

THE BIG STONE GAP POST.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 20, 1920

Published Every Wednesday by the WISE PRINTING COMPANY, Incorporated.

GILBERT N. KNIGHT, - Editor; LINDSEY J. HORTON, Ass't Editor

One Year, - - - \$1.50; Six Months, - - - .75; Three Months, - - - .50

Entered according to postal regulations at the post-office at Big Stone Gap as second-class matter.

How would you like to journey to the nearest city for a pound of sugar, or a yard of muslin, or a spool of thread, or a smoke? And how would you like to make the trip when you need a prescription filled in a hurry, with death running you a race? You would make some noise if forced to such an extremity—and then more noise. You would say—and justly so—that a town in which you can not buy a pound of sugar, or a yard of muslin, or a spool of thread, or a smoke, or even get a prescription filled, is a mighty poor excuse of a town and not worth living in. Yet our merchants can only afford to keep these things for your convenience as long as you buy other things from them. It is not doing this town any good to buy the little things here and then chase off to a city or send to a catalogue house when you want something on which the merchant has a chance to make a dollar. Neither is it doing you any good, for the prosperity of each citizen is dependent to a large extent upon the prosperity of the community as a whole. We are not telling you something you do not know. We are simply refreshing your memory in hope the time may come when our people will conclude that a town that is worth living in is worth trading in.

Some people are never able to make up their minds. It, however, is quite difficult to make up something that doesn't exist.

With Cox and Harding both handsome men, the male persuasion is at its wit's end to figure out how the women will vote.

There is one word in the English language that represents a mole hill today and a mountain tomorrow—"scandal."

AN ESSAY ON WATER

By Pat Murphy.

Water is composed of two gases. When these two gases get together they become wet. This often happens when in dry territories. Water is found in many places and has many uses. It is found principally in oceans, lakes, rivers, milk, on the knees, on the brain, and more recently it has been seen on some bars. One becomes accustomed to having water in oceans, lakes, rivers, etc., and men are getting used to having it given to them over bars, but having it on the knee or on the brain is another thing. When water is on the knee, the condition is easily remedied by the afflicted person wearing pumps. If you suspect you have water on the brain, have a small hole bored in your head. If water runs out, you have "water on the brain"; if nothing runs out, you have no brains. Noah was the first prohibitionist. He lived for forty days and forty nights on water. The strain was too much for him, however, and as soon as he got out of the Ark he beat it for fermented grape juice and drank himself cock-eyed. Water falls upon us in the form of rain, snow, hail and water taxes. It springs out of the ground at the slightest provocation and many places in the world have hot and cold water without having to pay any janitor for neglecting the boiler and the furnace. A large percentage of the human body is water and this percentage is rapidly increasing, since the advent of prohibition last July. In the not far distant future burial will consist of being poured back into the ground. Water is used to float ships, run factories, to make ice from, and some people use it to bathe in. This latter, however, is not recommended. The following is one man's idea of water:

Water is a wonderful blessing. Good for washing necks and ears. Just the thing for lakes and rivers. Indispensable for concrete piers. Nice to park beneath the bridges. Swell for making rain and ink. Water is a wonderful blessing. But it makes a h—of a drink. —Meal Corporation.

If the job is harder than you thought it would be, then the logical thing to do is to work harder than you expected.

It is not always wise to judge a stranger to be a fool because he acts like one. He may be leading you on in order to sting you in the end.

The two big political parties are repeating history. The pot and the kettle are again engaged in the time honored occupation of calling each other black.

WANTED! Laborers and Carpenters.

New Building for Central Supply Company AT ANDOVER, VIRGINIA

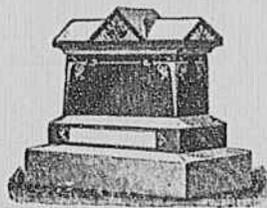
Best Rates. Apply to

Turner Construction Company

Andover at Mr. Rotenberry's Place.

County Highway and Railroad Track to Arno.

