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HOW TO READ [BY A MARVELLOUS READER]

For three years the Editor of the Democrat has been reading after Norman Hargood in Collier's. For fearless fairness on all public questions, Mr. Hargood had put that magazine in a unique position. After he was forced to resign by the effort to strap him in a straight jacket, we wrote him asking his judgment on what was now the best thing to read to get the best poised independent view. We take the liberty of quoting part of his reply:

"About reading it is hard to say. I myself take recourse in skimming a variety of newspapers from everywhere, and especially in reading good books and talking with intelligent men. The Literary Digest is very stimulating in bringing contrasting points of view together. The Public of Chicago is a strong, independent, and intelligent paper. I always like to see La Follette's and the Commoner."

This flash light glimpse into the working habits and methods of one of the greatest of modern editors strikes us as well worth passing on to our readers for what it may be worth to them.

WILSON AND HIS TASK

Opportunity and responsibility are the twin sisters who have gone to live in Washington with the Democracy. Woodrow Wilson has been spoken of as having made "an errorless campaign." His poise in that unprecedented contest was indeed admirable. He will carry it to the White House with him, but he will hardly accomplish as much as the country expects of him. He is devoted to a policy of change, which must necessarily be slow. He realizes this himself, for he says:

"I know what you want, and we will not accomplish it through a single man nor a single session of the houses of Congress, but by long processes running through the next generation."

That is exactly true and if he can impress this idea on the country at large, his administration will be a success, provided the Judas kiss be not present in Congress, as it was in Cleveland's administration. Wilson is better fitted to cope with Congress than Cleveland. He possesses both tact and magnetism, qualities which Cleveland lacked, and yet retains the courage of Cleveland.

"This victory is no tawdry partisan triumph, no vote of confidence in the Democratic party as a party," declares the New York World, one of Governor Wilson's most influential supporters; "it is a mandate from the people, and we be unto the leaders of this Democracy if they falter in obedience to this mandate."

Mr. Wilson means to call Congress in special session just after his inauguration to begin tariff revision. A big majority of the congressmen-elect, interviewed by the World, have expressed themselves in favor of the special session. The people expect it. There is no time for delay.

THE WAR IN THE EAST.

In about two months of the Balkan war 150,000 men have been killed and wounded. The Turks have been driven back upon Constantinople and are now making overtures for peace. The Balkan League has sprung up in a day into a formidable military and political force, with which Europe will have to deal. One of the allies is Serbia who wishes to have one or more ports of commerce on the Asiatic sea. Austria-Hungary is strenuously opposed to allowing Serbia to pick her port and it depends upon whether Austria will fight to prevent this, as to whether there will be a general European war or not. Cholera has broken out in the Turkish trenches, and is decimating the

Sultan's soldiers faster than machine guns and bayonet charges. The equipment and the training of the Bulgarian army is the wonder of the war and is comparable to the Japanese for its sudden efficiency. The other allies are not so thorough. The great powers of Europe are hesitating as to whether they will permit the Bulgars to enter Constantinople in triumph, but the allies are not asking any favors of the powers.

DR. BROWN'S ARTICLES.

When Dr. R. Wood Brown, our versatile staff correspondent, went down to Raleigh to report the farmers convention for the Democrat, he inspected and wrote up the penitentiary. This report has attracted a great deal of attention. The Statesville Landmark copied it, and editor R. R. Clark quoted from it in his effective reply to Prof. Jerome Dowd, who had attacked our State institutions. On the 13th the Charlotte Chronicle commented on the article at some length. Dr. Brown is contributing articles of much value on local and State institutions, and next week he goes to see the Morganton Hospital, an institution doing a work for our insane which has attracted the attention of the nation's alienists, and yet one which our own people know all too little about.

A CURIOUS DISCOVERY.

Stefansson, the Arctic explorer, has discovered on Coronation Gulf, a tribe of "white Eskimos," and thinks they are a half-breed between European and Eskimo. They number about 1,000. He saw a dozen with blue eyes. Some had sandy beards. Capt. John Franklin glimpsed these "blond Eskimos" in 1824, and a Dutch sea captain saw them 250 years ago. They are believed to be descended from Norsemen who went to Greenland in the far past.

MR. ELLIOTT GOT RESULTS.

During the campaign we took occasion to compliment chairman J. D. Elliott on the effective work he was doing. Now that Democracy has swept the county, we wish to renew our congratulations. Mr. Elliott did a great deal of his valuable time into going with the candidates into every nook and corner of Catawba. He has reason to rejoice over his success.

Big Business Doesn't Fear Wilson.

