

# SPIERS' BIG CLEARANCE SALE

## Is Extended to Saturday, February 10th on Account of the Bad Weather

### Will Pay Highest Market Prices For Eggs in Trade!

#### SISAL UP TWO CENTS A POUND.

Price Now 16 Cents Against Under Five Cents Two Years Ago.

Announcement of another rise in the price of Yucatan sisal, the base for binder twine, it was learned Monday, will hasten action by Government agencies investigating operations of the Commission Reguladora, the Yucatan State monopoly, which markets sisal in the United States.

New York representatives of the commission have just put sisal up 2 cents, which makes the price now charged American binder twine manufacturers 16 cents a pound. When the commission took control of the Yucatan output less than two years ago users in this country were paying under 5 cents.

#### THE NEWS IN CLAYTON.

Clayton, Jan. 31.—Mr. Carl Parrish, of Wilson's Mills, spent last Sunday here.

Sheriff Grimes, of Smithfield, was in town Tuesday.

Miss Theo Wooten, a student of Peace Institute, Raleigh, spent last Wednesday here with her sister, Mrs. Chas. G. Gulley.

Misses Alma Hall and Gladys Barbour returned Tuesday from Lillington where they have been spending a few days with Mrs. G. Thurman Smith.

Miss Janie Wilson, who is now taking training at Rex Hospital, Raleigh, visited her sister, Mrs. Edgar Stallings, this week.

Mr. Roy G. Gulley spent last Sunday in Selma.

Miss Katiebet Morris spent last week-end in Franklinton.

Miss Ruby Ellis went to Henderson last Friday to spend the week-end with friends.

Mrs. J. H. Austin and children and Mr. Ekie Gattis, of Four Oaks, spent last Sunday here with their mother, Mrs. M. E. Gattis.

Misses Sulon McCullers and Jessie Gulley spent last week-end with Miss Carrie Austin at Wildwood Farm.

Miss Carrie Weisner, of Asheville, is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. J. Farmer.

Mrs. John Hodges, of Dunn, visited her sister, Mrs. W. H. Stallings, last week. Miss Spicy Cooper, of Lillington, also visited Mrs. Stallings.

Mr. T. D. Blackwood spent a few days recently in Baltimore on business.

Mrs. A. B. Hollowell attended the Conference Missionary Society at Wilmington last week. She represented the society of Home Memorial Church.

Mr. D. W. Barbour returned Tuesday night from Hygiea Hospital, Richmond, where he has been taking treatment for several days. Mr. Barbour is in a very critical condition, his many relatives and friends are anxiously awaiting the change and hoping it may be for the better.

Mr. C. L. Barnes, who very recently underwent an operation at Rex Hospital, is very much improved and expects to return home in just a few days.

Mr. D. M. Hall spent Wednesday afternoon in Raleigh on business.

#### Pellagra Threatens.

Houston Post. The United States government experts declare that too much economy or lack of intelligent economy may result in a scourge of pellagra which will be as terrifying as were the epidemics of spinal meningitis and infantile paralysis.

Pellagra is caused by the lack of protein in the food. Protein is furnished to the body by such foods as eggs, milk, peas, beans, nuts, apples. Most of these foods are expensive just

now—but they are not as expensive as a case of pellagra would be.

And the wise housekeeper will run no risk of inflicting such a calamity upon her household. A little intelligent study of the market will enable the housewife to supply those foods to her table which are required and at no very great expense. It requires as much business ability to do the marketing for a family as the ordinary purchasing agent finds use for.

Particularly is this true in the family where needs of growing children must be provided for. It is likely that under-nourished school children furnish the most fertile field for pellagra. Their bodies and minds naturally require more protein than those of grown persons—and they are far less likely to secure the needed quantity. The wise mother will see to it that no tuberculosis germs or pellagra conditions fasten upon her offspring because of lack of sufficient foods containing protein—even though it requires far more time and thought than is ordinarily given to the food problem.

#### SANDERS CHAPEL.

The glorious sunshine is with us again, and the road cable is dragging anchor and keelhauling our roadstead to Smithfield mule-pens and hash houses. We can soon export our surplus stuff.

The stork visited Mr. Rayner's recently and left a youngster there. Mr. Tom Hill grandfathers it, and I don't know whether it will be eligible to join the national guard, or Red Cross Society.

Mr. Zeb Hill went West last week. After visiting the Cross Creek City and tramping over some of Flora McDonald's old haunts, came back to his native hearth Saturday evening.

Miss Thelma Godwin is visiting in the Pink Hill diggins, and there are those who want to know how long! Even a road man is "curicle" about it, and the telephone talks some, too.

Sanders Chapel sported three brides and their consorts on her boulevard last Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Will Stallings, Simon Godwin and pard, Clarence Stevens and rib. It is all new to Clarence who just sailed last Saturday night with his skipper mate, Miss Leona Roberts. They came in port with Jib, Jibboom, and spanker all spread to leeward and took soundings and anchored and that's "how come."

A bunch of these Sanders Chapelites met at Pomona school house Saturday night and gave Rev. Mr. Proctor, our new pastor, a pounding or "flinging" in reception. Pantry supplies and good will, good singing and a good lecture on child training (and much of it is sadly needed here and elsewhere) was enjoyed by all. We think he is going to be one of us, and not spend all his time seeing sights of Selma and making his visits among us just perfunctory. X. X. X. January 31, 1917.

#### HORSE MEAT SOLD IN HARLEM.

Butcher Shop Sanctioned By Board of Health.

A butcher shop in which horse meat is sold exclusively has been opened in Harlem with the sanction of the Board of Health, it became known Monday. A sign over the shop reads: "Horse Flesh For Sale Here", says a New York dispatch.

