

The BULL'S EYE

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WILL ROGERS



Another 'Bull' Durham advertisement by Will Rogers, Zigfeld Folies and screen star, and leading American humorist. More coming. Watch for them.

EVERYWHERE you go everybody is figuring out a Cross Word Puzzle. Nobody is working or even exercising. America will lose the next War but win the next Puzzle Contest. It's the greatest craze that hit this country since Prohibition. People say to me, "Why Will, you don't understand, it is an Education, it learns you more ways to say one word." If you know one way to say a word, what do you need to know any more for? Nobody is going to give you anything for nothing, I don't care how many ways you ask for it. Our nation has never been short on words. We might lack ideas sometime but never words. This puzzle has done one thing, it has learned us which is horizontal and which is vertical. But a Cross Word Puzzle is not new. Railroad Time Tables have been out for years. Smoke 'Bull' Durham while working one, that is, if you want to, if you don't, why smoke wherever you want to.

Will Rogers

P. S. I'm going to write some more pieces that will appear in this paper. Keep looking for them.

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Importance of Intelligent Effort in Producing Cotton This Year

By H. G. Boylston.

The most important cash crop that is produced in Barnwell County is cotton. In order to produce cotton successfully and profitably under boll weevil conditions there are a number of important points to remember, and I call this matter to the attention of the farmers at this time because if we are to produce cotton profitably it is absolutely necessary for us to thoroughly appreciate those things which are necessary to be done.

They are as follows:
Thorough preparation, fairly early planting of a sufficient amount of pure cotton seed (using Cleveland Big-Boll in all cases except where it is necessary to use Dixie Triumph to control wilt). Fairly early planting will be found to be from the 1st to 12th of April, depending on the particular Spring. Intelligent use of fertilizers is very necessary, the most profitable amount applied will be found to be from 600 to 800 pounds of a balanced fertilizer, and afterwards making a side application of nitrate of soda of 75 to 150 pounds, the proper time to apply being about 10 days

after chopping. Be sure to make the strongest effort to secure a uniform and as near perfect stand as possible, because a full crop cannot be made without a good stand. We all appreciate the importance of frequent cultivation, and this means that cotton should be plowed every week if possible, from the beginning until it is no longer of value.

Should there be any number of boll weevils coming out early to amount to anything arrangements must be made just before the squares begin to form to make two applications of calcium arsenate poison. The right application of dust at that time is more efficient, but where this cannot be properly applied with the labor that a farmer may have, would advise the use of liquid poison of calcium arsenate instead, making two to three applications three to five days apart. This should carry us ordinarily until about mid-season. Before that time I shall call the matter of poisoning to your attention again, but would advise at this time the purchase of calcium arsenate, which is very cheap and will likely increase in price later.

REMINISCENCES

Of W. A. Gyles.

(Editorial Note.—As announced in last week's issue of The People, we are beginning this week the publication of a series of Reminiscences from the pen of Mr. W. A. Gyles, of Blackville. Mr. Gyles passed away at his home in that town Friday morning.)

SCOUTING EXPEDITION.

After the battle with Butler's Army at Waltham Junction, on May 6th and 7th, 1863, six miles from Petersburg, Va., we had Butler's Army of thirty thousand men in front of our small force of about three thousand, and our officers considered our position on the railroad untenable, so that night at 12 o'clock we retired to the south bank of Swift Creek, three miles from Petersburg, where we had a good line of trenches prepared for infantry and artillery and the creek between us and the enemy and which covered the road leading from Petersburg to Richmond.

The next morning the enemy followed us up and made an attempt to cross the creek, but were driven back, and for two days there was considerable skirmishing. On the afternoon of May 9th our officers found out that Butler was moving from our front and at dark they lighted their camp fires to deceive us, and then it was our business to find out which way they were going. About that time Gen. Roger A. Pryor, then a scout for Gen. Lee, appeared at our lines and told Col. Gilliard he wanted a company of men to accompany him, and the Colonel assigned him our company, Co. "D," 27th S. C. V. After we formed in line he addressed us in substance as follows: "Now, boys, I want to take you on a scout with me to-night and I have here with me an old farmer who knows every road and hog path in this part of the country, who will lead us, and I want you to follow me in single file and never speak a word. Make as little noise as possible and remain where I leave you until my return. Never, under any consideration, fire a gun at anything you may see unless I shall give you a command to do so, because if we are discovered then I propose to fight until the last man is killed, and we will be better to die fighting than to be shot as spies tomorrow morning. If we are captured."

