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Everybody is very busy.  
He who loafs is not patriotic.  
Many farmers were in town Saturday.  
There are too many conflicting reports.

One day you get a battle report and the next day it is denied.

What we need in congress is less hair-splitting and more rail-splitting.

Are you doing your share of patriotic gardening? If you are not, get to work.

The prices of foodstuffs is getting to be a good deal of a luxury, even in cornmeal.

The man who really recognizes the good qualities of others is never without them himself.

Love in a cottage is ideal—when the cottage contains something more substantial than love.

The girl who is unable to find an ideal man is generally willing to accept anything she can get.

A gun has more than ordinary intelligence. It seems to always know when a fool gets at the right end of it.

Let us all hang Old Glory to the breeze on Decoration day, in commemoration of those who saved the flag.

The price of gasoline keeps going up, but then anyone who owns an auto is always supposed to have money to burn in this manner.

With eggs in danger of going to a dollar a dozen the next winter, a flock of laying hens will mark the owner as a potential millionaire. Have you the hens?

After returning from a marketing trip the other morning, a lady remarked to us that the old-fashioned notion that two can live as cheap as one, needed considerable alteration.

Keep it constantly in your mind that the Plattsmouth Chautauqua begins Thursday, June 28, and will continue for six days. The attractions are first class in every respect, and are guaranteed to satisfy.

There is a rift in every lute. Historians now say that one of the reasons why George Washington smiled so seldom was caused by the fact that he had such poor teeth. But he didn't win the war of the revolution with his teeth.

The man who makes potatoes grow where weeds used to grow is as much a patriot as the man who makes shot and shell or bayonet. Edison and Burbank are better men for their country than ten Hindenburgs or Hohenzollerns.

"False economy means stagnation, failure and defeat of the very aim for which the government is striving," said John G. Sheild, president of Marshall Field & Co., in an address at the spring meeting of the National Dry Goods association in Chicago last Monday.

A number of business men of the neighboring towns have adopted the cash system altogether—that's hard on the fellows who want their spare change to send to the mail order houses and wants the home merchant to carry him along until the oats are threshed. However, the cash system is the best, if people could only become educated to the fact.

## TO THE BATTLE FRONT.

No American citizen respecting himself and respecting his country would desire to see the United States, involved in the world's most terrible war, play nothing more heroic than a sutler's part.

On our entry into the war we realized that it was the British fleet that was protecting our commerce from certain destruction and our shores from possible invasion. We realized that it was the line of British and French troops extending from the North Sea to the Swiss mountains that stood as a shield between ourselves and the most formidable military power of history. Realizing, we have strained every nerve and muscle to provide the needed materials for the great democracies whose blood is flowing like water in championship of the cause that is also our cause. We have given generously of our great wealth to provide huge loans for the nations whose own resources have been so frightfully depleted. But, though our national sympathy and moral support have gone with our contributions of money and materials, we have known that the money was lent at interest and the materials sold at a profit—much of it, indeed, at a scandalously high profit.

No so could this mighty republic be content to limit its services. It would be shamed forever to leave the sacrifices to be the undivided lot of others. A war that is worth entering is worth fighting—is worth the libations of blood and tears that are demanded of all whose hearts and souls, whose possessions and liberties and ideals, are tied up in it. He would be a sorry and base champion of any cause who would choose to remain safely in the rear of the line of danger, profiting by the business that grew up as an incident to the struggle, and counting that business as his sufficient contribution.

This is the all-sufficient reason for sending our troops to France and Belgium, our warships to European waters, our engineers and hospital corps and marines to serve where the need is great. But even if it were not, there is another reason, plain as the blazing noonday sun, why the might of our mahood must follow our money and our wheat and our munitions to the scarred and blood-soaked soil of France. It is that our troops are badly needed there, and those who are fighting our battle are urgently calling for us to come before their own strength is spent. Russia's virtual detachment from the war for months at least, possibly for good, has enabled the kaiser so to strengthen his western line with guns and men that the entente cause is jeopardized on land the same as on sea. France's 17-year-old boys and 50-year-old men—all that she has left—have been placed on the battle front, and if these be overwhelmed then France is lost. Great Britain is hard put to it to keep her present forces replenished and supplied. If as a result of this most totonic battle ever fought—a battle that promises to endure for months—the sullen gray tide of the German hosts should flow over the annihilated armies of the entente, then there would be nothing and no one left to help us in the fight for democracy. The burden would fall all on our own shoulders, and we would have to arrange for long years of war involving the loss of possibly millions of American boys before the world could be saved and made safe for democracy.

