

WEST VIRGINIA ITEMS OF NEWS

Killed by Woman. Roy Fizer, 18, a machinist in N. & W. shops at Bluefield, was shot and killed by Mary Ratcliff, of South Charleston. Shooting was result of quarrel. The young woman was placed in jail.

War Veteran. Zachariah S. Blake, civil war veteran and husband of Mrs. Elizabeth Winn Blake, the spiritualist medium, died Monday at his home at Coryville, O., opposite Huntington, W. Va. His wife, one son and two daughters survive.

Appointed Sponsor. Huntington has been complimented by the appointment of Miss Hazel Hatfield, the lovely daughter of former Governor and Mrs. H. D. Hatfield, as sponsor for the West Virginia division United Confederate Veterans for the general reunion which will be held at Atlanta, October 7-10.

Centenary Institutes. Centenary and Sunday school missionary institutes will be held by the M. E. Church South next month at Huntington, Williamson, Logan and St. Albans. Rev. O. F. Williams, presiding elder, announced. The purpose of the conference is to keep alive the centenary spirit and the organization of the men who backed this movement.

Prof. Davis Doing Well. After an operation for appendicitis in Cincinnati, Prof. A. C. Davis, of our public schools, is doing very well and it is hoped that he will soon be able to resume his duties in connection with the schools here. Mrs. Davis accompanied the professor to Cincinnati. Williamson News.

Rev. O. F. Williams, presiding elder, Huntington district, was in Jackson county this week on a hunting trip. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lawson moved from Williamson, W. Va., to Columbus, Ohio, in order to be with their son and daughter who are in school there.

WAYNE ITEMS

Died on Train. Fatally injured in a mine accident, Fred George of Inez, Ky., died at Willsondale on the train. George was injured by falling slate in the Borderland mines. In charge of his brother and brother-in-law he was being rushed to the Ashland hospital when death occurred. The body was taken to Kenova where it was prepared for burial and shipped to his home at Inez for burial. The deceased was 29 years of age.

Real Estate Deal. A real estate deal of unusual interest to the general public was consummated when the property owned and occupied by Dr. L. W. Taylor was sold to Everett Bloss. By the terms of the deal Mr. Bloss will take over the stock and will consolidate it with the stock he now has in the K. of P. building. Dr. Taylor has purchased property in Huntington and expects to move there about October 1. Mr. Bloss will move his family to the rooms over the store building.

Confederate Veteran. Capt. J. M. Ferguson, of Ashland, visited Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Ferguson at Edinwood last week. The Captain is a Confederate veteran, having been wounded in one of the civil war engagements. He plans to return to Wayne again for the county fair in October. Mr. Ferguson's daughter, Mrs. L. N. Pollock, also of Ashland, was with her father here.

CATLETTSBURG

Move to Williamson. "Rush" Williamson's homestead was sold for \$24,000 including several tenement houses and furnishings, to George Charles, who will reside there in the near future. Mr. and Mrs. Williamson will locate in Williamson, W. Va.

Mrs. Rice Dead. Mrs. Hiram Rice, aged 54 years, died of tuberculosis, and was buried at the Rice graveyard on Chadwick's creek. She was a splendid woman and had been ill for a long time.

Move to Farm. Mr. and Mrs. John H. Hatcher have moved to their new home on the Cannonburg pike. Miss Ocie Rice, who resided with them, is now with her sister, Mrs. Hale. Miss Rice, a most attractive young girl, is an able assistant in the county clerk's office.

Marriage Permits. Walker Collins, 21, Williamsport, Ky. Flora Dennison, 21, Paintsville. Herman Andrews, 31, Garrett, Ky. Mary Marie Cole, 17, Ashland. Frank Thomas, 23, Ratcliff, Ky. Carrie Wells, 26, Ashland.

Go to Summersville. Rev. and Mrs. Bostwick, son Ernest and daughter Esther have left for Rev.



