TROUBLE. Iwould let them trains, ten at a time, five minutes apart, packed with the maimed and the dying.

I would let them hear from frugmentary survivors, the incredible story of battlefields 150 miles with and armies that are greater than the entire population of Texas.

I would let them see graves 16 yards long and full, and Belgium, the country that was, nothing now but 12.000 spuare miles of wreckage.

Then, when they becam to suite stand to some slight extent, the magnitude and awfulness of this war.

"Now go back and appreciate the United States. Realize your opportunities. Don't start digging trem has when nebody is firing at you. Don't fall down when you have not been hit. Don't be blind to the most glorious chance you have ever had in your life.

"Go back and advertise. Get regdy for the most tremendous business boom that any nation ever had. Build your factories bigger. Train more salesmen. Borrow more money. Go ahead and thank God that you are alive in a land that is at peace, at a time when nearly the whole world is at war."

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New York Sun.

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THANKS TO WILSON

President Wilson has kept us out of a war with Mexico so far, and the result is there are hundreds of hus-bands, sons and brothers who have been saved from the bloody fate of Mexican battlefields. There is none of this: 110

But hitter tears are gushing For the gallant and the gay. Who now in death are sleeping On the fields of Monterey.

No, no; they are all alive yet. no homes broken up. No mothers, wives or sweathearts buried in grief—thanks to President Wilson and his policy of patience and peace.—Ohio policy of pati

State Journal.

The editor who wrote that editorial is a staunch Republican and he knows the awifulness of war for he was one of the boys who left mother weeping when he answered the call of Abraham Lincoln, instead of prating about "watchful waiting" as if that was reprehensible he thanks President Wilson for his policy of "patience and peace."

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WHAT IS THE MATTER.

Time for the Great Big United States to Get Busy.
Herport N. Carson, in Associated Advertising.
"What is the matter with the United States?"

As I have been residing in London since the beginning of the way, I have been hearing this question safeed on all sides, I have never heard nor satisfactory masser. No one seems to know.

Why are the American factories use Why are the American factories use.

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Why are the American factories not remaining night and day? Why are the railroads not opening up new territories and getting ready for the railroads not opening up new territories and getting ready for the railroads not opening up new territories and getting ready for the railroads not opening up new territories and getting ready for the railroads not opening up new territories and getting ready for the railroads not opening up new territories and getting ready for the railroads not opening up new territories and getting ready for the railroads not opening up new territories and getting ready for the railroads not opening up new territories not fifty American goods in place of the goods that were bought last year from Germany and Austria?

Why have advertisers become outsides the time when their advertisements were most needed and most effective in cheering on the business forces of the United States.

From the European point of view, the European point of view, the United States is a heaven of peace the thoughts of the formation of the real peace of the photograph on this page is a reminder of one of the most inspiring movements any where in the South to-day—the "mornight as not many the photograph on this page is a reminder of one of the most inspiring movements any where in the South to-day—the "mornight as not many the primary for all State offices, and must be primary for all state, and must be primary for all state, and must be primary for all state offices, and must be primary for all sta

Every tenth Briton has enlisted. Every tenth Frenchman is at the front. Every tenth Belgian is dead. What does the United States know of trouble?

If I could afford it I would charter the Mauretania and Lusitania, and the Mauretania and Lusitania, and the Mauretania and Lusitania, and the matter the Mauretania and Lusitania, and the carry on a crusade to get all who can read to read more. A state of the carry on a crusade to get all who can read to read more. A least of the carry on a crusade to get all who can read to read more. A least of the carry on a crusade to get all who can read to read more. A least of the carry on a crusade to get all who can read to read more. A least of the carry on a crusade to get all who can read to read more. A least of the carry on a crusade to get all who can read to read more. A least of the carry on a crusade to get all who can read to read more. A least of the carry on a crusade to get all who can read to read more. A least of the carry on a crusade to get all who can read to read more. A least of the carry on a crusade to get all who can read to read more. A least of the carry on a crusade to get all who can read to read more. A least of the carry on the carry on a crusade to get all who can read to read to read more. A least of the carry on the ca

Make your neighborhood a reading neighborhood and you will make it a leading neighborhood. Join the movement to teach all grown-ing liliterates to read next year if you can, but it any case bestir yourself to get all where the second papers that stand for progress they will eventually join with you in all the progressive movements you are interested in—Progressive Farmer.

LEARNING OURSELVES

News and Courier.

