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The way of the joyrider is rocky, but he himself picks the route.

"Meatless" and "wheatless" to avoid "eatless" days. Still we must eat.

Democracy leavens autocracy's dough. Germany progresses toward freedom while fighting against it.

The smooth, noiseless hand of Colonel House is not visible to the naked eye, but Texas gets the training camps just the same.

It is a little nice row, anyway, the Nebraska State Council of Defense has stirred up, which, at worst, may do good by making some folks show their colors.

Chicago women have invited a preacher to "put up or shut up" on his criticism and the reverend gentleman backed down.

Should the State Council of Defense desire to extend its critical operations much working material in congress offers a tempting target for its typewriter batteries.

The government credits the Black Hills mines with \$7,460,489 gold production for 1916, showing that the record established forty years ago is being steadily maintained.

Some of the information our democratic brethren are now imparting concerning one another is strangely at variance with utterances of a year ago. But it was different then.

"Nobody travels first class nowadays except officers," is a war item from over the water. That's because there are now no money-spilling rich American tourists traveling about in Europe.

A gathering of alienists and neurologists at Chicago solemnly lifted the lid on various horrors of war and the havoc looked for as the shooting proceeds. The gathering easily won the killjoy blue ribbon.

For one whole day women orators held the stage of the National Educational association meeting and talked war from start to finish. Mere man lingered within earshot, but didn't raise a whisper. Wise boy!

Quite severe is Mr. Metcalfe's indictment of Congressman Lobeck. Yet he could readily substitute the name of Senator Hitchcock in nearly every reference to the congressman and his charges would stick equally well.

The council has been investigating the police department, yet it is the whole city government that is on the grill. If the present commissioners cannot straighten out the police the voters will be tempted to find some commissioners who will.

As a starter the army training camps may muddle along without some conveniences, but they must have cooks and plenty of them. Seventeen hundred jobs await as many men capable of tickling husky appetites. Call early and get the pick of the kitchens.

Truly these be trying days for the fat man. Denied the privilege of active service, hearing the call yet forbidden to heed, he turns to the home guard only to find meatless days and perspiring weather mocking his patriotic impulses. What next? Oh, cheer up and work the fan.

Critical Situation of Neutrals. Federal control of food exports, effective from now on, is bound to increase the difficulties of neutrals bordering on the war field.

In both New York and Chicago organizations of doctors, nurses and philanthropic workers have been formed to give attention to the babies. Steady mounting of mortality among the infants has engaged such attention as may result in adoption of means to check the rate of death.

Heroes of the garden patch chortle merrily as the spody spud takes the chutes for the return trip. Pretty soon the aristocrat of yesteryear, blear-eyed and weary, will murmur to unsympathetic crowds: "I have seen better days."

But a little more vigorous action a few weeks ago would have saved our Lutheran friends the necessity of doing their explaining now.

To the Boy About to Be Drafted. Young man, you are about to be called on for the greatest possible service, that you devote all your faculties of body and mind to the good of others.

The right of the nation thus to interfere with your individual and private plans is unquestioned, but you are entitled to know, if you do not, on what that right rests.

Two great principles are now contending for mastery of the world. One is that of autocracy or absolutism, under which the will of a despot guides the destiny of the state.

The United States, greatest of all republics, has entered the war in self-defense, to make sure of the continuance of all our liberties and the rights of our citizens everywhere.

Our army could have been filled up without resort to the selective draft, but such a course would have resulted in inequalities in service that might have been dangerous.

In the Matter of Getting Married. Hetty Green's son, who is somewhere at sea on his honeymoon tour, took advantage of his wedding event to emit many maxims dealing with matrimony.

"For Alexandra day (special collection for the hospitals) preparations have been made in London... selling 10,000,000 flowers, while another 20,000,000 have been ordered for the rest of the country.

"In view of the great scarcity of glass bottles and jars the Board of Trade asks the public to return them to the trade through bottle dealers, or otherwise, for use again."

"The great auction sale at Smithfield market on behalf of the Red Cross began at 7 o'clock yesterday morning and before the chairman of the committee retired for a well-earned breakfast he had disposed of lots which realized £25,000.

"Why is Paris immune from aerial attacks while London is constantly subjected to them?" inquired a member in the Commons yesterday.

"As a result of gun fire sixty kinds of migratory birds have ceased to visit Britain," says the Daily Express.

"Yesterday the premises of three leading German banks in the city passed into English hands, the purchase money being retained by the public trustee for the benefit of the creditors of German banks.

