

**THE READER HAS A BIG PART IN MAKING HOME PAPER**

Sometimes, perhaps, readers of the News-Topic think there is an item missing from the paper which should be there. There is just one reason why it was not there—because the editor did not know about it. The Suffolk County Review has the following sensible editorial headed "Suggestions":

"There is nothing that an editor likes better than suggestions which will make his paper a better paper. Of course these suggestions must be constructive and not something like this:

"An irate subscriber enters the office the day after press day and, fixing his beady eye on the editor, demands an explanation of why his wife's sister's cousin didn't get a 'local.' 'She's been in town three days,' he concludes.

"Yes, it does look like a bad case against the editor. Of course no one had told him said 'cousin' was in town. He is an editor and should have known it. That's what he's there for.

"Remember, friends, an editor is just like the rest of you and bound to make mistakes. But, granting that, no human being could cover all the field which the editor is expected to cover and not miss something occasionally.

"We try to get all the 'personals,' but if somebody's wife's sister's cousin slips in about 10:30 at night in an automobile we can't be expected to know it unless you tell us about it.

"And if you have a party on the same day there happens to be a funeral, a ball game, and a runaway in town, just to make sure that we know it call us up and give us the details. You know we are just as anxious to have our paper crammed full of news as you are to find it that way."

**Why Mr. Joe Armstrong, Celebrated Dog Trainer, Uses Rat-Snap**

"Noticed rats around my kennels; having hundreds of prize dogs, could not take chances. Tried RAT-SNAP; in three weeks every rat disappeared. Noticed that the dogs never went near RAT-SNAP. I tell my friends about RAT-SNAP." Use this sure rodent killer; it's safe. Comes in three sizes, 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold and guaranteed by Bernhardt-Seagle Co., Lenoir Hardware & Furniture Co., Ballow's Cash Pharmacy and Hoffman & Son.

**EUROPEAN COUNTRIES ADOPT LOTTERY TO RAISE MONEY**

A "premium loan" is planned by the German finance minister to raise money for internal needs. The sum to be raised in this way is placed for the time being at 5,000,000,000 marks, and as an attraction to lure investors it has some of the features of a lottery in the form of premiums that may be won. The budget committee of the national assembly has agreed to the bill. It provides for five million shares of 1,000 marks each, each running 80 years. Three billion marks will be paid back during the first 40 years, and two more during the succeeding 40 years. It is understood that France and Russia intend to adopt a somewhat similar plan to raise funds to pay war debts.

**COAL STRIKE INSPIRES WATER POWER DEVELOPMENT**

Steps for the formation of an association to urge the development of all water power of the United States, which is estimated at 100,000,000 horsepower, with an annual value of \$5,000,000,000, have been taken in New York by a number of scientists and leaders in banking and industry. The government will be asked to take the initiative and private capital would be enlisted for the development of power sites. The promoters of the association regard the time as opportune because of the coal strike, the high cost of living and the new print shortage, in connection with which the last meeting of the American Newspaper Publishers' Association urged that Congress facilitate water power production.

**WATAUGA SHIPS LUMBER TO NEW ZEALAND**

(Watauga Democrat)  
The J. Lozeaus Lumber Company, which has some very fine timber holdings in Watauga, with extensive yards in Boone, shipped a car of 15,000 feet of choice oak lumber from the head of Elk, its ultimate destination being some point in New Zealand. Each board was squared and bound with strip steel at the ends, and was possibly the best bunch of lumber shipped from the county thus far.

**WANTS HEAVIER BURDEN ON NORMAL INCOME**

In his annual report to Congress secretary Glass urges revision of the revenue laws so as to place heavier burdens of taxes on the normal in-

**"I GAINED 22 POUNDS," SAYS ATLANTA MAN**

Well Known Seaboard Air Line Engineer Says Tanlac Has Straightened Him Out

"I have gained twenty-two pounds by taking Tanlac and never felt better in my life before," said B. F. House, for several years an engineer for the Seaboard Air Line railroad at Howell Yards, and whose address is R. F. D. No. 5, Box 115, Atlanta, Ga.

"My appetite failed," he continued, "and I got so I couldn't eat any breakfast at all. A few bites of anything would nauseate me and I would feel puffed up and have awful pains in the pit of my stomach. What little I did eat failed to nourish me and I lost weight and strength right along, and it was an actual strain for me to handle my engine. I was going down hill so steadily that I knew if I didn't get something to fix me up I would have to lay off from work entirely.