And so we are putting our very lives into the war, as we should, prompted not only by self-respect and honor, but by considerations of vital self-interest. The president is losing not a moment of time to make our strength apply where it will count quickest and count most. He is unwilling to make any dubious experi-

ments. He is sending to the front not untrained volunteers under an unproved leader, but the flower of our trained soldiery under a veteran general, a grim and brave and experienced warrior whom all the world knows and respects. He is planning to follow this first expedition with others just as fast as the men can be gathered, trained and equipped. It is not political warfare, but scientific warfare, that the president proposes. It is warfare with the whole power of the republic behind it.

The German government, that expected and invited war with the United States; that discounted it on account of our unpreparedness and weakness, as it thought; that has sneered at our military strength and dreamed we would fight only a paper war—that government is about to learn of its serious mistake. The United States is neither puerile nor pusillanimous. It has the capacity and the courage to make itself mighty in war as it is in peace. In the supreme and awful crisis that is testing the nations, that is proving out the ideals of the world to decide which shall live and which perish, the United States will not be found reckless nor its ideals those that are destined to death. To establish that this is true we, as citizens, must devote ourselves unitedly, counting no price too great to pay to keep the Stars and Stripes floating, no sacrifice too costly to preserve democracy as the hope and inspiration of all the peoples of the earth.—World-Herald.

## DOPE THAT DID THE WORK.

Another thing that has been largely responsible for the sensational price boosts in most of the staple foodstuffs has been the dope sent out from Washington. Almost every day the papers carry articles bearing Washington, date lines telling of the present and prospective shortage in grain and live stock. Naturally these alarming semi-official statements carry considerable weight with the country and the tendency is to aggravate an already bad condition. With a little sensible economy on the part of the people no one is going to need even go hungry. Food is going to cost a lot of money during these war times, but there is going to be enough to go around. An abundant opportunities for everyone to earn the money to purchase food. It's a good time to do a little level-headed thinking and figuring and no time to get panicky.—South Omaha Journal Stockman.

The Blair Pilot throws this monkey-wrench into the wheels of the gringing machinery: "How about all that talk that preparedness was to keep us out of war?"—Riverton Review. This president urged preparedness and its friends said and believed that if we were prepared it would keep us out of war. The trouble was we had a lot of sapsheads who fought it and defeated it and we have war because we were unprepared and the kaiser knew we were unprepared and he did not count us any factor to be taken into account. It will now take us at least a year to be fit to join the battle in France. We have men—plenty of them—brave men, too, but that is not a modern army. We must do what we should have done two years ago—prepare.—Orleans Chronicle.

The smiles on your face and the kind words you have spoken will stay on earth when you have passed over to the Great Beyond. This will be a good thing to remember.

With a favorable season it can reasonably be expected that 5,000,000 bushels of corn will be produced from Cass county farms this season, and it may reach 6,000,000.

Mark the prediction. When the record is made up for 1917 it will be Nebraska that heads the list of states that produced the foodstuffs for the use of the allies.

When you get the worst of it, accept the situation calmly, because the chances are that you can't do anything about it, anyway.

That was some rain Monday night.

Somewhat cooler, in fact, too much so.

The rain was general throughout the state.

A good mule is like a good rule—it works nicely both ways.

Ireland can have home rule when she prepares herself for it.

Get ready for chautauqua, which begins Thursday, June 28.

No need to tell your neighbors who and what you are. They know.

It will take a lot of "booze seekers" to exhaust the invisible supply in Nebraska.

There are, however, many kinds of slackers—those in your home town, for example.

The rain Monday night is just what the farmers needed, if it was a little more than necessary.