The invitation issued through The Bee by way of editorial comment on an article in the Outlook by Theodore H. Price, urging him to come out to Nebraska and see the tractor show, started a correspondence which I hope may bring this well-known writer and financial authority out here for that event.

"In my Outlook article I emphasized the need of a permanent competitive tractor exhibition because it is so difficult for the farmers interested to attend these competitive tractor meets.

There are, moreover, no tractor meets in the east and the cheap, simple and efficient tractor is, if anything, more badly needed in the east than it is in the west.

Mr. Price says he has attended many of the tractor meets held in his part of the country each summer and realizes the progress made in developing tractors for big and level farms and naturally does not like to rest under any inference of having written on the subject in ignorance.

There is a copy of the program offered by the mayor, not one Chicago dog bearing the name 'Kaiser' has been registered and licensed so far this year.

For good military reason the authorities ordered Hoboken saloons along the water front to moderate their reach and close up at 10 p. m.

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The tailors of Chicago, eight in number, highly resolve never more to rattle the jacket during the solemn midnight hours.

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Enclosed find a two-cent stamp, for which you will please send me, entirely free, a copy of The Canning Book.

Views, Reviews and Interviews

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Mention has been made by me in this column of the war flavor that is permeating the British newspapers that we are receiving and how thoroughly they reflect war conditions.

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TODAY

Proverb for the Day. Facts are stubborn things. One Year Ago Today in the War. British army gained mile on four-mile front along the Somme.

Italian destroyer Impetuoso sunk by Austrian submarine in Adriatic. London reported that 19,000 German prisoners had been taken in Somme offensive.

In Omaha Thirty Years Ago. Postmaster Gallagher had his coat stolen from his private office.

8 p. m., except on Saturday, when they will be open until 10 p. m., and on Sundays from 7 a. m. until 12 noon.

The Junior Order of Ancient Mechanics have secured the third story of the Hornbarger block.

All is not joy in Louisville over the location of an army cantonment in the suburbs. The law draws a two-mile line from the camp within which liquor selling is forbidden.

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AROUND THE CITIES.

St. Paul claims to be the first city in the world to have a club house and recreation center for the deaf.

Greater New York has upwards of 100,000 flat houses, which contain 250,000 apartments, houses a population of 3,420,000 and has over 2,000 miles of streets. Some town, that.

Chicagoans hesitate about classing coal as real patriots. The promised cut in prices has not shown up, and the "gouge sign" will not be turned to the wall until the consumer feels the cut.

Salt Lake City makes a hot bid for the laurels of Yuma as a resort of summer. Last Sunday the mercury climbed up to 102 and camped there long enough to defy the briny-laden sephyras of the lake and the cooling ripples of the Jordan.

St. Louis has launched a home guard to combat the activities of the Industrial Workers of the World or any other internal trouble arising during the war.

Bakers of St. Joseph, Leavenworth, Kansas City and Topeka cheerily fall for the bread conservation movement to the extent of cutting out return loaves.

John E. Baker of York, Pa., and cousin, Daniel Baker of Baltimore, have offered the government a plantation of 600 acres free of charge along the Potomac river as a site for a training camp or a mobilization point.

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DOMESTIC PLEASANTRIES.

"Doctor, my husband is troubled with a buzzing noise in his ears."

Operator—Number, please? Subscriber—There is a nice young man here who has spilled green ink on his white shirt. What can he do to get it out?—Puck.

"What do you mean?" "Nothing to it."

"They're off, just as fussy as the candy counter as they are anywhere else."

"Miss Roxley—Eitel—I cannot live without you."

Johnny, when I tell your father what a naughty boy you've been today, he will punish you severely."

"Yes, and I shall tell him immediately after dinner."

"Well, ma, give him a better dinner than usual, won't you? You might do that much for me."—New York Post.

THE MAN OF HABIT. Margaret A. Wilson, in the Atlantic.

What is so wonderful as dying? "You're dead!"

Has year by plaid year? "Yes, and I shall tell him immediately after dinner."

Could he find peace? "No, ma, give him a better dinner than usual, won't you? You might do that much for me."—New York Post.

Well, he, the habit-bound. The man of dull meticulous mind. Has risked the great adventure now. I almost think his narrow brow. Has taken on more breadth since dying.

What do his eyes see, the white lids under? That the lips should be curved with such fugitive wonder, Lips that in life were pinched and shrunken?

Do they see, perhaps, the spirit drunken? With abashed eyes? With unshed tears? With unshed light? Ah, by the one vast chartless road? Small souls, like great, go home to God!

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