

THEY ALL WERE AMERICANS

Interesting Observations on the Product of the Melting Pot by Frederick Palmer.

Where were the foreigners? I wondered as I looked at the faces in the streets upon my return from Europe. The French, who had heard much of our polyglotry, asked this question when they saw our soldiers marching along the roads of France. In French eyes the men were all of the type American. Yet they included foreign born, as well as sons of every race in Europe, Frederick Palmer writes in Harper's.

Are you Americans? their adopted country asked of them in those trying days. They gave their answer in sacrifice at home and in battle, often fighting against an enemy of their own blood. Zallinskis, Einsteins, Schmidts, Bertellis, Katsanians won the Distinguished Service Cross, thrilling our pride with a new sense of nationalism. Had they now reverted to loyalty to the lands of their origin? If so, what had wrought the change in their hearts?

To my fresh view all the people were distinctively Americans in garb and taste; in their complexion, which our climate so promptly affects; in their brusque and frank civility, their intensity, their pleasures, and their restless motion. Later, as I became settled at home and more discerning, I might note that this or that person was of Swedish, Italian, Hungarian or Slav stock. Then I would see through the veneer, as I was told. But aren't most of us—again, not a new idea—who are "off the reservation," of foreign stock? My people missed the Mayflower and came over in 1636. I could not discern that the descendants of the Pilgrims were more American than I was or than a dark eyed telephone girl whose father was an Italian immigrant.

Not even in the mean streets did I find patches. I saw no shriveling babies in emaciated mothers' arms on bread lines in the European sense, though conditions were bad enough from the point of view of desired standards which must ever call our ambition away from stagnation of "everything is for the best in the best of worlds." In place of saloons in mean streets and average streets, new stores and restaurants had appeared. How clean the restaurants were compared to those of the same class in Europe? How wholesome was their atmosphere!

WAR ON DISEASE WORLD WAR

Health Problems of the Remotest Land Is the Concern of All Peoples.

The war against disease is a world war. Commerce carries dangerous infections, as well as goods and ideas. The health problems of the remotest land concern all peoples. More and more, nations are coming to recognize their interdependence in health as in industry, government, science, and culture. There are even now foreshadowings of world-wide co-operation in combating the maladies which have long threatened humanity. For this new campaign leaders are needed to extend the frontiers of medical science, to teach, to organize, to administer. Demonstrations are required to convince communities and nations that diseases can be controlled and even eradicated. The Rockefeller Foundation, enlisted for this world-wide campaign against disease, is co-operating with many agencies in five continents, is fostering the growth of international confidence and good will, and is seeking the fulfillment of its chartered purpose—"to promote the well-being of mankind throughout the world."

Fuel Oil for Railroads.

The great scarcity of coal has caused the Paris, Lyons, and Mediterranean Railway company to transform some of its motive power from coal to fuel oil consumption, which is about to be followed by the Chemin de Fer de l'Etat, or state-owned railway, and engines at its shops at Salntes are now undergoing changes for experimental purposes. Much attention is being directed to the announcement that the first named railway company is planning to equip 200 locomotives for fuel oil and install numerous storage reservoirs of from 40 to 100 tons' capacity at various points on its lines.—Scientific American.

Census Involves Much Work.

The 110,000,000 cards needed to record the population of the United States in the new census made a stack more than ten miles high. Without machinery it would be almost impossible to manage a census nowadays. It took seven years to complete and publish the census of 1890, and nine years to complete the census of 1880. By means of electrical mechanism which punches something like 4,000,000 cards a day, the cards are now sorted and tabulated in weeks instead of years. The device also saves expense and eliminates error.

An Obligation.

"Do you intend to vote at the coming election?" "Yes," replied Miss Cayenne. "And I shall wear my handsomest costume. Having secured the right to vote, every woman should feel it her patriotic duty to make it fashionable to do so."

SOAP AND SOCKS IN SUMATRA

Wearing of Hosiery Is an Indication That the Wearer Earns at Least \$20 a Month.

