WEST DANVILLE

Carl Barnett on Railroad Building Job and Driving Mules.

From Carl Barnett, who is at Camp Humphrey, Va., his father has received the following letter:

June 9, 1918.

Dear Father: I got your most welcome letter last night, and believe me, I was glad to hear from you. I am still driving mules, but they are contractors' mules. My company mule skinners are all driving contractors' mules. We are building a railroad from Accotink to this camp and we are on the grading gang. We are putting a fill through quite a little ravine or small valley. It will be about 25 or 30 feet high in places. It is some job and there is no mercy on men or mules here. We all have to work. Keep going. That's the word.

We are in the same place where the old-timers used to fight, on the old campaign grounds near the Potomac. I have heard granddad tell about being here.

The mud is from three inches to two feet deep when it rains. Not much like ours, but clay. We have the red brick clay here in places and not far away is quite a large brickyard.

I got a letter from Mabel a little while ago and they are all well. Tell Emma not to get discouraged. I will write her a good long letter soon. And tell her to keep writing and send me some pictures and I will send her some before long. Tell Mary to send me some of those pictures she took before I came down here, please. I suppose John is still trading. I would like to be up there with him and take a few more of those races we used to have.

I suppose the cows are doing well, as they are out to pasture, and butter must be high. But we don't get any here, so we don't know much about it. All we get here is oleo. I would like to be up there and help milk the cows this summer. Milking cows is better than army life for me any time.

They make some fun of the farmers down here, but my company is made up of all old farmers, 250 of us. We haven't taken a back seat yet and I guess we will not. We can dig in where most of them can. We are a hard-working, tough bunch of fellows, believe me, a bunch to be proud to be with. We are all mule skinners, every one of us.

I was glad to hear from Ashley. Please send me all of his letters or copy them and send the copy, as the boys here all like to read them.

I am glad you have got your spring's work all in and hope you won't have any more to do until haying.

I got that pound of tobacco O. K. It was mighty good, but only lasted a short time. I am looking for another before long. I wish you would send me a box of grub with some maple sugar. I am getting nothing like that here. It is getting dark, so will have to ring off for this time. Write often, for a letter from home means a lot to us fellows here. I am going to get a furlough home as soon as I can. Carl.

NORTH FAYSTON

A severe frost Wednesday night did considerable damage to crops, mostly to potatoes, beans and tomatoes.

Lightning struck a valuable cow belonging to James Griffin a few days ago and injured it so badly that it had to be killed.

Bert Nelson and daughter of Montpelier are visiting at the home of the former's brother, Levi Nelson.

L. B. Eaton and Burton Ward of Moretown were in town last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Cary and Mrs. Percy Corliss were in Waterbury on Wednesday, Guy Hunt of Waitsfield taking them in his automobile.

J. P. Boyce is spending a few days in Enosburg with his wife, who went two weeks ago.

County Highway Supervisor R. S. Currier of Barre was in town Thursday, looking over the roads with the road commissioner and selectmen.

John Wilkins and E. Heath of Moretown were in town Friday.

The graded school closed Friday. Three scholars passed into the ninth grade, Roy Little, Jessie Corliss and Mattie Henry, Roy Little having the best marks in the school throughout the term.

Mrs. Alice Henry has been away for the past week, buying yarn and other supplies for the Red Cross.

James Griffin has been confined to the house with a bad cold.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Boyce are visiting in Newport for a few days.

Hugh Henry has a great novelty in his garden, a new kind of cabbage, which he would be pleased to show his neighbors at any time.

WEST BROOKFIELD

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bidwell and baby are guests of J. W. Untiedt.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Phillips were in Northfield Sunday. Mrs. David Phillips returned home with them.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Whitcomb of Bellows Falls, Mrs. S. S. Whitcomb and O. W. Mann of Randolph were Sunday guests at E. L. Boyce's.

The school entertainment was largely attended, 150 being present. The program consisted of songs, speaking and a play. The proceeds of the entertainment were $17.85, which is to be used to start a junior Red Cross. The Red Cross gave a supper and $13.75 was taken in.

Ethan Sumner has been home on a 10 days' furlough. Miss Josie Sumner was also home.

