

POLAND WAS NEXT IN SIZE.

Celebrated for Grain Production. Has No Political Entity.

The Poland of 1715 was larger than any other European country, with the exception of Russia. Today it has no political entity, says the National Geographic society, in a statement. Two centuries ago its domain reached from the Baltic to the Carpathians, and stretched from east to west for a distance of approximately six hundred miles.

The first partition of Poland came in 1772, when Prussia and Austria, alarmed by the progress of Russia in Poland, suggested, as a means of maintaining the equilibrium of Europe, that all three powers re-adjust their territories at the expense of Poland. reads the society's bulletin. "Poland lay utterly helpless. She lost about one-fifth of her population and one-fourth of her territory.

The second partition, in 1793, reduced Poland to one-third of her original dimensions, with a population of about 3,500,000. A third treaty of partition was signed in 1796.

The congress of Vienna, in 1815, divided Poland between Prussia, Austria and Russia, with the exception of Cracow, which was erected into a republic embedded in Galicia. Posen and Gnesen, with a population of 810,000, were left to Prussia. Austria remained in possession of Galicia, with its 1,500,000 inhabitants. Lithuania and the Ruthenian palatinates continued to be incorporated with Russia. The remnant was constituted as the so-called congress kingdom, under the emperor of Russia as the king of Poland.

In the same year Czar Alexander I granted the new kingdom a constitution which declared it to be united to Russia, in the person of the czar, as a separate political entity. Poland retained its flag and a national army. In 1830, following the outbreak of the French revolution, a military revolt took place in Warsaw. This lasted for ten months and at the conclusion the congress kingdom was reduced to the position of a Russian province. The last remaining remnant of Poland's separate political existence was Cracow, and it was finally occupied by Austria in 1846. The last attempt of the Poles to achieve independence was in 1863. It was marked by no real battle and the uprising was soon repressed. The national history of Poland closes with this attempt at freedom. In 1868, by an ukase of the emperor of Russia, the government was absolutely incorporated with that of Russia and the use of the Polish language in public places and for public purposes was prohibited.

Russian Poland contains the first line of defence of the Russian Empire on its western frontier. The marshy lowlands, covered with forests on the western bank of the Vistula, offer a natural defence against an army advancing from the west, and they are strengthened by a number of fortresses on that river. The centre of these latter is Warsaw. "The Poles are rather of medium stature and well built. Those in the south are dark and in the north are inclined to be fair. For several years past the German element has been annually increasing, both in number and in influence, in Russian Poland. From remote antiquity Poland has been celebrated for the production and export of grain. Since 1875 there has been a remarkable development of manufacturing enterprise. The railroads of Russian Poland have an aggregate length of 1,300 miles.

The entire administration of the province is under the governor-general residing at Warsaw. After the insurrection of 1863 all towns with less than 2,000 inhabitants were deprived of their municipal right. The elective municipal councils were practically abolished and Russian officers nominated in their places. The prevalent religion is Roman Catholic.

NOT GOING TO TAKE PART.

Plaxico Will Not Compete With Colored Contestants.

Columbia, April 21.—O. C. Plaxico, of the University of South Carolina, will not be allowed to go to Pennsylvania to participate in the relay race carnival to be held on Franklin field because it is understood that at least two negroes will be entrants in that race. Mr. Plaxico was informed by the University authorities this morning, according to reliable information, that if he went to Pennsylvania he would be expelled from the college. It is also said that when he found there was a likelihood of negroes being in the carnival Mr. Plaxico had no desire to go. The University of South Carolina will not be represented.

Mr. Plaxico is a native of York county and has been at the university for two years. He is said to be the fastest sprinter in the two Carolinas.

RENEW OLD FRIENDSHIPS.

State's Survivors of Confederacy in Columbia for Annual Reunion.

Columbia, April 22.—The passage of a half century of time was temporarily forgotten today while the remnant of the heroes of the Confederate armies contributed to that gallant cause by South Carolina gathered in Columbia for their annual reunion. The streets and business houses were gay with bunting and everywhere the stars and bars waved bravely to the soft April breeze. The city, which was laid in ashes fifty years ago by Sherman's army, threw wide her gates and received with open arms the men who followed Lee and Jackson and Hampton and Butler and the other famed leaders of that epoch-making conflict.

Several hundred survivors of the Confederacy were assembled in the Columbia theatre this morning at 10 o'clock when Mr. W. A. Clark, commander of Camp Hampton, called the gathering to order. The stage and theatre were tastefully decorated with Confederate flags and growing flowers. Grouped on the stage were the sponsors and maids of honor, making a beautiful background to the gray uniform of the aged Confederate veterans, who occupied the seats on the front part of the platform.