Blessed is the man who uses your telephone and does not mark up your wall with a lead pencil while talking.

One fine thing about being a military hero en tour is the fact that so many pretty maidens offer their cheeks.

One thing sure, when Uncle Sam wants the services of experts, in all lines of human endeavor, he can have the pick of the best experts in this world in the west.

## STRIKES IN WAR TIME.

The secretary of labor in the president's cabinet, officials of the American Federation of Labor and the Council of National Defense have had to work together to avert a threatened strike in the Pennsylvania coal fields. They appear to have succeeded through some promises of better wages and improved conditions, but there is no way of enforcing voluntary agreements brought about by official intervention and influence. In a time like this, when so much depends upon regular and well conducted means of transportation and distribution of many kinds of supplies, there ought to be some authoritative and effectual way of preventing strikes in employments affecting important public interests. We are now in the war and the government needs a fidelity to its interests and its support that can be enforced.

Great Britain at the beginning of the war had much difficulty in putting a stop to strikes which were costing lives and large losses of property, and imperiling national interests of great moment. There had to be imperial legislation in what is known as the defense of the realm act to put a stop to this. With a good deal of difficulty the object was substantially attained. But there have just been some local strikes in munitions works which brought out a warning from the secretary of the ministry of munitions, created early in the war, of the serious consequences that may be incurred. Those inciting or leading to a stoppage of work in munition factories in England are liable to a penalty of servitude for life, or a shorter term at the discretion of the court.

It is to be hoped that workingmen of the United States will vindicate the principle of democratic self-government by showing fidelity to it and giving it loyal support in a time like this. In doing so they should be fairly supported by their employers and not have to be subjected to compulsion in the face of any reasonable demands. Employers and employees ought to be at one in supporting the government in the exercise of its war power.—New York Journal of Commerce.

Another good and inexpensive substitute for tubers—carrots. Add a dozen eggs, a quart of molasses, five pounds of sugar, five ounces of salt, a pound of rice, a square foot of beef-steak and you will have an appetizing and delicious dish and feel that you are doing your bit for your country.

Be kind to everybody, and you can't help but be happy.

## EVERY MAN HIS OWN BOND-HOLDER.

With reference to the Liberty loan all of the bonds will be sold to a certainty. They provide an investment such as wealthy men are always seeking. Aggregated wealth stands ready now to take the entire issue of two billions. If wealth is allowed to absorb these bonds the poor men of the country will pay the cost and the rich will get the advantage.

What the government is trying to do is to induce the people everywhere, the poor man as well as the moderately well-to-do, to buy these bonds. This is the government's desire for at least two reasons. One of them is that it tends to quicken the popular interest in the purposes and progress of democracy's war. The other is that if the people universally subscribe for the bonds they will enjoy the investment benefits and will not feel that in the issue of these bonds the government is lashing a burden upon their backs by fastening a great annual interest charge upon them for the benefit of the rich purchasers of the securities.

The popular repugnance for bond issues is due to the consciousness that the government bond is a device by which wealthy men exact tribute from the masses. This will not be the case if the masses possess themselves of the bonds and enjoy the interest that accrues therefrom.

Clever financiers are always maneuvering for bond issues, so that they may buy the bonds and exact the interest. The 3½ per cent which these bonds will bear does not look large to the average man, but the clever financier recognizes the worth of the investment. He knows that the immunity from taxation they enjoy almost doubles the interest rate.

Besides the government has provided that these 3½ per cent bonds may be exchanged for any bond the government may issue hereafter bearing a higher rate of interest.

The absorption of this bond issue by the masses is desired chiefly because it will be an expression of popular approval of the war for democracy.

Two kinds of bonds are to be issued, bearer bonds and registered bonds. The first, in denominations from \$50 to \$1,000, will have coupons attached for interest installments, which may be torn off as they fall due and cashed at any bank the same as a United States note. The registered bonds, in denominations from \$100 to \$100,000, will draw interest payable in government checks sent out semi-annually to those holding them.

Anybody with \$50 in money or credit at a bank can buy a bond and get the interest on it, instead of helping to pay that interest to some capitalist.