"One of my friends advised me to take Tanlac, and I actually gained twenty-two pounds in less than a month. I have a big appetite now, can eat anything I want and don't have any more of that puffed-up feeling or pain in my stomach. Tanlac certainly has kept me on my engine and it wouldn't be right for me not to tell others about how much it has helped me."

All druggists sell Tanlac.

come. Mr. Glass declared that the excess profit tax provisions of the present law should be eliminated and the revenue thus sacrificed be made up from an increase in the taxes on the average income.

Revenue derived from the lower amounts assessed under surtax provisions of the laws may well be increased, said Mr. Glass, who added that the topmost amounts listed under these provisions already had passed their usefulness. The only consequence of increasing the tax on the larger sums under the surtax law, he said, would be to drive "possessors of great incomes to invest their wealth in billions of State and municipal securities," which are wholly tax exempt.

The treasury plan seeks to raise more revenue from incomes above \$4,000 without attempting to disturb incomes of persons whose salaries barely meet living costs, as any change in that tax would only add a burden on a class unable to bear it.

**THE OLD HOME PAPER**

It's printed old-fashioned and homely.

Bearing name of a small country town;

With an unfeigned sneer at its wrapper queer

The postman, in scorn, throws it down.

But I scan every line that it offers,

Each item brings something to view;

Through the vista of years, through youth's pleasures and fears

It serves their keen touch to renew.

The death of the girl I once courted,

The growth of a firm I once peered,

The rise of a friend I love to commend,

The fall of a man I revered,

As I read I drift dreamily backward

To the days when to live was a joy.

I think and I pore, till the city's dull roar

Grows faint, and again I'm a boy.

Rare perfume of green country byways,

Fair music of flowers and bees,

And the quaint little town with the streets leading down

To the creek, and the low-bending trees.

Around me the forms of my comrades,

About us earth's glories unfurled,

Each heart undefiled, with the faith of a child,

Looking forth to a place in the world.

And the paper tells how all have prospered;

I follow their lives as they flow,

Applauding each gain and regretting each pain

For the sake of the days long ago.

Above all the hug ecity dailies,

With wondrous utterance wise,

This scant page hath power to spread for an hour

A fairyland sweet to my eyes!



**Thomas A. Edison wants to give you**

**an Amberola Christmas**

**Read This Remarkable Offer!**

Edison, the greatest inventor of the age—whose numerous inventions have brought greater comfort and enjoyment into the daily lives of countless millions of people—has expressed the wish to see a phonograph in every home in the U. S. A. this Christmas!

Edison knows how much brightness and cheer music brings to the family circle—how a phonograph makes home more attractive to young and old alike—and he doesn't want money to stand in the way of any family obtaining this supreme enjoyment.

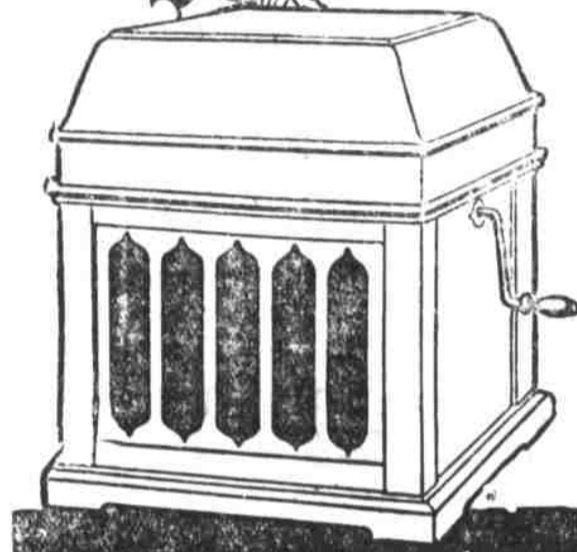
That is why we are able to offer you Edison's New Diamond Amberola—the world's greatest phonograph value—on practically your own terms!

Never mind how heavily the Christmas season will tax your financial resources—you don't have to go without a phonograph a day longer—you can have an Amberola in your home right away.

Come today to our store, and bring the family along. Pick out your Amberola and a selection of records to fill your Christmas with music. Then tell us just what terms of payment will suit you best and we will come to a satisfactory agreement. Whereupon we will send the Amberola and records to your home at once, and you will have the merriest Christmas your family has ever known.

