

SUPERSTITIONS

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Sophie saw the new moon over her left shoulder the other night, and she has been restless and unhappy ever since. It never would have happened so if she had only realized that there was a new moon, but she had been busy, and the nights had been cloudy, and she had neglected to look at the calendar, and here she had done a thing that was sure to bring ill luck upon her. She was worried. Sophie is an intelligent girl, who has been to college, and she is not at all superstitious she avers, but to see the new moon over her left shoulder does just give her a chill. And why shouldn't it?

Simpkins has no superstitions either. He doesn't believe that if it rains on Easter Sunday we can expect rain on seven successive first days of the week. He would just as lief walk under a ladder as not, and black cats running across his path give him no cold chills. He laughs when anyone walks around his chair to bring himself good luck in a card game, but he knows perfectly well that if he doesn't plant his potatoes in the dark of the moon—or maybe it is the light of the moon; anyway it is one or the other—the crop will surely be a failure. You can believe it or not, but he has seen it happen too many times to give it no credence.

Gordon with his family rides out in his automobile every pleasant Sunday. He plays golf on occasion after he has been to the morning church service, but when his neighbor, who was behind with his spring work, finished sowing his oats on Sunday Gordon knew that the crop would be a failure, as it was. His own crop was no better, but there were other and sufficient reasons for his failure. When you do a thing like that you are sure to pay dearly for it later.

Drake gives laborious and careful attention to these imbecile chain letters that every one, I suppose, gets which purport to have been started by Colonel Lindbergh or President Coolidge or the Mayor of Possum, because he fears the calamities which are promised to those who break the chain and throw that sort of time waster into the discard. He doesn't see how it can bring disaster, but he is just a little afraid to risk it, though he asserts with real feeling that he is in no sense superstitious.

As for myself, I get no sensation excepting one of awkwardness when I spill the salt on the tablecloth—I always break the chain when asked to "write this message to nine of your friends" even though the king of England has initiated the menace, and I never expect anything to happen. If I were contemplating a second marriage, Friday or the thirteenth of the month or both together would not daunt me. When I start to do a thing and have to turn back, however, I always sit down; not because I am superstitious but just because it does seem a little safer.

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cows; not less than five acres of good grass pasture; sufficient legume hay and grain for winter feeding; a cream separator and three five-gallon cream shipping cans." of Craven County donated over 100 jars of canned and preserved fruits and vegetables to the needy of the county during the holiday season.

MERRIMON

We are having some very bad weather and our roads are almost impassable, think the road force had better come over this way and get to work on them.

Mr. Cecil Harris (our teacher) has returned after spending the holidays at his home on Cedar Island. We were all glad to have him with us again.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Curtis have returned to their home in New Bern, after spending the holidays with Mrs. Curtis' father, E. F. Carraway.

We are very glad to hear that Mrs. M. B. Hanna is improving. She underwent an operation for appendicitis at Morehead City Hospital last Wednesday.

Miss Annie McIntyre left Sunday morning for Graham where she is a Senior in high school this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Pittman spent the week end at Lukens with Mr. Pittman's parents Mr. and Mrs. Haywood Pittman.

Mrs. E. S. Martin and family spent Sunday with her father Mr. E. F. Carraway.

Mrs. P. F. Carraway and family and Mrs. E. S. Martin and baby spent last Friday with Mrs. Leslie Nelson.

Mrs. D. M. Salter has been on the sick list for the past few days. We hope she is much improved by now.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Adams went to Beaufort Saturday night to take their niece Miss Annie McIntyre.

Mr. Henry Carraway killed hogs last week and he had some very nice weather on his meat.

We hear that Mrs. G. M. Carraway is to be the New Postmistress, we think she will make a good one and the office will be in a much better location than where it is.

Mr. North Nelson of Bridgeton has bought the old Nelson farm and he was down Saturday looking it over.

Rev. J. M. Carraway was a dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Nelson Sunday.

Mr. W. E. Ball has gone to Newport News, Va., to take a position as carpenter.

Miss Elva Salter has been working in Beaufort for the past two weeks with the county auditor.