School in district No. 1 closed Friday, June 14, with a picnic in the gulf, with about 100 parents and friends in attendance. The day, which looked rather threatening in the morning, proved to be all that could be desired and all enjoyed a good time. They were conveyed to and from the grounds in automobiles, which greatly delighted the younger ones. Pupils having no absent marks during the term were Ivis Blanchard, Irene Breault, Nina Davis, Jennie Untiedt, Ruth Untiedt, Doris Waitfield, Laura West and Earl Davis. Irene Breault received the prize for the best deportment for the term. The average attendance was 94.6 per cent. Jennie Blanchard was teacher.

SAVE THE WHEAT
says the food administration. EAT
POST TOASTIES
THE DELICIOUS CORN FOOD
—Bobby

RANDOLPH

Mrs. Julia Tilson and daughter, Miss Mary, and Miss Fannie Bass, all of Trenton, N. J., came on Saturday for a several weeks' stay here in town, where the time will for the most part be passed with Mrs. C. R. Pratt.

Miss Grace Pitkin and her mother, Mrs. Will Pitkin, who have been in Norfolk Downs for several days with Clarence Pitkin, have returned home.

Wardner Hodgkins of Rochester, who has been in town for a week with his son, W. G. Hodgkins, and family, returned to his home on Saturday. Mr. Hodgkins came to visit his grandson, Floyd Hodgkins, who went to Montpelier to report for service and was sent at once to Vancouver. Mrs. Hodgkins accompanied him as far as Montpelier, returning home Friday night. Others who went were Elmer Sault and Miss Evelyn, his sister, also went to Montpelier to see him off, as well as another friend. Charles Tucker of this place was among the party who went to Vancouver.

Miss Doris Lattimer has finished a term of school at Maidstone, and on Saturday returned home for the summer vacation, not having yet decided whether she will return.

N. C. Greene and Benton Hayward went to Boston last Monday night, and Saturday Mr. Greene returned, leaving the latter for treatment for an injury which he received some weeks ago, and from which he hopes to be relieved by wearing a brace or cast.

Mrs. Emma Cozzins, who has been visiting her brother, D. T. Frazier, for a week, left here on Saturday for her home.

Cyril Angell of Camp Devens came Saturday to visit his mother, Mrs. F. C. Angell, expecting to return on Sunday night. His cousin, Olin Angell, has just closed a short leave of absence and gone to Camp Devens.

The Methodist Sunday school is to celebrate children's day on Tuesday by a picnic at the Morse cottage in Bethel Gilead. Tere there will e a program and a dinner served, which will, if the weather permits, make a pleasant outing for the people as well as the children.

Silver Cross circle of King's Daughters will hold their meeting at the home of Mrs. M. F. Esterbrook, at the farm just south of town, on Tuesday afternoon, this being a picnic affair.

Mrs. L. S. Cleveland was in Bethel on Saturday on a short business trip.

H. A. Skinner, who is ill at the inn, with an attack of rheumatism, was thought to be improving on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Emerson, who have been in Lisbon, N. H., for several days, were expected home on Saturday for a short stay here.

WAITSFIELD

The members of the choir of the Congregational church are invited by Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Remele to a party at Camp Rest Vue on Wednesday evening, June 26.

Clyde Baird has enlisted in the mechanical branch of the service and will go to the school for mechanics in Burlington July 15.

Jesse Canerdy of Waterbury was in town Thursday and Friday.

Miss Mabel R. Joslyn returned Saturday from Ceres, Cal., where she has been for the past few weeks.

The Epworth league held a social Friday evening.

Mrs. M. L. Martin returned Friday from Montpelier.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Kelsey were visitors in the capital Friday.

Mrs. Ella Joslyn entertained her niece, Mrs. William McGovern, and husband of Lyndon the past week.

Mrs. Alton E. Farr has the measles, also her son, Everett.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Austin and son of Northfield were in town the past week.

A. E. Murray of Orange, Mass., and H. E. Davis of Lincoln visited at A. B. Tucker's last Wednesday.

Miss Margaret Whittemore attended the graduation of her sister in Newport, N. H., last Tuesday and Wednesday.

Junior High School Notes.

The high school pupils will hold a picnic in the Loveland pine grove next Thursday afternoon.

