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The Blue and The Gray

By Henry Watterson—in The Louisville Courier-Journal.

When William McKinley, as brave a Union soldier as ever went to battle, wearing a decorative Confederate button and carrying a miniature Confederate flag—trophies acquired from a bevy of pretty Southern girls—marched in triumph through the streets of Atlanta, ringing with enthusiasm, notice was served "upon all whom it may concern" that the War of Sections was over.

When William Howard Taft, as true an American and as sound a Republican as ever lived, named a Confederate soldier for Chief Justice of the United States "by and with the advice and consent of the Senate" of the United States, and the universal approval of the people of the Northern section of the Union, proclamation was made that the War of Sections was over.

Yet, long before either of those events, the soldiers of the North and South—the men who had actually fought the War of Sections—had composed their differences, had buried their hatchets and—at least in the border States—had blotted out the memory of old scores as they romped with children who could not distinguish the grandfathers who had worn the gray.

It was in 1895 that the Grand Army of the Republic held its first National Encampment upon Southern soil. That was here in Louisville. There were those who doubted whether the invitation and its acceptance might not be a little premature. The sequel showed them wrong. Never such a fusion of kindred sentiment; such an outpouring of brotherhood; such eager, spontaneous bursts of song. The big pot was literally put in the little pot. Hospitality took turns with patriotism. The welkin rang with the shouting

of the braves. Not merely the public places glowed with emblematic signs, but through street and lane—up alleyways and down by the riverside—every vista showed a flower garden of American flags. The walls of the city, the hearts of the people were clad in red, white and blue. From Maine to Texas, the cry went up in praise and thanks to God, "The War of Sections is over."

It was thought and said, if there should come a foreign war, the proof that the War of Sections is over will even more vividly and impressively show itself, and the foreign war did come. Its earliest victim chanced to be a Southern lad, With Wheeler, Fitz Lee and Wilson—the self-same Wilson who had captured Jefferson Davis—mated in Cuba, with Miles and Castleman in Puerto Rico, what more was wanted?

All went well again. The proud and happy American, whether of Yankee land, or Dixie land, had once more a common heritage—Kentucky a little in the lead, for Kentucky was the birthplace of both commanders of the rival armies that fought the War of Sections and holds the two spots in reverence and honor, caring lovingly for each as for a shrine, so that the glory, the name and the fame of the soldiers who wore the blue and the soldiers who wore the gray became interchangeable. Forever now they constitute a great national asset, dear to every American who loves his country and is true to its institutions, for the nation is at length as it was intended by the fathers to be and as it was thought to be until stress and trial revealed the shortcoming and welded it together as never before.

Better Farming in the South

TO USE FERTILIZERS MOST PROFITABLY

Fertilizers Supply One or More Plant Foods Without Which Crops Will Not Be Profitable.



J. C. PRIMORE
Agronomist

The ambition of every farmer is to make the largest crops possible every year, and it is his duty to make them when he can. But harvests of large crops remove large quantities of plant food from the soil. This decrease of plant food finally prevents good yields. And unless some provision is made for restoring and then maintaining production, low yields and unprofitable returns will continue to be the result. One cannot draw money from a bank unless he has friends there. Neither can the plant draw upon the soil and get the necessary food elements if the soil does not contain them.

Plan For Good Yields Every Year.
Every farmer should adopt for his land a system of farming that will give him good yields continually year after year. If this is done, he must feed the plants; for plants, like animals, must feed to grow. While plants require some ten or more elements for their growth, all, except three, are supplied in abundance in most soils. The three elements not supplied abundantly are nitrogen, phosphorus and potash. All these are generally deficient in most southern soils, and, therefore, have to be supplied in some commercial form to get profitable yields.

For a farmer to get the largest acre returns from his investment in fertilizers, it is necessary for him to know something of the conditions under which fertilizers may be used most effectively. He naturally asks: "Under what conditions will fertilizers prove most profitable?"
Fertilizers are used primarily to supply one or more plant foods without which crops will not be profitable. But there are conditions other than plant foods that may influence growth. It is very necessary that good growing

conditions be provided for the plant so that the fertilizer used may enable the plant to grow most vigorously, and, therefore, bring about the biggest yields.

Vigorous Seed
The fundamental, good growing conditions making possible the most efficient use of plant foods, are good seed, a good seed bed and good cultivation.

All planting seed must have strong vitality to germinate and grow rapidly. Seed should also be of a variety adapted to local conditions. Time and rate of planting must be given attention, for either one of these may very materially effect the yield of the crop.