"I-Z-E" The above is quite as correct a way to spell "E-Y-E-S" as cheap, window-pane glasses are as correct a way to remedy eye-troubles. When you buy glasses that are not fitted to your own individual eyes you are buying trouble for yourself.

If you have eye-trouble, or suspect that you have them, consult our expert optician for relief. He will gladly advise you just what your individual needs happen to be. LAKE POLAN, M. D. HUNTINGTON OPTICAL CO. 224 2nd Street, Huntington, W. Va.

Bostwicks new charge at Summersville, W. Va. Rev. Bostwick and family came here from Louisa and have resided for a few months in the Borders flats. Rev. Bostwick was recently admitted to the Western Virginia conference, M. E. Church South, and was assigned to the charge at Summersville. Previously he had been a minister of the M. E. Church. He is quite an able preacher.

Hampton-McCosh. Mr. Duncan McCosh, of Toronto, Canada, and Miss Frances B. Hampton, of Ashland, were married in Huntington, W. Va., Monday. Miss Hampton is a Red Cross nurse and returned a few months ago from France, where she had been during the war. She is a sister of Judge W. J. Hampton.

This marriage is the culmination of a war love affair, Miss Hampton going to France and England in May 1917, as a Red Cross nurse, met Capt. McCosh of the Canadian service upon her arrival in France. Their friendship was soon established and a marriage engagement followed while both were in service. Capt. McCosh was sent home to Canada an invalid in 1918, and Miss Hampton was met by him and other members of his family upon her arrival from overseas service in New York during the spring of 1919. The bride is a descendant of one of Kentucky's finest families, her ancestors including lawyers and ministers of distinction. Her father, the late Oliver Hampton, was a lawyer of prominence and this young lady, in her career as a Red Cross nurse in the service of the British, exhibited all the characteristics for which her forefathers are renowned.

Pemberton-Holmes. Saturday afternoon Mr. John Holmes, of Charleston, W. Va., and Miss Margaret Rob Pemberton, of Prestonsburg, were united in marriage in Ashland. The bride who is very attractive wore a becoming costume of blue tulle with hat and gloves to harmonize. Witnessing the ceremony were Mr. and Mrs. Pemberton, Mr. Pemberton being a brother of the bride, and also a sister of the bride was present. The groom is head of a large firm in Charleston as advertising manager and is a prominent man in business circles. The couple left for Prestonsburg, where they will visit the bride's home folks for awhile before going to Charleston to make their future home.

Prominent Men Here. Tom Hatcher, prominent Pikeville politician, was in the city recently. Prof. F. C. Butler, of Frankfort, was another notable in the city, leaving for Louisa.

From Big Sandy. Mrs. J. P. Hutton, of Buchanan, was here Tuesday shopping. She was accompanied by Dr. W. J. Walters, of Pikeville, who was taking his son Walter Preston Walters to Staunton, Va., where he will enter school.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Francis motored here from Huntington, accompanying Mrs. Francis' mother, Mrs. D. L. Francis, of Pikeville, who had been visiting them at their home at Huntington. The two ladies returned to their home at Pikeville. D. V. Perry, of Van Lear, who underwent a surgical operation upon the eye the latter part of the week, the work of an Ashland specialist, was able to leave Monday for his home.

PIKEVILLE

Thos. Dis Injured. Thomas Dis of this place received a broken back in a railroad accident near here a few days ago. He was taken on a special train to Huntington to the C. & O. hospital.

Court News. Perlin Taylor, on trial for his life for the second time, charged with the murder of Henry Bostic, was acquitted by a jury in the Circuit Court. The trial took up two days, but the jury was not long in agreeing upon a verdict of not guilty. Mr. Bostic was an elderly man, and when his body was found a large sum of money he is supposed to have had was missing. Both murder and robbery was charged. The defendant Taylor was a youth of 17 years. He lives on Levisa Fork. The first trial resulted in a disagreement of the jury.

