

MAKING A TOWN A GOOD PLACE IN WHICH TO LIVE
(Topsy O'Roark)

I once heard Cyrus H. K. Curtis, the publisher, threaten to put an advertisement in the Chicago Tribune announcing that Philadelphia was the second largest city in the country—bigger than Chicago.

Mr. Curtis' contention was that Philadelphia was surrounded by separate political units, that you did not know when you passed from Philadelphia into these adjoining cities.

He believed that these suburbs should be counted in the Quaker City's population, and that if they were, the country would be started. Possibly Chicago, Boston, St. Louis, Detroit, Cleveland, Pittsburgh, San

Francisco, and some of the other contenders for titles would have something to say along the same line.

—Anyway, the writer wishes to observe that population is not the only index to a town's right to be proud of itself.

China has a larger population than the United States, but that fact doesn't cause Uncle Sam to hang his head in shame. Nor does the world recognize China's pre-eminence as a population center as a fact which in itself entitles her to high rank among the nations.

England has a smaller population than any major European country, and yet she leads the continent in so many lines of achievement that her pre-eminence is acknowledged.

As Americans, we all like contests, and healthy rivalry between our cities is to be encouraged.

Let us hold more contests and put them on the basis of health, good government, housing conditions, community spirit and some of the other factors that count toward making a town a good place to live and work.

625,000 BOTTLES SOLD IN NEW YORK

Biggest Thing Of Kind Ever Seen In That State, Says Big Wholesaler.

The fact that 625,000 bottles of Tanlac have been sold in the state of New York since its introduction there less than one year ago, is a big business item that will attract unusual attention throughout the entire East, for nothing like it has ever happened before. It breaks all records.

Mr. George B. Evans, manager of the Gibson-Sow Company, the well-known wholesale druggists, with branches in Albany, Buffalo, Rochester and Syracuse, recently announced that the preparation was now selling in their trade territories alone at the phenomenal rate of approximately 500,000 bottles a year.

"If the present rate continues," said Mr. Evans, "this state alone will probably require considerably over 750,000 bottles a year. This is a tremendous figure, but I am really conservative in making this statement."

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STATE TREASURER LACY CALLS FOR TAXES

Only Sixty-One Of The Hundred Sheriffs Have Settled For Year.

Treasurer B. R. Lacy is sending out letters to the thirty-nine sheriffs in the State, who have not yet made settlement for last year's taxes, calling attention to the fact that he is supposed to sue them for the balance due the State. The letter says the fiscal year ends June 30 instead of November 30. The change was made by the last session of the Legislature, and a number of the county tax collectors and sheriffs were not informed of the change or did not themselves find it out.

Consequently, on the advice of the attorney general, the treasurer took this misunderstanding into consideration and did not bring suit against those sheriffs who had not settled for the taxes on June 30. Fifty days have now elapsed since the time expired when the taxes were supposed to have been collected and turned over to the proper authorities.

Mr. Lacy wants to get in the collections from the 39 sheriffs who have not finished up their job for last year's taxes because he does not want to have to borrow money if it will be possible to avoid it.

Next year the treasurer will not have to worry so much about the settlements with the sheriffs, for the State levied no ad valorem tax for the present year, and all the money that is paid into the county sheriff's office will be immediately turned over to the county treasurer without coming through the State treasurer.

The only money that will have to be sent to Raleigh will be the license and privilege taxes collected by the sheriffs from time to time. This does not amount to a great deal, as compared with the money now being collected by the sheriffs. Most of the money coming from the counties now goes to the school fund for payment of teachers salaries.

This, according to Mr. Lacy, has been about the most difficult year he has experienced in getting money from the tax payers.—Raleigh Times.

Napoleon's Tomb Dilapidated.
(London Times)

Napoleon's original tomb on St. Helena has fallen into a sad state of disrepair since the body was removed in state to the Invalides in Paris 31 years ago, according to a letter received by Sir Lees Knowles a former cabinet minister, from a recent visitor to that remote island.

"I walked the five and one-half miles uphill to Longwood, Napoleon's old home," the writer says, "and inspected his much neglected tomb which is down in a deep corner of a deep valley—just a slab covered with dirty whitewash—no inscription unkept and surrounded by a circle of tall trees, and there was nothing anywhere to tell a visitor when the body was removed, or to whom the old tomb had belonged."

—The "Companions of Intelligence" is an organization of prominent literary, scientific and public men and women of Paris, formed to further the interchange of learning and art among nations. Dinners and lectures are given at which leaders of learning from abroad are brought into contact with those sharing their interests. An information bureau is also maintained where men of learning, specialists and engineers may be put in touch with their fellow-workers or aided in research.

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Druggist.

Birth Registry Neglected.
How old are you? When and where were you born? Can you prove it? In twenty-one out of the forty-eight States of the Union one can't be sure of answering those questions. It hardly seems possible that human life is held so cheaply that only twenty-six states are accurate in their registrations of births to be included in the "birth registration area."

At recent committee hearings on a bill which concerns data on births and deaths in the United States, witnesses brought out the fact that the United States was very backward in its records of "vital statistics."

A visit was paid to the Census Bureau and information obtained from Dr. William H. Davies, chief statistician for vital statistics of the Bureau of the Census.

"Yes," he said, "it is unfortunately true that even up to the present moment we have no authentic figures on which to base the number of births or infant deaths in the entire country. And that is in some measure true of deaths of all ages."

"In our 1920 report of vital statistics which we are now compiling it will be possible only to cover 65 per cent of the total population of this country. But that is far better than it was, for states are coming into the birth-registration area all the time."

"It is shocking, but a fact," continued Mr. Davies, "that up to 1915 we had so few authentic statistics regarding births in this country that we had to base our reports on what the census reports brought in. Then the Census Bureau, aided by private organizations like the American Public Health Association, started a campaign among the states."—Durham.

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J. G. HALL, Druggist.

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