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**Good Neighbors**

The country folks may be awfully busy with the mountains of work that they pile up for themselves, but somehow when Uncle Hiram or neighbor Smith is laid up with that pesky rheumatiz, they manage to squeeze out a day to saw up his wood or get in his corn.

Many folks who move off to cities where their next door neighbor don't know their names, miss that old friendliness in the icy atmosphere into which they have dropped.

Modern progress in a fine thing, but it should never lead our folks in Franklin to drop the fine old neighborly spirit. And let us give a hearty welcome to every stranger who comes here, either to settle or to visit. Put some real grippy stuff into your handshake, and make him feel he belongs here.

**Home Town Opportunities**

To some people, whatever is distant looks fascinating and hopeful. Young people will hear tales of fortunes being made in some distant locality and they will break the home ties and go to much expense in order to migrate to that place and start in business. And in nine cases out of ten; they find the ground well occupied, and chances no better than they are at home.

The best thing for these young folks is to make a very careful study of opportunities that exist right around home. Watch the people who are doing well in business, study how they reached their success. Learn the needs and desires of the people and whether those needs and desires are being well supplied, or whether an improvement of service would bring results for some one. There are always plenty of chances around Franklin for people who look below the surface.

**Simplicity in Government.**

President Coolidge thinks that his inaugural ceremonies on March 4 should follow rather modest lines, thus imitating President Harding's idea that his introduction to office should avoid the traditional pomp that has accompanied this event in the past.

Monarchical government like pomp and display, since it is said to impress the common people with the greatness and majesty of their power. Such a reason for ostentation is absent in a republican form of government.

If organizations desire to join the inaugural parade at their own costs, and if the residents of Washington wish to put up money for display, there should be no objections. But the \$50,000 which the government appropriated to put Mr. Harding in office, would seem to be enough to place Mr. Coolidge in the presidential chair with all due dignity.

The idea prevails among some people that there must be a big public demonstration, with elaborate decorations, and long parades of marching men, in order to emphasize the importance of a public occasion like this. But really important things do not have to be noticed in that way. Their importance does not have to be emphasized artificially. It makes itself felt naturally by the new ideas and the beneficial results that flow from such an event.

The most earnest thinkers of these times feel that we need more simplicity. We all do things in too elaborate a way, with too much fuss and feathers and expense. A president of the United States does a good thing when he sets an example of simplicity. Mr. Coolidge is right in feeling that spread demonstrations for the inauguration of a president are not called for.

Not many people would go into store in Franklin and buy anything with their eyes shut, but a lot of them have done the same thing in buying stuff from a catalog description.

The report of increased income among the farmers will set the fake stock salesman headed for the rural districts.

**Christmas Revelry.**

The history of Christmas is an incongruous one, suggesting what crude ideas the ancient people had of celebrating the coming of Jesus Christ.

An occasion that would naturally be one of spiritual aspiration and thankfulness for centuries enjoyed by multitudes as one of gluttony and drunkenness. This occurred, because it seemed necessary then to allow people to enjoy many of the old customs that had been handed down from the heathen festivals, which thus became connected with the Christian celebration.

In ancient times the people were allowed on this occasion to celebrate the "Feast of Fools," as a means of allowing human folly to have the outlet it demanded and get it over with. But one of the ancient theologians remarked that "if all the devils in Hell had put their heads together to devise a feast that should utterly scandalize Christianity, they could not improve upon this one."

But even in those old days, there were many who recognized the true meaning of the day. It is a sign of the progress of civilization that our modern celebration has so few grotesque features. Such abuses as now attach to the Christmas gift customs seem very slight compared with the old excesses.

In many localities and homes now, Christmas is the scene of the purest merriment that the whole year sees. Family traditions call for a jollification, and the spirit of mirth seizes upon old and young. Sedate ancients perform stunts they thought they had forgotten years ago, and they and the young crowd vie in playing tricks on each other, and the homes resound with ringing voices.

All which is as it should be. Human nature needs a complete obliteration of care and anxiety from time to time, and it is not unfitting on a day which was heralded with the song "Joy to the World".

**Santa Claus**

Santa Claus must be a hard hearted old fellow, indeed, if he can read the letters of the children in this issue of the Press and remain deaf to their appeals. Most of the children want only a few things to make them happy. In their modest request they have played fair with Santa and we know that old Santa Claus will read their letters and make every effort to bring joy and happiness to the little ones by doing as they wish.

If, perchance, kind old Santa should fail to visit a home where dwells a child, tears, heartaches and the keenest disappointment will be the results. Instead of joyous laughter on Christmas morn tear dimmed eyes, filled with tragedy, will look into the faces of Mother and Father and wonder why good Saint Nicholas passed in the night with never a pause. Calous, indeed must be old Santa if he can thus ruthlessly trample on the heart of a child.

If old Santa Claus must make sacrifices that the hearts of children may be gladdened, let him make them with abandon. In the years to come the tender memories of such sacrifices will repay him a thousand fold.

