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Old Winter's here.
But how about coal?
Give presents to those who can't buy.

Pretty cold when it is 16 and 18 below.
The kids are counting the days till Christmas.

Every father who has a bright young son firmly believes in heredity.

Another good Christmas slogan for these days: "Buy for those who need instead of those who have."

The left over turkey question has solved itself, but they have had a hard time getting away with the balance of that cranberry sauce.

It was Nebraska's first liquorless Thanksgiving, and somehow or otherwise it seems to have been just as full of good cheer as in the days gone by.

By all means give father an additional pocket book for Christmas. There is no telling how soon the one he has now may appear like the elephant had stepped on it.

It is claimed that Germany is able to put fourteen men in the field for what it costs the United States to put one. And it is believed they are worth fully that much.

Wheatless, meatless, sweetnessless days; also 'backerless, crackerless days. Kissless, blissless and other less days. But what of it all if it helps us win this helluva a war we didn't begin?

The United States has spent, from the time of Washington until the war broke out \$26,000,000,000, says Frank A. Vanderlip. This includes all past wars, but the first year of the present struggle comes to \$19,690,000,000.

Buy a War Saving Stamp. You can buy them for 25 cents or five dollars. When the buyer of the 25 cent stamp reaches the amount of five dollars, he can exchange them for a five dollar stamp. The 25-cent stamp is called a "thrifty stamp." While the bigger stamp is "a war saving stamp." Everybody is able to invest in either one or the other.

Under the new regulations every person registered for selective draft is restored to his original status, section 4 stating that all exemptions and discharges made prior to December 15 are revoked. The office of the Provost Marshal General declares it is imperative that every registrant know his "order number". Every person who registered or should have registered June 5 is charged with a knowledge of the selective service law and additional regulations, and failure to perform any duty so prescribed is a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for one year and may result in the loss of valuable rights and privileges and in immediate induction into military service.

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Give freely but give wisely.
The coal question is it.
Do your shopping early, but do it in Plattsmouth.

A "Smokeless Day" would be all right, but will deprive Uncle Sam of lot of revenue.

While quail are reported to be plentiful, it is advisable to warn hunters not to "go over the top."

Since April, incendiary fires have destroyed enough foodstuffs to ration an army of 300,000 men for a year.

It doesn't take long to get used to coffee without sugar, but oatmeal, we foresee is going to be a different proposition.

Because a man cannot do a thing he should not conclude that it can't be done. The chances are that a woman can do it with a hair pin.

The crow of the rooster may sound louder and shriller these frosty mornings, but it's the cackle of the hen that calls attention to the golden egg.

The President's address may lose something of its force and finish in the process of translation, but Austria probably will be able to get its meaning in its main essentials.

The St. Joseph Gazette favors the plan to give the Sammies free postal privileges. Otherwise, it says, answering all the letters the boys are getting would keep our army broke.

Prepare to give the children a "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year." They can't help how we feel about the war. Bless their little lives they are looking forward to the arrival of Old Santa, for happy time, and let us not disappoint them.

The people must save in order to lend to the government, Secretary McAdoo says. Indeed, most people must save in order to have the strength even to hear the government when it calls for the next loan.

We not only believe that the convicts should be taken out of the state penitentiary and put to work on the roads, but that some of the contractors who have been building the roads ought to be in the penitentiary.

If Russia knew what is the matter with her she wouldn't have the power to try to remedy it in her present condition. She is in the grasp of idle dreamers and until they have had a chance to show the world how incompetent they are there isn't much hope of permanent reform there.

The British armies in France alone each month require 95,000 tons of oats; 4 million gallons of gasoline; 20,000 tons of flour; 10 million pounds of jam, and 75,000 tons of hay. Ponder on these figures and you begin to realize that demands are written on 10-league canvases with brushes of comet's hair!

"I suppose not many fortunate by-products can come out of a war, but if the United States can learn something about saving out of this war it will be worth the cost of the war; I mean the literal cost of it in money and resources. I suppose we have several times over wasted what we are now about to spend. We have not known that there was any limit to our resources; we are now finding out that there may be if we are not careful."—Woodrow Wilson.