The Columbia Mills band kept the old soldiers enthusiastic with the songs that they sang when going into battle a half century ago. And "Dixie" always brought the "Rebel" yell. Mingled with the war songs of the Confederacy were the national songs, and even "Tipperary," the marching song of the British, was not forgotten.

The exercises were opened by the singing of the "Doxology," led by Mr. F. F. Whilden, of the Y. M. C. A., the entire audience standing and joining in the singing. The invocation was made by the Rev. F. O. S. Curtis, of Walterboro, division chaplain, who feelingly voiced the rapidly with which the thin gray line is getting thinner, and who in the course of his prayer returned thanks that a Southern born man now occupied the chair of Abraham Lincoln, and was guiding the nation through the troubles of the present time.

Mr. Clark introduced governor R. I. Manning, who made the address of welcome on behalf of the State. The governor was received with cheers and paid a warm tribute to the devotion and self-sacrifice of the Confederate soldiers and praised the righteousness of the cause, for which they gave their all. His references to the old soldiers brought cheer after cheer and when the governor referred to the fact that the president of the United States was a Southerner, that the chief justice of the United States supreme court was an Ex-Confederate soldier, and of the commanding and leading part the South had in the affairs of the nation he provoked prolonged applause.

Mayor Lewie A. Griffith welcomed the veterans on behalf of the city of Columbia and Mr. John W. Lillard, chairman of the board of directors, on behalf of the chamber of commerce. Lieutenant Governor Andrew J. Bethea made the address of welcome on behalf of Camp Maxy Gregg, Sons of Veterans, and Mr. W. A. Clark, commander of Camp Hampton, made an address of welcome. Responses on behalf of the veterans were made by Col. Alfred Aldrich, of Barnwell, and on behalf of the Sons by Col. A. L. Gaston, of Chester, the State commander.

JASPER'S YOUNG FARMER.

Boy Makes 76 1-4 Bushels Corn to Acre, Ploughing an Ox.

Ridgeland, April 21.—Charlie Benjamin McKenzie is the champion corn grower thus far in Jasper county. He is a modest little fellow not quite eleven years old, but has the snap and energy to succeed in life. In 1914 he made 76 1-4 bushels of corn on one acre and 9 bushels and 4 quarts of peas on the same land. The startling thing about this yield is that he did most of the work himself and ploughed his field with an ox, a horse not being available. Charlie won \$25 in prize money and one month's scholarship to Clemson college. When asked if he would go to Clemson in August, his reply was "Yes, sir." Charlie is the son of Mr. Ben McKenzie, who resides about one mile south of Tillman. A sketch of Mr. McKenzie's life is interesting. He moved to Savannah, Ga., in 1893 and worked on the shipyard and on the railroad thirteen years. His family, it seems, could not stand it, as some of them were practically all the time sick. He finally moved to his present farm near Tillman, on 12 or 13 acres of land which he purchased for \$165. He now has six acres of cleared land, with a nice dwelling house thereon. He states that he goes in debt for nothing, and at the same time he works an ox, but stated that he housed more corn in 1914 with that animal than many farmers nearby did with two mules. Mr. McKenzie is also a specialist with bees and produces some very fine honey.

THE RURAL CHURCH

THE FARMERS THE CUSTODIANS OF THE NATION'S MORALITY.

Co-operation of Church, School and Press Essential to Community Building.

By Peter Radford, Lecturer National Farmers' Union.

The church, the press and the school form a triple alliance of progress that guides the destiny of every community, state and nation. Without them civilization would wither and die and through them life may attain its greatest blessing, power and knowledge. The farmers of this nation are greatly indebted to this social triumvirate for their uplifting influence, and on behalf of the American plowmen I want to thank those engaged in these high callings for their able and efficient service, and I shall offer to the press a series of articles on co-operation between these important influences and the farmers in the hope of increasing the efficiency of all by mutual understanding and organized effort. We will take up, first, the rural church.

The Farmers Are Great Church Builders.

The American farmer is the greatest church builder the world has ever known. He is the custodian of the nation's morality; upon his shoulders rests the "ark of the covenant" and he is more responsive to religious influences than any other class of citizenship.

The farmers of this nation have built 120,000 churches at a cost of \$750,000,000, and the annual contribution of the nation toward all church institutions approximates \$200,000,000 per annum. The farmers of the United States build 22 churches per day. There are 20,000,000 rural church communicants on the farm, and 54 per cent of the total membership of all churches reside in the country.

The farm is the power-house of all progress and the birthplace of all that is noble. The Garden of Eden was in the country and the man who would get close to God must first get close to nature.

The Functions of a Rural Church.

If the rural churches today are going to render a service which this age demands, there must be co-operation between the religious, social and economic life of the community.

The church to attain its fullest measure of success must enrich the lives of the people in the community it serves; it must build character; develop thought and increase the efficiency of human life. It must serve the social, business and intellectual, as well as the spiritual and moral side of life. If religion does not make a man more capable, more useful and more just, what good is it? We want a practical religion, one we can live by and farm by, as well as die by.

