

The Country Press.

Among the many things which the war brought home to the nation was the big part played and the big influence wielded in American life by what—for want of a better term—is generally referred to as the small town or country newspaper. There was a time when the country newspaper and the country editor were the butts of jokes and the signals for smiles. That time is past; gone, we believe, forever. The war helped to do it, for the war, as in many other instances, joined the sophisticated and lazy national consciousness into the realization of the importance, the significance and the genuine worth of the country press.

One of the proudest pages in the history of America's share in the war is that devoted to the universal and unswerving loyalty of its newspapers which

unanimously, without exception, gave the selfless sort of service to the common cause of country. And of America's newspapers, the patriotism and service of none were more marked than that of the country paper. Their part cannot be overestimated; their reward is in gaining a recognition, which they always deserved, of an importance which they have always possessed and which will be theirs in a greater degree than ever henceforth.

The country newspaper has a character and an individuality all its own. It occupies, however small, a position in the community which no other newspaper, however big, can displace. Without disparaging in the least the larger dailies, they can not, by their very nature, ever dispute the peculiar field which the country paper and it alone occupies. It has the place of an institution in the

community life, a place all its own in the community heart, and it should have the loyal and whole-hearted community support.

The Red Cross, in common with the rest of the nation, owes the country press a debt of gratitude for its work in the war and a full measure of appreciation for its value to America today. In especial does the Southern Division of the Red Cross feel that the newspapers in the division merit the warmest regard of Red Cross members. They were most instrumental in making the Red Cross a power in the war, and today they are a prime factor in helping to maintain the Red Cross as a lasting influence for humanity's betterment.—Red Cross Briefs.

Beulah Circuit Appointments.

Beulah—Preaching every Sunday at 11 a. m., except on second Sunday in each month, when preaching will be in the evening at 7:30.

Marshalls—Preaching every Sunday afternoon at 3:30 except on fourth Sundays, when preaching will be in the evening at 7:30.

Salem—Preaching on second Sunday morning at eleven. Third Sunday night at 7:30 and Fourth Sunday afternoons at 3:30.

Public invited to these services. Paul T. Wood, Pastor.

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Spring Days are Treacherous—Germs Don't Disappear With Cold Weather.

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Don't Take Chances if You Feel Bad. Enrich Your Blood With Pepto-Mangan.

There is a great deal of serious sickness in the Spring. And it is easy to see why. Long weeks spent up indoors, too little exercise and fresh air, winter sickness not entirely over with a generally lowered vitality. Blood weak and sluggish. Then come the Spring days—that are not so warm as they seem; or sudden changes in the weather, and you haven't taken proper precautions.

Vigorous, red-blooded people don't often get sick. If you're not feeling your best, get Pepto-Mangan of your druggist and take it to build up your blood. This effective and agreeable tonic has been tested for over thirty years, and physicians, everywhere, recommend it for run-down, pale and anemic people.

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COULD READILY BELIEVE IT

Stage Driver Quite Willing to Accept "Keeper's" Explanation as He Understood It.

The New Englander uses the word "natural" to describe one who was unfurnished at birth with the usual and indispensable quantity of brains. Prof. Burr G. Wilder, the distinguished zoologist, tells an amusing story that turns on a countryman's mistaking the unfamiliar word "naturalist" for the familiar word "natural."

A few years after his arrival in America, Agassiz was one of a small party of Harvard professors who traversed the White Mountain region in a carriage driven by the countryman. Three of them were vivacious, restless, and on the lookout for specimens. They would call a halt, leap from the vehicle before it stopped, dash over the fields, and return with prizes in their boxes, in their hands and pockets, and even pinned upon their hats. The fourth, Prof. Felton, the brother-in-law of Agassiz, sat quietly in his corner of the carriage reading a favorite Greek author.

When the bewildered driver could stand it no longer he elicited from Felton information that led him to view the behavior of the others with compassionate toleration. At the close of the day he thus conveyed his interpretation to the innkeeper:

"I drove the queerest lot you ever saw. They chattered like monkeys. They wouldn't keep still. They jumped the fences, tore about the fields, and came back with their hats covered with bugs. I asked their keeper what ailed them; he said they were naturalists, and 'judgin' from the way they acted, I should say they was."—Youths' Companion.

