

# THE NEWSPAPRS AND THE AMERICAN PEOPLE

(Written for the Saturday Journal.)  
It has been mentioned to me that topics wherein an abstract sense may enter is not always the most readable for the general public. That the newspaper readers want reading matter much like they want shows to be something which can be enjoyed without any effort on their part to understand.

While this is true, it cannot but render the newspaper of little importance to the literary world, and of passing concern to the reading world which knows nothing of the standard literature. It is said there are many noted public men who never read a newspaper. Many great literary men are reputed to have never read the newspapers of their day. Was it because of the prevailing sentiment of the public against anything but light, so-called, reading matter, which rendered the paper useless to the real reader, and a financial matter to the printer? If the newspapers cater to the "light" reading matter entirely, it loses its hold on a large class of readers who will be compelled to seek other channels for what they want. However, it appears that the newspaper of today realizes this great question before it, and attempts to cater to both classes of readers. We find the light and the heavy handled in a crisp, brief and readable manner.

It has been said quite recently that the newspaper has passed out of its "yellow" spell and has been ably relieved by the magazine and that the great papers in New York are discarding entirely its supplements and colored pages, which contained yellow nonsense, and have replaced it all with what they call good, sound, reliable reading matter.

The United States is a remarkable country any way you look at it. It is a great free country, crowded with slaves. The American people, noted for their spendthrift habits, are in the most abject slavery. "Where, oh! where," shrieks the wild-eyed Fourth of July orator, "do you find free countries if not in the United States?" Americans are slaves to a great, big, little bit of a thing, put into English with four letters—R-U-S-H. They are not only slaves to this giant, but to all its satellites, commonly known as pell-mell, get-there, hurry-up, can't-wait, thoughtlessness, and numerous others whose names are not as yet recorded in the blue book.

Have you ever seen the American people when they were being rushed? You must have, for they are never any other way. They rush in, and then they rush out. No variety. They rush up and rush down. Same thing. Eat in a rush, walk in a rush, a few sleep in a rush, and all in the dash.

Did you ever see the crowds get on the street cars at the fair grounds last fair? Did you ever notice that the whole crowd, including men, women, children, orphans, cripples and invalids, all made a bee-line for the first car? There were three other cars lying empty on the track behind this one, but no one saw them. The idea of getting there first predominated the crowd. The men had to get to town first, after loitering about the grounds all evening long, to get a smoke, a lemonade, or home before the "old lady" locked them out. The women had to get home on that first car because they left Willie all alone with the lightning. They had forgotten

to lock the back door, or put the cat out. The children had to get home on the first car because they told the "old folks" they were not going down that evening, according to the parents' wishes. The cripples wanted in the first car because they were crippled and were entitled to all such privileges, especially when in a crowd. Invalids couldn't stay out in the damp, night air, which generally gets damp, at the fair grounds, about 11 o'clock. And so on with interesting etceteras. Every man, woman and child in that crowd had some particular reason for getting in that first car that went to the city. None of them could wait for the second car, which went about a half minute later, and occasionally got to town ahead of the first car. It required a large force of ear-men to partly fill all cars leaving second, third and fourth, but none to get the people packed to suffocation in the first one, and usually the smallest car.

Now, what did these people do after they got off the car they piled into in such a rush? The men, as soon as they struck the main streets, dropped into a quiet retreat and took a "light one," or a smoke. The women piled off in the dark and went home, lighted the lamp, sighed, "didn't that Mrs. Green look awful in that thing she had on," and pretty soon went to bed. The young folks rode half way to town, got off and walked the rest of the way. Those who rode all the way hung on long enough after they got off to break the front gate down. The cripples and invalids, they went home, too. So much for the rush.

Now, considering what all these different people did after they got home, do you think the furious onslaught warranted the finish? What a noble thing it is to appear to be in a hurry, to instill people with the idea that the world is going to stop rolling around itself if you happen to miss the first car to town. Make people feel your presence, as it were, and as you more frequently do in a crowded car, than when there is no crowd. In a car you have all the best of it. The crowd can't get away, and you know they wouldn't get together again just for your benefit, so you must do your best. Make them whisper among themselves, "Pretty work, isn't it?"

A looker-on at the mad, ungovernable rush for the first car would imagine the world was coming to an end, or the election had gone Prohi and the town was to close up about two seconds before the people could get in to stock up. The risk of limb, and even life, so conspicuous on these occasions, counts for naught. The ambitious crowd can't even wait until the fresh car stops, but must run a mile or two down the track and head it off. They jump straddle of the headlight, on the fender, and climb all over the motor-man. By the time the car gets within sight of the fair grounds the thing is already full. Those who get on after the car gets to the station and to a standstill are known as the "trimmings." The blue book reporters do all their fancy work before the car stops among the unwashed.

This is the American way of getting on street cars, and it appears like a rush only to the foreigners. We never get in a hurry; we are the very essence of mannerisms, so say the American public. Nearly every event which gets into American history was

started rolling with a rush. Owing to a rush of business, two trains frequently attempt to pass each other on the same track, with the result that the event gets into railroad history. An excursion steamer captain tries to accommodate the passengers who are in such a hurry to take their recreation. The boiler finally takes a hand in the matter of "rushing" the passengers, and there is another chapter in the history of American steamboating. But, more of this later on, "when we have more time."

FRED R. WATERS.  
Salem, November 18, 1904.

## THE VALUE OF CHARCOAL.

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Though it fills the red steed with suspicion and fear,  
And causes the goslings to fret,  
And zips up and down through the once quiet town,  
There is room for the old horse yet.

Though the automobile whizzes over the scene  
That once was so peaceful and still,  
Leaving dust in its wake and the scent of benzine,  
As it disappears over the hill;  
Though its zips and its jolts give alarm to the colts,  
Let us not for a moment forget  
That in spite of man's need of excitement and speed,  
There is room for the old horse yet.

A thousand of inventors are busy today  
Building ships to be sailed in the air;  
By tomorrow the eagle may flutter away  
From the gay people soaring up there;  
The chicken may squawk, seeing men as they flock,  
As high as the birds ever get;  
But in spite of the things we may do with our wings,  
There is room for the old horse yet.

Though the lightning express, with its rush and its roar,  
Remains but a moment in sight;  
Though the trip that took months in the wagons of yore  
Is easily made in a night;  
Though the engine's wild tooth causes heifers to scot,  
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—S. E. Kiser, in Chicago Record-Herald.

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J. J. JUDAH,  
City Recorder.

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