

GOOD ROADS HELPED IN WINNING THE WAR

St. Mihiel, (Meuse) France 5-11-19
Dear Editor:—

Today I received your paper of April 18, 1919, and I am positive it is the best edition that has reached me while overseas, although it carries the news of the death of the saddest kind to the soldiers that are over here, that being the death of Miss Daisy Nicholson, who was a most noted nurse in our grand old county. She was known for miles around, and was a noble character, for when a nurse dies it is worse than losing many soldiers, so says the King of England in a noble mention he made of the recent death of Miss Edith Cavell, one of the most noted nurses in the English army. Although Miss Nicholson never had the pleasure to be wounded on the battle fields of France, it may have been for the good of all that she was with the aged and infirm at the time of the epidemic of influenza last winter. Miss Nicholson will be missed by all her many friends for years to come. Also we read of the death of McDonald Siniard. He was a personal friend of mine, being in the same class with me at the Davidson River Presbyterian Sunday school several times it gave me the opportunity to be well acquainted with him, and I always found him to be a straight-forward and very bright boy, and he will be missed by the boys who knew him, when they return from overseas work.

Another article in your paper of that date is the one by Dr. Wallis on the subject of "The Dog," which is one of the most dreaded "pet pests" in the world, and as far as I am concerned I wish all the dogs in Transylvania county were exported to France or some other foreign country. (We would suggest Germany instead of France. Ed.) so our beautiful land of sunshine, flowers, health and happiness would be free from such pests for years to come. I take the liberty to commend Dr. Wallis on the steps he is taking to keep our good people free, as near as possible, from all such diseases that spread in our county.

I am indeed glad to see that the county has been so lucky as to obtain the services of Miss Cassidy as County Demonstrator, for that is one of the most useful services that can be rendered to a county which has so many progressive women and girls as our county has, and I wish Miss Cassidy all kinds of success, and will assure her that she will find hearty co-operation in the whole county, for the ladies know that is what we have been needing for some time, someone to teach the young and inexperienced girls of our county how to can and preserve vegetables for future use (or like the last war), where all a soldier thinks of is to get home and eat some of the goodies that are stored away in the different cellars and pantries. So Miss Cassidy, get busy this summer, for we can never tell when another war is going to call the proud American soldiers to the colors again.

In Prof. Henderson's article we find that he is in favor of good roads and so am I, and all the rest of the Transylvania soldiers who have seen how the French road has stood up and held the great amount of traffic that it had been required to, during the recent war, and I would like to ask a question of any one who knows anything of the French roads, and that is: "Where in Transylvania county or any other county that joins Transylvania, is there a road that will haul as much heavy traffic as the roads have in France?" I must say that it is wonderful. During the Argonne drive the main road from Clermont-en-Argonne to Cheppy, and Bantheville, was the only means of travel the hundreds of heavy trucks loaded with supplies that had to be kept to the front in order to keep the good work of driving the Huns back, and the way it held out and was so easy to keep in good condition is simply wonderful, but only goes to show that the French have the right method of road building.

So Prof., keep it up and let's have good roads too, for the good road is the making of any county. Farms sell for more, and bring more profit for the farmer, where he is making his own produce, so everybody pull together, and see what we can do.

I see that you are planning a Welcome for the Soldiers and Sailors when they return, and I, being one of the soldiers, wish to say that it will be appreciated by all who have seen service with the colors, so for my part, I thank you one and all for any kindness shown to returning soldiers, sailors and marines.

There has been a great change in the weather in the last week in this part of France, I returned from Furlough to Menton, on April 30, and after spending one week of perfect leisure, I have never seen any prettier weather, then dropped back to St. Mihiel and had plenty of rain and cold weather for three or four days, but now it is simply wonderful to sit out and enjoy the sunshine after so much rain for the last nine months.

Our Co. is now split up in small detachments and are working German prisoners on the roads between Verdun and Void. The prisoners are expecting to be released soon if the Germans sign the treaty, which I think they will. We will then go for the old U. S. A. for we have already been notified that we will be relieved of duty in France on or before May 30. The prisoners think that President Wilson is the greatest man that ever lived and the P. W. mark on their clothes stands for "Papa Wilson," and not "Prisoner of War". It is fine to sit and listen to them praise the Americans, especially Pres. Wilson, they say that he has been the whole making of the Peace treaty.

Well this letter is getting rather lengthy and as there is nothing in it either I will close and give someone else a chance at the type. Hoping to see all my friends soon and that they will have the best of health and best of success in all their undertakings, and the greatest success to the NEWS or the "Soldier's Friend" as it should be for the boys over here, I am

Respectfully,
GEO. F. WOODFIN,
Co. F. 20th Engrs. (Quarry) Amer. E. F. France, St. Mihiel.

If you have anything to sell, advertise it in the News.

TO THE HOME DEM. CLUB MEMBERS

One of the duties and privileges of the County Home Demonstration Agent is to aid the women and girls of the county in finding sale for their farm products, and in grading and standardizing these products, so as to command the best possible prices. Of course, it is understood that the agent does this service without any pay for it, as it is a part of her professional duty, for which she is employed. Already a few of the club girls have placed on the market thru this office lettuce, spring onions, eggs, chickens, etc.