MUCH DIFFERENCE IN HUMOR

Brand Highly Thought Of in One Country is Not Always Appreciated in Others.

When Coleridge said, "No mind is thoroughly well organized that is deficient in the sense of humor," he expressed a conviction that seems common to all civilized men, and makes each nation take pride in its humor and perhaps suspect that other nations enjoy a somewhat inferior brand. Yet comparisons of humor shows, broadly speaking, that the peoples of the world are much alike. In the Tourist, published in Tokyo, a Japanese author, for example, remarks that humor "is indeed the flower of life, and life without it would be as dreary as spring without its blossoms. To illustrate, he translates a number of Japanese anecdotes, "funny stories," as the United States might call them, but one does not smile over them. Neither, on second thought, does one smile over many of the "funny stories" in American magazines and newspapers. Humor which really amuses is everywhere rare and precious, a "flower of life," as the Japanese gentleman poetically puts it, but growing up in company with a great many weeds.—Christian Science Monitor.

The Quaker Bonnet.

I have heard that there is as much technique in the making of the bonnet of the olden pattern for the Friends as there is in the Japanese art of drinking tea. In Ohio there is a section that wears the Quaker garb with the bonnet; there is another in Iowa that still keeps to the characteristic costume; in New York in a settlement on both sides of Lake Cayuga are Friends who follow the simple, historic fashion; and in Fairhope, Ala., a single tax settlement very largely settled by Friends, are others. Much importance is attached to what is called the "expression" of the bonnet. In the very simplicity there is quite as much room for the manifestation of a particular taste as in the more elaborate millinery of "the world's people." Even to half a hair things must be right. The finished product comes in for a close critical scrutiny at every possible angle. The true Friend abhors display and self-advertisement, and, therefore, she does not care to have it known when a fresh bonnet is bought. That is why one must be the same as the one that preceded it. Philadelphia Public Ledger.

Rooster Ate 485 Kernels.

A stock-raiser at Montgomery, City has sprung a new one in the guessing game. He had a big rooster and after letting him fast for a day put him in his show window with a large pan of corn, the kernels of which had been counted.

He ordered a party of the persons guessing nearest the number of grains the rooster would eat in 20 minutes. The rooster had a ravenous appetite and for five minutes it looked as if there would not be a single kernel left.

But by the time the 20 minutes had elapsed he had settled up in a corner. He had succeeded in getting away 485 grains. A woman whose guess was 488 got the prize. Kansas City Times.

Tombstone's Weird Stain.

In the village chapelyard at Herbrandston, near Milford Haven, there is the grave of a young army officer (at one time stationed with his regiment at South Hook Fort, near here) who met death from a wound by a knife while playing a prank on a fellow on a brother officer.

The tombstone a month since has become slightly discolored, and a discolored stain has been noticed on the left-hand representation of a hand grasping a knife or dagger. Cardiff Western Mail.

STANDARD OIL SIGNS
Charleston Concern is Given \$125,000 Contract to Mark Roads.

(News and Courier)

Announcement was made yesterday that the Carolina Display Company of which Major Alfred H. von Kolnitz is general manager, had been awarded a contract for placing mileage signs in all parts of South Carolina for the Standard Oil Company. J. L. Parran, advertising manager from the Standard Oil Baltimore office, held conference with Major von Kolnitz relative to the carrying out of the contract, which involves \$125,000.

In order to make sure of the accuracy of the legends on these mileage signs, the Standard Oil Company has plotted the roads of the entire State and the Charleston concern will place signs as far away as Conway, Kollock, the Savannah river at Savannah and at Augusta, in an effort to give information to motor and other wayfarers. A sign will be placed each three miles along the various routes.

Major von Kolnitz said that the Carolina Display Company would begin the work at once and carry it to completion as soon as practicable. It is the largest contract of the sort to be given to a Southern concern. As there is a general need over the State for dependable mileage posts the Standard Oil Company feels that it will be doing something of active benefit.

Canadian Paper Bars Ads.

Winnipeg, Man.—Winnipeg newspapers announced that on account of the paper shortage they will be obliged "until further notice" to discontinue the publication of advertising matter. They will continue to publish news.

NOTICE TO DEBTORS

All parties indebted to the estate of W. H. Blackwell, deceased, are hereby notified to make payment to the undersigned, and all parties having claims against the said estate will present the same duly attested within the time prescribed by law.

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