As a last resort the Republicans overworked the old campaign trick that Wilson's election would mean a panic. The following are a few testimonies from big financiers, who have no fears of the future of commerce:

GEORGE J. GOULD—I do not believe that the Democratic Administration is going to exercise any restraining influence on business, which is now on a sound basis. The tariff adjustment cannot be made in a day, a month or a year, and any changes will be so gradual that business will readily adjust itself to the new conditions.

W. E. COREY, former President of the United States Steel Corporation—Mr. Wilson, I am convinced, will make an able and conservative business President and that the business of the country, as a whole, will realize great benefits during his Administration. That he will handle the tariff and other problems ably and conservatively, there seems to be no question. All indications point to a continuation of the prosperity the country is enjoying.

JAMES J. HILL—I feel better over the general outlook than I did before the election. An attempt was made to bring about a political revolution, but the American people, while desiring a change, showed their good sense by repudiating the revolutionary doctrines offered them and sticking to sound principles and established methods of bringing about their wishes. Gov. Wilson, a man of fine breeding and a deep student of the history of nations, has the training and qualifications which should make him an able President.

B. F. YOAKUM, Chairman of the board of the Frisco Lines—I am very much pleased with the election of Gov. Wilson. I am entirely confident he will carry out all the policies he has promised during the campaign. The Democratic victory does not by any means settle all the big economic questions of the day. In meeting these the Democratic party is on probation. The entire country looks to it for results during the next four years.

GALAX INDUSTRY FLOURISHES

Contrary to Reports, Northern Dealers Have not Discontinued Orders for Leaves—Concerning Blue Ridge Highway

Linville Falls Correspondence of the Observer

The announcement that the use of galax by Northern florists had been abandoned was quite startling to those who saw it here. It would indeed fill many people with despair if it were true, but it is not. Instead of "not a single order" having been received, the dealers are now buying green galax and in two or three weeks, when the sun and cold have bronzed the leaves that are exposed, the industry will be in full blast.

The dealers here and at Altamont, Jonas Ridge and other places in this locality have orders for more bronze galax than they even hope to be able to get. There is no diminution whatever in the business, except that the green leaves have not been bought as early or in as great numbers by some dealers as formerly. The reason for this is that if not shipped immediately and put in cold storage they are likely to be much damaged, so most dealers have, during this warm fall, bought only such leaves as they had immediate orders to ship.

Some of them have met with heavy losses in trying to carry green galax in warm weather, and have learned not to take the risk. One firm, however, has bought about 1,000,000 green leaves. The crop of bronze leaves will be all the better for not having been "messed over" to secure green leaves early in the season. The crop this year is larger and in better condition in the region than for several years before, owing to the wet Spring and the absence of hail that cuts and spots the leaves. Also, the insect pest that makes white spots on the galax has not put in an appearance. Altogether, the galax prospect is the best in three or four years.

Some one has been telling The Observer another fairly tale about the Blue Ridge; to the effect that the Crest of the Blue Ridge Highway has made the connection with the Yonahlossee Turnpike at Linville and that the road is now being built west of the Clinchfield line, on to Asheville. The fact is that there are seven miles of the hardest and most expensive kind of road building yet to be done before the road reaches its connection with the present road from here to Pineola and Linville, this connection being 13 miles from Linville and the Yonahlossee road. This connection is a mile from Linville Falls postoffice. About four miles of the Crest of the Blue Ridge Highway have been built, and that not completed as to surfacing, so your correspondent is informed. The work is being thoroughly well done and is costing more money and taking more time than was estimated.

When the road meeting was held here in July, President Joseph Hyde Pratt announced that a mile would be built every two weeks, but it has been found impractical to do so, for various reasons, one being inability to get hands until the wages were raised to \$1.40 a day. The width of the road has been reduced from 24 to 18 feet, which is wide enough for all present purposes, length being more desired than width.

Much work has to be done on the 13 miles of the present county road from here to Linville, which new highway will follow in a general way, with many improvements, including the taking away of a huge cliff at Altamont to avoid two bridges. This will require a detour to maintain grade. It is the hope of all concerned that this connection with the Yonahlossee road may be completed by a year from now. That will be doing well. At present Humpback Mountain stands between Linville and the Crest of the Blue Ridge Highway.

"Doan's Ointment cured me of crema that had annoyed me for a long time. The result was lasting."—Hon. S. W. Matthews, Commissioner, Labor Statistics, Augusta, Me.