The genius of Edison makes his Amberola superior to ordinary phonographs and "talking machines" in purity of tone; in the permanent Diamond Point Reproducer (no needles to change); in the wonderful Amberol Records that are almost unbreakable and everlasting. You can get all the world's best music on Amberol Records; famous opera singers, latest popular songs and dances, ballads, hymns. New records issued every month. Amberolas are priced from \$41.00 up.

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Lenoir, North Carolina

**SOLAR HAPPENINGS IN THE YEAR 1920**

In the year 1920 there will be four eclipses, two of the sun and two of the moon. First, a total eclipse of the moon, May 2, visible in North America; time of eclipse 8:14 p.m. Second, a partial eclipse of the sun, May 17, invisible in North America. Third, a total eclipse of the moon Oct. 26-27, invisible here. Fourth, a partial eclipse of the sun, Nov. 10, visible here.

February, 1920, will have five Sundays, which will not occur again until 1948. The last time it occurred was 1880. Good Friday will occur on April 2 and Easter Sunday on April 4. In the year 1921 Easter Sunday will fall as early as March 27.

**SAMMIES "SPOILING" GIRLS, GERMANS COMPLAIN**

Associated press dispatches from overseas say that among the civilians in the American-occupied area complaints, originating with the German men, are often heard to the effect that the American soldiers are "spoiling" the German girls by heaping luxuries upon them and by spending money recklessly for presents, wines and good things to eat.

Since the anti-fraternization regulation was revoked by army headquarters several weeks ago the cafes in Coblenz have been crowded each night with soldiers and frauleins, and many of the German men have openly asserted that the Americans were entirely too considerate of the German women and girls.

**GET READY FOR "FLU"**

Keep Your Liver Active, Your System Purified and Free From Colds by Taking Calotabs, the Nauseless Calomel Tablets, that are Delightful, Safe and Sure.

Physicians and Druggists are advising their friends to keep their systems purified and their organs in perfect working order as a protection against the return of influenza. They know that a clogged up system and a lazy liver favor colds, influenza and serious complications. To cut short a cold overnight and to prevent serious complications take one Calotab at bedtime with a swallow of water—that's all. No salts, no nausea, no griping, no sickening after effects. Next morning your cold has vanished, your liver is active, your system is purified and refreshed and you are feeling fine with a hearty appetite for breakfast. Eat what you please—no danger. Calotabs are sold only in original sealed packages, price thirty-five cents. Every druggist is authorized to refund your money if you are not perfectly delighted with Calotabs.—(Adv.)

**WANTED Apple Wood Logs**

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If you have any apple wood for sale, write us and we will send our local buyer to call on you. Address:

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Makers of Diston Saws, Tools and Files  
Philadelphia, Pa.

**LIVER DIDN'T ACT DIGESTION WAS BAD**

Says 65 year Old Kentucky Lady, Who Tells How She Was Relieved After a Few Doses of Black-Draught.

Meadersville, Ky.—Mrs. Cynthia Higginbotham, of this town, says: "At my age, which is 65, the liver does not act so well as when young. A few years ago, my stomach was all out of fix. I was constipated, my liver didn't act. My digestion was bad, and it took so little to upset me. My appetite was gone. I was very weak... I decided I would give Black-Draught a thorough trial as I knew it was highly recommended for this trouble. I began taking it. I felt better after a few doses. My appetite improved and I became stronger. My bowels acted naturally and the least trouble was soon righted with a few

doses of Black-Draught." Seventy years of successful use has made Theford's Black-Draught a standard, household remedy. Every member of every family, at times, need the help that Black-Draught can give in cleansing the system and relieving the troubles that come from constipation, indigestion, lazy liver, etc. You cannot keep well unless your stomach, liver and bowels are in good working order. Keep them that way. Try Black-Draught. It acts promptly, gently and in a natural way. If you feel sluggish, take a dose tonight. You will feel fresh tomorrow. Price 25c a package—One cent a dose. All druggists. J. 22

**YOUR AMBITION**

Do you tire out easily? Have you lost some of your accustomed vim and is your ambition to do things at low ebb? Your resistance is broken. You should find help and invigoration in rich, nourishing

**SCOTT'S EMULSION**

Taken faithfully for a reasonable length of time, Scott's seldom fails to freshen the blood, build up the general health and impart a feeling of well-being to the body. For that tired-out feeling take Scott's Emulsion.



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