The two pupils in the village primary school who have been neither absent nor tardy during the spring term of school are Merton Joslyn and Clyde Kingsbury.

A prize speaking will be held in the high school hall Friday evening at 8.

ROCHESTER

Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Kennedy are entertaining their nephew and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kennedy, Mr. Kennedy having a short furlough from Newport, R. I.

Twenty friends and neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. George Bailey met at their home Tuesday evening to give them a surprise for their fifth wedding anniversary. Cake and ice cream were served and a pleasant evening spent by all.

Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Tinkham were in Stowe last week.

Mrs. John Slafter and son of Springfield visited friends in town last week.

George Greeley is in Burlington for another operation on his eyes.

Dr. and Mrs. W. M. Huntington were in Burlington last week.

Mr. Whitcomb of Montpelier and Mr. Farrar of Barton were in town last week looking for timberland.

Leon Albee and sister, Mrs. Lola Loudon, have been recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Hubbard.

Mrs. Margaret Griffin of Rutland has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Fay Keser.

Mr. Lewis and family have moved to New Haven, Conn.

The high school alumni will omit their usual banquet and have a basket picnic at Texas Falls June 28. The dues for the year will be given to the Red Cross.

HANCOCK

Wayne Dunham was in Middlebury last week.

Ruth Goodyear will not return to school at Rochester on account of poor health.

Herbert Church has returned from Heaton hospital and is considerably improved.

Miss Blanche Manning is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Fred Haynes, of South Royalton.

Mr. and Mrs. Hale Flint of Randolph and Miss Eula Bean of Rochester were recent guests at George Farr's.

Eugene Perry of Bethel, Mrs. Charles Stockwell and son of Randolph visited at Mrs. Lucy Perry's last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwin Scott were in town last week.

That Would Help.

Maid (about to leave)—Might I ask for a recommend, ma'am?

Mistress—But, Mary, what could I truthfully say that would help you get another place?

Maid—Just say that I know many of your famil secrets, ma'am.—Boston Transcript.

TO ALL WOMEN WHO ARE ILL

This Woman Recommends Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound—Her Personal Experience.

McLean, Neb.—"I want to recommend Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to all women who suffer from any functional disturbance, as it has done me more good than al the doctor's medicine. Since taking it I have a fine healthy baby girl and have gained in health and strength. My husband and I both praise your medicine to all suffering women."—Mrs. JOHN KOPPELMANN, R. No. 1, McLean, Nebraska.

This famous root and herb remedy, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, has been restoring women of America to health for more than forty years and it will well pay any woman who suffers from displacements, inflammation, ulceration, irregularities, backache, headaches, nervousness or "the blues" to give this successful remedy a trial.

For special suggestions in regard to your ailment write Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass. The result of its long experience is at your service.

BETHEL

Dr. Leroy A. Havey and family of Bridgeport, Conn., came Friday to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Austin Havey.

A. H. Dustin and Walter Batchellor are working at Talcville on a job for the Eastern Talc Co.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Snelling have learned of the promotion of their son, Ralph, to the rank of sergeant. He is in Co. B, 14th railway engineers, and for some time has been in France.

George Root and Miss Jennie Root returned Saturday from a few days' visit in Bellows Falls.

Dr. and Mrs. Stephen Berrien Stanton, with their household, have arrived at their Bethel home for the summer.

Soldiers at home for furloughs or on leaves of absence are Austin Noble, Forrest Aikens and Joseph Morrell from Camp Devens and Emilio Paini from the school of mechanics at Burlington.

Mrs. Helen Woods visited at West Lebanon, N. H., last week.

George A. Wills is at home from Springfield, Mass., after an absence of 16 months.

Miss Grace Persons, who recently was graduated from Burdett Business college in Boston, came home yesterday for the vacation.

Gilson's orchestra of five pieces furnished music for a Red Cross dance at East Bethel Friday evening.

Miss Edna Davis of Salem Depot, N. H., a native of this town, was graduated last week from the Plymouth, N. H., normal school.

Prof. Robert S. Noble is at home from his teaching in Barre, Miss Lucy Washburn from Montclair, N. J., Miss Mabel Miller from Farmington, N. H.