Galax Industry Destroyed

Statesville Landmark
The Charlotte Observer says the galax industry, which reached extensive proportions in Watauga, Mitchell and other counties in recent years, and which was worth something like \$50,000 to the two counties named, has gone to pieces because the people who formerly bought the galax for decorations have changed to magnolia leaves, these now being the fad. Dogged if we didn't expect the Observer to say the failure to the industry was due to free trade.

CASTORIA For Infants and Children. The Kind You Have Always Bought. Bears the Signature of J. C. Ayer & Co.

GENERAL NEWS

Sixty thousand dollars has been subscribed for a new building for the Young Woman's Christian Association in Charlotte.

With Texas showing 3,699,124 bales, a greater quantity than ever before ginned to November 1 in any year, the census bureau's report, issued Friday, announced 3,849,898 bales had been ginned in the United States prior to that date. Oklahoma's ginnings, 593,366 bales, also exceeded any previous year's report for that date. In the period from October 18 to November 1, there was ginned 1,976,692 bales compared with 2,635,052 bales last year. In North Carolina 495,791 bales were ginned.

"Big Tim" Sullivan, congressman-elect from New York City is in a sanitarium Yonkers, N. Y., suffering from a nervous breakdown. He has been ill for nearly two months and his condition today was said to be dangerous.

William Vincent Astor will celebrate his twenty-first birthday on Friday. He will assume full legal control of the Astor estate and will be the youngest man in the world to have in his possession such a fortune.

Two thousand surgeons from all parts of the United States and Canada gathered in New York this week for the opening session of the Clinical Congress of America, which will continue throughout the week. During the week 995 clinics will be held in New York hospitals for the visitors.

COTTON BELT ROUTE Low Fares! On the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month the fares are extra low—and allow stop-overs free and 25 days time—via Cotton Belt Route to Arkansas & Texas. The Cotton Belt Route is the direct line from Memphis to Texas, through Arkansas—two splendid trains daily, with through sleepers, chair cars and parlor-cars. Trains from all parts of the Southeast make direct connection at Memphis with Cotton Belt Routetrains to the Southwest. Write to me today I will tell you exact fare from your town, schedule, and send you splendid illustrated books of farm facts about Arkansas and Texas. H. H. SUTTON, District Passenger Agent M. B. HOLTSFORD, Passenger Agent 109 W. 9th Street Chattanooga, Tenn.

First Southerner in Many Years
Charlotte Observer.
Woodrow Wilson, twenty-eighth President of the United States, will be the first Southern-born President since Andrew Johnson and the first Southern-born Democrat since James K. Polk. There has been no President of Southern birth and residence since Polk was elected, 65 years ago.

Lost Their Grips
S. T. Johnson thought himself a goner when Grippe took hold of him last fall. A 25c. bottle of Dr. King's Wild Cherry and Tar made it turn loose. Dr. King's Wild Cherry and Tar is a great La Grippe Medicine, and seems to cure all who take it. FORT MILL MFG. CO. Fort Mill, S. C. Tastes good, and sold by all medicine dealers.

Another New York Murder
New York has another murder. The body of a girl was shipped in a trunk from New York to Redding, Conn., and there thrown into a pond. Three missing teeth identified the girl as Grace Carbone, who was killed because she had been revealing "white slave" secrets.

CHICHESTER'S PILLS THE DIAMOND BRAND. The Diamond Brand Pills are the most reliable and most effective pills ever made. They are sold by all druggists.

Highland School Honor Roll

Below we publish the honor roll of the Highland School, this is a splendid school and has an efficient corps of teachers. We are always glad to publish these reports and would be glad to have one from every school in the county.

FIRST GRADE
Lucile Yount, Lois Bowman, Luda Hahn, Fred Holler, Lola Killian, Uris Huffman, Earle Huffman, Roy White.

SECOND GRADE
Cicero Barnhill, Viola Dumgarnier, Arnold Hyder, Mary Johnson, Macie Newton, Edna Sigmon.

THIRD GRADE
Cyril Bolick, Nettie Hawn, Vevie Holler, Christine Sigmon.

FOURTH GRADE
Lura Hahn, Letta Newton, Charlotte Hefner, Annie Sigmon, Willie Johnson, Zelma Newton, Joseph Johnson, Katie Hyder, Loretta Oline.

FIFTH GRADE
Clement Oline, Keith Hefner, Paul Benfield.

SIXTH GRADE
Elsie Newton, Irene Bolick, Hubert Sigmon, Marvin Newton, Homer Hahn.

EIGHTH GRADE
Ruth Hyder, Beulah Newton, Claud Hefner.

A THOROUGH TEST

One to Convince the Most Skeptical Democrat-Press Reader

The test of time is the test that counts. Doan's Kidney Pills have made their reputation by effective action. The following case is typical. Hickory residents should be convinced.