The forward march was given and we crossed the creek and then took to the branches, briar patches and woods. We crossed one old field and frequently passed between the enemy's camp fires. Frequent stops were made to let the General go forward to reconnoiter, always alone, and he frequently had to crawl on his hands and knees. Once we followed a path through a heavily timbered piece of woods and across a branch with a foot-log to walk on, and when we reached the edge of an old field we discovered we had lost the last man in the line, who was leading the General's horse by the bridle, as he could not ride through swamps at night. He was quite small for a soldier, his name was Fickling and we all called him "Major." Some few men went back as far as the branch to look for him, but he was not there. We then crossed the old field to a large woods pasture inclosed by a high board fence, and by the side of this fence

was a road. While standing in this road we heard the tramp of horses, and were ordered to cross the fence and lie down beneath the trees. They turned out to be about eight hundred Yankee Cavalry, passing within thirty or forty feet of us. I thought we would certainly be discovered, as I thought the boys made an awful fuss with their guns striking the fence while climbing over, but fortunately they did not hear us, as we would have had to fight the Yankee Army. We moved from there through the woods towards our lines, and when near daylight we reached the last branch to be crossed and the boys waded through. I concluded that I could jump it, so went up the branch about twenty feet and made what is called a running jump, but owing to the darkness made my leap too far from the edge of the stream and landed in deep mud about three feet from the other bank and had to call some of the boys to extricate me from the mud.

Gen. Pryor told us that he crawled quite near one of the Yankee pickets and had to get away very easy; he could have killed him but feared the consequences. Just as day was breaking we reached the trenches, wet, tired and hungry, but our powder was dry.

About a week after that night, when we lost our little man, he was returned to our camp or trenches, and he gave us his night's experience, as follows: He said, "I tried to make the horse walk that foot-log across the branch and failed. I then concluded to follow down the stream and look for a crossing. Found a road and had to wade right through because I could not get on the horse, as he was very tall, and when I reached the old field I tried repeatedly to mount that horse by getting on a stump and before I could leap to his back he would turn his head towards me. I finally succeeded, and after riding about two miles a soldier jumped from behind a tree and caught the bridle. Before I could get up my gun a fellow from the other side jumped from the bushes and caught my foot and jerked me from the horse. They took my gun away and in a few minutes three or four more came up and they all called me a Yankee spy, and wanted to shoot me at once. I knew they were Confederates, and while I was pleading with them an officer came up and because I had on a blue cap and blue pants he also wanted to have me shot. I told them to take me to Gen. Hagood, who knew whether my statement was true or not. They turned me over to Gen. Hagood, but not until my command was gone, but I was kept under strict guard till they could get in touch with my command, and Gen. Pryor got his horse and all are happy once more."

Our scouting revealed to us that Butler's Army had fallen back about three miles to Bermuda Hundred on the James River, under cover of his gun boats, and left the road over to Drury's Bluff on the Richmond lines. So the next morning we formed in line and passed in front of Butler's Army, only three miles off to our right. We threw out a strong line of skirmishers, which we call "flankers," about two hundred yards from the road towards the enemy. Skirmishers move parallel with the moving body of troops to protect them from an enemy ambush. See Hagood's Memoirs of the War, page 231.

After being up all night, and now going through the woods, briars and

Social and Personal News from Williston

Williston, April 4.—J. J. Kennedy, of Aiken, is visiting his son, W. C. Kennedy.

Dr. J. C. Roper, of Chester, was the guest last Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Whitaker.

Mrs. W. H. Eaves and daughter, Verna, spent the week-end with her parents in Donora.

Miss Mary Robinson, of Rowesville, spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. W. T. Willis, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Sikes and daughter, Miss Elizabeth Sikes, of Augusta, spent Sunday here with relatives.

Harry Cone, of the Charleston Medical College, was home for the week-end.

Misses Nina Bell, Eva Wengrow, Ruby Courtney and Audrey Joyner, of Winthrop, have returned after spending the Spring holidays at their homes.

Misses Mary Harvey Newsom and Lenna Brown Davis have returned to their work at Coker College after spending the Spring holidays at home.

Mrs. R. L. Hair, R. L. Hair, Jr., Merton Still and R. P. Kennedy have returned from a visit to Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Woodward in Spartanburg.

Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Courtney and daughters, Misses Marguerite and Ruby, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Plunket in North Augusta, and Monday with Mrs. Ida Ott at Wagener.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Dubose, Mrs. Clifton Dubose, Mrs. James Dudley Simpson, James Dudley, Jr., and Dubose Simpson, of Bishopville, were week-end visitors of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Ray.

Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Davenport and Mr. and Mrs. Murray, of Geer, were recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Givens.

Mrs. L. M. Polcen, after spending the winter here with her son, Dr. E. F. Polcen, has returned to her home in Akron, Ohio.

Miss Corrie Hair, of Augusta, was a recent visitor of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Hair.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey M. Black have returned from a trip to Western North Carolina.

The members of the Bridge Club enjoyed several games at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Kennedy Tuesday evening. The rooms were beautifully decorated with dog-wood. A delicious supper followed by a sweet course was served before the games were played.

Miss Mattie Lee Bennett has returned to her school at Travelers Rest after spending the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bennett, coming down from the teachers' meeting in Columbia.

Misses Ruby and Myrtle Sanders, of Columbia, were recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Brown in the Bethar section.

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W. Alfred Gyles,
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