The war is teaching us to know our-selves better than before Our course of instructions in self-knowledge has only just begun, but it has already produced some interesting revelations. For instance, we have learned that we

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No effort will be made to cultivate diary cattle. Animals fit for beef are the special aim of the experiment. Among the stock tried will be Honduras cattle, which are of suitable build and immune against the fever tick. Cattle from the west will be brought in when the tick is thorough; ye liminated. The ultimate results of the experiment, the department hopes, will be the production of a couple of million steers fit for slaughter in the south every year.

THE NEWSPAPER

While the residents were away from home one night last week the lome of the W. J. Jiles, in Tyro township, Davidson county was ransacked by burglars and an attempt made to set it on fire. A feather rhed smothreed out the fire and the house was saved. Mr. Giles' new fees barn with a large amount of grain, farm machinery and other equipment, was set on fire and other equipment of the case of the easiest things in the world—and one of the chaepest. Take it all in all the newspaper is one of the case of the case of the chaepest. Take it all in all the newspaper is one of the case of the chaepest. Take it all in all the newspaper is one of the chaepest. Take it all in all the newspaper is one of the case of the case of the newspaper is one of the case of the case of the newspaper is one of the case of the case of the newspaper is the case of the case of the case of the newspaper is the case of the case of the newspaper is the case of the case of the newspaper is the case of the case of the case of the newspaper is the case of the case of the newspaper is the case of the case of the newspaper is the case of the case of the case of the newspaper is the case of the case of the case of the newspaper is the case of the case of the newspaper is the case of the case of the newspaper is the case of the case of the newspaper is the case of the case of the newspaper is the

THE MAN WHO READS IS THE A STATE-WIDE LEGALIZED PRIMARY FOR ALL OFFICERS THE SAME DAY

A primary essential of rule by the people is a State-wide logalized primary for all parties and for all officer the same day, safeguarded by a rigid law against corrupt practices. For the latter purpose the Australian is ascret ballot is a necessity. The compulsory secret ballot rubs the purchasable vote of half its power for evil Men are afraid to buy votes when they cannot go with their puchased men (if we do not alander the word "men" by so using it) to see that the vote is delivered as promised.

Here in North Carolina the dominant party pledged adsolutely to the primary for all State offices, and must give it to every county where the members of the Legislature fuvor it. If your members do not vant to give your people the benefit of a primary for county offices find out why. We already have a good corrupt practices act for elections which only needs to

four nations at the same time is significant.

CLEVELAND AND SMITH CASE IS SETTLED

On Wednesday of last week Judge Boyd of the Federal Court signed an order commanding William Cleveland and Powell Smith to the custody of Sheriff Wallace, of Mecklenburg county in order that they might be PRES, HARRISON PREDICTS IMtheir sentences for forgery and fraudulent practices, imposed upon them by judges in the Mecklenburg Superior court in November 1913. The prisoners allowed the time for appeal to pass and this is probably the last incident in this long drawn out case. Since they were first arrested in Alabama in the late summer of 1913 the two men have taken out four habeas corpus writs.

PRESIDENT HARRISON PREDICTSIMPROVED CONDITIONS

Pairfax Harrison, President of the Southern Railway, declared last Friday that the European war's effect on business conditions in the South is only temporary, that demand for cotton is growing and a general revival of business is at hand.

"The world must have cotton," he said, "and the demands both for exports and from the American manufacturers are increasing and there has been a substantial advance in preces ever since the lowest point was reached." He declared that the business and that they are taking intellige: steps toward securing this trade.

COUNTY FAIR

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Randolph must have a county fair and home coming week next fall Live stock should be one of the principal features of the fair. Poultry fuits, vegetables and everything else in foolish boast. Generally the men who make it have much spare time and are only accking to cover up their mental taxiness with a boast.

Will all its shortcomings, the newspaper is easily the most wonderful thing of this wonderful age. If you do not think so it is because you have not studied it deeply from all angles. To be out of touch with life. If it does not touch with life. If it does not touch world's life. The habit of reading has done more to increase the average length of life than any other thing, the boast of science to the contrary notwithstanding. It keeps the mind young by keeping it active; it stimulates interset in life and interest in life is what makes it worth living. The newspaper fore the reader's eye. Every day it allows him to view life from a different angle. It is a mental stimulus that keeps him off the rocks of despair. There is nothing finer than to be in touch with the world in its varied activities.