We would all get along better if we would attend strictly to our own affairs.

Burlington employes receiving less than \$250 a month, excepting those whose wages are fixed by agreement, and laborers whose wages recently were raised, will receive a 10 per cent advance. This announcement was made by President Hale Holden.

The lawyers tell us that ignorance of the law excuses no man. And then we are solemnly informed that the law making bodies of the country, state and national, have passed no less than 62,550 laws. We'll plead guilty to the charge, whatever it is.

## Californian Had Kidney Trouble

Jack Maltes, Copperopolis, Calif., says: "I had such a severe case of kidney trouble I thought I would have to sell out my business. I took three bottles of Foley Kidney Pills which entirely relieved me and I have had no recurrence of kidney trouble since then." "Some days it seems as if you can no longer bear the pain and misery you suffer from kidney and bladder troubles. The ache across your back grows worse with every move you make and every step you take. It just seems to rob you of all strength and energy. Your head aches, you are nervous and worn out, sleep poorly and have no appetite, stomach is upset and bowels irregular. Foley Kidney Pills lessen the pain, until it is finally gone entirely. They give strength and tone to the kidneys—make them strong, active, their action becomes regular and normal again, and your health grows better each day you take this great healing medicine. And Druggists Everywhere."

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No frost yet, for a wonder.  
The farmers are busy planting corn.  
The potato crop will be immense.  
The blackmailer is worse than the midnight assassin.  
A small flag is just as indicative of loyalty as a large one.  
A man strictly loyal to his country is the noblest work of God.  
The salaried man can't stand around and talk and earn his wages.  
Decoration day—next Wednesday. Decorate your place of business in honor of the soldiers who sleep in Oak Hill cemetery.  
Cut out the luxuries, eliminate the costly potato and buy rice. In a few weeks it won't cost more than twice as much as spuds.

Most people in this city have ceased discussing the war in public. But there are a few slackers who still insist on doing so.  
The cyclone season is on, and this section of Nebraska has escaped any indications of this kind so far, and we hope, for all time to come.

Keep in mind that Plattsmouth's first chautauqua commences on Thursday, June 28, and that every attraction is guaranteed in every respect as first-class and up-to-date.  
Germany is reported to be facing a coal famine unless conditions change before next winter. The German people will not be alone in feeling the pinch of a coal shortage unless conditions in this country are changed.

A Washington dispatch says that the federal law has been construed to prohibit the wearing of the flag stockings. Possibly it was held that in these trying times there is enough already to distract the attention of the average man from his patriotic duty.

## MR. FARMER!

A half million dollars' worth of perfectly good farm machinery is thrown in the scrap pile every year in Nebraska.

Farm work is the hardest work there is on machinery.

Castings break, bearings wear out, shafts bend and break. Things get dull and pill hard, gears rattle, smash, bang and crash, paint gets dull.

Many farmers throw away machinery and buy new, because they are not aware that we can in nearly every case remake such machinery equal and in many respects better than new.

We do not care how bad your machinery is smashed or worn, they all look alike to us; we remake them as good as new and save you money.

A dollar saved is a dollar earned; keep your money at home and you may get it back again, besides it helps us to employ home labor.

Put your machinery troubles up to us; we have the best equipped machine shop in the country; if you don't believe it, call and see us. Visitors are always welcome.

We make everything in metal. Now is a good time to overhaul things for the spring rush.

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# Attention Auto Buyer

with present conditions at the various factories existing and the scarcity of freight cars in which to transfer autos, it is a cold fact that a great many buyers will be disappointed at the inability of agents to secure cars with which to fill orders already sold. We anticipated this condition early and bought a supply of cars of both "Studebaker" and "Maxwell" autos and can make immediate delivery to you. Think this matter over carefully and call on us or write and we will be pleased to give you a demonstration of either make.

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Studebaker 6-50, f. o. b. Detroit . . . . . \$1,250.00  
Maxwell 4-40, f. o. b. Detroit . . . . . 940.00  
Maxwell 4-30, f. o. b. Detroit . . . . . 635.00

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