John Allen, of Freeburn, on Peter creek, charged with the murder of Henry Stiltner, was acquitted after a brief trial.

Killed in Mine. Burnie Johnson, from Dorton, was instantly killed at the Ellwood mines by falling slate. It is said that he was cautioned of the danger in the particular place by the foreman when the fatal slate fell. He lived only 50 minutes after the accident.

Preacher Aided Moonshiners. G. W. Stanley, many years a minister of the gospel, of Ash Camp, confessed to aiding and assisting in moonshine stilling and was put under a \$500 bond by Commissioner Steele here Saturday.

Billiter Wins Nomination. In the three-cornered fight here over the Republican nomination for State Legislator, J. O. Billiter won out in the contest before Circuit Judge J. E. Childers. Returns from the August primary gave the nomination to H. M. Hoskins with a lead of 5 votes over Billiter. Phillips running a close third. Billiter instituted contest proceedings, charging that in Heller precinct 100 votes had been forged for Hoskins. No defense was made by Hoskins. The grand jury returned indictments against G. Tom Hawkins, Joe L. Ratliff, F. C. Anderson and G. W. Johnson, election officers, charging them with forgery.

Theater Party. Miss Katherine Keel gave a theater party in honor of Miss Violet Walker, who will leave for Oklahoma soon. Misses Minta Steelman, Thelma Morgan, Nancy Smythe, Lottie Mae Rogers, Elva Blevins Ruth Crawford, Ruth Greer, Mrs. Lillian Hatcher, Mrs. Grady Whitman, Messrs. Carl Watson, Doris Musick, Jessie Aldridge, Hubert Davy, Albert Biggs, A. B. Brook, Carl Young, Robert Oak, and Winston Connolly were present. After the movies refreshments were served at Katherine's.

Local and Personal. Rev. Walter C. Harris and family, who have been guests of relatives here for some time, have gone. Mrs. Harris and the children are guests of relatives in Pikeville. Mr. Harris has returned to his charge at Ansted, W. Va. He was not transferred this year. W. R. Thomas, former school teacher of this county, now superintendent of 1000 acre fruit farm at Ona, W. Va., near Huntington, was here this week. He is interested in some timber. A. L. Stone, of New Orleans, La., was in the city a few days ago. He is looking fine and his four years stay in the far south has wrought quite a change. A few months ago the Prestonsburg Oil & Gas Co. was organized by some of Prestonsburg's progressive business men, for the purpose of obtaining leases in Simpson county, and as a result of their foresight and business judgment, they are now the proud possessors of what is now known to be some of the most valuable oil producing property in the entire county.

Henry Patrick and daughter recently returned from Westchester, Wash., and are guests of friends here. Mr. Patrick has sold his fruit ranch in Washington and is looking over the business opportunities in Eastern Kentucky. Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Morell and three daughters of Hickory, N. C., were guests this week of his brother and sisters here. They were called to Pike county on account of the death of Mrs. Morell's mother, Mrs. R. T. Marrs. Rev. W. H. Nesbitt and wife of Mackay, Greenup county, who have been visiting their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Brown, have returned home. Rev. H. K. Moore and family left Thursday for his new charge at Russell. His going is a source of great grief to the entire town.—Post.

PRESTONSBURG

Mrs. Julia Cooley, of Water Gap, wife of James M. Cooley and mother of superintendent of schools Harry N. Cooley, died Thursday. She was 72 years of age and had been ill of Bright's disease for about five weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Cooley are among the oldest and best known citizens of Floyd county, and are widely related. They have been married for forty-nine years and six children were born to this union, but only two, Supt. H. N. Cooley, of Prestonsburg, and Warren Cooley, of Dwaile, with her long devoted husband, survive her. Mrs. Cooley had been a member of the Methodist church since she was fourteen years old. Her funeral conducted by Rev. H. K. Moore took place from her late home.