OVERFEEDING A CRIME.

It is no kindness to offer food to an already well-fed man. And while it is generally true that the shortest way to a man's heart is through his stomach, the well-intentioned people who are trying to make the boys in blue and in khaki feel that they have the sympathy and the appreciation of the whole nation make two serious mistakes when they imagine that by feasting the soldiers and sailors they are taking the best means of touching the hearts of the nation's defenders. It is fellowship, not food, the men in the federal uniform need. Our government is lavish in its provision for feeding the men it has called to its service. If there is any fault to be found with the commissary it is that it is conducted in wanton disregard of the most elementary rules of economy and conservation.

While the civilian population is being exhorted hourly to measures of self-restraint and self-abnegation because of the shortage of food supplies of almost every character, while they are being told that "food is going to win the war" and that every available ounce must be saved for the soldiers and for the people in the stricken war zones, tons of food are literally being wasted every day of the week in many of the encampments and barracks unscientific methods of preparation and distribution. It is a singular but lamentable fact that the army and navy seem to be totally ignorant of those principles of conservation which other agencies of the government are clamorously insisting upon as vitally essential if we are to acquire ourselves honorably as a nation in the great undertaking to which we are committed.

For these and other reasons people are finding out that "feasts" for the soldier boys are out of keeping with the spirit of the times, besides being unnecessary, and that the wanton waste of good food, which is the inevitable accompaniment of almost every such entertainment, is a wrong not to be too strongly deprecated.—Philadelphia Ledger.

JUSTICE TO THE FARMERS.

It is time to put a stop to the sending out of so many news dispatches that are wholly false and which only produce discord and discontent. The dispatches lately coming from Chicago are to the effect that farmers will make no effort to increase production and will let all their land which they cannot till themselves lie idle. How did the man who gave out that information know that there was any such feeling among the farmers? Had he taken a census of the farmers and inquired what they would do next spring? A little thought would brand the declarations as simply malicious.

The best way to find out what are the intentions of farmers is to read the agricultural papers. Millions of copies of them are read by the farmers every week and they, more accurately than any other publications, represent the farmers' views. Not one of them has so far expressed any such opinions as were contained in that dispatch. Neither has any farmer in this part of the country. The only complaint that any of them has made is that the prices of their products have in some cases been fixed by the government, while the things they buy have not. President Wilson called attention to that in his message and recommended measures of relief which will, without doubt, be soon applied. There is no more loyal body of men in the United States than the farmers. In raising Red Cross and other benevolent funds the cities have great parades and the movement has large space in the papers. There are no parades and brass bands in the country and the efforts of the farmers and their wives have little space in the news columns. The work progresses more slowly among the scattered population on the farms, but they are all, both men and women, just as patriotic as the people of the

cities and will do their share to win the war. There has been a tendency of late to attack the farmers on every occasion and without occasion. The thing should be stopped.—World-Herald.

LEARNING TO GIVE.

Many of our people are already complaining of the numerous gifts which they have been asked to make. We have had the Red Cross, the Y. M. C. A., and innumerable solicitations to relieve the distress in the countries of Europe. We have had the Liberty loan. At the same time, our taxes are increasing. There will be no let-up in this matter of giving until the war is over. We must learn how to give, and this great, rich valley between the rivers can afford to give liberally, far more liberally than it ever has given to any purpose.

Our gifts will not only help the people who receive them, but, far more, they will help us. Many thousands of years ago there lived a wise man named Solomon. He understood life and human nature as few have ever understood it. He lived a very full life; came in contact with all sorts of people; was poor and became rich. He had a wonderful faculty of observing and a still more wonderful ability to put the results of his observation into plain words. On this matter of giving he said: "There is that scattereth, and increaseth yet more; And there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth only to want. The liberal soul shall be made fat; And he that watereth shall be watered also himself."

