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Cheer up!

-:0:-Farewell, Old Year.

Out goes the old year.

The days are getting longer.

-:0:---A model husband can't help it.

To understand how to manage man, madam, is not to understand

As creeds get more and more liberal hell becomes harder and harder get into.

"Bandit Robs a Walter of His Tips." mys a headline. A case of "dog cat dog?"

Apparently the Bolsheviki not only do not know what they want but don't want to know.

The autoists and farmers should business. begin to think about better roads as early in the spring, as they can

No, thank you, sir. We are ready for any reasonable task, but not the one of teaching the Turks the art of government.

After a man succeeds in printing one kiss upon a girl's lips it's an easy matter to run off a large edition. Ask your wife.

-:0:----The flu has abated somewhat in Plattsmouth in the past week. And we hope it will continue in the Parls reaped 196 lives for its 168 god work, "until the last armed shots. But the final cost to Ger- demnity to be paid by Germany. too has expired!"

-:0:-Remarkable, isn't it, the number shells. of dolls that got into stockings this Christmas, considering that Germany was the only country that knew how to make 'em.

--:0:--No room for slackers when our boys across come home. They will all get their old jobs if they want them, and the most of them will be very apt to want them.

---:0:--It is officially announced that there will be no more Red Cross drives so let us make it our business to see that every person in Cass County enrolls as a member in the last drive. All you need is a heart and a dollar.

-:0:--The Indianapolis Star suggests that the shipment of 119,000,000 cakes of soap to Europe "sounds as if we are preparing to get into contact with the Bolsheviki." No doubt the Bolsheviki may be hungry enough to eat it.

-:0:--A model young man was Rev. J. M. Delezene, formerly of Louisville. who died from the effects of an operation for appendicitis. Death truly loves a shining mark in the passing of this young man. A bright and prosperous future await

It should have been pointed out to the ex-kairer Wednesday that while he was eating his Christmas dinner in exile many miles from Paris, the President of the United States might have eaten his in Germany, only Mr. Wilson didn't consider Germany any piace to be eating a Christmas dinner.

State of Ohio. City of Toledo, Lucas County, 58.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLAPS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE. FRANK J. CHENEY. Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886. A. W. GLEASON. Hall's Cats orh Medicine is taken internally and acts to stall the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System. Send

consupation.

It is better to be called than recalled.

Give us more snow to make going

-:0:--Indications point to a fine crop of wheat next year.

---:0:-Don't forget to turn over that new leaf you promised to do.

radical, really, in their studies.

We have heard of mechanical milkers, but annexing a dictagraph

tural science.

--:0:----Has Mr. McAdoo's five year "non political" railroad plan any reference to the fact that there will be a Presidential election in 1924?

The long range bombardment of many will not be measured by the expense of making the gun and its OF INTEREST TO MR.

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The question these days is not so much beyond it you have to live to ious as the stuff they sell.

Armistice Wins King a Drink-George V. Has First Champagne Since 1915,-Headline. His Maa lecture tour next summer and tell just how a real drink tastes.

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:0:---A conservative—and our radical friends say we are a Conservativeis a person who is so fundamentally radical, so instinctively primitive, that he wishes to see the present condition of anarchistic capitalism

-:0:---Border reports have it that the resurrected Villa is planning a raidinto the United States to "try out the temper" of the Government. If he does he may learn what the people, instead of the Administration. think about it.

-----President Wilson is 'maiking a hit with the French. His ideals for a asting peace seem to coincide with helr's, and his smile is the talk of France. Both Tuft and 'Teddy' were des noted for their peculiar methd of voicing their exuberance, as t looks as if this is the land of smiling Presidents." Wilson's smile gracious, Taft's was jovial, while Teddy's' was "delightfully" forceful-between his teeth.

---:0:--has lost a good deal of credulity in though it followed a trial, was more delusion of the peace conference. the last half century.

WHEN GERMANY

WROTE A PEACE an act of war.

In 1871 Germany wrote a peace and imposed its terms on France. In view of the estimates that the war expenditures of the ailies have been \$120,000,000,000 what Germany did is of interest.

At the beginning of the war, in July, 1870, Germany had 384,000 then under arms, and by November by which time she had won deci sive victories, she had 425,000. Later the enrollment in her armies was raised to \$35,000. Of these she lost 28,000 in killed and 101,000 wounded and disabled. What did that point .- K. C. Star. this military effort cost, and what did she ask in payment?

According to Sir Robert Giffen, a high statistical authority, her direct expenditures on her military establishment were \$330,000,000. Lots of millionaires are quite She handed in and collected a bill. no German property having been destroyed through invasion, for It looks as if a long and terrible \$1,000,000,000. No wonder Maxipeace may be approaching for Eur- milian Harden, in the days when he again, exclaimed: "The most profit "A white Christmas makes a lean able achievement of the Germans It prace yard." It is hoped the old the pineteenth century was the war of 1870." Not satisfied with the scizure of two of the richest prov-No man cares to deal as he wants inces of France, Germany compelled to be dealth or even if in the same her prostrate enemy to pay her \$3 for every \$1 the highway undertake ing had cost. If the Allies were to Plattsmouth is a good town now, compel Germany to drink as she but lets make it a great deal better mixed when she had a chance, every German acre, every German factory. every German machine would have an alien owner.