If you have any high class products which you wish to market, if you will write to me or come to see me, I shall be glad to give you any assistance I can.

Sincerely,
Lula M. Cassidy, Co. Home DEM. Agent, Brevard, N. C.

GET SOME OF THAT SPRING LAMB AT SLEDGE'S.

DEATH OF MRS. SHIPMAN

Mrs. Jack Shipman of the Boyleston section, died suddenly Saturday afternoon and was buried Sunday afternoon in the Boyleston Cemetery.

NOTICE OF DESOLUTION

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:
All persons are hereby notified that the partnership of J. W. Duckworth, E. S. English and T. J. Summey, known as, and trading under the firm name of Duckworth Drug Company, is dissolved, and hereby register and publish notice of desolution as required by section 2539 of the Revisal of 1905.
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EVERY MAN TO HIS TRADE

In Siberian Prison Camps Each Unfortunate Exile Followed His Vocation.

Far more popular than the church were the library and the school, a regular organized high school-college, where law, mathematics, chemistry, ten languages and many other subjects were taught. Again, this part of our work rose out of a very humble beginning. The first school was held, almost secretly, in an old washroom, and ambitious Russian guards confiscated logarithm tables and French dictionaries because they looked so suspicious. And the teacher of geometry, who made those peculiar drawings, was arrested and taken for a spy, who taught how to escape with a plan of the camp. The library was born when the first Y. M. C. A. secretary arrived and gave six or eight books which he found in his trunk to members of the head committee to read, Johan W. Prinz writes in Asia magazine. The sport committee was in charge of the soccer field and tennis courts and in some camps there was even a gymnasium. A small bank was established for the convenience of those who wanted to borrow a few rubles on their official announcements from banks in Petrograd that money had been received from relatives in the central countries (by way of Sweden) and was on the way. Work shops were organized so that the tradesmen, the carpenter, the shoemaker, the barber, might turn to his trade and work for the benefit of his comrades. But the pride of the Y. M. C. A. was the American kitchen. This welfare kitchen was necessary because the Russians never gave the men enough to eat. Here they had a chance, once in a while, to get a hearty meal for a few kopeks; here a certain number of sick and poor could eat every day without cost. How many favorable comments have I heard upon those kitchens, which really became a blessing for the prisoners!

MAN OF IMAGINATIVE MIND

Among Many Useful Inventions of Seth Boyden Was That of Popular Patent Leather.

The first "patent" leather was the invention of Seth Boyden, who was born in Foxboro, Mass., one hundred and thirty years ago. He was brought up on a farm and educated in a district school and in the village blacksmith shop, where he spent all his leisure time "tinkering" and experimenting. His first invention was a machine for making nails and files. Later he invented a machine for splitting leather, and in 1815 he engaged in the leather business in Newark, N. J. In 1816 he invented an appliance for cutting brads and in the following year he perfected his "patent" leather. The leather prepared by this process gradually became popular, and until 1831 Boyden was principally engaged in its manufacture. He then turned his attention to steam engines, and made several improvements in locomotives. He took part in the California gold rush of '49, but soon returned to New Jersey, where he engaged in farming and produced a variety of strawberries vastly superior to any then known in both size and quality. He died in 1870, and his memory is perpetuated by a statue at Newark.

Birds That Are Useful.

It is in their relation to insects and other enemies of crops that birds are most directly associated with the welfare of man. It is not possible to give a hard-and-fast rule, applicable to the whole country, as to whether any certain bird is beneficial or injurious to farmers, but in the United States department of agriculture's farmers' bulletin 630, "Some Common Birds Useful to the Farmer," more than fifty species of birds common to farming sections are discussed. The birds treated in the bulletin are: Bluebird, robin, titmouse, wren, brown thrasher, catbird, swallow, towhee, sparrow, house finch, grackle, brewer blackbird, Baltimore oriole, Bullock's oriole, meadowlark, redwing, blackbird, bobolink, crow, bluejay, Pacific coast jay, phoebe, kingbird, nighthawk, woodpecker, cuckoo and bobwhite.

Radial Tether for Animals.

To tether his cow so as to admit of its having a large feeding range, and yet so as to be perfectly secure and require no attention, a Pennsylvania man adopts the following method: He took a pole, 20 or 30 ft. in length, pivoted at one end and fitted with an iron ring large enough to slip along from end to end. The small end of the pole was supported by a light metal wheel from some old farm implement, or a wooden one cut from a piece of plank. The animal was fastened with a halter chain, too short to get tangled up with the animal's legs.

The Blacker They Turn.

A letter received in this city from Roy Schultz, a Danville colored man, now in military service in France, tells of a good joke the colored boys had at the expense of the Huns. A colored division had relieved a white division during the night, when the Germans were sending over a regular shower of gas shells. The heavy fighting continued the next day, and a German prisoner taken by the colored boys was heard to remark: "We can't whip these Yanks, and there is no use trying. The more gas we send over on them the blacker they turn and the harder they fight."—Indianapolis News.

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