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Alvin York has put Tennessee on the map in big red letters.

Not a strike since yesterday morning. The old world is growing better.

As many graduation and wedding days are crowded into June, it should be a good month for the florists.

The young man with a salary of \$50 per month who takes unto himself a June bride should be cited for bravery.

Now that the Germans have been "licked," we'll have less licking to do after July 1. On that date pre-war postage rates will be restored.

As long as Woodrow Wilson remains abroad, Alvin York will be the first American citizen at home. That is as it should be. All honor to him!

"An Atlanta woman kills her husband," says a headline. Atlanta seems to be a fated place for husbands. Better remain single or stay in Carolina.

We trust that the bumper wheat crop will mean more pies and cakes, as well as more biscuits. With Mr. Hoover shorn of his power, why shouldn't it?

The hero of the World War silenced 25 German machine guns, but he will hardly be able to silence one little Tennessee woman—so powerful and yet so weak.

A German writer declares that the Kaiser made the mistake of waiting too long to start this war. Well, grant it, but this is one mistake that the old cuss will never be able to correct.

Strikes, riots, murders, lynchings, homicides, suicides are daily occurrences. War may be at an end overseas but blood-shed has not ceased on this side of the Atlantic.

Young man, it pays to do something worth while in the world. As proof of the statement, we point you to Alvin York. He's the most sought after man in America to-day.

Although reputed to be a live wire himself, Secretary Bureson seems to have made a miserable job of managing the wires and will gladly turn them back to their rightful owners.

Not one of the 7,803 national banks of the country is located in Edgefield county. But we have six State banks that are the pride and boast of our people. They are veritable financial Gibralters.

When the school doors close to your boy, what doors will you open to him for the summer vacation? The streets will lure him but would it not be wise to make some form of employment more attractive to him?

We actually saw in the papers yesterday that one church in the State had voluntarily increased the salary of its pastor. About the last thing to go up has been pastors' salaries when they should have been among the first.

A headline says, "President Wilson will leave French capital in about ten days." His presence in Washington is sorely needed at this time. He can not whip those obstreperous Republican senators into line but he may be able to restrain them.

"Uncle Sam" has had two big jobs on his hands, winning the war and operating the railroads. He made a world-wide success of one and a nation-wide failure of the other, and in proportion to the size of the undertakings, one proved about as expensive as the other.

Not Able to Own Bonds.

Brokers are bidding for Liberty bonds and our people are selling them. The South was able to buy bonds but it is not yet able to own bonds. It would be safe to stake a goodly sum upon the assertion that ninety per cent. of the eighteen billions of dollars of war bonds issued will be owned in eight of the forty-eight States in less than ninety days. However, give us what our cotton is worth for a few years and we will be able to buy them back and some more besides. All the South asks is half a chance.

Own Your Home Law.

Some new departures are made at every session of congress and these innovations in legislation, if they may be termed such, are helpful to a considerable portion of the citizenship of America. As a sort of companion law to that which assists young men in purchasing and paying for a farm, a measure has been introduced in congress providing a fund to be used in assisting heads of families to own their homes. This is a commendable step forward in establishing thousands of homes in America upon a firmer foundation.

The Advertiser has always urged men who are renting homes or farms to purchase just as soon as they see their way clear to meet the payments. All things else being equal, the man who owns his home makes a better citizen. He takes a greater interest in the community life, in the development of the schools, in the support of the churches, in building and maintaining good roads and in scores of other ways he manifests a broader spirit. He becomes more of a permanent resident, being more firmly anchored by the ownership of a home or farm.

We trust that the measure to provide federal assistance with the view of increasing the number of home owners in America will become a law.

Good For Compulsory Education.

The Advertiser is not informed at this time just what the increase will be in school attendance in Edgefield county as the result of the enforcement of the compulsory school attendance law, but we see already that some other sections of the State will be very materially benefitted. A dispatch from Greenville states there will be sufficient increase in school attendance in the city of Greenville and vicinity to make necessary the employment of fifteen additional teachers. That is fine. If the law accomplished no more than that, for one county even, it would be worth while. But is it not reasonable to suppose that every one of the forty-five counties in the State will be benefitted? In counties where the percentage of illiteracy is high the beneficial results of this much-needed law will be greatest. The percentage of illiteracy among the white population of Edgefield county is very low, probably lower than the average county in the State. Yet in spite of this record, Edgefield needs the law, if it be the means of causing a dozen more children to attend school at least four months of the school term.

We believe the law will be enforced in this county, and it should be enforced in every other county in the State.

When Labor is Easy.

Experience teaches that farm labor, like labor everywhere, may be "easy" or "hard" according to the way the laborer regards it. If the work is done because the worker sees the importance of it and finds satisfaction in doing it well, it will be easy. If the laborer regards the work as being of little value and bemoans the fact that there is no one else to do it, it becomes a drudgery.

We should have good reasons for everything we do and a strong desire for doing it well. When we have such incentives the work is likely to be easy and we generally get pleasure from having accomplished the task.

But it is very difficult to find pleasure in a task where one must contend with the forces of resistance without the aid of implements, machines and other conveniences needed. If the hands must compete with machines and implements then the worker does not find pleasure in the work. Such work is irksome and causes fatigue.