Breaks Her Arm. Emma Alice Wells, daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth Wells, fell off the porch last Saturday and broke her arm. Her arm was set immediately, but in order that she might know that the bones were adjusted, Mrs. Wells took her to Huntington, W. Va., where an X-ray examination showed it had been properly done. She was accompanied by Dr. G. D. Callihan.

Died At Weakabury. Laura May Friend, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Friend, of Weakabury, died at her home Friday, Sept. 12. She was taken ill suddenly and for awhile was unable to speak. When she recovered the power of speech she told her parents she had fallen and hurt her head. Her death is supposed to have resulted after three weeks from this injury, and is doubly sad in that her young parents buried her at Printer, Ky., beside the grave of a younger sister who died less than a year ago.

Senator John W. Combs, of Hindman died Thursday, Sept. 15. He was taken suddenly ill, death resulting within an hour of so from heart failure. Mr. Combs was born in Perry county about sixty-two years ago, where he served two terms as sheriff. Later he moved to Knott county where he served as U. S. gauger and commissioner for several years. He also was Republican senator from his district from 1904-1908. For the past few years he has been a traveling salesman. Mr. Combs is survived by his widow and seven children, five sons and two daughters, as follows: E. F. Combs of Prestonsburg; Monroe Combs, of Hindman; Mrs. Allie Fair Daniels, of St. Louis; Josiah H. Combs, of Washington, D. C.; A. B. Combs, of Prestonsburg; George Dennis Combs, of St. Louis, and Miss Dora Combs, of Hindman. His funeral and burial took place at Hindman.

Martin-Osborn. Mrs. Julia Morgan Martin, popular young widow of Lacey, was united in marriage to Mr. William Henderson Osborn, well known business man of East Point. They will make their home at Lacey.

Mrs. Meadows Dead. Mrs. Joe Meadows died at the Louisa hospital Sept. 17, following an operation the previous day for appendicitis. She was before her marriage Miss Ruth Garrett, of Water Gap, and had been married only a few months.

Bought Property. Sherman Nunney bought from J. C. B. Auxier of East Point, the house and lot on Court street occupied by Woods restaurant for \$2,750. Mr. Nunney also bought of W. S. Harkins the brick store and lot on corner of Upper Cross and Third streets occupied by J. H. Nunney, for \$4,500. Mr. Nunney will build a modern brick on the Auxier lot.

Mrs. Hatfield Dead. Mrs. Alice Hatfield, of Wheelwright, wife of I. H. Hatfield and daughter of W. R. Hall, died at her home of paralysis of the heart. She was 35 years of age and had been in poor health for about seven years. Mrs. Hatfield was the mother of five children, one son and four daughters; the eldest is eighteen, the youngest four. These and her husband survive her. She was buried at Melvin, mouth of Jacks creek.

School Opens. The city graded school opened Monday morning with the following teachers in charge: W. S. Wallen, eighth grade; Mrs. J. D. Mayo, seventh; Mrs. Wellman, sixth; Mrs. Lee Harris, fifth; Mrs. G. W. Stephens, fourth; Miss Treas May, third; Miss Anna Martin, second; Miss Ora Lee Hatcher, first.

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Public School. Prof. W. B. Ward, head of the school, was unable to be present on the first day on account of being in a hospital for treatment. His foot was amputated recently and is causing him considerable trouble. About 500 pupils were enrolled. The following are the teachers: W. B. Ward, Supt., Mr. Smith, J. Melvin Hall, Lillian Newcomer, Mayme Walker, Mayme Combs, Carrie Stafford, Mrs. P. T. Holbrook, Miss Williams, Blanche Ward, Carroll Yeager.

PAINTSVILLE

Girl Burned. A small daughter of Turner Spradlin was probably fatally burned Monday. It is said that she attempted to kindle a fire in the cook stove with blasting powder. She put the powder in the stove, the powder flashing up and igniting her clothing.