Honor the Dead



The custom adopted by present civilization is by erecting suitable Memorials to their graves. There is no more drearily or gloomier sight than a sunken, neglected grave, grown up in weeds and briars. The world forgets the words, "Honor thy father and mother, that thy days may be long." All do not do it

wilfully. Putting it off, and waiting for spare money, is often the cause. It is unwise to put up Grave Markers above your means. The fact that you have remembered the grave of your departed stands for itself. Under the present system of from manufacturer direct to you, prices of Memorials have been reduced to such a low point that their cost is in reach of all.

Joe Miner & Sons, ROGERSVILLE, TENN.

AMERICANS ABROAD IN RED CROSS WORK

United States Citizens Far Away Enthusiastic Members of the "Fourteenth" Division.

Among the most enthusiastic and energetic members of the American Red Cross are those citizens of the United States who live outside the continental boundaries of their country—sons and daughters of the Stars and Stripes residing at the far corners of the earth.

These people compose the Insular and Foreign Division of the parent organization, generally known as the "Fourteenth" Division, which has jurisdiction of all territory outside the country proper; that is, Alaska, Porto Rico, Hawaii, Virgin Islands, the Philippines, Guam, and even the Island of Yap, which came under our flag as a result of the world war. For the year 1920 this division reported 30,598 paid up members.

The main object of this division is to give our citizens everywhere the opportunity to participate in the work of the organization which stands for the best national ideals. Americans in far places intensely loyal and patriotic, treasure their membership in the Red Cross as the outward expression of their citizenship. It is another tie to the homeland and to each other. There are chapters of this division in Argentine, Bolivia, Brazil, Canal zone, Chile, China, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, England, France, Guam, Guatemala, Haiti, Hawaii, Honduras, Japan, Manchuria, Netherlands, Nicaragua, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Porto Rico, Siberia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Syria, Turkey, Uruguay, Venezuela and Virgin Islands.

During the war these scattered members of the Red Cross contributed millions in money, and millions of dollars' worth of necessary articles for the men in service, and sent many doctors and nurses to France. At the same time they carried on an excellent Home Service in their respective communities for the families of those who had gone to war, and in some regions gave large sums of money and immeasurable personal service to the relief of disaster and disease victims.

The division is now establishing service clubs in foreign ports for the benefit of sailors in the American Merchant Marine, making plans to aid Americans in trouble in foreign lands and completing arrangements for giving immediate adequate relief in case of disaster.

It is the Fourteenth Division's part in the great Peace Time program of the American Red Cross.

RED CROSS ASSISTS DISABLED VETERANS

The American Red Cross is carrying on a wide program of service for the disabled World War veterans receiving treatment in United States Public Health hospitals, and those being trained through agencies of the Federal Board for Vocational Education.

In each of the Public Health Service hospitals Red Cross workers devote their time to the general welfare of the service men from the day they enter the receiving ward until they are discharged. After the soldier's discharge the Red Cross continues its friendly service through the Home Service Section in his own community.

The Red Cross maintains a convalescent house at all of the hospitals, where patients can amuse themselves after they are well enough to be up and around. Parties and picture shows in the wards are also furnished, with occasional excursions when convalescence comes.

Great service has been rendered by the Red Cross in mental cases in identifying those who have appeared in state hospitals for the insane, and helping them secure compensation due from the Bureau of War Risk Insurance.

In the Federal Board's various district offices the Red Cross worker, acting with the Home Service Section, makes necessary loans to the men, arranges suitable living conditions, helps collect evidence and supply facts to the Board, assists in "appealing cases" and settles various personal difficulties for the men. The workers also follow up and aid all men who discontinue training.

The Red Cross agents find men "lost" to the Board, help clear up delayed cases and aid the college counselors in their friendly work with the men. Many Red Cross chapters have set up recreation facilities, and in some instances living clubs, so these victims of war may have attractive surroundings and the fun which must go with effective school work.