To criticise a newspaper is one of the cheapest. Take it all in all the newspaper is the best exponent of more and the mean and the mill will be saided, making 1,100 looms in all, and to be in touch with the world in its varied activities.

NORTH CAROLINA CROPS OF 1914 we have a county fair and home coming week next full in all the newspaper is the best exponent of the chapter than we did home coming week next full it all the newspaper is the best exponent of the capear to have an everything else the fair. Poultry fults, seventheles and everything else the fair. Poultry fults, seventhe he garden. Proveyes, cakes and everything else the fair. Poultry fults, seventheles and everything else the fair. Poultry fults, vegetables and everything else the fair. Poultry fults, seventhe the garden. Proveyes, cakes and everything else the fair. Poultry fults, seventheles and everything else the fair. Poultry fu

The Agricultural Outlook, the organ of the Department of Agriculture, funt issued gives some interesting North Carolina figures. The cotton crop of last year amounted to 950,000 bales at \$31,248. The apple crop was 9,000,000 bushels, which brought \$4,320,000. North Carolina is the second tobacco State, Kentucky being first. Our crop last year was 172,250,000 pounds at \$19,809,000. The corn crop of 1914 is worth \$845,000 more than that of 1913; and the whest crop \$475,750 more.

RELIGION IN CHINA

Lacy L. Little, Nineteen Yo lissionary, Sheds Some Light

Conditions. Newspapers Co-Opera-tingia Evangelistic Campaign. Rev. Lacy L. Little, whospent 19 cars in China as a Missionary writes a follows:

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"The writer is happy to state that
hina has not established Confuciansm as a State religion. On the conirary under the revised provisional
constitution, recently adopted, religous liberty is guaranteed to every
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After the overthrow of the Manchu dynasty and the establishment of a republican form of government, in 1912, the books of Confucius were practically abolished from the new so Government schools all over the land. Youn Shih-Kai, the President of China, is a fooliwer of Confucius, but the is also very favorable in his attitude toward Cristianity, Confucianism is not, strictly speaking, a religion; it is a fine system of moral tenders, but is lacking in the "power of at endess life."

The President saw that the public schools of China were suffering for the moral ballast that the teachings of Confucius had supplied under the schools that had been established under the restoration of the books of China seretest sage to the curriculum of the schools that had been established under the new system. This has been done. Furthermore, Yuan-Kais at stated intervals conducts the worship of Confucius and the adoration of "Heaven," and thereby places the stamp of his approval upon the whole system.

At the same time, the President is giving his warm endorsement and full support to a series of evangelistic services that are being held for Government students, in 14 leading cities in different parts of China. These meetings are under the leadership of Dr. G. Sherwood Eddy and are being responded to in a most remrakable way. At Pekin, a site for a pavilion, the Minister of War made a loan of 200 army tents to cover the pavilion; the Minister of Education and the strength of the first of t

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Similar meetings have been held at other centers with like results.

One hundred newspapers in various parts of China are co-operating with this evangelistic campaign.

A recent letter from China contains the following: "It looks as if the soul harvest in China is so ripe that the reapers can not gather all who might come in."

LACY W. LITTLE

Greensboro, Dec 28,

MORE POTASH COMING

American crops and soils are still as hungry for Potash as before the outbreak of the European War, which curtailed the Potash shipments.

Some of the Fertilizer Companies are trying to induce farmers to buy the one sided low Potash or no Potash fertilizers of a generation ago. This means a fertilizer that is profitable to the manufacturer, but not the best means a fertilizer that is profitable to the manufacturer, but not the best for the farmer. When the Syndicate in 1910 started the direct sales of Potash to dealers and farmers at reasonable prices, Potash sales increased 55 per cent in one year, a clear proof that farmers know that Potash pays. They know that Potash gives good yields, good quality and resistance to plant diseases.

Many of the Fertilizer Manufacturers are willing to meet the farmer's wishesand sell him what he thinks he needs. These manufacturers are now willing to furnish as much Potash as they can secure. They offer goods with 5 per cent and even in some cases 10 per cent Potash, if the farmer insists on it.

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Shipping conditions are mproving, more Potash is coming forward although the costs of production and transportation are higher. The higher price of fertilizers is not due wholly to the slightly higher cost of Potash. Much of the Potash that will be used in next spring's fertilizer had reached America before the war started.

There is no substitute for Potash. We can no more return to the fer-tilizer of twenty years ago than we can return to the inefficient farm im-plements or unprofitable livestock of that period.