College Opens. The Jno. C. C. Mayo College opened Sept. 10 with bright prospects. A large number of our citizens attended the opening. Following are the teachers: H. G. Sowards, Pres., H. E. Copeland, Jas. R. Gordon, Roy Perry, Miss Kate Rucker, Miss Ora Mae Preston, Miss Ruby Burgess, Miss Lela Blackmon, Miss Selena Dorricott, Miss Mary A. Lyons, Miss Annie Hill, Miss Carrie Burgess, and Geo. W. Butcher.

Local and Personal. Mrs. Carrie Stafford attended the Southern Methodist conference in Ravenswood, W. Va. Mr. H. C. Sales and little daughter, of Edgerton, W. Va., have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jas. W. Auxier. Mrs. Sales is visiting her father, Geo. B. Rice, at Hager Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. R. Hurt and daughter, Mary Esther, and son, Hilarie, of Ashland, were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Rice. Dr. and Mrs. W. T. Atkinson visited relatives at Gallup recently. Josephus Daniels, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Daniel, of Mingo, is in the Navy. He is in the radio department learning wireless telegraphy, and while there met the Secretary of the Navy, Josephus Daniel.

The Red Bush Community Fair was held at Red Bush on Sept. 23 and 24. F. M. Patrick, of Fayetteville, Ark., was a recent visitor of his brother, R. A. Patrick. He is visiting relatives in Magoffin county.

Leut. Col. Will Rice, son of Geo. B. Rice, of Hager Hill, was here the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Rice. Col. Rice has just returned from France. Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Hager will leave the first of October for Florida where they will spend the winter. Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Hodel will occupy the Hager residence. Mr. and Mrs. Jas. W. Turner accompanied their son Douglas to Asheville, N. C., where he will enter college.

NOTICE OF ELECTION. WHEREAS, at a Special Term of the Lawrence Fiscal Court held for Lawrence county, Ky., on the 5th day of August, 1915, and by a unanimous vote of the Justices, they all being present except R. C. Miller, it was the sense of them and the Court to submit to the voters of Lawrence county, at the November election, 1915, the question as follows, viz:

"Are you for a property tax of 20 cents on each One Hundred Dollars worth of property in the county, to be levied each year for 5 years, for the purpose of improving or constructing, either or both, the roads and bridges of the county?" No amount of money in excess of the amount that can be raised by the levy in any one year shall be expended in that year. The Sheriff of Lawrence county is directed to advertise the time and purpose of the election and the amount of tax to be levied in each year in the paper published in the county, having the largest circulation for thirty days before the election as required by law. W. M. TAYLOR, Sheriff.

FARMS FOR SALE. One 200 acre tract, 40 acres overflowed bottom land; 2 good dwellings, 2 good barns, price \$7200. Terms easy. One 143 acre tract, 25 acres good bottom land, 2 story dwelling, barn, cellar and store house, and the best location for store in the country. Will sell goods or move them. Price \$5000. Terms. One 100 acre tract, two dwellings big tobacco barn, 25 acres bottom land. Price \$3000. Terms. Write or call R. BUTLER, Blaine, Ky.

LOTS FOR SALE. Will sell right 6 lots in Whitehouse, Ky., one 9-room dwelling house, two story, concrete walk, good well, 100x150 lot. One 5-room dwelling, store house, 5 apple trees, grape nursery, good tilling well and garden, 4 lots 1 1/2 acres, 10 apple trees, rich garden; new store house just completed, cost \$1900, glass front, concrete cellar, up-to-date 45x25 feet; good barn, 50x60 place to run hotel, livery stable and more. North-East Coal Co. putting in large plant. Will build 200 more houses, work 500 men. The only place for a business man. Mr. Meek is a cripple and we are not able to run it. Call for a bargain. NEAL & MARY MECK.