Mrs. Franklin Carlton of Warren spent last week with her aunt, Mrs. W. G. Whittaker, who continues very ill.

Burns Dartt has been in Randolph for a week's visit with relatives.

Miss Frances Southworth was last evening's leader at the Young People's Christian league.

EAST ORANGE

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Prescott and son, Earle, Mrs. Arthur Prescott and daughter, Lyle, and Mrs. L. E. Everett took an auto trip to Barre and Montpelier Friday, calling on relatives and friends. Mrs. Everett stopped with her daughter, Mrs. W. S. Davis, at Montpelier, for a few days' visit before returning to her home in Fairlee.

Mrs. Belle Johnson went to East Barre Monday to keep house a few days for her sister, Mrs. Addie Patterson, while she is away on a vacation.

Mrs. G. W. Simpson and son, Bernard, went to Bradford Friday to meet Miss Ethel Hamilton, who is home for her summer vacation from Wayland, Mass.

Herbert Bowen, who has been working in New Jersey, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hilas Bowen, for a time.

Mrs. Frank Bowen and son, Hilas, are visiting relatives in Laconia for a few weeks.

Bernard Simpson and sister, Mrs. Arthur Prescott, and Enos Felch were Barre visitors Wednesday.

BROOKFIELD

Dance at grange hall, Williamstown, Thursday evening, June 27. Proceeds to purchase thrift stamps. Simon's orchestra. Admission, 50c per couple. Extra ladies, 25c.

All Setting.

"Where were you boys when I called for you to help me an hour ago?" asked Farmer Jones at the supper table.

"I was in the barn settin' a hen," said one.

"And I was in the loft settin' a saw," answered another.

"I was in grandma's room settin' the clock," came from the third boy.

"And I was in the pantry settin' a trap," said the fourth.

"You're a fine set," remarked the farmer. "And where were you?" he asked, turning to the youngest.

"I was on the doorstep settin' still."—Boston Transcript.

DON'T BE BALD

How to Make Hair Grow Strong, Thick and Lustrous.

Few of us get bald in a day, and we all have ample warning when our hair is thinning out.

Parisian sage is a most efficient hair invigorator, but to immediately stop any further loss of hair and quickly start a new growth it must be rubbed into the scalp so the starved hair roots can really absorb it and get the vital stimulation so badly needed. You will surely be delighted with the first application, for your hair and scalp should look and feel 100 per cent. better.

Parisian sage is not expensive. It's a scientific preparation that supplies all hair needs—a clean, non-sticky, antiseptic liquid that is sold by E. A. Drown & Co. and drug stores everywhere, with guarantee to give you perfect satisfaction or money refunded.

Good looking hair is half the battle in any man's or woman's personal appearance. Neglect means dull, thin, lifeless hair and finally baldness, while a little attention now insures thick and lustrous hair for years to come. No matter what your hair troubles, try a Parisian sage massage to-night—you will not be disappointed.—Adv.

WILLIAMSTOWN

Friday evening promises to be one of the big nights of the year in Williamstown. At the special public meeting planned for that time, Mason S. Stone will be the chief speaker. His office, as one of the foremost war workers in Vermont, has kept him in close contact with Washington and with the progress of the war, and his subject that night will be inspiring and instructive. The Williamstown band will give a concert before the lecture and will play selections in the course of the meeting. A male quartet will entertain and other interesting things will be on the program.

The ladies' aid society of the Methodist church will hold a social with Mrs. Hayden M. Jeffords next Wednesday afternoon. All are cordially invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Willey visited at the home of Mrs. Willey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter J. Wiley, in Roxbury, yesterday. The trip to Roxbury was made via Barre, Montpelier and Northfield and the return via Braintree, Randolph and Brookfield, the scribe and his better half being members of the party.

Three members of the village intermediate school have a record of perfect attendance for the school year just closed. These are: Doris Griffith, Earle Whitney and Ralph Whitney.

A young son of V. A. Bates fell through a scuttle in the barn last week, breaking both bones in his left arm above the wrist. Dr. C. F. Robinson reduced the fracture and the lad is now comfortable.

Two ripe tomatoes were picked in Mrs. Beckett's garden the morning after the freeze of last week, the plants that bore them being ruined by the cold.