**Future of the Meat Industry**

As President Coolidge stated at the Chicago Live Stock exposition, 53 per cent of the agricultural production of the nation comes from live stock. These remarkable figures show that the American people are a meat eating nation, and they give reason to believe that there is a great chance for the development of the live stock business.

As the country grows more prosperous, not merely will the number of meat eaters be increased, but many families which now feel they can not afford much meat, will use this food more freely. Young people who learn the live stock business and become skillful in the care of farm animals, are devoting their attention to an industry that is sure to grow and become more profitable.

**Making Their Own Clothes**

Many practical country women believe it is desirable to teach their girls how to make their own dresses at an early age. They suggest providing them with attractive patterns and materials, giving them such help as they need, and in a short time they will learn how to do it.

Many country girls are self-conscious and awkward at school, because they are a little ashamed of their clothes which are perhaps good as their families can afford to buy. When they learn to make their own dresses, they can have new ones more frequently, and as the results of making a better appearance, they feel more confidence and are able to do better at school. A girl who is shy and embarrassed because she feels her clothes are not right is not going to get the best from her school. When she has learned to rely on herself in this matter, she is in a position to make the best for her education.

Successful business concerns don't spend much time cussing their competitors. They are more likely to use it planning advertising campaigns to get the business.

**In Memory of Little Genelia Keener**

Being little twin sisters Martha Genelia and Martha Genettia Keener were born December 11, 1916.

On November 14th 1924 God sent his Angels for little Genelia and took her home to rest where her trials of pain and sorrow are over. Heretofore we knew she had very bad heart trouble and tried to escape all diseases because of her weakness.

But while going to school she took whooping cough which was the cause of her death. She was sick almost five weeks from the time she took whooping cough and bore her sickness with such patience there could be no one surpass her. The physician attended more than two weeks and we believe done all he could do to bring the little one back to the road of health. All was done seemingly that loving and caring hands could do to cheer and brighten the life of the little one. Our neighbors came with helping hands and relatives from far and near came bringing numerous little gifts of many kinds with the hopes of pleasing and cheering the darling one back to play. But God knows best and doeth all things best and when He looked down from Heaven and beckoned our darling to come, He crowned her with that precious gift no other one can give. Our darling one the precious jewel of our home is gone.

She was so affectionate to all so obedient to father and mother that it almost is unbearable to think of There is no one on earth, no words to be spoken, at this time of trial and trouble, that can efface the pain from our hearts. But we can look to God and find comfort for it is joy to know little Genelia dwells with the Angels. We humble ourselves suppliant that God will prepare the hearts of those left behind that they be ready to meet Him in peace and rejoice with loved ones gone before. For it is so lonely here on earth without our darling ones, that we care not to stay without her. Her sweet little voice we hear no more and her loving, smiling little face we cannot see, but we think of the little one as an Angel on earth, not dying but ascending from this lonely ground to that happy home above where there is no more pain nor death, but sweet peace and rest. Yes God gives His loved ones rest and joy beyond compare. He knew He could care for our darling one far better than we. We know God cares for all his love ones, but He wanted little Genelia to make his band brighter.

Not long before the end came the little one in her wanderings talked of the pretty pictures and little Dorothy her little infant sister, whom she could see falling behind her little bed which we believe was Heaven and the little Angels.

Our little one's life here on earth was but a little while, seven years. She was a child of love and kindness. Her motto was, "be kind to everybody", which the faint little voice uttered while on its deathbed. It seemed there could not be an evil thought impressed upon her sweet little mind, and is an example to all. She leaves behind to mourn her departure father, mother, four sisters and two brothers.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. M. Keener Ella Genettia, Annie and Dorothy Keener Lee and Iva Keener.

We supplicate our God Supreme to make ready each and every heart that when He calls for us to come we can close our eyes not in death but eternal happiness and be with our loved ones ever more.

The time has gone by when the country boy could be made contented at home by the traditional exercises in the woodshed.

**FOUR GENERATIONS**

**Texas Lady Says Her Family Has Been Taking Theford's Black-Draught, When Needed, for Many Years.**

Alto, Texas.—"We inherited the use of Black-Draught in our family," says Mrs. Mary Shuptrine, who lives near here on R. F. D. 2. "My grandmother was an old woman when she died about ten years ago, and she had been using it literally ever since I can remember. She gave it to her children and grandchildren for biliousness and stomach complaints, so when I went to housekeeping we just naturally used it, too.

"I give it to my children for a purgative whenever they need one, and we are never without it. Made into tea, it surely is fine. It's the best home remedy for headache and constipation I know of."

During over 80 years of its continued popularity, Black-Draught has become the standard liver medicine in many thousands of homes, where it has been found of great benefit in the treatment of constipation, biliousness, indigestion and other common liver, stomach and bowel complaints. Ten million packages of Black-Draught are now sold a year, as more and more people are learning of the value of this well-known remedy.