There speaks a wise man, and what he says is confirmed by the experience of the man who gives wisely. We have talked with many men who have practiced real tithing; that is, have given at least one-tenth of their gross income each year. Without exception, every one of these men has told us that from the time he began this practice he prospered financially more than he had prospered before. Giving to worthy objects enlarges the soul and warmeth the heart, stimulates the mind and sharpens the intellect, increases the ability to earn and makes a more efficient man.

We have been in touch with the various war activities and with the various purposes for which funds have been solicited. In our judgment, the money given for the Army Y. M. C. A. work goes farther and counts for more—both for our boys in the navy and in the army and for the folks back home—than any other money we have given. And in saying this we are not offering any criticism of nor belittling in any way the other activities for which funds are being solicited.

There is no loafing with the dollar given for Army Y. M. C. A. work. It gets busy at once as soon as the boys reach the camp. It makes it possible to offer the right hand of fellowship to the raw recruit who comes in. It provides a building which is his club, his home, his church, his place of recreation, his school, his bank, his postoffice—a place in which he always finds warm friends whose sole business it is to help him in every way they can. It softens the rigors of army life. It helps him keep sweet and sane and clean and wholesome.

The Army Y. M. C. A. does not stop with the training camp life. It follows the boys to the battle line, up to the front line trenches. The last thing they see as they go into the trenches is the Army Y. M. C. A. hut. The first stopping place when they come out is this same hut, in charge of fearless young men, who have their hot coffee or cocoa and other things ready for the tired, mud-covered men from the trenches.

Mr. Lewis A. Crosssett, head of the Crosssett Shoe Company, who has been giving his entire time to Army Y. M. C. A. work, on his return from the front, spoke of the "Y" work at the front as follows:

"I found a 'hut' near the entrance of the front trench, where shells were coming down all around it. This hut was in a little dug-out made of logs and covered with sand-bags. At one end was a little kitchen, where there were two tanks of water boiling. Here fresh tea was made, and set out fresh for the men who came to the hut when relieved of their terrific strain in the front line trenches. Not infrequently, a cup of hot, refreshing tea is given free of charge to 300 or 400 men in these trenches, and I am sure this is appreciated by those brave fellows. While talking with some of the men, one of them remarked: 'If it had not been for the Y. M. C. A., there would have been mutiny and revolution here. That is where we get our comfort and cheer.' The Association has been providing amusement as well as warmth for the fighting forces; it has provided athletics wherever possible, and in other ways has relieved the soldiers from the strain whenever they have had a chance to obtain that wholesome life and play which takes a man away from his troubles."

We hope the farmers of Iowa will get into this Army Y. M. C. A. campaign next week. We hope they will give generously and see that their neighbors have an opportunity to give. Those who have boys should find comfort in the thought that the dollars they are raising and giving may be the very dollars which will help these boys of theirs in their time of greatest need. Those who do not have boys should welcome the opportunity to help to provide comforts for their neighbors' boys who are fighting for them.—Wallace's Farmer.

WHAT'S THE ANSWER?

In war times as in peace times, many things that take place in the United States are unaccountable, or at least seem not understandable. It may be asked, for instance, why, while an American citizen is serving his country, his neighbor, who is not a citizen, is privileged to step in to a better position than any he has hitherto held, draw a good round wage or salary, and then incite strikes or suggest treason among scores of his kind. The answer may be simple and satisfying, but what is it?

GRAND ARMY ELECT OFFICERS.

From Tuesday's Daily.
At their meeting last Saturday evening at their room at the court house the John McConnie Post No. 45 elected their officers for the coming year. There are but a handful of the men now as compared with those who were members a few years ago. With each recurring election there are fewer to choose from, and fewer to do the choosing.

The officers as elected for the coming year are Thomas Wiles, Commander, Asbury Jack, senior vice commander, Pierson T. Walton, junior vice commander; T. W. Glen, quartermaster; W. H. Freese chaplain; George S. Wall, officer of the day; Wm. Gilmour, officer of the guard.

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Well, we are already for Chase county next Sunday evening. Have you seen Rosencrans about the trip? Just call him over the phone and tell him that you want in on the trip next Sunday evening. He will trip after your every comfort, and make the trip an enjoyable one.

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