Soap and socks in Sumatra—ten years ago the observant mind of a consulate representative of the United States in that island would have devoted less thought to such matters, but now the internationalization of commerce gives soap and socks in Sumatra their place in the sun. The natives, it appears from a recent consular report, are more and more taking to wearing socks. Those simple garments of extremities, one judges, are becoming an indication that the wearer earns at least \$20 a month. American socks are well thought of, as are American soaps, but more socks and soaps from America can be sold in Sumatra if the American dealers in these commodities will give more thought to local taste in decorating the boxes or wrappers in which they go on sale in the bazaars. These buyers in Sumatra, like their soaps and socks done up in bright colored containers; in fact, they are inclined to judge the contents by the beauty, from their point of view, of the box. The picture of an American manufacturing plant leaves them cold, nor do they care for a wrapper decorated with landscape in colors. Particularly in the matter of hosiery, they like the box decorated with some brightly colored picture which catches the eye and appeals to the imagination by its "human interest." One judges that it would be good policy for American dealers in soaps and socks to discard their present containers and employ some of the artists who make covers for the popular magazines to design and paint them new ones particularly for the Sumatra market.—Christian Science Monitor.

ODDITIES OF GERMAN VOTE

Peculiar Sentiments Revealed in Recent Balloting for Members of Reichstag.

The total number of valid votes cast at the recent election in Germany for the 446 members of the Reichstag was 26,017,590. The votes that had to be thrown out ran into the thousands. One woman wrote on her ballot: "I am voting for you majority socialists this time, but unless I can get Westphalia ham that is made in Westphalia from now on I'll never do it again." Quite a few votes were cast for the Kaiser on the ground that "if elected the humiliation would serve him right." One man from Magdeburg deposited instead of his ballot a five-mark note without comment.

But the prize ballot came from Linden. It was a piece of wrapping paper, on which was written "Isaiah 12, 23-24." The verses read: "Show the things that are to come hereafter that we may know that ye are gods; yea, do good or do evil, that we may be dismayed and behold it together. Behold, ye are of nothing and your work of naught; an abomination is he that chooseth you."

PRODUCE NEW LIQUID FUEL

Spirit Known as "Natalite," Made in Papua, Put on Market Cheaper Than Gasoline.

The rivers in the sugar-growing districts of Australia will run less sweetly now that the government has removed the excise duty of a shilling a gallon, which has made unprofitable the local manufacture of industrial alcohol. Every year, so writes a correspondent of the London Times Trade Supplement from Sydney, hundreds of thousands of gallons of molasses have been run into those rivers because there was no profit in using the molasses to make alcohol; but the removal of the duty comes as an important part of the movement now under way to replace petrol with industrial alcohol and thus make Australia able to produce her own liquid fuel.

One immediate result has been the formation in Australia of an important company to manufacture industrial alcohol; and one future result seems to be that Australians who now speak of petrol will eventually say "natalite." In Natal a patent spirit which has been given this new name is already being marketed at a price lower than petrol, and the making of this liquid fuel is about to be undertaken on a large scale in Papua, where plants and trees have been discovered that are expected to yield about 73 gallons a ton. A hundred square miles of country have been reserved on which some 5,500,000 gallons of natalite a year are considered a reasonable beginning with the likelihood of increasing the output to at least 18,000,000 gallons when a system of replanting the land has been put in operation. The plan goes further, and will seek to engage farmers to cooperate by raising crops of sorghum, with an estimated yield of 80 gallons of industrial alcohol to the ton, for a share in the profits.

Washing Machine Activity.

Next to the automobile manufacturers, the makers of washing machines are now the greatest consumers of copper. The utility companies, which in normal times are large users of copper, cannot buy much now because they can't get the money. By washing machines are being turned out by thousands in an effort to make up the shortage of labor and machinery. The shortage of labor and machinery has largely been made up by the most of the washing machines.

