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Did you buy a Liberty bond?
They call them matrimonial knots, but very often they are tangles.
The new French minister of foreign missions is named Bullion. Sounds good.

The farmers are busy gathering corn. Many of them are using the machine huskers.

Doctor Michaelis will soon begin to suspect that the Reichstag doesn't want anything to do with him.

No matter where you was born, if you are now an American citizen come up and buy a Liberty bond.

Wool has not reached such a price that very few of us need object to having it "pulled over our eyes."

If we had more Gabriels, life would be more enjoyable. Most men never know when to blow their last horn.

A reader wants to know what the German junkers will do after the war. The junk business will be the most profitable business over there.

If you have been married for any length of time, you no doubt are one of the men who wonder why detective bureaus do not employ more women.

We are only beginning to understand why Bernstorff shed tears on being dismissed from America. The field for his peculiar brand of diplomacy was so rich.

A well known clergyman says, wars will continue until the devil is chained. Why, bless your soul Parson, that's just what we've started to do now—chain him.

A news dispatch says California will have to destroy thousands of pounds of ballot paper. This is not the first ballot paper wasted. Look at that used to elect a lot of our preset public officials.

It is a significant fact that close upon the heels of a third ten per cent dividend this year, declared by the sugar trust the President took charge of that industry. Truly, "pride goeth before a fall."

According to the Bachelor girl, the man who is envied by all his fellows is the one who is strong enough to eat anything he likes without getting indigestion, clever enough to do anything he likes without getting caught, and ingenious enough to flirt with any woman he likes without getting married.

A reader of a city paper asks this pertinent question: If the government can conscript the life blood of the nation to carry on the war, why can it not conscript the excess wealth and profits the war will bring? That's a question that a lot of other people have been pondering over for some time and we would like to hear a plausible answer.

THE RIGHT IDEA.

"Buy at home," is the right idea for the person to follow who desires to see this town grow and prosper. This is a sermon which offers no opportunity for adverse argument. There is no need for sending money out of this place for things which can be purchased here.

The practice of buying away from home has been a curse to the people of this section. And until this practice is crushed under the foot of a righteous indignation from our loyal hearted citizens, this city will never be the place it should be.

The bean crop is poor.

Wealth is a fool's pride-breeder.

Have you thought about Thanksgiving.

And Nebraska is there with the potatoes.

So-called style shows generally are one-tenth style and nine-tenths show.

Some recently married men walk around as proud as if they had done it with their own free will.

Mighty few people are compelled by law to condense their output of the milk of human kindness.

Its unpatriotic to waste food, says the food administration. There's no danger of our being unpatriotic as long as the prices stay where they are.

THE UNDERLYING INDUSTRY.

World hunger has awakened unwanted interest in the farm as a source of food supply. When the topmost limit of food production is reached, the limit to the number of inhabitants possible on the globe is in sight. Population may increase so long as food per acre increases. Fortunately for the future of the race the possibilities of the American acre have not yet been discovered.

In the American corn belt the average yield of corn per acre considerable areas has been doubled in a single season by strict attention to choice of seed and culture. The choice of breeds and wise methods of feeding and testing products, have doubled the food product of dairy farms. Wise breeding and feeding has doubled the meat product of farms. Scientific care of orchards has doubled the fruit yield. No crop grown in American has ever nearly reached its possible limit the country over. As workmen and farm wisdom increase, so do the crops increase.

The waste of American food products in the process of growing and handling is something enormous insect pests alone are estimated to waste a half billion dollars' worth of food yearly. The annual preventable waste of fertility is twice that amount. Rats destroy \$200,000,000 worth of food each year, and other animal pests ruin as much more. The remedy for this great waste is known. The only bar to the stopping of it is human labor and an inclination to apply the remedy.

These facts suggest the possibility of the expansion of power to produce food on the farm lands of America now under plow. Beyond this there are lands yet to be put under cultivation, amounting to more than one-fourth of the present tilled acreage. And after all this waste is eliminated and these acres are plowed, and our present plowed acres doubled in yield, we have just arrived at the point where we may learn from the Orientals how to garden our land instead of farming it, and how thereby to raise five calories of food where but one grew before.

Farmers are discovering that the farm is not only a source of raw material, but a factory as well, from which they make both the profits of the producer and the product of the manufacturer. And the cities are learning that the opportunities of the town lie in the country, and that the city prospers in like ratio as the producing acres about it prosper. The eyes of the city have come "back to the land."—Minneapolis Journal.

Have you dug your 'taters?