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**Notice of Sale**

By virtue of the power of sale vested in the undersigned, as contained in a Mortgage Deed from S. W. Carter and wife, Mamie Carter, to C. A. Bryson, dated the 4th day of November, 1922, and recorded the 6th day of November, 1922, in Book Number 27, page 159, office of Register of Deeds for Macon County, given to secure the sum of \$300.00, with interest on the same from date, and due and payable the 4th day of November, 1923; and default having been made in the payment of said sum, I will, on the 10th day of January, 1925, at the Court House door, in the town of Franklin and County of Macon and between the legal hours of sale, sell at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described land:

Lying and being in the County of Macon, State of North Carolina, in Cowee Township, on the Tennessee River. BEGINNING on a maple near a branch, it being a corner of M. L. Moore land, and runs up the branch with its meanders to a sycamore tree; thence North 45 west 43 poles to a spanish oak; then a west course 12 poles to a white oak; thence North 40 West 50 (30) poles to a hickory; thence North 45 West 12 poles to a black oak; thence North 80 West 50 poles to a sourwood; then a South course about 138 poles to the BEGINNING. Being the same land described in a deed from L. H. West to W. J. West, dated December 2, 1887, and registered in Book W. page 560, Register's Office, Macon County.

Said sale made to satisfy the debt above referred to with interest and cost.

This the 9th day of December, 1924. C. A. BRYSON Mortgagee. J2.

**Notice of Publication Of Summons**

North Carolina—Macon County. In Superior Court. C. C. West vs. A. B. Nichols.

The defendant, A. B. Nichols, will take notice that an action entitled as above, has been begun in the Superior Court in Macon County wherein the plaintiff, C. C. West, seeks to recover judgment in the sum of ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1000.00), due by contract and a further sum of FIFTEEN HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$1500.00), for services rendered and that said summons is returnable before me at my office in Macon County, North Carolina, on the 5th day of January, 1925, at which time and place the defendant is required to appear and answer or demur to the complaint or the relief therein demanded will be granted.

And said defendant will further take notice that a warrant of attachment and writ of garnishment against his property in Macon County, North Carolina, has been issued by the Court which said warrant of attachment and writ of garnishment are returnable at the same time and place fixed for the return of the summons above mentioned, of which said defendant shall take due notice.

This the 4th day of December, 1924. FRANK I. MURRAY Clerk Superior Court, Macon County North Carolina J2CW

**Administrator's Notice**

Having qualified as administrator of J. S. Younce, deceased, late of Macon county, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 6 day of December, 1925, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement. This 6 day of December, 1924. FRANK I. MURRAY Administrator. J2

**Executor's Notice.**

Having qualified as executor of Sarah Cunningham, deceased, late of Macon county, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 1st day of Sept. 1925, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement. This 1st day of Sept. 1924. W. G. MALLONEE Executor. pD19

**EXECUTOR NOTICE**

Having qualified as executor of Henry Sanders deceased, late of Macon County, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 4 day of December, 1925, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement. This 4 day of December, 1924. J. P. MOORE Executor J2

**NOTICE.**

The undersigned will, on Saturday, January 3rd, 1925, at 12 o'clock noon, in front of the Court house door in the town of Franklin, Macon County North Carolina, offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash the following property, viz: ONE BAKE OVEN, COOKING STOVE, DISHES AND FULL OUTFIT now in what is known as the Zachery Building, on the Public Square in the Town of Franklin.

This sale is made under a power given in a deed of trust executed to the undersigned by Wade Shuler on the 9th day of June, 1924, and which is recorded in the Office of Register of Deeds, in Book 28, page 61, default having been made in the payment of the debt secured thereby, whereby said power of sale became operative. This, December 4th, 1924.

J. FRANK RAY, JR., Trustee. D26.

**Executrix Notice.**

Having qualified as executrix of A. W. Mangum, deceased, late of Macon county, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 27th day of November, 1925, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement. This 27 day of November, 1924. GRACE NOBLE MANGUM Executrix. D26.FIM.

**Administrator's Notice.**

Having qualified as administrator of M. R. Curtis, deceased late of Macon county, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 15th day of December, 1925, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement. This 15th day of December, 1924. W. F. CURTISS Administrator J9

**Ellijay Items.**

Miss Pearl Moore and Mr. Harlie Stewart surprised some of their friends by getting married last week. They are two of the most popular young people of the neighborhood and all will wish them a long and happy journey through life together.

Mrs. Ernest Dills came over from Gneiss yesterday evening to spend a short time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John T. Henry.

Misses Helen and Mayme Moses came home last Friday evening. They had been teaching at Sealy, N. C.

Many persons in this neighborhood are suffering from colds or flu. Mrs. Carrie Henry has been quite sick, but was reported to be slightly better yesterday morning.

Mr. Jack Moore and family have moved to Gastonia. They will be missed in Sunday school and other community affairs.

Mr. Charlie Moore and Mr. Olney Moses have gone on a business trip to Gastonia.

Mr. Aiken and two assistants from Brevard, N. C. were in this section buying cattle the last days of the past week. They bought six head from Mr. R. H. Clark and picked up the rest of a nice herd at other places.

Mr. Tom Donaldson of East Lopot and Mr. Paul Peek of Scroll are visiting friends here.

Mr. C. G. Mincy of Gastonia was a recent visitor in this neighborhood but he returned to his home several days ago.

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