PAINTED IN FIVE MINUTES

London Newspaper Tells of Meritorious Pictures Made Quickly by Traveling Artist.

While great painters have spent weeks—perhaps months—on a simple study, a young artist is turning out delightful views of the sea and country in five minutes, says London Answers. Impossible as this sounds, it is a fact, and the artist in question is Albert Cronkshaw of Manchester. It was an extremely dull day, with dark clouds overhead, when a crowd of holiday makers stopped to watch a smart looking man, mounted on a platform, transforming a plain piece of canvas into a marvelous scene of beauty. Every one forgot the dark, gloomy atmosphere as they were transported, first, to a beautiful spot in North Wales, and then to a picturesque castle. And it was all done in 10 minutes.

They were pictures to be proud of, too, painted with taste and an eye to the artistic. As fast as they were painted so were they sold to the admiring audience.

There is no doubt that there will be a great demand for "rapid" artists in the near future, when we get some of those promised houses built, and undoubtedly the economical housewife will be on the lookout for good, cheap pictures to beautify the walls of her domain. She need search no further than the traveling artist, who will complete a picture in five minutes and charge less for it than almost any art dealer.

Here, too, is an opportunity for any discharged soldiers who are artistically inclined. In a neat little hand book issued by the traveling painter they will find all the businesslike methods explained clearly and simply. It is a really useful short cut to rapid painting.

Slowing Down Production.

"How do you like the new hired man?" "I like him first rate," replied Farmer Cornstossel. "But I've got my doubts about whether we can afford to keep him. He talks so interesting about political economy and things that everybody wants to quit work an' listen."

Funeral Arrangements.

Teacher—What is the presidential succession law, John? John—the presidential succession law provides that if both president and vice president die the cabinet members will follow in succession.—Boys' Life.

Rules for "Knights" of the Road.

What should a driver do? The rules are very simple:

- Keep to the right of the road.
Slow down at crossings.
Signal for a stop or turn to the cars behind by holding out the left hand.
Apply brakes slowly. Change speed rates slowly. Drive carefully.
Be prepared to help any motorist in trouble in roads distant from garages.
Be prepared to give pedestrians "lifts" on country roads.
Stop car and engine when meeting drovers with sheep, swine or cattle on country roads.
Park only at side of roads, leaving fair way.

When buying produce in the country park alongside road, not on road. When parking at night leave warning lights.

Have headlight dimmers and use them when meeting and passing other motorists at night.

When picnicking, do not trespass to gather wild flowers, tree branches, blossoms, fruit or shrubs.

When picnicking, carefully put out picnic fires. When picnicking, clean up thoroughly, removing from sight all cans, papers and rubbish.

Give all vehicles, especially loaded trucks, a good half of the road.

Take hills on the right side of the road. Go over the crest carefully. Avoid coasting or speeding around curves at foot of hills.

Be courteous to pedestrians. Do not drive your car at them full tilt and laugh when they jump. Do not splash water on them as they stand at crossings or near curbs, waiting for you to pass.

Avoid street cars carefully at stops. Learn and follow the local traffic rules, speed limits and driving ordinances. These are made for the common good of all drivers, including yourself, and of all pedestrians.

With these practices universally followed by drivers, motoring will maintain its safety, its freedom, its standing and its favorable acceptance by the community. Five years ago such suggestions as these were unnecessary. Today, when each eleventh person owns a car, it is vitally necessary to have drivers recall the days of chivalry. Crowded and still more crowded streets and roads have produced a nation-wide problem, whose simplest solution is a return to the courtesy of the days when knighthood flourished.

The automobile is too vital to the nation, too much a part of the blood and bone of the country's economic life to have its use curtailed through the failure of its users to follow the rules of simple courtesy and safety.

"How do you like that typist I sent you? Is she accurate and careful enough for you?" "No doubt of her being careful enough," was the reply. "She stops and asks me how to spell every word."—Houston Post.

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