Good Seed Bed
Conditions required in the soil for best plant growth, and biggest acre returns from fertilizers used, are a good, well prepared, finely pulverized seed bed. It should be mellow and firm, so as to enable the roots to penetrate freely and deeply in search of food and moisture, and to allow sufficient circulation of air. It should be well drained. It should be well supplied with organic matter, which aids in absorbing and holding moisture and improves the structure and tilth of the soil. Good cultural methods must be employed so as to destroy weeds and retain soil moisture.

If the preceding conditions are satisfactory for plant growth, then, and not till then, are crops able to make the most efficient use of plant foods within their reach. If any one of these unfavorable conditions exist, a plant cannot fully utilize the foods supplied in fertilizers. Under good growing conditions fertilizers are used very profitably, proof of which is furnished by thousands of farmers all over the South. Fertilizers contain genuine plant food, and, of course, have a marked beneficial influence when applied in sufficient quantity, and the plants are otherwise given a fair chance. The question now is, Are you striving to so improve your soil conditions that you may utilize the value of fertilizer to the fullest extent?

HAPPY WOMEN

Plenty of Them in Gastonia, and Good Reason for It.

Wouldn't any woman be happy. After years of backache suffering, Days of misery, nights of unrest. When she finds freedom. Many readers will profit by the following:

Mrs. S. W. Beattie, 807 E. Ninth St., Charlotte, N. C., says: "I was so completely run down and felt so tired all the time that I could hardly drag myself around. My head felt bad and I was so dizzy that I could hardly keep from toppling over. My kidneys were weak and acted irregularly. I was so nervous I couldn't stand the least excitement without getting all upset. Doan's Kidney Pills put my kidneys in good working order and my back became stronger."

Price 50c. at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Beattie had. Foster-Milburn Co., Prps., Buffalo, N. Y.

TO GIVE GRADUATING RECITAL AT LINWOOD.

On Thursday night of this week, May 10th, beginning at 8 o'clock, Miss Ethel Spencer will give her graduating recital in piano in the auditorium at Linwood College. Miss Spencer is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Spencer, of West Gastonia, and has a wide circle of friends who will be interested in her graduation. The public is cordially invited to attend the recital. The following is the program in full: Prelude—Op 28, No. 20. C Minor, Chopin.

Sonata—Op 10, No. 1, C Minor, Allegro Molto e con Rio, Beethoven.
"From the land of the Skyblue Water." "I Hear a Thrush at Eve." Cadmon, Miss Carrie Dixon.
Wiegand, (Cradle-Song), Josef. Valse, Burnham.
Scherzino, Moszkowski.
Polish Dance, Op 3, No. 1, Scharwenka.
Tarantella, Heller.
Concertstück, Op 79, Tempo di Marcia Presto grosso, Weber.
Orchestral parts on second piano by Miss Johnson.

Mrs. L. J. Wilson left last week for Chapel Hill where she will spend the next two months with her son, Dr. L. R. Wilson.

"The Iron Man" Has Arrived

Promises to Drive Indigestion and Nervousness Out of Gastonia.

The Iron Man, as he is called, is now in Gastonia. He brings with him a gust of good cheer. He is the personification of health and hope. Doesn't believe in disease; says there is no need of stomach trouble; that it is a crime to suffer with indigestion, nervousness and sleeplessness. Health is man's rightful inheritance. Disease is a foreigner and disturber. He advises everybody to take an iron grip on themselves and come back into the pleasant paths of health. "I am going to give all callers a taste of Nux-Iron and Paw-Paw free. I am going to have them feel better before they leave the store. I am going to convert the people of Gastonia, just as we have Norfolk, Richmond, Winston-Salem and Charlotte, to ironized Paw-Paw. "I shall be surprised," he says, "if this Remedy does not find its way into nearly every home in North and South Carolina. The first dose will make you feel better. You'll soon have a ravenous appetite and a stomach that will digest all you eat. It will fill you with rich, red blood and give you strength. It will rest your nerves. It will put color in your cheeks and gladness in your heart. These are strong statements, but I am going to prove them all before I leave Gastonia. I shall open Saturday morning at J. H. Kennedy's well-known drug store, and hope every ailing person will come in and see me. "THE IRON MAN."
—Adv



"IRON MAN" RECEIVING ORDERS.

