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The above is a picture of the herd of young beef cattle shipped last week to the St. Louis market by Mr. J. S. Cavett. Their condition is the result of a fairly complete experiment in feeding young cattle for beef in this county, begun by Mr. Cavett last November and finished the 13th of May.

Four of the twenty-eight calves were two years old and under, and twenty-four fifteen months and under. Over twenty head were grade shorthorns which Mr. Cavett had purchased from Mr. Tom McHenry who was greatly interested in the experimental feeding. These calves in November averaged in weight 454 pounds; six months later they averaged 764 pounds, showing a gain of 310 pounds or seventy per cent.

The feeding regime was as follows: For the first two months they were daily given each 20 pounds of silage and 4 pounds of alfalfa hay; in January they were given cotton seed meal and

corn, in small quantities to begin with but this was increased until they were given each 4 pounds of cotton seed meal and 8 pounds of corn daily. One important factor was that they were kept in what has been pronounced by experts to be as fine a pasture as there is in the state. This pasture is in the northeastern part of the Snowden place. Bermuda sod with lespedeza, white and hop clover and blue grass, all growing luxuriantly, make it an ideal pasture for this section.

On Thursday, May 11th, there was an important gathering of experts and cattlemen in this pasture to inspect the cattle and hear about their feeding. Lectures were delivered by Profs. Ricks, Gayle and Carpenter of the Mississippi A. & M. College, who spoke respectively on Care of Cattle in Winter, Feeding Crops and Silage, and Feeding Beef Cattle in Winter. Over a hundred interested men were in attendance and a good impetus toward developing the raising of beef cattle in Noxubee was given. It was certainly made plain that splendid beef stuff could be grown here.

The original cost of the calves and their feed amounted to \$1400.

The market was low when they reached St. Louis, but \$8.50 per hundred weight was the price they brought, which netted the owner \$200 over all expenses, a profit in half a year of 33 1/3 per cent. As this was an amateur experiment the figures are most encouraging.

In Tuesday's Commercial-Appeal there are a picture and article about some young beef cattle shipped to the St. Louis market by the A. & M. College. Figures are given and the A. & M. men given great credit for their achievement. Yet Mr. Cavett's cattle, fed the same length of time the A. & M. cattle were, gained 310 pounds on the average, while these gained only 261 pounds each for one lot and 282 for another, both well under the gain of the Noxubee cattle. This advantage is probably due to the superior pasturage in Noxubee as the feeding regimes were pretty similar, if anything the college feeding being more elaborate.

If, as the article says, these college cattle show that Mississippi can feed and grow fine beef cattle, that can compete with any in the nation, the Noxubee cattle show that our county can do a little better.

## High School Commencement

The commencement exercises of the Macon High School were held at the Opera house Friday evening, May 19. Dr. Frederick D. Mellen, dean of the department of public discourse of the A. & M. College, delivered the address. Dr. Mellen addressed his remarks to the graduating class and the youth of the audience primarily. He outlined in broad terms real success in life, picturing it as attainment and service, and then eloquently told how it might be attained. He appealed to the class that they learn their fellow-beings, saying that for success in life we must study ourselves and others and that without some understanding of human nature it is impossible to attain distinction in any line of endeavor. He then pictured the wealth that is contained in books, and declared that no life was successful that did not learn to love and appreciate the wisdom of the past, and that the reading habit was an essential of great success. Although his advice was practical and dealt largely with concrete things he did not fail to dwell on the need of spirituality and closed his address with an earnest appeal for the members of the class to lead the spiritual life and to take as model and guide the Saviour of mankind. The address was a finished, scholarly discourse, well adapted to the occasion, and greatly pleased the large, appreciative audience.

The medal offered by the Interstate-Trust and Banking Company was won by Miss Julia Holberg. Major E. B. Boyd made the speech of presentation. He took advantage of the fact that a medal for general proficiency was to be given a young woman, to review the history of woman's rapid advance into the world of affairs since her admittance to an education, and with his characteristic eloquence he paid woman a beautiful tribute, prophesying still greater things for her. In delivering the medal to Miss Holberg he wished for her continued and deserved success, and held out as an ideal for others an attainment of general proficiency in all things.

Miss Sallie Jackson won the Avery medal for scholarship and deportment. Rev. E. Nash Broyles awarded the medal. He referred to the generous impulse which prompted Mr. Ave. y to offer the medal and stated that his act was an act of real service for it caused greater interest in school work and raised the standard of scholarship.

In awarding the medal to Miss Jackson he wished for her a life of usefulness and happiness.

After a few practical remarks Mr. McMillin presented diplomas to the class, which was composed of Misses La Perle Crigler, Dora Evelyn Connor, Julia Holberg, Sallie Jackson, Winnifred Meeks, Virginia Morgan, Nannie Belle Walthall, Edna Cline and Ancil Lindley.