To the American Red Cross Institute for the Blind, near Baltimore, Md., more than half of all the Americans blinded in the World War have come for training. The Institute, through the Red Cross, long ago conducted an exhaustive industrial survey to determine the vocations for which blind men could be fitted. As a result it is putting forth well trained men equipped to meet the social, civic and economic requirements of their respective communities.

Aid for Spanish Red Cross. The Iberian chapter of the American Red Cross, composed of Americans resident in Spain, has just contributed \$480 to a fund being raised by the Spanish Red Cross and the League of Red Cross Societies for the purpose of fighting malaria.

Ford THE UNIVERSAL CAR. The Ford Sedan with electric starting and lighting system and demountable rims with 3 1/2-inch tires all around, is the ideal family car because of its all-around utility and refined and comfortable equipment. Mineral Motor Co. incorporated. BIG STONE GAP, PENNINGTON GAP, NORTON and COEBURN.

Swat the Cougher

He is More Dangerous Than a Man With a Pistol Because He Scatters His Shots.

Richmond, Va., Oct. 15.—This is the time when colds, coughs, grip, whooping cough and tuberculosis are widely spread. During the school days of early fall, when people have not changed to heavy clothing, bad colds start and the cougher spreads them abroad.

The State Board of Health declares that the cougher is more dangerous than the pistol shooter. The latter may miss his mark; or at the worst, he is apt to hit only one victim; but the cougher flings broadcast into the air the germs of any nose and throat disease, or any lung trouble he may have, and whoever comes along and breathes into his system some of these germs is very likely to catch the disease.

"If you must cough," says the health commissioner, "cough into your handkerchief. If your handkerchief is not available bend your head toward the ground when you have to cough. The germs are not apt to come up from the ground after the next fellow, but they take a long time to fall if you cough straight out into the air. This is the time also to warn children against putting pencils or fingers into their mouths and also against using the common drinking cup. So much of the child's energy is expended in growth that it has little left for the building of resistance, so the youngster is more susceptible than the adult to almost every disease; but if he can be taught to avoid the promiscuous cougher and made to keep everything except his food and toothbrush out of his mouth, there is little or no chance of getting diphtheria, scarlet fever or any of the troubles mentioned above."

Every community has its spirit. With some it is one of honor and integrity and progressive intellectuality. With others the spirit of greed, gouge, repression and retrogression predominates. The first attains its aim in life, while the latter aims no higher than that which it attains. We of this community have our choice. We can progress with the march of time, or we can procrastinate while time marches by. This is an age when men do things, or they do nothing. There is no middle of the road course. The man who has the will to grasp his opportunities also has the power to make them. That is what we should do.

AMUZU THEATRE THURSDAY



Jose L. Lasky - presents Cecil B. DeMille's PRODUCTION "WHY CHANGE YOUR WIFE?" A Paramount Artcraft Picture By WILLIAM DEMILLE

Where was the girl he married? Where the lure, the glamour, the ecstatic sweetheart hours?

Faded into dull, drab matrimony. Was he wholly to blame when another woman, aglow with the joy of living, slipped into the place in his life which his wife had left vacant? Was he?

A vital, intimate picture of the greatest problem of love and marriage. Dressed in all the luxury, color and feminine beauty that distinguished DeMille's "Male and Female" and "Don't Change Your Husband."

with Thomas Meighan, Gloria Swanson, Bebe Daniels and Theodore Kosloff.

Some People Know Everything!

All right, let's see if you do. Do you know that Virginia is fourth in the Pure Bred Sire Campaign? Did you ever know any one to top the market with scrubs? Did you ever know any one who blundered around mixing breeds to make any money at it? If not then the scrubs is not to blame for it. When you can get Pure Bred Big Type Poland China of such breeding as Gertsdale Bomber No. 345961, by Gertsdale Jones No. 244187, Big Bone Bob No. 261715A, Kate Wonder No. 564937A, Winona Wonder Mays Grant and other noted sires and dams from me. If you want meat and lard breed and feed Pure Breds. If you are satisfied with hog bristles and poultry stick to the scrub. A. C. JONES, - - Big Stone Gap, Va.