. Beaver and family have moved back from Tellico Plains, Tenn., to their farm near Hiawassee.

Mr. Owen Picklesimer and family have moved from Mr. W. A. Beavers place to Patrick.

Mr. and Mrs. John Satterfield were the guests of the latter's brother, Mr. Marion Adams and family Saturday night.

Mr. John Craig of near Ducktown, Tenn., purchased a car from Mr. J. H. Reid Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Reid and children of Lynch, Kentucky, who visited friends and relatives here during the holidays returned home last week.

Several of the Patrick folks attended church services at Liberty Sunday.

Mr. John Picklesimer were the dinner guests of Mr. Will Beaver at Hiawassee Sunday.

Mr. Lum Satterfield of this place is visiting his daughter Mrs. Walker of near Belleview, N. C., this week.

Miss Grace Hamby and two little sisters Icy and Elle were the guests of Miss Ora Picklesimer Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Sam Baines of Tiawasee, N. C., made a business trip to Mr. Tom Picklesimer's New Year's Day.

Mr. J. E. Shearer of Gastonia, N. C., were in our midst during the holidays, shaking hands with friends and

The Judge's Joke

WHAT THE GIRLS OF TODAY NEED IS LESS LIPSTICK AND MORE BROOMSTICK



IN A HURRY
"How long will you be pruning that tree, Bill?"
"Oh, another couple of hours."
"Well, be as quick as you can, as I've been told to cut it down."

THESE MODERN DAYS
Mother: "Now, Johnny, go upstairs, and wash your ears and comb your hair."
Johnny: "Oh goody, we're going to have company."
Mother: "Yes. Your father is coming home for dinner."

HOW FOOLISH!
Little Willie: "Mamma, is Papa going to heaven when he dies?"
Mother: "Why, son, who put such an absurd idea into your head?"

THE AUTHOR
A schoolmaster named Bird was always being reminded of this fact by the boys. Once on entering the class-room he found the boys looking so grave that he looked around for signs of trouble. Sure enough on the blackboard appeared a familiar quotation:
"Hail to thee, blithe spirit,
Bird who never wert."
"Who wrote that?" he rapped out sharply.
Dead silence reigned for some moments. Then a small boy said: "Please sir, I think it was Shakespeare."

WANTED TO BE CURED!
Those who object, like the negro in this story, to the high fees of a good physician, do not always realize what they are paying for. The doctor in question was called out to attend an unknown patient. When he arrived he found that a decrepit negro wanted his attention.
The sick man first asked, "How much you charge, Doctah?"
"Five dollars a visit," said the other, and when the negro had gasped his surprise, he continued, "That includes, you know my time, experience, advice and the medicine."

"A pore old niggah like me don't need all dem extras," remarked the patient. "Jist give me ten cents' worth of you' cough med'cine, an' dat's enough fo' me."

A PERFECT EXCUSE
Nurse was bringing little Ella home from a party and took her hand to help her up a high curbstone.
"Gracious me, Ella!" she cried, "how sticky your hands are!"
"So would yours be," replied Ella serenely, "if you had two meringues and a chocolate éclair in your muff."

relatives. We were glad to see Mr. Shearer as he was one of our neighbors several years ago.

Mr. Nip Adams made a business trip to Mr. John Picklesimer's New Year's Day to get his mule shod.

The holidays passed off very quietly around Patrick.

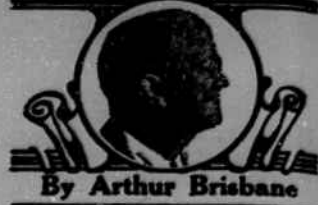
Cross ties and wood hauling is the order of the day, haulers are complaining of the roads being almost impassable.

Mrs. Mary Hamby and baby, Ruth, are on the sick list this week.

Miss Eula Mae Berrong of Tenn., visited friends and relatives around Patrick during the holidays.

A Way To A Happy New Year
To leave the old year with a burst of song,
To recall the right and forgive the wrong;
To help your brother along the road
To do his work, and life his load;
To add your gift to the world's good cheer
Is to have and to give a glad New Year.

This Week



By Arthur Brisbane
GOOD NEWS.
CANALS, CROPS, PROSPERITY.
WE ARE HOMOGENOUS.
ALL ALIKE.

It's really a prosperous country we live in, and the prosperity has only commenced. Arthur Reynolds, able Chicago banker, says our prosperity will last through 1927. It will also last through 1927 and beyond, if we give it a chance, really, work and do not cheat each other too much.

Revised Government reports on crops put corn for this year at two billion six hundred and forty-five million bushels, wheat at eight hundred and thirty-two million three hundred and five thousand bushels—and forty million bushels of rye, forty-one million bushels of rice, eighteen million six hundred and eighty thousand bales of cotton, thirty-three million nine hundred thousand boxes of oranges, etc., and you have a slight idea of what prosperity means.

And unlike oil, those crops are not exhausted, but go on forever, increasing. Land in France planted to wheat for centuries produces more bushels per acre now than it did 200 years ago. The pity is that when farmers have big crops they get small prices. Combination sales and voting could help that, but farmers do not yet know how.

Other good news for all Americans is this: "The lake cities will be connected with the Mississippi, the Gulf and all ports of the world by navigable waterways through legislation that should pass this Winter. And a canal from the lakes to the Atlantic also seems probable if an agreement can be made with Canada for joint use of the St. Lawrence.

The right plan would be an all-American waterway from the lakes through New York State, and that will come. But it would cost five or six hundred millions more than the low cost of the St. Lawrence canal, which probably will come first.

Farmers are deeply interested in these canal projects, for which Secretary Hoover deserves great praise. He is a worker. The canals will cut an average of twelve cents from the freight on export wheat and add twelve cents to the farmers' price.

Harnessing the Colorado River seems not far away, thanks to a number of earnest men, including Senator Hiram Johnson, Secretaries Work and Hoover, and others. The remaining difficulty seems to be arranging an agreement between California and Arizona. The dam would be in Arizona, a great part of the power and irrigation would be used in California. The prosperity of one State is reflected in all States. California cannot thrive without benefiting Florida and Maine.

Arizona, the great State of copper, cotton, citrus climate and the Colorado, will prove itself the State of brotherly conciliation. The thing designed is to use the country's wealth, water and power especially, and thus build up the entire nation. Arizona will not unwisely withhold from development and use that which, at the moment, she herself cannot use.

This is written on the writer's eleventh trip across the continent in fourteen months. The oftener you cross, the more uniformity of life and manners in America amazes you.

The young man in semi-balloon trousers, left in New York, you find again in Chicago, Kansas City, Topeka, Gallup, Albuquerque, Barstow and tens of thousands of him in Los Angeles.

Travel a short distance from the shores of Brittany to the mountains of Auvergne, in France, and you find language and clothes changed completely, also interests, habits and manners. Here, from Miami to Portland, we all know the same baseball and football scores, see the same moving pictures, wear the same clothes, get about the same wages.