The belated news is received of the birth on June 7 of a daughter, Marguerite, to Mr. and Mrs. Clayton R. Curtis of Berlin.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Travers of Middletown, N. Y., called on friends here last week on a motor trip that is to include parts of New York, Massachusetts and Vermont. Mrs. Travers will be remembered here as Miss Nellie Brown, who became later the wife of Arthur Simons. Mr. and Mrs. Travers were accompanied by their sons, Harry and Willis.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley T. Martin, who have been in Bakersfield to attend the commencement exercises of Brigham academy, returned home last Thursday.

Reunion of High School Alumni.

The Williamstown high school alumni and their guests met last Thursday evening in the parlors of the Congregational church for a wartime reunion. Because of the urgent need for food conservation, the usual banquet was omitted and it was voted to donate all money in the treasury to the Red Cross. In place of the usual toasts and responses the following program was carried out: Welcome by the president of the alumni association, Mrs. Winnifred Jeffords Waldo; response by member of the class of 1918, Miss Hazel Erskine; School Director Hayden M. Jeffords gave an outline of future plans for the high school, which was followed by music, "Memories," by Warren Waldo; Prin. O. B. Wood made appropriate remarks concerning the school, and Robert Clogston spoke on the topic, "Relation of the Alumni to the High School"; vocal duet, Richard and Nina Jeffords (Mrs. A. H. Jewett). The effect of the war on our schools was discussed by Rev. John Irons and Earl Boyce spoke on "Our Boys in the Service." Glimpses of camp life were given by Walter Chynoweth and the gathering broke up after singing "The Star Spangled Banner."

GRANITEVILLE

Mrs. William Mitchell and son of Barre have been spending the past week at the home of Mrs. Mitchell's father, J. W. Reason.

Misses Agnes and Clara Murphy and Marjorie Pierce, who have been attending St. Mary's academy in Burlington, arrived here Friday to spend the summer vacation at their homes.

Miss Madeline Carey left last night for Hartford, Conn., where she will join her mother, who went there to reside several months ago.

Miss Bess Hammett went to her home in Roxbury Saturday to pass the vacation.

Robert Ewen of the mechanics' school in Burlington visited friends here over the week end.

Miss Mildred Miles completed her duties in Wolcott Friday and will spend the summer at her home.

Miss Rose Belanger, who is employed in Utica, N. Y., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Belanger.

Henry Coughlin was called to Hartford, Conn., last week for examination for draft.

Michael Campbell, a former resident of this village, is spending a few days with friends. Mr. Campbell has been employed by the American Refrigerator Co. of Hartford, Conn., and has been stationed at Scranton, Pa. He has been ordered to report for military service in Springfield, Mass., next Tuesday.

Leonard Pallas of Hartford, Conn., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Pallas.

Thomas Letourneau of Manchester, N. H., was a recent visitor in town.

Lemuel Halligan left last night for Camp Wadsworth, Spartanburg, S. C., having passed a 15 days' furlough at his home. During his stay, Mr. Halligan received word of his promotion from private to corporal.

Miss Violet Pratt, who was graduated from Goddard seminary last week, is a guest of her sister, Mrs. M. W. Churchill.

Mrs. Daniel McLean of North Derby, who has been visiting friends here, went to Cabot yesterday to spend a few days before returning to her home.

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Dimes and More Dimes!

In the June Woman's Home Companion is given the amazing result of the dime drive "To Bind the Wounds of a Soldier":

"For ten days, letters poured in at the rate of 500, 700, 800 per day, and one morning over 3,000! Everybody opened letters. The mailing department was snowed under. The table in the room of the editor highest up was heaped with them. Other editors, supposed to be looking after such important matters as fashions, cooking, picture pages and better babies, gathered round the great table, slit open envelopes and cried 'Oh!' and 'Ah!' as dimes, money orders and checks came tumbling out of those precious letters.

"One of the directors of the company peered into the room, and inquired why all those high-salaried folk were engaged in the humble task of opening letters for which the regulation salary is eight dollars per week. We handed him several letters to read. He sat half an hour on the arm of a chair opening and reading letters from you who sent us dimes."