THE CREED OF HUMAN KIND-NESS

The man who says that he is down and out is either a coward or a liar-for opportunity comes every day and for opportunity comes every may and knocks at his door. He is either afraid or is wilfully tryng to get out of its way.

Politeness is an asset to any man, Politeness is an asset to any man, even though for the moment adversity may have him in her grasp. If he knows how to be polite and gentle, the world will soon find him out, then he will be able to build from the ashes of defeat a mighty atructure which will stand the winds and storms of adversity and rise like a tower to show men the possibilities of being kind.

Know thyself, that you may fit your self to love and serve in full measure self to love and serve in full measure.

Be merciful, be generous, be kind, and so live that your every action will exalt men to do only those things which will make them readier to do their full duty towards their fellowmen.—Lula A. Stone, in Southern Woman's Magazine.

Mrs. R. D. Neely, of Brevard, while kindling a fire last week poured gaso-line in the stove, mistaking it for ker-osene, and in the explosion which fol-lowed she was very badly burned.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

MOONLIGHT SCHOOLS WILL HELP

Nothing is so important in North Carolina as to drive illiteracy from the state—it is the noblest and most human undertaking in our history.

With poor roads and isolated as much of the population of the state has been in the past there has been in many sections little advantage with association with educated people while the people are of the purest Anglosaxen blood, yet many of the adult population are illiterate.

When we say illiterate we mean those who cannot read understanding ly and write their thoughts on pape intelligently enough to express their meaning.

a will and drive out illiteracy and the rest will follow.

The mission of the teacher, preacher and newspaper is to lead to higher ideals. The people will farm, builtoness, schools, churches and hour as as good as they want.

Moonlight schools, as they are called, is the only way it can be done. Moonlight school is another name for night schools. They are taught at night and are usually taught by the day teachers free for the benefit of the adult population. People of all ages attend them. They are usually taught for a month in the summer time, and the older people learn more and better the second summer than the first. They are usually taught for a month or more. To teach our old people for their own sake is a great thing to do. The greatest good that will come from teaching adults in these night schools will be the impetus given to the education of the children through the opening of the eyes and the minds of parents to see and know what the friends of education are trying to do in their zealous efforts in this uplift campaign. The indifference and in some instances outright opposition on the part of parents has greatly retarded the progress of education. A few weeks in a night school will remove this indifference and opposition. The trouble with the illiterate parent is that he is shut out from what he cannot understand. He distrusts that which he does not understand.

Some one has put it this way to illustrate the hancful influence of illitustrate the

which he does not understand.
Some one has put it this way to illustrate the baneful influence of illieracy: A good loving mother sings
her child to sleep, and places it upon
the bed and covers up up its head
with a quilt. She had lots of work to
do and had learned that the child
would sleep longer with its head covered. But she had not learned that it
was being poisoned, affected with
scrofula, its lungs being destroyed.
She did not know.

Did you ever see a family of air or

scrofula, its lungs being destroyed. She did not know.
Did you ever see a family of aix or aeven sit down to a supper of bread spotted and yellow with soda, with sorghum, bacon fried in grease, boiled turnips and strong coffee, and after a hearty meal go to bed in one amall room with doors and windows closed to keep the "cold night air out"? The cause of all this and many other things which bring only one result disease and weakness of mind and body are lack of information and knowing how to do and how to live; in other words illiteracy is the cause. The right schools for adult's will break down the prejudice and distrust, and in the place of indifference will be hope and encouragement. Great importance will be attached to "learnin."
Enthusiasm for education and better farming, better living, more service for others will feel all with hope and inspiration.

anitary bospital have a certain monotony which forms a dull and dreary aspect to the sick person who must lie for the larger part of every datand final nothing else in his horizon. Some of the hospitals are now relieving this monotony by having pictures of various kinds painted on the walls in one hospital, in the children's dining room is portrayed "a festival of toys." In one of the corridors of the children's wards is illustrated the story of Cinderella. As Brayton says: "These beautiful and peaceful decorations may administer to a mind diseased and pluck from memory a rooted sorrow."

RHEUMATISM PAINS STOPPED

The first aplication of Sloan's Liniment goes right to the painful part—
it penetrates without rubbing— it
stops the Rheumatic Pains around the
joints and gives relief and comfort.
Don't suffer! Get a bottle today! It is
a family medicine for all pains, hurta,
bruises, cuts sore throat, neuragia and
chest pains. Prevents infection.
Mr. Chas. H. Wentworth, California,
writes:—"It did wonders fer my
Rheumatism, pain is gone as soon as
I aply it. I recommend it to all my
friends as the best Liniment I ever
used." Guaranteed. Zoc. at you
Druggist.