No starvation in Nebraska this winter.

Some men have to swear to be emphatic.

The right kind of milk of human kindness does not sour very easily.

The winter generally brings out skaters, but the cheap skate we have with us always.

Ah, my friend, do not make a mistake. The world can and will eventually get along just as well without you.

The old saw about "while there is life there is hope," was written before they had doctors' consultation and operations.

The man in Colorado who did not know we were at war with Germany has nothing on a few senators and congressmen we know.

With the boys leaving for the trenches to fight for the stay-at-homes, it should be an insult to have to be asked to buy a Liberty bond.

It's popular to write alleged humor about wives, but most husbands wouldn't be half as far as they are on the road to success if it were not for their better halves.

The Germans in Flanders are behaving like a wild cat being extracted from a hollow log by the tail. She comes, but she is not at all enthusiastic about it.

We are not a weather prophet nor son of a prophet, but we predict that regardless of winter coming on, it will be mighty warm in the Reichstag's living the coming months.

Have you given anything for the boys at Camp Funston and Deming? You are giving it for our boys—Cass county boys. It will have to be sent in the next few days. Come to the Journal office and give your bit now.

We have several readers who always are kicking about opportunities being scarce. There's a fortune for the inventor of a periscope for the small person who has to stand in the rear of a crowd to see a parade.

Most men who excuse spending their money foolishly by saying, "I earned it and I guess I can spend it," would be horrified if their wives took the same amount and went on a bat once a week. And yet she has the same right hasn't she?

PATRIOTIC DUTY.

Ministers are urged to preach on the importance of school attendance as a patriotic duty this year, and Sunday school superintendents and leaders of young people's societies in the various churches are asked to make school attendance a special topic, in a letter addressed by the commission of education to churches and religious papers throughout the United States. In urging the churches to help in the campaign for greater school attendance, Dr. Claxton says: "It is of the greatest importance that the schools of the United States of all kinds and grades—public, private and parochial—be maintained during the war without any lowering of their standards or falling off in their attendance. This is necessary both for the protection of our boys and girls against many unusual temptations to delinquencies of various kinds, and that they may have full opportunity for preparation for the work of life and for the duties and responsibilities of citizenship, all of which will require a higher degree of preparation because of the war. For many reasons there will be need in this country for higher standards in average of ability, knowledge, and virtue, when the boys and girls now in our schools have reached manhood and womanhood than we or any other people have yet attained to. In the

making of public opinion and popular sentiment necessary for the maintenance of standards of efficiency, to keep children in the schools, and to prevent their exploitation in the mills and shops, the churches may do much."

NEW DRAFT CLASSES.

Under the new draft classification, the aim appears to have been to eliminate positive exemptions by simply dividing the registered citizenship into classes and designating which classes shall be called first.

However there appears to be just as much opportunity for those nice distinctions in liability which have agitated many communities and often led to the suspicion, if not the open accusation, that exemption boards were exercising favoritism. There is nothing in the new draft rules that prevents one liable to draft from becoming a slacker if he and his friends are willing to stretch the truth a little under oath.—Lincoln Star.

THE AMERICAN SENATOR FROM WISCONSIN

Senator La Follette has been so much in the public eye lately that the country almost lost sight of that other senator from Wisconsin, Paul Oscar Hustung. His death Sunday from an accident while hunting recalls the great service he did his country and his state in the crisis through which the Nation is passing.

In the spring of 1916, when President Wilson notified the German government that another case like the sinking of the Sussex might force the United States to sever diplomatic relations, and it looked as if we might be forced into the war, letters from every part of this country, protesting against war, showered upon Congress. At a time when weak kneed members were almost in a panic, Senator Hustung came forward with evidence that the letters and telegrams were part of a campaign by a nation-wide organization, financed by Germans.

We know now that it was all paid for by money sent here direct from Germany. But few knew that then, and it took courage and patriotism of a high order for Senator Hustung, from a state supposedly pro-German, to stand, as he always had done, for pure Americanism.

The country will feel the loss of Senator Hustung the more because of the contrast with the surviving senator from Wisconsin.—Kansas City Star.

CLASS CONSCIOUSNESS.

"I am not an I. W. W.," said James H. Maurer, president of the Pennsylvania Federation of Labor, at the Madison Square Garden meeting Sunday night, "but I will say this for them: Their only crime is that they are class-conscious and consistent, and they fight for their convictions."

