

An Honest Reply

An honest reply to the unjust thing that have been said about the men who buy and ship chickens and eggs out of Macon county. We are called peddlers. Some one had better see what the definition of peddlers is. My understanding of the word is one who goes from place selling at a public outcry.

We men who buy and ship poultry and eggs do not do this.

Now be it understood that I am not opposed to the poultry sales in Macon county. No, not that, but I simply want every man to have credit for what he really does and no more.

In the first place just after the first poultry sale in Macon county a statement reading something like this came out in the Franklin Press, after giving the proceeds of the sale the writer said the sale price on hens was 20c per pound and that the author of that statement would have done well and yise and honest to have investigated just a little before making it because I was paying 18c and going to the peoples' homes and getting their hens.

He went on to state how much Mr. Arrendale had saved the people on their poultry. He either forgot that farmness' time is worth something or either he does not consider that our time is often our capital.

There was possibly 150 teams there loosing from 4 to 10 hours. Mr. Arrendale, please see what this would amount to. Just say 150 teams 6 hours each at 30c per hour \$270.00 in time.

The report came out at another sale that the peddlers was paying 15c, when I was paying 17c.

Now it is not pleasant to be misrepresented or under-estimated and it makes me sick to see any one over estimate themselves or be over estimated.

Now lest I be misunderstood I will repeat I am not opposed to the poultry sale but what would the farmers do with their poultry and eggs the other nine months of the years if it was not for we local buyers. Some people would do well to think-some as they go.

There are two sides to most all questions and there is unquestionable two sides to this one under consideration. I suppose that I am the second largest shipper in Macon county and I have been actively engaged in the business for nine years and I have saw several pass in and out of the game in this nine years. There is quite a number of my customers who look at both sides of the question with both eyes open and says that Young comes all the year around every week if they only have one dozen of eggs or one old hen or none and bring their groceries to them and waits for his pay until they can pay and say it would be unfair to sell their poultry to any other buyer. To those who think and act thus I raise my hat and thank them. A few weeks ago some one made a statement in the Franklin Press that Mr. Arrendale would likely not conduct another sale because some people sold their poultry to some local buyers. Now I have never been at one of the sales to try to buy.

Surely if Mr. Arrendale refuses to conduct the sales for the people, he will have man enough to stop drawing our money for there is quite a number of farmers who say that this is all that he is doing.

Now dear farmer friends if he quits you just let your friend Young know it and I will market your poultry and eggs 12 months in the year and do it for less money than Mr. Arrendale is receiving. Now don't misunderstand me. I am not looking for the job, for I have one that keeps me busy, and I am not boasting when I say that there is at least 75 homes that would object to me quitting my business. There are other things that I could say but I will only say one. Anyone with one ounce of gray matter under their hair knows that any one can pay more for a car load of anything delivered than they could and go all over the country and collect it up.

I hope I want have to say any more, but if I do I can.

JAMES L. YOUNG.

Can Mother Mark Her Child

Many mothers will tell you that they not only can but do. They will cite all kinds of examples, telling you how this one saw an accident and the blood formed a wing-shaped pool. When the child was born the next day, it had a birth mark—a red stain just like blood and its shape was that of a butterfly. "It was due to the sight which the mother had witnessed."

"Well—it was not!"

Birth marks are little tumors made up of blood vessels and they are produced by a defective development of the circulatory system. The excitement the mother may have felt had nothing to do with the matter.

Some mothers say that they are quite sure that because they spent hours at the piano before the baby was born, the child was a musician. Others read poetry in the hope that they will make their offspring poets. Many go to the art galleries to study the paintings in the hope that they will have children famed as artists.

Why is it that some mothers who do all these things have commonplace children who have no ear for music, no love for poetry, and are bored by art? And why is it that the son of a woman who, by some unfortunate turn in affairs, has to scrub floors for a living and has to keep up the work until shortly before the baby arrives, does not have a mop-complex but may be singularly gifted as a sculptor?

Let me tell you something. The moment the two germinative cells united, a new life began and its characteristics were all there at that moment. They may be characteristics dominantly the mother's or they may be those of the father; certainly they will be a mixture of qualities, which came down from all the ancestors of both parents. A child may be more like his great-great-grandmother than like either. No matter. He will have inherent talents at the moment of conception and if he is not a member of a family with latent or previously active talent, all the hours spent at the piano will not make him a musician.

What a terrible race of monsters we should have in the world if maternal emotions, aroused by the sights and accidents of the day, or if her activities could "mark" the unborn helpless infant! That it is impossible for a mother to "mark" a child, we should be thankful.