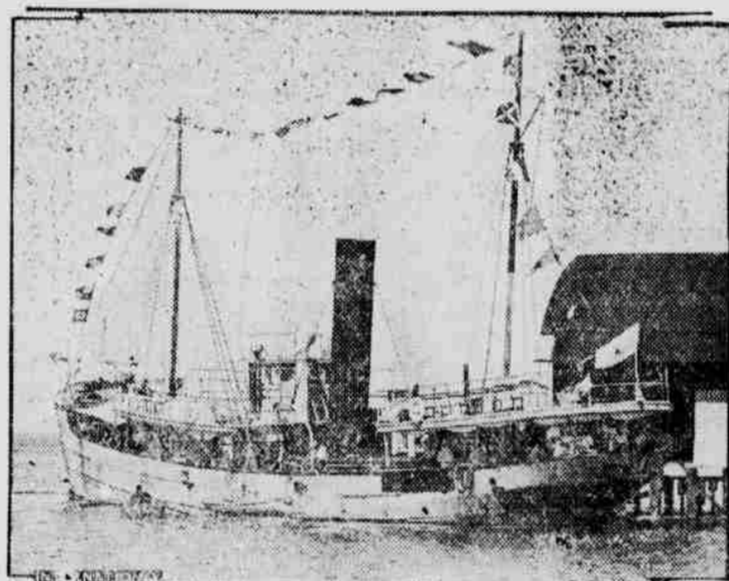
While chewing the drop cord of an electric light in a barn near Grand View, Wis., a cow swallowed the socket. In doing this the animal wistful the switch button with its tongue and thereby electrocuted herself.

Papa's Boy

"HE EATS MORE LIKE HIS FATHER EVERY DAY"



Entire Navy of Panama Republic



Here is the steamship Panquico, which alone comprises the navy of the Republic of Panama. Originally it was a British trader; then it became a run runner and, being chased into the harbor of Cristobal by American gunboats, was purchased by the Panamanian government for \$200,000. The Panquico is chiefly used in aiding the coastal Indians who at times threaten rebellion.

Morrison and Fisher, farmers of Rowan County, sold \$3,200 worth of Korean lespedeza seed from an 18 acre field this past year in addition to obtaining an excellent supply of roughage for winter feeding. The average feed cost to produce 100 pounds of milk for three herds while off pasture was \$2.51 and while on pasture was \$1.82, reports county agent Kope Elias of Mecklenburg County.

Learning Health From the Mice



Two white mice are teaching children at the Parker public school of Chicago about health. One mouse is put on a coffee and tea diet and the other on milk, and the children can readily watch the contrast.



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It prints the proceedings of the Superior Court, The Recorder's Court and the Police Court.

It gives the real estate transfers and the marriage licenses and news from the other county offices.

It publishes many births and deaths.

It publishes a weekly tide table and gives a monthly weather report.

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Use Idle Acres For Dairy Cow

F. H. JETER

Raleigh, Jan. 5.—Land left over when the cotton and tobacco acreage has been properly reduced this year must be put to some practical and profitable use.

"We should not fail to heed the warning to reduce the cotton and tobacco acreage this year, but, we must also remember that diversification means the production of feed crops for livestock and thus making the dairy cow and other kinds of domestic livestock the means of selling these crops for cash," says A. C. Kimrey, dairy extension specialist at State College. "This is the proper way to think about livestock production in the great cash crop areas of the State. It is foolish to think that a dairy cow is so miraculous that she can return a profit to a person who has some extra land but who has neither the inclination nor the will to feed the cow properly or milk her regularly."

It is Mr. Kimrey's opinion that the dairy cow best fills her place as an income earner when she is in the hands of a family that lives on its own land and makes it a custom to produce feed and care for the cow with their own labor or at least gives personal supervision to hired labor.

Neither is it necessary for the cows to be in sections where there is a ready market for fluid milk. The cotton and tobacco belts of North Carolina have few local markets. However, any farmer in these belts may ship cream to a buttermaking creamery and feed the skim milk to calves, pigs and poultry. He will receive a good market price for every pound of home produced feed fed to good cows.

For the man who wants to reduce his acreage to cash crops and to use the resulting idle acres in a profitable way, Mr. Kimrey suggests this formula; not less than five good