

FIRST PRIZE ESSAY ON HOME OWNING

Following is the first prize essay, winning one of four awards offered by Miss Ann E. Ray, president of the United States League of Local Building and Loan associations.

The present day economic conditions, salaries, and incomes, the average family is unable to pay the full purchase price of a home in one lump sum.

The advantage of owning your own home is numerous; pride of ownership makes one keep the home looking spick and span—flowers are planted, fresh paint is used—the home is pointed out with pride.

loan with small monthly payments—it is next to impossible to pay a big loan in a lump sum, principal and interest, at one time.

INTERESTING LETTER FROM MR. CLARKE, OF OREGON

Among the many people who have renewed their subscriptions to The Courier recently was Ivey C. Clarke, of Chiloquin, Oregon.

North Carolina War Medals All ex-soldiers who served honorably in the late World War may get the North Carolina war medal by calling at the Courier office and bringing with them their discharge.

State Fiddlers' Convention The Annual North State Fiddlers' Convention will be held next Saturday, September 20th, at Coolemeec, at night.

The tobacco market at Elkin will open October 2nd. The cooperative warehouse will open still later.

KEEPING WELL SHOULD COUSINS MARRY?

DR. FREDERICK B. GREEN Editor of "HEALTH"

IS THERE any foundation for our prejudice against the marriage of closely related persons?

In more than a third of the United States marriage of first cousins is forbidden. In Oklahoma not even second cousins are allowed to marry.

Yet in England marriage between cousins is quite common and has been for generations. An Englishman can marry his father's brother's daughter, but until recently he was not allowed to marry his deceased wife's sister, who was no relation to him whatever.

Professor Paul Popenoe, the well-known authority on this subject, says that whether or not cousins should marry depends entirely on the cousins.

Marriage between persons of the same ancestry and the same personal traits tends to produce children with these traits more strongly developed.

If the inherited characteristics are good, the marriage results in better children.

If the inherited traits are bad, then poorer children are the result.

Professor Popenoe concludes that if both interested parties to the marriage are strong and healthy, mentally and physically, above the average, with no bad tendencies in their common ancestors for several generations back, their children will probably be above the average.

But if the cousins are mentally or physically below the average, if their ancestors had undesirable traits, or if any evidences of insanity, feeble-mindedness, liability to disease, eccentricities, or other undesirable peculiarities were present, then their marriage would be inadvisable.

Professor Popenoe's conclusions are in line with what every live stock breeder knows from experience.

The breeder knows that when the parents are carefully selected and all animals with bad traits and physical defects are cut out, there is no quicker or surer way of building up a fine grade of stock than by inbreeding.

On the other hand, the breeder knows that if the parents are defective, low grade or "scrub" animals, the general average of the herd is lowered.

So the answer to the question whether cousins should marry is that it all depends on the cousins. And the best advice to those in doubt is that of Punch—"Don't."

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A MILLION DOLLARS WOULD DO NO GOOD

Mr. A. V. Dockery, of Raleigh, has been writing some interesting articles entitled "The Republican Party in North Carolina" for the News and Observer.

In a more recent article he states that he has learned much of the inner life of state Republicans and their methods and that if he lives long enough it may all come out in his book.

The party, according to Mr. Dockery, is not really worth a write-up because in the descent from negro to hog—why Humpty Dumpty's fall was a little affair in comparison.

Mr. Dockery says it has been so difficult to get good men to go on the Republican county tickets that some men have just got worn out seeking something they cannot get.

It was something like running Mike Whittener forever on the state ticket—same old gang and no hash at all.

Nor any spoil as long as the chief vazar backs keeping eating the corn.

He says that in the 1892 campaign the Republicans were hard pressed for money. If the Republicans had the money, he states it would not have done any good—no more than a million Republican dollars spent in North Carolina this year (1924).

The state is going to stay away from radical rule and it does not raise many thoroughbred hogs.

B. Frank Scott, aged 52, of Sheals township, Surry county, was seriously injured when a limb of a tree he was cutting down fell and hit him across the back breaking it.

PLEASANT GARDEN NEWS

We were very glad to see the rain which fell here Sunday and Monday. Mrs. Rachel McIver, of Jonesboro, has been spending a few days with her parents here.

Miss Kathlene Riley, of Spray, spent the week-end with her parents at this place.

The Singers' Union held a convention in the M. E. church Sunday. A male quartet from Asheville sang several selections.

Miss Alma Jones left Saturday for Jamestown where she will teach this year.

Sam Strater was a visitor here Saturday night and Sunday.

Misses Mary Elizabeth Hunt and Nell Kennett left this week to enter school at the N. C. W. Greensboro. Miss Estella Fentress, of Greensboro, was a visitor here Sunday.

The young men of the M. E. church gave a play, "A Little Clodhopper" in the school auditorium Saturday night. Those taking part in this play were: Messrs. Clay Ross, John Reynolds, Pearlie Snyder, Guy Ross, William Hunt, Ray Jones, Lynn Hunt.

Frank Chance, manager of the Chicago White Sox ball team and long one of the leading figures in baseball, died Sunday night in a hospital in Los Angeles, Cal., after an illness from asthma and complications lasting over several years.

Gulfport county Democrats predict 5,000 majority in the November election, the largest majority in the history of the county.

