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General Byng is still binging away.

It doesn't pay to hammer someone all the time.

The keenest hearing is that of the vaudeville artist, who frequently answers the encore before it starts.

Will the gentleman who advised us to substitute cornmeal for wheat flour please stand up so we can aim a brick at him.

While the statement of the Allies' war aims was postponed, it is understood that there is no secrecy that the chief war aim is to lick Germany.

The Sultan and his "Christian Dog" brother Wilhem, don't seem to be congratulating and decorating each other over what's hopping 'round Jerusalem these days.

Gradually the horrors are being segregated from the army and saddled onto those who stay at home. The army chaps are free now to dance to real music—no jazz.

However displeased the German prima donna's may be at the actions of America and the American public, we have heard none willing to go back home to sing at Berlin prices.

For the benefit of the uninitiated who still keep ice in the winter, it is suggested that wife's knitting needles are excellent implements with which to clean out the drain pipe under the refrigerator.

Six states will vote on prohibition next year—California, Nevada, Minnesota, Wyoming, Missouri and Florida. We are betting on two states which will go wet. California and Missouri, if they let St. Louis vote.

Some newspapers are born patriotic and some has patriotism thrust upon them, and thus pretend to be patriotic when they are not the same as some people around this old town carrying water on both shoulders. But they are spotted.

Mr. Hoover directed that no turkeys be killed for Thanksgiving this year. We really hadn't expected to kill any, recalling how many storage turkeys the housewives refused to buy last year, and knowing the same turkeys would be waiting this year.

The first thing the Germans did to the Russian envoys when they reached the front with their little white flag was to blindfold them. That is about as much show as we imagined the Russians would have in any peace negotiations with Germany.

To lose a button is becoming a domestic tragedy in Germany, according to the Hamburger Echo, which reports that sewing thread is so scarce and expensive that nobody can get clothes mended, and urges that a maximum price be set on thread at once.

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The Kaiser will find lead instead of gold at the end of the Rainbow Division.

With a separate peace with outsiders, what a lovely fight those Russians would take at home!

Every dog should have his day, but that doesn't make it necessary for you to bark into the telephone.

The man who is conceited in old age has evidently not been very observing while on the journey of life.

"Hunter mistakes trapper for a deer" says a familiar headline. And as usual, proceeded to make his own shot, which never misses.

The Atchison Globe takes considerable pride in the fact that very little of the current peace talk originates in the English language.

Do you know anyone else whose name carries such a crescendo and winds up with such a crash as General Sir Julian Hedworth George Eyng.

A Chicago man wishes to eliminate all men waiters, sending them into the army. Most people, however, wish victory to come by a quicker delivery.

It is suggested that if the government wishes to escape further blame, it will guarantee rain along with that \$2 price for wheat next year.

Trust Nebraska to come to the front with the unusual—and the best. It has the only governor to date who has resigned in order to don the uniform of his country.

Santa Claus will hover over the American ex-peditionary camp Christmas eve in great force, and woe veto any German airman who gets into his path that night.

Thus far German submarine devilry has cost Norway 660 ships and 713 sailors. Being a kind neutral neighbor to folk like German auto-crats sure has its drawbacks.

Assuming that the Cleveland, O., man who was sued last week for \$300,000 heart balm really has \$300,000, one is inclined to believe the forlorn young woman in the case when she says she hated to lose him.

When a lady shoots her husband, considerable investigation is made into her sanity at the time of the shooting, when, if her allegations are true, the investigation should be made into her sanity at the time she married him.

Some profused merchants really do not know what advertising means. Yet there are times when the advertising merchant gets what you might say, all the business, and he is unable to see the reason therefore. Let him try advertising, and he will perhaps solve the question.

Wherever a venerated patriot is found too discreet to openly oppose Uncle Sam and laud the Kaiser he is heard discrediting those who are seeking to help Uncle Sam and lambast the Kaiser. Or he is found apologizing for the disloyal and deprecating summary measures for the punishment of treason. Yet the mass of the American people have heard of the ostrich and its way of hiding.

THE NATURE OF TRUE PATRIOTISM

In the first place English should be the universal language among all peoples of this nation. Only English should be allowed to be taught in our public schools. Other languages should be left to be taught in the colleges and universities, and should be elective. It is a pernicious law which allows a small group of people to thrust upon the community the teaching of a language not our own in the public schools. This tends to unpatriotic and undemocratic sentiments.

Second. The publication of newspapers in foreign languages in the United States should be prohibited. The only possible exception should be made where the English translation is published at the same time and in an adjoining column. These publications do not advance the principles of democracy, because of the fact that the language which they use comes from a nation which is controlled by the autocracy. Unpatriotic and undemocratic sentiments can be freely expressed and be only known to those who can read other than the English language.—Nelson Herald.

OPPOSED TO OSCULATION.

The traitor-citizens who are caught with the "goods on" are often made to eat their vile words. They also are compelled to kiss the American flag. This practice does not appeal to me, for I think it is an insult to our flag to permit such low individuals to touch the glorious banner of this great nation.—Schuyler Messenger.

CONGRESS AGAIN.

We know why Congress is back and what is going to do. Nevertheless we welcome it and hope it will make itself comfortable for the winter. Perhaps it is rather noble of us, and maybe we deserve a lot of praise for it and maybe we won't get it, but no matter, we welcome Congress just the same and urge it to go right ahead.