DANGER OF WOOD FAMINE IS SEEN

Trees in Forests Must Be Replaced or Great Scarcity Will Result.

SAW MILLS SMALL FACTOR

Pulp Mills Eat Up Many Millions of Spruce Every Year—Scientific Forestry Has Not Caught Up to Tree Slaughter.

Bangor, Me.—When the world gets through with its arguments about war, peace, the (or a) League of Nations and all that is expressed in the short and ugly word "rum," it should turn its most serious and intelligent attention to tree farming. Positively, there must be many more trees, or a constant and liberal replenishment of the existing supply, or presently we shall suffer great inconvenience from the scarcity of many useful and some ornamental things.

In the simple and innocent old times a tree was just so much standing lumber, and lumber was cheap. Within the memory of men of middle age first-class spruce logs sold in Bangor at \$11 to \$14 per thousand feet. The men who cut the logs were paid \$18 to \$20 a month and board, the board consisting chiefly of a bunk to sleep in and "beans twenty-one times a week." The men who "drove" the same logs that is, personally conducted them down the roaring brooks and raging rivers, received for their labors and hair-raising risks, \$2.25 to \$3 a day, according to their athletic skill and their fame as "white water men," and of course all hands were fed, although the menu was characterized by monotonous simplicity and the service subject to many irregularities and postponements. These same logs were sawed in mills that ornamented the banks of the Penobscot for fifty miles or more, chiefly between Millford and Bangor, a distance of about fifteen miles. The mill hands went to work very early in the morning and kept at it until long after everyone else had quit for the day, being rewarded to the extent of about \$30 a month and all the corned beef, cabbage, etc., they could eat in twenty to thirty minutes, three or four times a day, according to season.

Profit to Manufacturer. The sweet-smelling spruce that was sliced off by the saws was worth \$14 to \$21 per thousand feet, according to quality and dimensions. This would seem to allow of slight profit to the manufacturer, but there are various ways of measuring logs and lumber—woods scale, boom scale and mill scale—and during the golden era of Bangor's spruce trade the jugglery of figures was such that 1,000 feet of logs, boom scale would "saw out" anywhere from 1,150 to 1,400 feet of lumber, 1,200 feet being a fair average. So, even in the gloomiest days, when heavy spruce dimensions were selling at \$21 to \$23 and the Bangor mill men would sit in their offices chewing tobacco and cursing the hard times, they were in fact making a pretty good thing—especially if they happened to own the land the logs were cut from.

Then, last of all, the coasters who carried the lumber to Boston, the Sound and New York got \$1.75, \$2.25 and \$2.50 per thousand feet for delivery at those several destinations—that is, the rates quoted prevailed during fairly good times. In dull times lumber was carried from Bangor to Boston as cheaply as \$1.25 to \$1.50 per thousand, to Long Island sound ports at \$1.75 to \$2, and to New York at \$2 to \$2.25.

Now everything is changed. Of Maine's normal log cut of 1,000,000,000 feet, at least 60 per cent goes into pulp and paper. The native logger, who swung a sharp ax skillfully at \$18 to \$20 a month and was content to live on baked beans and salted fish, has been succeeded by a polyglot mob that uses saws languidly at \$50 to \$60 a month, demands hotel fare, frequent payments, polite treatment and every few weeks a vacation. The logs for the most part, are cut into four-foot lengths, and they go to the big pulp and paper mills owned by corporations that long ago bought up hundreds of thousands of acres of the best timber in Maine. Logging used to begin in November and end in March. Now it goes on at all seasons.

Saw Mills Small Factor. The saw mill is a small factor in the great game of turning Maine forests into money. The long logger, that is, he who cuts for sawmills, is almost extinct. The big sawmill drives are seen no more. This is the day of the "four-foot stuff" which makes up most of the drives and gives business to the railroads. The pulp mills eat up so many millions of feet of spruce that speculative and statistical persons wonder where it all comes from and how long the supply will last. So far as Maine is concerned there need be no fear of a wood famine very soon, but at the present rate of cutting there is bound to be a scarcity in the United States within a few years that will send prices kiting.