Car on Rampage

An Oakland Sedan parked at the top of Main street hill last Sunday decided to test its speed capacity. Consequently it quietly moved off down the hill, gathering momentum as it proceeded. Near the bottom of the hill this shiny Sedan saw an electric light pole to its liking, knocked the pole down, jumped Palmer street and landed against a tree in the yard of Mr. W. C. Cunningham's residence. No one was in the car and no one was hurt during the wild race.

The chassis was pretty badly warped.

New Electric Line

The town has entered into an agreement with the Mica Products Company to extend the power line from the Iotla bridge to upper end of the Cowee valley for the purpose of furnishing power to the Mica Products Company who now operate the old John E. Rickman mica mines. It is understood that the line will cross the mountains by the shortest distance between Iotla bridge and the mine. Details of the contract which has not yet been signed are not available. However, the town will have a safe contract to guarantee it against loss provided the mine should cease operations. A handsome revenue to the town is expected from this venture.

Letter from P. L. Moses

The Press,
Franklin, N. C.
Gentlemen:—Please send by Press to Box 45, Strathmore, Calif., instead of to Stamford University, Calif.
My regards to the paper and the people of Macon.
Very truly yours,
PAUL L. MOSES.

Nation-Wide Survey of Peach Industry Being Made

Raleigh, N. C.—The United States Department of Agriculture is at present engaged in a nation-wide survey of the Peach Industry. The object of this is to supply growers with the information that they have needed in the past to make reasonable profits growing peaches.

Much difficulty has arisen from the fact that plantings have been made without a knowledge of the amount of competition in the markets between varieties in one area and those in another, and without sufficient information as to the buyers likes or dislikes in the matter or variety and quality of peaches. In other words, growers planning new developments have often been going it blindly. This, to a considerable extent, has been unavoidable because the necessary information was not to be had.

With this in view, the United States Department of Agriculture, in cooperation with the state experiment stations, state departments of agriculture, state horticultural societies, various marketing agencies, railroads, and individuals, has started a thorough study of the entire peach industry. Enthusiastic support has been given by all organizations, but the success of the survey will depend upon how carefully and promptly the growers lend their support.

A part of this study is a complete census of all peach trees on farms of 100 trees or more, and an inquiry has been sent to all commercial peach growers in North Carolina and other states calling for a classification of their trees according to age and varieties.

This study is to be completed at an early date. Prompt reports from all growers will save much time and expense for follow-up work. Schedules were sent out from the Cooperative Crop Reporting Service at Raleigh on September 11. In case any grower has failed to receive one of these, it will be appreciated if he will request one from the Crop Reporting Service at Raleigh.

This report is intended solely for the growers benefit and the Department of Agriculture requests the enthusiastic cooperation of all North Carolina peach growers.

In Memory of Floyd Potts

Floyd Potts, son of William and Lizzie Potts was born August 13, 1888 and departed this life August 25, 1925, being 37 years and 12 days old. Floyd joined the Cowee Baptist church November 25, 1904 and remained a faithful member until death. On October 19, 1921 he was married to Miss Maud Bradley. To this union was born one daughter. Floyd was a kind and loving husband and father. He leaves his companion and child, his aged father and mother, three brothers and two sisters and a host of relatives and friends to mourn his departure.

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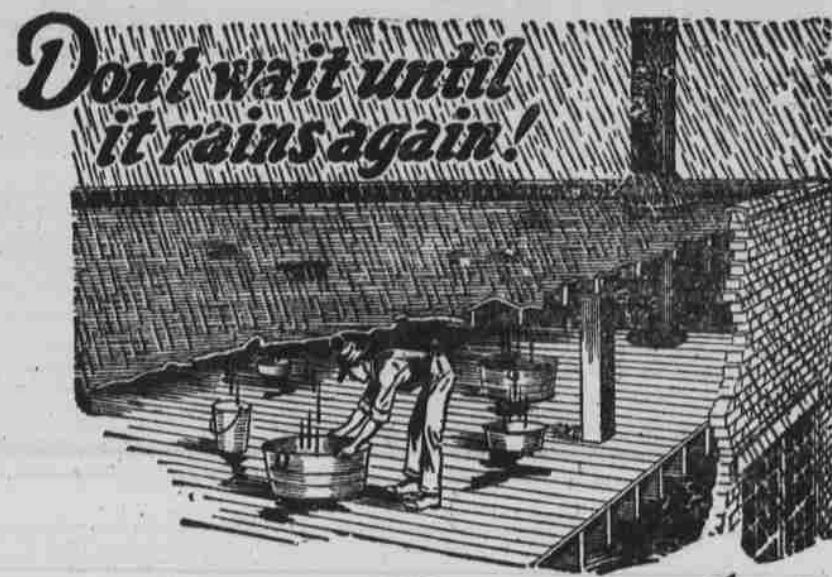
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