Resinol
would help your poor complexion

Does a poor complexion stand between you and popularity—good times—success? Resinol Ointment and Resinol Soap do not work miracles, but they do make red, rough, pimply skins, clearer, fresher, and more attractive. Use them regularly, for a few days and see how your complexion improves.

Sold by all druggists.

VERMONT PAVING BLOCK INDUSTRY

Showed Gain in Output While the Industry Was Declining in Most States.

Granite paving blocks valued at $2,303,767, and numbering 30,978,305, were sold in 1917, according to a statement compiled under the direction of G. F. Loughlin, U. S. geological survey, department of the interior, in co-operation with the Granite Paving Block Manufacturers' association of the United States, Inc., and the geological surveys of Georgia, Maryland, Minnesota, Missouri, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and Wisconsin. The quantity of paving blocks produced represents a decrease of 13 per cent. compared with 1916, which in turn showed a decrease of more than four per cent. compared with 1915. The value in 1917, however, owing to increase in price, was only one per cent. less than that in 1916, which was practically the same as that of 1915. The average price per thousand during each of these three years was $48.85 in 1915, $50.73 in 1916, and $57.63 in 1917, the last being the highest price ever recorded. These figures do not include sales of "durax" blocks.

Sales were reported from 18 states in both 1916 and 1917, South Carolina replacing Delaware in 1917. Three states, Connecticut, Massachusetts and Vermont, showed increase in quantity in 1917. Maine showed a decrease of only one per cent. The largest decreases were in California (90 per cent), Georgia (50 per cent), Rhode Island (64 per cent), and Virginia (44 per cent).

The following table shows the quantity and value of paving blocks by states:

Granite Paving Blocks Sold in 1916 and 1917.

	1916.		1917.	
State.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.
Calif. ...	558,000	$17,963	57,700	$2,777
Conn. ..	371,278	17,975	458,683	24,921
Dela. ...	(a)	(a)	.....	.....
Georgia .	8,168,927	105,350	1,570,680	70,797
Maine ..	8,823,252	430,752	8,696,766	565,574
Md.	512,242	32,646	211,328	13,944
Mass. ..	5,404,377	287,640	6,362,276	372,285
Minn. ..	1,292,386	85,106	981,869	68,128
Mo.	698,611	37,094	460,260	26,538
N. H....	5,486,815	247,177	4,873,413	213,100
N. Y....	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)
No. Car.	4,376,383	200,851	4,172,200	212,628
Penn. ...	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)
R. I....	530,853	35,027	189,894	12,737
So. Caro.	.....	.....	(a)	(a)
Vt.	1,147,449	41,966	1,191,762	38,781
Va.	449,000	19,115	250,765	10,530
Wis.	11,005,538	685,622	8,884,922	564,466
Undis. .	2,138,134	87,457	1,655,787	106,564
	45,961,245	2,331,742	39,978,305	2,303,767

(a) Included in undistributed.

Wisconsin continued to be the leading state in quantity sold, in spite of a considerable decrease, and was closely followed by Maine, which led in value of sales. Massachusetts, which ranked fourth in 1916, was third in 1917, displacing New Hampshire. Minnesota's sales fell below the 1,000,000 mark in 1917 and were exceeded by those of Vermont. The number of blocks made directly by producers in Vermont was not very large, but the sales of manufacturers who purchased rough blocks of Vermont granite are included, as their inclusion more truly represents the condition of the paving industry. In some granite districts of other states, blocks were made from rough stock sold by quarry companies to paving cutters, and the sales of these were included in the state totals; but in no other state was the number of these blocks so great as in Vermont.

The average price per thousand ranged from as low as $33 in Vermont and $44 in New Hampshire to $69 in Minnesota and $67 in Rhode Island. New Hampshire and Vermont showed decreases in average price per thousand of $1 and $3 respectively, in 1917. Virginia's average price remained the same as in 1916. The other states showed increases ranging from $1 in Rhode Island to $16 in California and Maine and $14 in Georgia. Notwithstanding the considerable increase in the average price in Georgia, the principal controlling factor in 1917, as in 1916, was apparently the ease with which the blocks could be prepared. Thus the average price in New Hampshire ($44) and in Georgia ($47), where easily worked granite blocks are abundantly produced, presented a contrast to that in Massachusetts ($58), where some of the granites are unusually hard, and with the average price in Wisconsin ($64) and in Minnesota ($69), where the granites are hard.