MECHANIC ITEMS

Robert Hardister, of Farmer, and Miss Pauline Hoover, of Mechanic, were married last week, C. C. Horsey, J. F., officiating. Mr. Hardister is the son of Ed Hardister, of Farmer, while Mrs. Harvester is the daughter of Mr. E. C. Hoover.

David Ridge and Miss Pollie Hammond were married last Sunday, Rev. J. S. Tillman officiating. Mrs. Ridge is the daughter of Alex Hammond. Mr. Ridge is a son of J. A. Ridge.

J. Frank Deik has moved his family to the Lee Deik farm recently vacated by Mr. Deik.

Mrs. Sallie McDowell, who has been ill for some time, is much improved in health.

The cotton mills of the Chadwick-Hoskins and Johnson group, at Charlotte, resumed operations Monday morning after having been closed down since July 1st. These mills furnish employment to more than 2,500 people.

Ford the Florist High Point, N. C. Mrs. W. C. Hammer Representative for Randolph County Phones 11 and 144

Mr. M. R. Dunnagan, well-known North Carolina newspaper man, is again with the Charlotte Observer as city editor after having been out of the employ of the paper for three years during which time he has been managing editor of the Asheville Times and later engaged in special newspaper and magazine work.

Heads American Legion



Edward E. Spafford of New York was elected National Commander of the American Legion at the Sixth Annual Convention held this year at St. Paul, Minn. He was born in Vermont, but now resides in New York.

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PENDER'S

LOOK FOR THE YELLOW FRONT STORES Asheboro Store, Depot Street Opposite Southern Depot, Opens Saturday Morning Sept. 20th You are Cordially Invited to Come And Inspect Our Prices and Stock

Table with 3 columns: Very Best American CHEESE, lb. 29c; LARD, Pure, lb. 19c; SALT PORK—By the side, lb. 18 1-2c; Rib Bellies cut, lb. 19c; SUGAR, lb. 8c; Granulated; BUTTER, lb. Very Best Tub 50c; Swifts Pic-Nic SHOULDERS, lb. 18c

Table with 2 columns: FLOUR PALACE PATENT WONDER SELF-RISING; 12-lb. Bag 54c; 24 lb. Bag \$1.05; 48 lb. Bag \$2.05; 98-lb. Bag \$4.00

Table with 3 columns: BACON D. P. Sliced Bacon, lb. 38c; 1-2 lb. 20c; Fancy Dry Cured Breakfast bacon in strips Pound 29c; D. P. BREAD & CAKE D. P. Large Loaf 7c; Our Pride, Wrapped Loaf, 21-ounces 9c; D. P. Cake, Assortment 8 kinds, lb. 25c; WESSON OIL Pint Can 27c; Quart Can 49c; SARDINES—Best American, in oil, Can 5c

Table with 2 columns: CEREALS Cream of Wheat, pkg 25c; D. P. Oatmeal, pkg. 9c; Quaker or Mother Oats, Package 10c; Post Toasties, package 9c; Kellogg's Corn Flakes, Package 9c; Sugar Krisp Flakes, pkg. 7c; Shredded Wheat, pkg. 12c; Puffed Wheat, pkg. 14c; Puffed Rice, pkg. 16c; FRUIT JARS Pints 80 95; Quarts 90 1.10; 1/2 Gallons 1.35 1.55; Parowax, pkg. 15c; Rubbers, dozen 8c

Pure Cider Vinegar—Quart 21; Half Gallon 39; Gallon 75c Snowdrift, 1-lb 22c; 2-lb 43c; 4-lb Tin 80c; 8-lb Tin \$1.52

Table with 2 columns: REFRESHING DRINKS TEA—D. P. Yellow Label India Ceylon-Orange Pekoe Trial Size 10c; 1-4 Pound Carton 19c; 1-2 Pound Carton 35c; Za-Rex, Pure Fruit Syrup Large Bottle 39c; Pound Carton 65c; Armours Grape Juice, Pint bottle 28c; Schlitz Fafous Brew, Bottle 12c; Gosman's Ginger Ale, Bottle 15c; BAKED BEANS Campbells, Can 10c; Van Camp's, Can 9c; Onions, Selected, lb. 6c; Navy Pea Beans, lb. 9c; Swifts Premium Hams, Pound 33c

Table with 2 columns: BAKING POWDER Rumfords, 4-lb. Can 17c; Pound Can 29c; Davis, 12-ounce can 22c; Royal, 8-ounce can 25c; WILSON'S CORNED BEEF Wilson's Corned Beef Hash, 1-lb. flat can 10c; Libby's Corned Beef Hash, 2-lb. Can 18c; Libby's Corned Beef 16-ounce can 25c; CANNED MEATS Libby's Corned Beef, 24-ounce can 33c; Libby's Brains, No. 1 can 25c; Libby's Foster Lunch Tongue, No. 1 can 30c

Table with 2 columns: Soaps and Washing Powder Clean Easy Soap, big cake 41c; Gold Dust, lg. 4 lb. pkg 27c; Octagon Powder, lb. pkg. 8c; Ivory Soap, guest size cake 41c; Palm Olive Soap, cake 8c; Octagon Soap, large cake 6 1-4c; GELFAND'S 5-oz Jar PL. Qt. Mayonnaise, 25 49 87; Fancy Selected Potatoes, Pound 21c

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