The testimony is confirmed—the proof complete. H. W. Jones, 620 Eighth Ave., Hickory, N. C., says: "I was annoyed by my kidneys for sometime. I finally procured a box of Doan's Kidney Pills at Moser & Lutz's Store and they did more for me than all the other remedies I had used. I was surprised and delighted by the results. They regulated my kidneys and toned up my system in a remarkably short time. One of my children has also taken Doan's Kidney Pills and thinks highly of them."

The above statement was given February 18, 1911, and on March 6, 1912 Mr. Jones added: "All I said sometime ago recommending Doan's Kidney Pills still holds good. This remedy is worthy of the highest praises."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50cts. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States. Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

The Youth's Companion Window Transparency and Calendar For 1913

The publishers of The Youth's Companion will, as always at this season, present to every subscription (\$2.00) if paid for 1913, a beautiful souvenir. This year it takes the unique form of a Window Transparency, to be hung in the window or in front of a lighted lamp. Through it the light shines as through the stained glass of a cathedral window, softly illuminating the design—a figure of Autumn laden with fruits; and all around, wreathed in purple clusters of grapes and green foliage, is the circle of the months. It is the most attractive gift ever sent to Companion readers.

Do You Get Up With a Lame Back?

Kidney Trouble Makes You Miserable. Almost everyone knows of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy, because of its remarkable health restoring properties. Swamp-Root fulfills almost every wish in curing rheumatism, pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passage. It cures inability to hold water and scalding pain in passing it, and bad effects following use of liquor, wine, beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often through the day, and to get up many times during the night. Swamp-Root is not recommended for every ailment but if you have kidney, liver or bladder trouble, it will be found just the remedy you need. It has been thoroughly tested in private practice, and has proved so successful that a special arrangement has been made by which all orders of this paper, who have not already tried it, may have a sample bottle sent free by mail, also a book telling more about Swamp-Root, and how to use it if you have kidney or bladder trouble. When writing mention sending this generous offer in this paper, and your name and your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Home 419 Broadway, Binghamton, N. Y. The regular fifty-cent one-dollar size bottles are sold by all druggists. Don't make any mistake and remember the name, Swamp-Root or Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

Mr. Rufus Gardner, of Morganton, has accepted a position in the Palace Barber shop. He is an artist at the business. M. S. Smith has gone to Merio having bought a half interest with his brother there.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

FOR WOMEN ONLY.

That is the nature of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription—the one remedy for women which contains no alcohol and no habit-forming drugs. Made from natural medicinal forest roots. Dr. Pierce tells its every ingredient on the bottle-wrap. Prominent physicians and some of the best medical authorities endorse these ingredients as being the very best known remedies for ailments and weaknesses peculiar to women.



Mrs. COFFEY.

Dr. Pierce's Medical Adviser, newly revised up-to-date edition, answers hosts of delicate questions about which every woman—single or married ought to know.

Don't blame the Grocer or the flour for poor results in baking—it's the low-grade Baking Powder you use. Buy



and you will always get best quality and best results. 1 lb. 20c.—3/4 lb. 10c.—1/2 lb. 5c. All good Grocers sell it or will get it for you.

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The Hickory Chair Manufacturing Co. are now ready to buy your Oak Lumber. Call or write and get prices.

Hickory Chair Manufacturing Co. HICKORY, N. C.

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On headwaters of John's River, two miles from Green Park Hotel, Blowing Rock, 65 acres. Fine orchard, 360 trees, Dulac Beauty, Albemarle, Pippin, etc. 6-room house, fine spring. Apply to Dallas Holler, Hickory, N. C., R. 2

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TAXES—First Round

I will be at the following places to collect your taxes. If you will pay them now while you have the money it will save both of us trouble. Please meet me and get your receipt. Long Island, half day, 9 a. m. to 12 m. Nov. 21, 1912
Monbo, half day, 1 p. m. to 3 p. m. " 21
Sherrill's Ford, one day, " 22
Terrell, one day, 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. " 23
Falden, one day, 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. " 25
Oliver's, one day, " 26
Lock Little's store, half day, 9 a. m. to 12 m. " 27
Hemmings, half day, 1 p. m. to 4 p. m. " 27
Walt Alley's store, half day, 9 a. m. to 12 m. " 28
Sandy's Cross Roads, half day, 1 p. m. to 4 p. m. " 28
Conover, one day, 10 a. m. to 4 p. m. " 29
Hickory, one day, Whitener & Martin's, 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. " 30

Respectfully, R. LEE HEWITT, Sheriff

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