



**DID YOU EVER EAT PAWPAWS?**

How many of the inhabitants of this valley have ever eaten pawpaws. Hands down. It is just as we suspected. The old Missourians hereabouts know better or as well as anyone else what the pawpaw is and what it is good for. Of course it does not grow here and that is why we thought you might be interested in hearing about it. Pawpaw time approaches says the Kansas City Star, and the mouth of every enthusiast, every pawpaw glutton every pawpaw fiend, begins to water. No habit gets a stronger hold on a man than the pawpaw habit and women contract it also.

The green fruit is pendant from countless trees but no pawpaw lover will tell you where those trees are "at" because he fears you will get there first.

The pawpaw is a strange fruit. It holds under a spell those who eat it and those who will not eat it call it by the most horrid names. But there are so many persons who adore the pawpaw and these adorers will consume so much of the fruit that rarely is there a pawpaw surplus.

The pawpaw was beloved by the American Indians. Hakluyt in his "Discovery of Florida," says: "There is a fruit through all the country that groweth on a plant like

ligeacan which the Indians doth plant. The fruit is like unto pears really. It hath a very good smell and an excellent taste." It would seem that the first Europeans to record an observation of this tree and its fruit were De Soto and his followers in the Mississippi valley in 1541 though it was first closely and clearly described in Catesby's "Natural History of Carolina," published about 1741.

The range of the pawpaw is wide. The western part of the state of New York and the western shores of Lake Ontario are the most northerly points reached by the fruit. It occurs in eastern and central Pennsylvania and thence spreads west to

southern Michigan, southern Indiana, eastern Kansas and south to Florida and the valley of the Sabine river in Texas. It is very common in the Mississippi valley, forming a thick undergrowth on river bottom lands and sometimes occupying large tracts to the exclusion of other growths.

**Two Varieties**

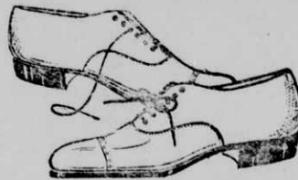
Those persons who are given to the habit of eating pawpaws recognize two varieties of the fruit, the yellow and the white. The pawpaw tree is only a shrub, though under favorable conditions it sometimes attains a height of thirty or forty feet and a diameter of about one foot. The fruit ripens in September and October. It is from three to five inches long, about half an inch in diameter and weighs from six to twelve ounces.

Making pawpaw brandy was an old domestic industry in the pawpaw belt. Pioneers in the middle west made brandy from pawpaws before Johnnie Apple's dad began the work of starting apple orchards and clusters of other fruit trees in those sections. Wives in the pawpaw belt make another use of the fruit or vegetable. They convert it into pie and a writer discussing the uses of the pawpaw for pie making said: "When one has stuck a tooth into properly made pawpaw pie and has washed it down with libations of pawpaw brandy, he will wonder why the habitues of Olympus restaurants made a piece-de-resistance of nectar and ambrosia."

Pawpaw salad is another dish which the friends of the pawpaw say is good. An Indianapolis author has written that "in the gilded cafes of Broadway the alligator pear holds a place in esteem and price, but it is nothing, even less than nothing, compared with pawpaw salad. When one has partaken of that and spreads the news, the pawpaw will come into its own."

Most pawpaw eaters like it raw

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and straight. The skin peels off like the skin of a banana. The pulp is about the texture of a Bartlett pear. It has the flavor of the banana only very much more so.

**PINGREE NEWS**

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Horton and family visited at the Frank Horton home Thursday.  
Mr. Frank Horton and brothers made a trip to the lavas Friday.  
Miss Madge Sewell of Blackfoot, visited at the Horton home Wednesday night.  
Mr. and Mrs. Dae visited at the Carson ranch at Pingree.  
Mr. Clarence Clemens and family visited at the Weaver home Thursday.  
The Hone family visited at the Carlile home Thursday afternoon.  
Mr. and Mrs. Dan. Fackrell and family visited at the F. W. Horton home Thursday afternoon.  
A big dance and carnival will be held at the Pingree school house on

next Tuesday night. Everybody welcome. Everything good to eat and drink.

The stork visited the Clarence Ropp home leaving a fine baby girl. Miss Dora Johnston is ill with a bad cold.

A surprise party was given at the Chappel home on Miss Sylvia Chappel. A large crowd was there and every one had a good time.

Miss Lovie Cushman of Pocatello visited at her home Thanksgiving.

Mr. Clyde Ropp visited at the Woody home Sunday evening.

**HOMEY PHILOSOPHY FOR 1921**

Every so often you run into a poor fellow who tells you forlornly that "Life isn't worth living." But you continue to meet him at the usual places where folks are customarily met and then suddenly you get a shock when you realize that he is still alive—life has been worth enough for him to be on hand and eat his usual meals. After all, nothing could be more absurd than the man who says "Life isn't worth living."

**WHEN YOU SELL A TREE DON'T GET STUNG**

This newspaper believes in tree planting, but it also believes that farmers who cut down a tree to sell should get a fair price for the log.



Here is a picture of a black walnut log, 35 inches in top diameter by 12 feet in length, on which the farmer-owner was stung. There are lots of fellows going around the country looking for good trees and paying about half what they are worth. The farmer sold this walnut tree for \$50. The buyer cut it down at a cost of \$15—total cost to him \$65—and sold it as it lay for \$138.26. Profit 177 per cent. The second buyer, without moving it, sold the log for \$164.84. Total profit 230 per cent. Then the latest buyer moved it to a railroad and sold it to a sewing machine manufacturer for another fat profit. Our farm readers will do well to take a lesson from this.

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