U-BOAT PERIL IS SOLVED

NAVAL BOARD HAS "SUBMARINE CURE"

New War Machines Have Been Perfected by United States Inventors to Destroy Submarines and Armies—Thomas A. Edison and Assistants May Revolutionize World-War With Discovery.

(By International News Service.) NEW YORK, May 5.—Warfare will be revolutionized and the mighty world conflict may be brought to a speedy close as the result of an invention of the Naval Consulting Board. Not only will the submarine menace be removed, but newly destructive forces have been found to wipe out forts and other defensive works. W. L. Saunders, chairman of the Naval Consulting Board, announced the solution of these staggering war problems today.

While few details were given, it is believed the chief honors for the solution of the war menace go to Thomas A. Edison, president of the Naval Consulting Board. Mr. Edison and his naval colleagues have been at work for many months, working with might and main, to find a means of solving the big war problems, and chiefly the submarine menace.

With Yankee ingenuity sweeping the U-boats from the seas, Germany loses her chief weapon, and the admitted dangers of France and England arising from the ruthless submarine campaigns are removed. It may even open up the way for the invasion of Germany.

"We have submitted a concrete plan to the Navy Department," said Mr. Saunders today. "It is designed to handle the hostile submarine craft. It is not a theoretic plan, but one which is based upon actual experiments. More than this I cannot say at this time."

American naval officers who have seen experiments made with the invention have predicted that the European waters generally will be cleaned of submarines within a month after the new machinery of war is put in operation on the other side.

Mr. Saunders further announced that he was giving out news of the perfection of the invention to allay the growing fears over the U-boat situation.

After the statement had been issued Mr. Saunders was questioned by reporters. In reply to these interrogations he said that the invention could not only be counted upon to clear the war zone waters of submarines, but will "blast whole armies out of existence and raze fortresses of steel and concrete."

—Mr. W. L. Grice, of Norfolk, Va., spent the week-end here with his father, Mr. J. L. Grice.

—Mr. G. R. Spencer leaves tonight for Atlanta, Ga., to attend a meeting of the sash, door and blinds manufacturers of the South.

—Mr. and Mrs. R. C. McLean and Miss Mary McLean spent the week-end at Greensboro with Misses Rebecca and Katherine McLean who are students at the State Normal College. They motored to Greensboro and back. Misses Gene and May Withers of the city school faculty, also accompanied them.

—Mr. Alfred O. Lloyd, formerly secretary of the Gastonia Chamber of Commerce and now secretary of the Chester, S. C., Chamber, was in town a short while Saturday shaking hands with old friends. He was en route home from a business trip to Charlotte.

Danced With LaFayette.

The Orphan's Friend.

The boys and men who fought in the Civil War have passed over the river in great number; those still with us are bowed with age and have withdrawn from active life. The blushing girls of the sixties, their wives and sweethearts, have also grown old with them. The Civil War seems very remote, yet long before the majority of these men and women were born, a generation before the war was begun. Mrs. Missouri A. Hawkins was old enough to dance with LaFayette when he visited America in 1824. This venerable lady died in New York City last week at the age of 102. We frequently hear through the newspapers of people passing the century mark, yet it is rare that the proof of age goes with them. Among colored people and obscure people whose claims cannot be scrutinized, nearly all of the reputed nonagenarians and centenarians are around or even below the eighth decade. But here is an authentic case of a centenarian.

Citizens of Caldwell county are voting today on the question of issuing \$250,000 in bonds for good roads.

Thirty-eight more Tennesseans and Carolinians than the reserve officers' training camp can accommodate have qualified for admission.



SOUTHERN RAILWAY.

Arrival and departure passenger trains, Southern Railway Station, Gastonia, N. C.

N. B. Schedule figures shown as information and not guaranteed.

Arrive from
29, New York, Washington Birmingham
Newham 5:15 a. m.
42, Atlanta, Night Express 8:35 a. m.
39 Charlotte (local) 8:00 a. m.
26 New Orleans-Atlanta (U. S. Fast Mail) 8:53 a. m.
37 N. Y., Washington, (N. Y., Atla., N. O. Limited) 10:42 a. m.
11 Richmond (local) 11:30 a. m.
46 Westminster (local) 12:45 p. m.
12 Atlanta (local) 5:45 p. m.
45 Greensboro (local) 5:45 p. m.
38 N. O. Atla. (N. Y., Atla., New Orleans Ltd.) 7:51 p. m.
40 Atlanta (local) 9:38 p. m.
30 Bham-Atla. (B. spl) 10:25 p. m.
43, Charlotte, Night Express 10:45 p. m.

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