It's going to take a lot of money to carry on the war we know, and we know it has got to come out of our pockets. Still we welcome Congress. We were for the war and we are for going through with it. Congress spoke no more than our sentiments and made them none too strong when it puts us in. We didn't stop to count the cost then and we are not going to stop to count it now; and when we say Congress is welcome we don't mean to be just polite, and we don't mean that we anticipate great pleasure from listening to its speeches—for we don't—but we mean it is welcome to call on us for every cent that is needed to end the war victoriously.

It will hear no complaint from us on that score. But while we are putting our hands in our pockets to dig up the silver bullets, we hope Congress will do what it can to keep other hands out. Congress has been away and perhaps hasn't noticed, but since fall set in the price of coal has taken quite a jump. We don't know whose fault it is—the coal dealers better—but we know we are not paying the present prices to help win the war. As soon as Congress gets caught up with its work we hope it will look into this matter, and into the general subject of prices; and not on our account alone, but to make easier the Nation's task of licking Kaiserism out of its boots. For it much be plain to Congress that every dollar taken from us unjustly by price riggers makes it harder for us to buy Liberty bonds and give to the Red Cross and meet

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the many other calls that come to us on account of the war and which we would like to meet.

That's all. Congress is welcome and we hope it will stay as long as necessary. It will have to lay on quite a lot of new taxes, but we guess we can carry them. Of course, they will be laid on equitably—Congress doesn't need to be told we expect that. And whatever taxes are laid on we hope Congress will do it and not leave it to Mr. Kitchin.—K. C. Star

PATRIOTISM'S PAY.

"None" is the only answer that the members of the local draft board of an Iowa county have given to the government query as to what charge is to be made for the service of the members in the execution of the selective draft law.

The report sent in by the county board at Marengo was the first complete report that the adjutant general's department has received. The expense account covered the months of July, August, September, October, and November.

Charges might have been made by the members of Marengo for the following: Chairman, clerk, physician, office rent, examining surgeon, furniture, typewriter rent, supplies and printing, traveling, incidentals and postage. After each of the items the board wrote the word "none." The sum total of the column was "none."

It is known to the adjutant general's department that many items of expense were incurred by the members of the board of Marengo. The department points to the first report as one of the samples of volunteer work of which it wishes to receive much.

R. J. Gilchrist is chairman of the Iowa county board, Merus Williams is clerk, and Dr. A. E. Gibson (resigned) is physician.—Des Moines Register.

Do your shopping early.

A little snow now and then.

The great Russian question—where are Mr. and Mrs. Kerensky?

We have felt right along that if Austria wasn't a little more careful of the company it kept it would get into trouble.

With Hoover, conservation begins at home. He has even had his son's appendix cut out, along with the sugar, etc.

Have the students of early camouflage cited the escape of Ulysses from the Cyclops cave by hiding in the wool of the great ram?

Chicken thieves are getting active. It would be a good idea for those who have chickens to get their shot gun in active operation, also.

In Petrograd a citizen goes to bed a traitor and rises a patriot; lunches as a revolutionist and dines as a rebel; and never for a moment knows what democracy is.

GO HAVE A LOOK!

Vallery and Cromwell leave Plattsmouth every Saturday night at 7:45 for Keith, Perkins and Chase counties.

They have the good level black soil that is raising all kinds of small grain, corn and alfalfa. Nobody has any lower prices and better soils. Ask those who have been out.

STRAIGHT FROM THE SHOULDER!

The message delivered by President Wilson to the reconvened congress strikes straight from the shoulder at the vital points of the war situation. Without mincing his language he shows that the reasons forcing us to take up arms to repel the unprovoked aggressions of the Kaiser are even stronger now for unrelenting prosecution of the war and that the talk of peace by compromise before we have gotten fairly into swing is prompted either by cowardly fear or traitorous disloyalty. At no time has a president talked more plainly and more outspokenly about enemies within the nation conspiring to sacrifice the principles of democracy to temporary advantage.

The best evidence that the president is in earnest and determined to back words with deeds, is his urgent demand upon congress for immediate declaration that a state of war exists also with Austria-Hungary. The anomaly of fighting the Kaiser while pretending to be in friendly peace with his chief partner acting in complete unison with him, not only in pushing the U-boat infamy but also in military movements against us and our allies, is indeed intolerable. The president offers a partial excuse for the Austrians that they are but tools and vassals of the German war lords and place Turkey and Bulgaria in the same category, yet asks that action against the last two be deferred for reasons which to us seem inconclusive. Unless there are undisclosed objects to be subserved, we do not see why we should continue on terms of peace with any of the countries self-linked with Germany in its greedy scheme of world dominion.

To the people of the countries whose governments are waging war upon us, the president's re-statement of our aims and purposes should be reassuring and would be if they were permitted to comprehend without distortion and misrepresentation. That understanding can, however, only come later when we prove to them that justice and right and not plunder and booty is what alone will satisfy us. It must also hearten our own allies and strengthen them in their weak places. For patriotic Americans, there is nothing to do but gird for a battle to the finish.—Omaha Bee.

NO HALF-HEARTED PATRIOTS.

The election returns from many of the large cities indicates that true patriots may be compelled to forget for the time party ties and vote for men for public trust who are 100 per cent American. No man who is half-hearted in the support of his country in this crisis should be sent to congress or the senate, and the people should go behind their campaign utterances to determine their loyalty.—Fairbury News

Before a woman can vote in Great Britain under the new suffrage franchise, she must be 30 years old and look it. Which isn't so bad—she doesn't have to admit it except to the registrar, who usually is a strange, mere man.

Reading the other day that tight shoes made a woman look cross, we know now what's the matter with a certain otherwise good looking girl of this old town.

Whale meat in San Francisco markets has risen to 22½ cents the pound. Somebody cornered whales?

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