Miss Lizzie Bass, Creighton Allen, Virginia Morgan, Mae Antoinette Boswell and Helen Carleton, assisted with musical numbers.

Following is the program:

Song ..... Audience  
My Country 'Tis of Thee  
Invocation ..... Dr. R. H. Parsar  
Address ..... Dr. Frederic D. Mellen  
Piano Duet  
..... Helen Carleton, Creighton Allen  
Morning—Greigg  
Awarding of Interstate-Trust and Banking Company Medal..... E. B. Boyd  
Piano Solo ..... Virginia Morgan  
Awakening of Love—Moszkowski  
Piano Solo ..... Mae Antoinette Boswell  
Invitation to the Dance—Weber  
Awarding of Avery Medal.....  
..... Rev. E. Nash Broyles  
Vocal Duet ..... Virginia Morgan, Miss Bass  
I Would That My Love—Mendelssohn  
Presentation of Diplomas  
Piano Solo ..... Creighton Allen  
Hunting Song—Mendelssohn

## Food Supply Plentiful in Germany

Alex Loeb yesterday received a letter from his brother in Germany which throws an interesting light upon the war. The letter was uncensored in Germany, but was opened by British authorities and passed intact.

Germany, according to the letter, made the most abundant crops last year that have been made in forty years. The farmers haven't the storage space necessary, and there is great activity in the building of warehouses. Potatoes, fruit and hay are made in plenty and there is wine in superabundance. Business is satisfactory and money is easy. There is profitable work enough for all. People in the interior of Germany would not know the war is going on were it not for the newspapers and the return of the wounded from the front. The letter was written April 2 from Ungstein, near Frankfurt-on-the-Main.

Mr. Loeb himself was born in Germany. At the age of thirteen he heard the cannon booming forth the first battle of the Franco-Prussian war. "Of course my sympathies lean toward Germany," he said yesterday, "and I know that the press of the country has not been fair to the German cause. Germany alienated the affections of this country when she sank the Lusitania. My only wish is that the war were over, no matter who wins. I am for the United States first."—Meridian Dispatch.

## Acute Rheumatism

Rheumatic fever, although serious and painful enough, is not feared as it used to be. We have discovered that salicylate of soda has a specific action in this disease; it relieves the pain, reduces the fever and shortens the attack.

The great danger in rheumatic fever is its tendency to attack the heart. But if the salicylate treatment is begun early enough and pursued perseveringly, that unfortunate complication may usually be warded off. In other respects, the treatment is that suitable to any acute fever, except that since there is no fear of infection for others, it is not necessary to isolate the patient.

One the other hand, the pain is so intense, and the patient is in such dread of a clumsy hand or a jarring footstep, that it is best to keep him virtually isolated while the attack is at its height. The patient should have the largest and best ventilated room that can be spared, and he should stay in bed for some time after the actual fever has disappeared. There is often a good deal of sweating and that should be encouraged, for by that means much of the poison is carried from the system. The patient should be given plenty of water, for that, too, helps to eliminate the poison.

The inflammation is very likely to move from joint to joint, and the treatment for the local pain of course moves with it. If the pain is severe, it may be necessary to protect the joint by a cage, so that the bedclothes shall not press upon it, or to wrap the joint in layers of cotton wool. Some-

## METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday Morning, May 28th, 1916.

### Song and Praise Service

#### PROGRAM

PRELUDE ..... Organ  
Creighton Allen  
Praise Waiteth For Thee ..... Anthem  
Choir  
Holy, Holy, Holy ..... Hymn  
Congregation  
Resignation ..... Solo  
Mrs. Ben F. Price  
Scripture Reading  
Prayer  
Why Stand Here Idle? ..... Quartette  
Miss Bass, Mrs. Combs Messrs. Scott and Combs  
Offertory ..... Organ  
Creighton Allen  
Hold Thou My Hand ..... Solo  
J. J. Scott  
O! How Lovely ..... Anthem  
Choir  
Absence ..... Solo  
Miss Elizabeth Bass  
How Firm A Foundation ..... Hymn  
Congregation  
"The Power of Music" ..... Sermon  
Rev. E. Nash Broyles  
One Sweetly Solemn Thought ..... Quartette  
Mrs. Price, Mrs. Combs Messrs. Scott and Patty  
Doxology  
Benediction  
Creighton Allen, Accompanist.

## At Macon Lyceum Wednesday, May 31st

### The Battle Cry of Peace

Picturized in Nine Parts

Admission: 10 and 25 cents

All who bought tickets to this picture before will be admitted FREE, but no person who attended before can transfer their seat to some one else who did not attend the first time : : : :

No reserved seats. Come early and get the best seats.

times hot fomentations give relief.