SPOTS BEFORE THE EYES

Almost every one at times sees fixed or floating spots before the eyes, and many popular misconceptions have arisen concerning them. This condition is not an indicaton of mpaired vision as is often thought. The most common form of these floating spots are the tiny transperent chains or strings, which are seen especially on a bright field. A shake of the head may carry them away, but they at once float back again. These spots are probably caused by the remains in the fluid part of the eye of certain cells which should have been completely absorbed in the development of the eye. Other floating spots are due to cobweb-like masses of inflammatory material which are thrown out into the field of the eye by some inflammation. It is a prevalent idea that the wearing of a dotted veil may leave permanent spots before the eyes. The veil may be a source of strain on the eye muscles in causing the wearer to avoid the obstruction on the field of vision, but it certainly is not the case that the dots or any other object seen can be permanently photographed on the nerve tissues of the eye.

CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REME-DY- THE MOTHER'S FAVOR-ITE.

"I give Chamberlain's Cough Reme "I give Chamberlain's Cough Reme-dy to my children when they have colds or coughs," writes Mrs. Verne Shaffer, Vandergrift, Pa. "It always helps them and is far superior to any other cough medicine I have used. I advise any one in need of such a med-icine to give it a trial." For sale by all dealers.

CONGRESS PASSES ANTI NARCO-

TIC BILL.

The Harrison bill for the suppression of illicit trade in habit-forming drugs passed the House December 10, after having been before Congress for over two years. The measure is to regulate the interstate sale of opium and cocaine preparations, the object-being to restrict the sale of habit-forming drugs to persons desiring them for legitimate purposes. The difficulty has been to so word the measure as to prevent illicit traffic in these drugs without interfering with their legitimate use by physicians. The bill as passed exempts the dispensing or distribution by physicians of drugs contaning opium of cocoal leaves or any of ther derivatives, provided the physician keeps a record of all such drugs dispensed or distributed, showing the amount dispensed, the date, the name and the address of the patient. If, however, the physician is in personal attendance, such record is unnecessary. unnecessary.

YOUR COLD IS DANGEROUS BREAK IT UP-NOW

A cold is readily eatching. A rundown system is susceptable to Germs. You owe it to yourself and to others of your household to fight the Germs at ence. Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honep is fine for Colds and Coughs. It lossens the Mucous, stops the Cough and soothes the Lungs. It's guaranteed. Only 25c. at your Druggist.

Imagination to Be Controlled.

Imagination is a great faculty if properly controlled. Uncontrolled, let cose to run its course untrammeled, loose to run its course untrammeled, breeding its kindred passions of prejudice, fear, hate, malice, it becomes a menace, haunting us with its fantasies and failacles, unfitting us for high purpose. Yet it dwells latent or potent in every human breast, master or servant, according to the strength or weakness of the will.

"When my boy, Ray, was small, he was subject to croup, and I was always alarmed at such times. Chamberlain's Remedy proved far better than any other for this treable. I am never with without it in the house for I know it is a positive cure for croup," writes Mrs. W. R. McCain, Blairsville, Pa. For sale by all dealers.

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BARE WALLS ARE A MONOTONY
The bare white walls of the modern sanitary bospital have a certain monotony which forms a dull and dreary leople that nations will not keep their very sorting to an international tribunal to settle all disputes between nations. The only answer to this is, that said, nations will violate their contract. That is mere assumption. Get the agreement in definite shape and the ribunal in working order and there never will be any violent protest to the sumption, too, but it is worth a trial. It is pointed out by the well-benefits the sumption and the provided that the provided as a sumption, too, but it is worth a trial. It is pointed out by the well-benefits the provided as a trial. trini. It is pointed out by the wpeople that nations will not keep their
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case now, but it will not be when
there is a general understanding.

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A sensibly constituted arbitral in the sensy for such a reference to gain the confidence of humanity. The world would despise a nation that would attempt to overthrow the judgment of a tribunal which it helped to set up. This idea is sure to prevail.

CASTORIA The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the Chart Hetchise

Cleaning Piano Keys.

Water should never be used to clean me keys of a piano, as it removes their polish. Rub them with a cloth dampened in slookol, which will remove all yellow stains and make the keys perfectly white again.