The New England states, which supplied the same general markets, sold 21,772,794 blocks, more than half the total, valued at $1,227,398, in 1917, compared with 21,704,024 blocks, valued at $1,060,538, in 1916, a gain of only 8,770 blocks but of $166,860. This trifling gain in quantity was made in spite of the obstacles which beset the industry. Although a few producers reported general conditions better than in 1917, most of the larger ones, who reached distant as well as local markets, complained of shortage of labor and of transportation facilities, both by rail and water. It was also stated that some municipal improvement undertakings were postponed. Failure to make a more marked gain in 1917 was due to the abnormal conditions resulting from the war, rather than to competition with other paving materials, although this factor also was of some influence. Paving blocks were shipped to many points in New England; also to New York, New Jersey and eastern Pennsylvania.

In New York, granite paving blocks were made in the Thousand Islands district, which is favorably situated with respect to markets in New York and along the Great Lakes. A large number of blocks were sold by two companies in 1917, but not so large as in 1916. The high price of blocks in 1917, caused by the high cost of operation and the increased cost of laying pavements, diminished to some extent the demand. Furthermore, the shortage of labor, boats and cars made it difficult to supply the demand that existed Owing to these conditions, one company that was active in 1916 did not operate in 1917.

Pennsylvania and Maryland, supplying nearby though large markets, each showed a decrease of approximately 50 per cent. in quantity sold. This large decrease was attributed principally to the postponement of municipal improvements that had been planned.

The four southern states, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia, showed sales of 6,089,845 blocks (nearly one-sixth of the country's total), valued at $297,803 (about one-eighth of the total), in 1917, compared with 7,994,310 blocks, valued at $325,316, in 1916. The decrease in 1917 was 24 per cent. in quantity but only eight per cent. in value. These states as a group supplied markets not only in the southeastern states but in the middle Atlantic and east central states. The decline in sales was attributed to the high selling price and to a general curtailment of pavement laying, only absolutely necessary work being done. The price, however, was not sufficient to offset the increase in the cost of operation. Shortage of labor, fuel and cars, as well as railroad embargoes, also reduced the output. Replacement of granite by other paving materials for all but the heaviest traffic was reported by one producer in a district where large quantities of rubble granite paving had been laid with results far below those obtained by laying well-trimmed blocks according to improved specifications.

The decline in sales in Wisconsin amounted to nearly 20 per cent. in quantity and 18 per cent. in value, the average price not increasing so greatly as in the districts already considered. This state supplied all its own cities as well as some cities along the Great Lakes and west of Mississippi river. The decline was attributed to the high cost of labor and supplies and to shortage of transportation facilities.

Minnesota and Missouri, both of which showed notable decline in quantity and value, supplied markets within their own borders.

This review shows that the decline in the sales of granite paving blocks in the eastern half of the country, which includes the principal markets, was due to temporary conditions caused by the war, which curtailed a normally increasing demand. Even in New England, where there was a slight increase in quantity, the conditions as a whole were below normal. In many cities, however, particularly in the Atlantic states, the increase in heavy traffic resulting from the war will necessitate the upkeep of granite-paved streets and the repaving with granite of streets on which other pavements have hitherto been adequate. Properly paved streets in districts of heavy freight traffic are a war necessity, and therefore a reasonable demand for granite paving blocks should be expected during the war, whereas a marked increase to compensate for the present curtailment in demand must be expected when the country is again at peace.

Only in California does the granite paving block industry appear to be more than momentarily discouraging. Producers there reported practically no demand in 1917, as brick, asphalt, and cement paving were being used almost exclusively. A considerable quantity of granite paving, however, was used in Los Angeles for repair work along gutters. No shipments to any other large cities in the Pacific coast states were reported in 1917. These cities, when the heavy traffic around their freight terminals and in their principal business streets is considered, appear to offer a potential market for granite paving, provided the durability of granite pavements laid in accordance with the latest improved specifications can be adequately demonstrated.

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