We owe it to ourselves, to the business of farming, to save our physical strength and general efficiency by making use of labor-saving aids in farm work.

Longstreet at Gettysburg.

In looking over the "Reminiscences of the Civil War" by Gen. John B. Gordon, he says that Gen. Longstreet was slow in making the attack on the morning of July 2nd, and that Gen. Lee had ordered Longstreet to open the battle at sunrise and it was two o'clock before Gen. Longstreet could be found, and that Gen. Lee was wondering what had become of his "war-horse." Gordon lays all the blame on Longstreet's "tardiness," as he calls it, in not having his First Army Corps on the field in time.

Now, I do not like to take issue against a dead man, but in this case I will, and with gloves off. Gen. Gordon waited until Gen. Lee died before bringing this false statement against Gen. Longstreet. The truth of the matter is, Gen. Gordon never did like Lee's "war-horse," he was very jealous of him, which all the army officers knew. This was not the first time that Gen. Gordon tried to snatch the "roses" from Longstreet.

Listen what Gen. Lee says after this great battle: "If I had listened to Gen. Longstreet, things would have been different at Gettysburg." That is a matter of history.

Now, I'm going to come down to brass tacks. I was on that march with Gen. Longstreet. Gordon was not along that night before the battle. On the evening of July 1st, Longstreet's command left Chambersburg about 4 o'clock, perhaps it was 5 o'clock, and marched all night, reaching Gettysburg alittle while before day light. My brigade (Kershaw's), halted in a swamp and remained there until about gray-dawn. We were then moved back and forth, up and down the line some three or four times. At last we halted and were told to be ready to move at a moment's notice.

By this time the sun was about at the tops of the trees. Now, mark you, Gen. Gordon says that Longstreet could not be found until mid-day, July 2nd.

At sunrise, maybe a little after, Gen. Lee and Gen. Longstreet, with three or four of their staff, rode by some thirty yards in rear of the then, line of battle, "boot-to-boot." Gen. Lee knew just where Gen. Longstreet was before daylight of that morning, and he knew that Longstreet was ready for the fray. As I have stated, Gen. Gordon waited until Gen. Lee's death to bring these charges against the greatest fighter in the army, simply because he did not like Gen. Longstreet, because he commanded the First Army Corps and stood in rank next to Lee. It was universally acknowledged in the First Army Corps that if Gen. Lee had a hard nut to crack, he always called for his "war-horse" to crack it and he never failed. No, Gen. Longstreet was not tardy on any battle field.

There was a kind of intuition among the soldiers of Longstreet's corps that after all the other troops had made their long marches, tugged at the flanks of the enemy, threatened his rear, and all display of strategy and generalship failed, then when the hard, stubborn, decisive blow was to be struck, the troops of the First Army Corps were called upon to strike it. Gen. Longstreet had informed Gen. Lee at the outset: "My corps is as solid as a rock—a great rock. I will strike the blow and win if the other troops gather the fruits of the victory."

How confident the "Old War-Horse" was in the solidity and courage of his troops, and soon his seventeen thousand men were to be pitted against the whole army of the Potomac. Still, no battle was ever considered decisive till Longstreet, with his cool, steady head, his heart of steel and troops, who acknowledged no superior or scarcely equal, in ancient or modern times, in endurance and courage, had measured strength with the enemy. I repeat again what Gen. Lee had to say after this battle, his words, and they are historic: "If I had listened to Gen. Longstreet's advice, things would have been different."

It was not in Gen. Longstreet's heart to make the assault on "Little Round Top." He did not favor Pickett's charge on the 3rd day. He bitterly opposed this useless sacrifice of life and limb. In his "Memoirs" he tells how he pleaded with Lee to release him from the responsibility of command. I have Gen. Longstreet's history, "From Manassas to Appomattox," also Gen. Gordon's "History of the Civil War." I've never known anyone to use the pronoun "I" as often as he, "I" and "my." "I" planned the battle; "my" division whipped the fight, etc. Now, the truth of history is, if Gen. Lee had ordered Gen. Longstreet to make the attack at sunrise, the order was countermanded. He was ready and his troops were as solid as a great rock.

I can't tell where Gen. Gordon was on the morning of July 2nd, but I do know that Gen. Longstreet was

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At any time in the day or night, if Gen. Lee had ordered Longstreet to open the battle, he would have struck Gen. Meade like a cyclone, just like he did at 2 o'clock that same day.

My next will be Gen. Longstreet at Gettysburg.

J. RUSSELL WRIGHT.

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- Elizabeth Nicholson
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- Naomi Davis
- Janie Edwards
- Elizabeth Kemp
- Clara Morgan
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- Walton Mims
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- Rudolph Davis
- Eleanor Dunovant
- Carolyn Dorn
- Ned Nicholson
- John Nixon
- Geo. Edward Sheppard
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- Effie Allen Lott
- Mary Lynch
- Orlando Morgan
- June Nicholson
- Margaret Strom
- Frances Wells
- Grade V**
- Elizabeth Bailey
- Katherine Stewart
- Mary Lily Byrd
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