Round and sirloin steaks are quoted at 12 cents a pound, while inferior cuts sell as low as 6 cents a pound. Horse meat frankfurters retail at 10 cents a dozen.

The annual rice production of Japan has reached the 250,000,000-bushel mark.

#### WHAT IS YOUR ANSWER?

Health Officer Prepares Some Decidedly Pertinent "Do You Knows."

(Fort Worth Star-Telegram.) Victims and near victims of the grip epidemic are quizzed in a list of "Do You's" prepared by Dr. Webb Walker, city physician. He says: Do you

Repeat the Golden Rule and then sneeze in somebody's face?

Carry a fine handkerchief and then forget to cover your mouth when you cough?

Know that grip is a communicable disease?

Know that physical fitness is pre-paredness against grip?

Know that a little cough often ends in a large coffin?

Know that many a severe cold ends in tuberculosis or pneumonia?

#### CORINTH NEWS.

Rev. R. L. Hocutt and daughters, Eimes and Lillie, attended church at Bethany Sunday.

Miss Verona Hocutt is spending some time with her sister, Mrs. Carmel Creech, while her husband is in the hospital at Washington, D. C. We hope he will soon be home again.

We are sorry to note that Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Creech, Mr. J. B. Oneal, Mr. J. E. Hocutt and little Miss Catherine Wall are on the sick list this week. Hope for each a speedy recovery.

Mr. Rufus Bell, of Emit section, visited his little girl near Corinth, Saturday night.

Misses Julia and Elva Davis visited Misses Blanche and Algie Madon in Emit section Saturday night.

#### BROWN EYES.

#### A Strange Animal Seen.

A strange animal has been seen in the pasture of Addison Lee and W. M. Stanly. This pasture is situated on the south side of Neuse river and contains several hundred acres near the mouth of Gov. Grot. It has been seen by T. B. Allen, Troy Lawhon and J. D. Beasley. Mr. Lawhon, who feeds hogs for W. M. Stanly, says it is not a bear—says he has seen animals in shows like it, but can't remember what they were called. They all say it is yellow colored and about the size of a large goat. Mr. Addison Lee, who also feeds hogs in the pasture, said he was of the opinion it was a bear—said he had seen its tracks in the mud near his brother Ridge's farm, which is in the pasture.

#### HENRY LEE.

This January 29, 1917.

#### Prosperity for the South.

The Manufacturers Record. The new year opens with the prospect for a long period of unprecedented prosperity throughout the South. With over \$2,000,000,000 coming into this section from cotton and cotton products, with the assurance of profitable prices for this year's crop, with diversified agriculture making splendid progress as typified in the many meat-packing houses going up all over this section—a new industry of incalculable importance—there is the assurance of great agricultural prosperity.

To this may be added the amazingly rapid growth of early vegetable and citrus and other fruit culture which now taxes the railroads as tomatoes and strawberries and oranges and grape-fruit move northward in everexpanding volume, to be followed day by day by vegetable shipments from Texas, Louisiana and Arkansas, and then the Carolinas and other States as spring weather moves northward.

Industrial activities find expression

in cotton mills and iron and steel work, and in coal mines and coke ovens, all of which are more fully employed at profitable prices than ever before.

Railroads are overcrowded, as in all other sections, and great railroad expansion is inevitable.

Upon good roads the South is spending over \$50,000,000 a year, and still larger sums are going into street building and other municipal improvements.

Shipbuilding is becoming a recognized industry, and while one Virginia yard leads with over \$50,000,000 of work under contract, other yards, all the way down the coast of Texas, are catching the inspiration, and are finding that work pours in upon them more rapidly than they can provide facilities to handle it.

Bank vaults are bulging with money as never before. The spirit of thrift, as voiced in savings deposits, is steadily growing.

The curse of the liquor traffic, with its fearful toll of sin and death and financial loss, is being gradually lessened.

Such, in brief, is the splendid business outlook as the South enters upon the new year.

#### A LOSING GAME.

When a newspaper starts a contest promising to give away automobiles and other valuable prizes to those who are the winners in the contest, some method has to be employed whereby the prizes must be paid for. This is done in part, through getting a large number of people to work with the hope of getting one of the prizes. But hundreds of these hard workers turn in hundreds of dollars and get no prize. The only pay they get for all their time, their hard work and their expense in going from place to place is a small per cent on each dollar collected which barely pays the expenses of the contestants, let alone paying for their time and work. It is a losing game, it is a game of chance, and some call it a gambling game. But the one who plays it is willing to take the chance and if he loses his are the only tears to be shed.

#### Wayne County and Corn.

The superintendent of schools of Wayne County says that when the Wayne County Board of education first took up the work of promoting the boys' corn clubs in the county there were thousands of bushels of corn shipped into Wayne County annually from the West to meet shortage of production among local farmers. This is a thing of the past, says the superintendent, and for several years now, due directly to the boys' corn clubs, Wayne County has not received a bushel of foreign corn, but has plenty of corn for sale. What Wayne County boys are doing can as easily be done in other counties of the State. It is being done but some have not got as far along as Wayne. As long as the high prices continue as now the fellow who produces all he needs and something to sell is "heeled" but if he produces less than he needs and has to buy he is in a hard row.—Statesville Landmark.

#### Telephones in Japan.

It is estimated that there are 150,000 persons and firms in Japan awaiting the installation of telephones on their premises, the Government being unable to keep abreast of the demand for appliances.

YOU SHOULD HAVE A TURNER'S North Carolina Almanac early in the year. Call for one or send by some one passing to town or send us ten cents in stamps for one. Beaty & Lassiter, Smithfield, N. C.

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Every School Room should have a good serviceable Dictionary. The Teacher may have a Dictionary, but one is needed for the School. We have just received a small supply of

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