Fewer and Better Churches.

Blessed is that rural community which has but one place of worship. While competition is the life of trade, it is death to the rural church and moral starvation to the community. Petty sectarianism is a scourge that blights the life, and the church prejudice saps the vitality, of many communities. An over-churched community is a crime against religion, a serious handicap to society and a useless tax upon agriculture.

While denominations are essential and church pride commendable, the high teaching of universal Christianity must prevail if the rural church is to fulfill its mission to agriculture.

We frequently have three or four churches in a community which is not able to adequately support one. Small congregations attend services once a month and all fail to perform the religious functions of the community. The division of religious forces and the breaking into fragments of moral efforts is oftentimes little less than a calamity and defeats the very purpose they seek to promote.

The evils of too many churches can be minimized by co-operation. The social and economic life of a rural community are respective units and cannot be successfully divided by denominational lines, and the churches can only occupy this important field by co-operation and co-ordination.

The efficient country church will definitely serve its community by leading in all worthy efforts as community building, in uniting the people in all co-operative endeavors for the general welfare of the community and in arousing a real love for country life and loyalty to the country home and these results can only be successfully accomplished by the united effort of the press, the school, the church and organized farmers.

She Was Glad.

During the last G. A. R. encampment there was one woman amid the crowd of spectators on the day of the parade who made herself conspicuous by her noisy hurrahs and excited waving of a flag as the old veterans marched past. One of the bystanders told her sharply to shut up. "Shut up yourself," she retorted. "If you had buried two husbands who had served in the war, you would be hurrahing too."—Harper's.

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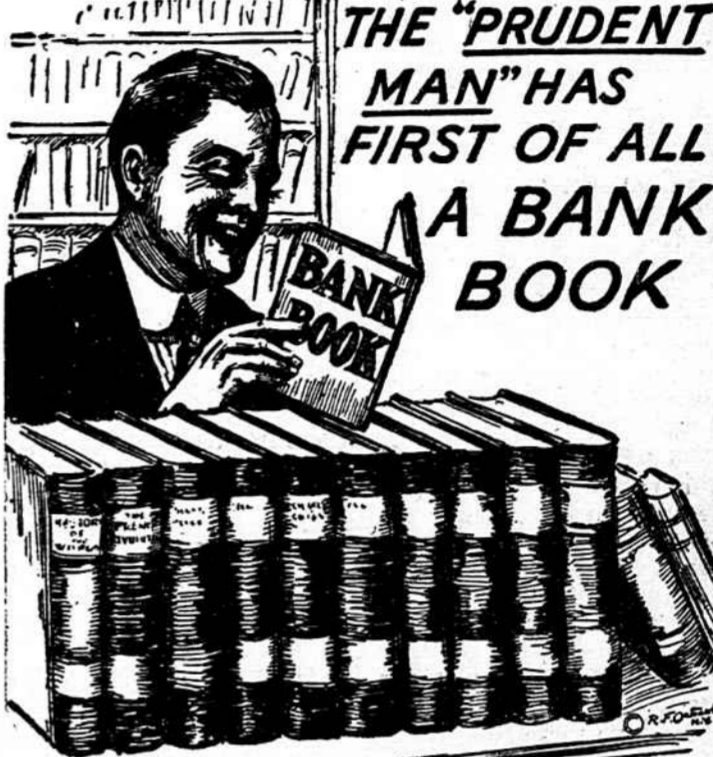
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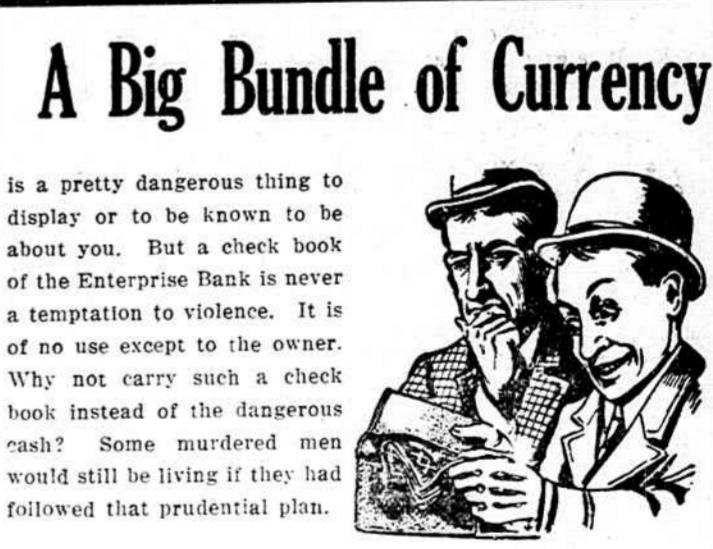
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