There are few illnesses in which it is so necessary for the physician to be constantly watchful. The salicylate of soda should be given only under his orders, since some people take it well, whereas others react badly. Moreover, only a trained physician can watch the heart intelligently and vary the treatment in accordance with its condition.—Youth's Companion.

#### Uncalled for Letters.

List of letters remaining in the post-office at Macon, Mississippi, for the week ending May 24th, 1916:  
Dick Alnary Wash Blair  
Mollie Bush Jimmie Brooks  
Miss Velma Cockerl Mary Jane Cooper  
Robert Davis Leona Donald  
Charlie Ellis Fred A. Ellis  
Lillie Falberg Clara Ford  
Dr. J. D. Green Johnnie Hopper  
Albert Lerson Alfred Mattix  
Val McAdams Josephine Martin  
Miss Virgil Moore Pearl Rice  
Willie Richardson Vemma Roberts  
Felix Smith Nancy Stowers  
Shellie Stringfellow Mrs. J. F. Times  
Celia Treadwell Annie Turnbo  
E. G. Walker

When calling for above letters, please say advertised and present one cent at the general delivery window.  
A. C. FANT, P. M.

Guinea Eggs White African \$1.00 per setting delivered in Macon.  
T. J. MAULDIN, Macon, Miss.

## For Sale or Trade

One bran new Binder  
One bran new Seed Drill  
One bran new Stalk Cutter  
Two second-hand Mowers in good fix  
One second-hand Dump Rake in good fix  
Four second-hand Two-Horse Wagons in good order  
One second-hand Two-Horse Wagon in good order  
Seven bran new low wheel Wagons  
One bran new Surrey  
Two Plug Horses  
Two Plug Mules  
One Plug Mare; will trade for horse  
Jersey Red Pigs  
Hampshire Belted Pigs  
Ten Jersey Bull Calves; registered; will trade for cows  
600 bushels good sound White Ear Corn  
5 bushels 90 day Velvet Beans  
Will trade any of the above for cattle, mules or lumber

N. SCALES  
Macon, Miss.

## COMMUNICATED

Editor of the BEACON:

Regarding the following statement in the news columns of the Commercial-Appeal and other papers:

"The absence of boys' names in the graduate list is due to the fact that our pupils of that sex go to colleges before graduation, as the rosters of the students at Oxford, the A. & M. and other colleges will show."

I certainly appreciate the Macon correspondent's attempt to whitewash a condition which is very embarrassing to me, and which should be a matter of regret to our town. However, I regret very much that the facts in the case will not bear out the statement, for the rosters of our colleges will not show that our boys leave high school for college, though there may be one or two exceptions which have come under your notice and caused you to arrive at this conclusion. Four years ago this year's graduating class had five boys in it. Two of these boys left high school to take up some petty job and are making very little more today than when they began the work. Two others did nothing for a year or two but afterwards tried the navy. The other boy I have lost track of.

Of the boys who have attended high school and left for college you will find as a rule that they first completed their high school course. Three years ago we had two or three boys to leave high school for the A. & M. college in the middle of the session, but they did not carry on their college work for over a session or two, dropping out before they accomplished their purpose. All of the boys of that year's graduating class went to college except one. He is, at present, taking a business course in New Orleans. The other three are still attending college. Last year's graduating class had four boys and they all attended college this past year. Of the Macon boys who have graduated from the University and the A. & M. college the last few years you will find that they all, with hardly a single exception, had finished high school before they went to college.

I have gone at this length in my explanation because I believe that the statement in the Commercial-Appeal and other papers may cause some to stumble. All the records and figures go to prove that those boys who consistently pursue the course of study offered by the high school until they graduate from the high school are the boys who attend college and remain there until they have completed their course. Our University and colleges do not want high school pupils who have not completed the high school course of study. They are not equipped to give them the work they need. The high schools can do the work better. If a boy leaves high school before he finishes the course he should attend a school like the Price-Webb School or the Mississippi Heights Academy. On account of the splendid discipline of such schools, reaching the boy after he leaves the classroom, watching over him in his home and social life, I believe it is the best thing for some boys to leave high school for them, but under no circumstances would I advise a boy to leave high school for college or university.

Thanking you for your kindness, and with best wishes, I remain

Your sincere friend,

J. L. McMILLIN.

#### Do You Know That

Life is a constant struggle against death?

Dirty refrigerators may make sickness?

The U. S. Public Health Service issues free bulletins on rural sanitation!

The defective citizen of today is oftentimes the unhealthy child of yesterday!

Every man is the architect of his own health!

It's the baby that lives that counts!

Tuberculosis is contagious, preventable, curable!

The full dinner pail—the open window—the clean well—make for health!

#### CARD OF THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. Minor Trimble wish to express their thanks and appreciation to those who so kindly helped and sympathized with them in the loss of their baby daughter.