The present annual consumption of pulp wood east of the Mississippi river is about 7,000,000 cords, or 3,500,000,000 feet. That is using wood at a

reckless rate, even with a big supply in sight. But there is a greater drain upon our wood resources. Fire takes more than the mills. The eastern slope of the Rockies is 75 per cent burnt land, and the timber map is splashed with great black patches all the way from Puget sound to the Penobscot. In some parts of Maine the burnt area greatly exceeds the green. In the South the pine and the cypress are being cut away at an alarming rate, and in the Pacific states the Douglas fir and other growths are being turned into money as rapidly as possible.

To make up for all the cutting, little is being done. Scientific forestry is making some progress, but as yet efforts in that direction are as nothing compared with tree slaughter. Reforestation is being carried on in some states, as on a small scale, in Maine, but a tree doesn't grow in a day. A big spruce may be felled in five minutes, but its reproduction will require 40 years.

It is not altogether a question of wood supply, either. As the forests go the floods will come, waterpowers will fall and all industry will suffer. Therefore, there must be a lot of tree planting in this country, else pretty much everything will go by the board.

Advance in Pulp Wood Values. The advance in pulp wood values within 30 months has been remarkable, even for the times. Before the entrance of this country into the war, peeled wood delivered in the mill yard in Maine was worth \$9 a cord. Now the price is \$18 in Maine and in New York state \$26 a cord. This advance is due in part to higher wages and in part to a little profiteering or a turn of thrift by the land owners. Wages before the war, that is, up to the spring of 1917, were \$30 to \$35 a month and board. In 1918 and 1919 the rate jumped to \$60 to \$65 a month, and in some instances as high as \$75 or \$85 has been paid. Just now, because Maine is pretty well stocked, the demand for labor and the price show a declining tendency. But in the United States as a whole the supply of wood is short of the demand, and there seems to be no prospect of lower prices either of labor or product.

One operator in Maine, a Massachusetts man, who got into the lumber business through his love of nature, cut last year on Motunocus and the east branch of the Penobscot 30,000 cords, or 15,000,000 feet, of pulp wood and 5,000,000 feet of long logs, and will cut this year 40,000 cords, or 20,000,000 feet of pulp wood, employing 600 men at \$62 a month and board or for piece work, \$3.50 to \$3.75 a cord.

The common impression is that all wood pulp is made into paper and that the increased demand for newspaper alone is responsible for the denudation of our forest lands. It is true that most of the pulp goes to satisfy the appetite of the printing presses, but there have been developed in recent years many and various other uses for the fiber of the spruce and poplar. Innumerable articles are now made of wood pulp—doors, dishes, buttons, boards, boxes, pie plates by the million, trunks and car wheels, and millady who parades the avenue, proud of her gown of tricolette, may be surprised to learn that in that silken fabric is woven the fiber of the spruce—that she owes something of the luster and durable texture of her finery to the fragrant forests of Maine.

OUTDOOR EXERCISE HELPS.



Private Renner and his wife and children at the farm used in connection with Ward 65, Columbia Base Hospital No. 1, where the experiment is being tried to determine whether light outdoor exercise hastens recovery.

SPENDS 19 YEARS IN WILDS

Alaskan Trader for First Time Sees Automobiles, Airplanes and Machine Guns.

Vancouver, B. C.—Nineteen years in the wilds of Lansing creek, 370 miles in the mountains from Dawson, Yukon, is the record of J. H. Mervyn, a north country trader who reached civilization at this city on his first journey "outside" since 1900. He saw for the first time asphalt pavements, automobiles, airplanes and machine guns, but they did not startle him, as he has kept in touch with progress by careful reading of the magazines and newspapers that reached him three times yearly.