The "convictions" for which the I. W. W. fight are that every agreement with an employer is a "scrap of paper," and that workmen must follow the policy of sabotage; bomb the churches; flood the mines; burn the crops; fire the forests and the sawmills that turn out spruce for airplanes; poison the soup, as in a famous Chicago case; resist the draft, and help the kaiser. This is not crime; it is class-consciousness.

And what a convenient theory for others than the I. W. W.! Cocchi was merely class-conscious when he murdered the daughter of a respectable man and hid her body in his cellar. The gunman who killed Rosenthal were "class-conscious" and so was Becker, who engaged them for the job. They too were waging war on society by "direct action." "Jack the Ripper" was a class-conscious patriot ahead of his time. Possibly that is what ails the German government. When it started out on its career of blood and devastation it was merely class-conscious.—New York World.

KAISER AND SULTAN.

"A dispatch from Constantinople says the sultan of Turkey has conferred on the kaiser the diamond star of the Fichar Order, Turkey's highest war decoration, and that the kaiser presented to the sultan the star and chain of the Hohenzollern Order with diamonds."

The martyred dead of "Scio's rocky isle," for centuries unavenged, the victims of Turkish massacres in Herzegovina, signs of Turkish atrocities in Bulgaria, rocky fastnesses, the hosts fresh in Armenia, upon the one hand; and upon the other the shades of all the millions who lie in graves upon the battlefields of France, Belgium and Poland of Galicia and Rumania, of Macedonia and Mesopotamia, and of thousands who have been sent unwarmed and unknelt to burial beneath the waters of the sea, looked upon this strange, astounding scene. These two men, in their unapproachable supremacy as the world's greatest destroyers of human lives, with hands drenched in blood, blood enough in all literalness to incarnadine the seas, affixed each to the breast of the other an order of highest distinction, symbols and testimonies of exalted rank in the terrible art they practice and do not shudder at.

Alexander Borgia should have been there to confer his blessing upon this twain, who have so far surpassed him that his deeds of horror dwindle to mere peccadillos.—New York Times.

OUR FINANCIAL KINDERGARTEN.

To the great masses of the people of the United States the floating of the two big issues of Liberty loans has been but kindergarten work in finance. The average citizen, especially outside of the shadow of Wall street, knows so little about a government bond as an investment that he is as apt to look upon one of Uncle Sam's 4 per cent obligations as a gold brick as a real investment prize.

The average citizen is so little used to having any property that is not subject to taxation that he has not calculated the gain it will be to him to have a gilt-edged security bearing 4 per cent interest which will not excite attention from the assessor.

But around Wall street and in the other large metropolitan financial centers those who profit from their studies of financial conditions and opportunities are not so dull and listless. That is why in those centers securities other than those of Uncle Sam have been selling quite freely far below recognized intrinsic values in order that the proceeds of their sales can be invested in non-taxable Liberty bonds. Writing of these bonds, Henry Clews, the great New York banker, says:

"As we have already stated, these bonds as an investment are the best and safest in the world. Within a few years, if not sooner, they will sell at a handsome premium, and it is an imperative duty of every citizen to assume his share of the financial responsibility."

DON'T BURN THE LEAVES.

Burning the leaves that you rake from your lawn means the waste of a very valuable fertilizer. Put the leaves on the garden, securing them from blowing away either by thoroughly wetting them down or by spading them under. They make a splendid mulch with which to cover the roots of perennials, protecting them from the alternate freezing and thawing that causes such things to winter-kill more than anything else. When thus used, it is well to put something heavier on top of the leaves to keep them from blowing about.—Newman Grove Reporter.

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TO MEAT EATERS.

Consumers should be especially interested in the movement to conserve food. If every citizen of the United States would decline to eat meat on one day each week, the saving would be immense and the effect would be left almost immediately upon the market. If the demand for any one article can be sufficiently reduced, there is almost certain to be a change in price, for the price asked in the majority of cases is governed entirely by demand.—Beatrice Express.

DIED AT COUNCIL BLUFFS.

From Thursday's Daily.
Last evening, George Park received a telephone message from his brother Will Park, from Council Bluffs, stating that the latter's wife had just died, and that the funeral would occur from that place, tomorrow, October 26th. Mr. Park departed this afternoon for Council Bluffs, to be in attendance at the funeral. Mr. Will Park is a carpenter, and has lived in Council Bluffs, for the past forty years. They have three children, two boys and one girl, all of who are married, and have families.

CEMETERY.

We are now prepared to make your monument, markers and lot corners right at home. Cass County Monument Co., W. T. Wassell, manager. Hotel Riley block, Plattsmouth, Neb.

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