The pro-German remnant in this to the cow is a new style in agricul- country speak of reimbursement for war expenditure as implying a punltive indemnity. It would not punitive. To levy a punitive indensnity it would be necessary to do what Germany did in 1871, when, after deliberately provoking the war, she exacted three times as much as she spent. So far no one has even suggested a punitive in-

much what your income is as how of the ex-kaiser, which is occupying statesmanship in Europe to deal a prominent place in the press of keep alive. We often wonder what that country, has developed a divithe butchers buy one-half so prec- sion of opinion over the rather impunished or punished without trial. men have been engaged for more jesty should come to this country on should be no trial assert themselves their governments, and they are no law and no tribunal that can reach ers. the culprit, the supplying of them

ferring any charge against bimshipped him off to lifelong exile. This was an evercise of the right The story that the Czar is still forms. As such it stands in history alive has been a bit late in appear- in much better light than the methance, but it was to be expected. For od by which the judges of Charles inite program for dealing with it the next fifty years the "late Czar" I accomplished his punishment. He will turn up, here in Europe, in could have been put to death as an themselves that if they can gain more than fifty-seven varieties of act of war, for his person was in reincarnation, both as lunatic and custody of the victors of war. Inplain fraud. The opportunity is stead, they sought to reach their disappear so far as their own coungreater than that of the "lost ends by legal procedure and tried tries are concerned, and the rest of Dauphin," or even the famous Duke him under a law that didn't exist th world may safely be left to shift of Bilgewater. But most of the and before a tribunal that was it- for itself. world will be ready for him. It self illegal. His beheading, al-

without legal forms and simply as

The point is an interesting one, and since both sides agree that the ex-kaiser must be punished, the outcome of the discussian can be awaited with equanimity. There is another point, however, that also appears to have a bearing. Charles and Napoleon both were in the hands of their enemies, while William has sanctuary. Before he can be punished, either with or with out a trial, the Allies must get pos session of him. And it may be susprove a great stickler for law on

#### THE GREAT DELUSION.

. The correspondent of the London Times with the British army of occupation on the Rhine reports that agents who have lived in England are at work disseminating bolshevik doctrines among the troops. The fact may be accepted without attributing any of the responsibility to the present German government. which is battling for its life against belshevism at home. It is not necestary for the Germans to preach bolshevism to the British troops. There

are plenty of British bolsheviki to

do the work willingly and gladly.

Bolshevism is the one overshadowing issue which Europe new confronts. Everything else is secondary. German militarism has been destroyed, but it was not destroyed until Europe was exhausted economically, and bolshevism is the direct product of economic exhaustion. The Central Powers broke down before any of the allies except Russia went under, but the difference in time was not so great as it might ap pear. Except for the economic power of the United States, the allies would have collapsed first and Germany would have been nominally the victor, but even in that case the bolshevik problem would have been

Civilization cannot destroy all its accumulated wealth and wreck all its resources without paying the HOHENZOLLERN price, and bolshevism threatens to be the price. It will inevitably be Discussion in England of the fate the price unless there is enough wisely and sanely with a situation that increases in gravity daily.

Bolshevism cannot be checked by portant point, as it would seem, of impassioned harangues about the whether he should be tried and sacredness of property. Millions of The paradox of the controversy is than four years in destroying both that those who contend that there life and property under orders from French troops. as sticklers for forms of law and longer impressed with the sacredpresent solid argument to show that ness of either. No government anythose who are for what appears, on where has as yet presented a reconthe surfcae of it, to be the orderly struction program that makes any procedure are, in reality, urging a real appeal to them. The one defiprocess outside the law. The advo- nite thing that they understand is cates of the first proposition con-that food is scarce and that some tend that inasmuch as there is no people are much better off than oth-

would be a violence to law, an ex- autogracy which first invoked the ling the Mexican question when post facto process, that would be a spirit of bolshevism, aided and arms are in our hands. When our abetted, to be sure, by the diplo- available force numbered some and Nor, their reasoning runs, is it matic stupidity of the allies in deal- 000 regulars, neither linerta nor necessary to go to these lawless ing with the Russian revolution; Villa nor Carranza felt any carl in lengths to execute justice upon Wil- but no German autocracy was need- consider American rights or now liam. His punishment can be ac- ed to spread the fire. The danger vanience. With millions of Americomplished as an act of war. For has steadly increased since junker- cans troops under arms our chances this they cite the precedent of Na- rum was overthrown, and in resist- of gaining a hearing of the Musican noleon's purishment. Napoleon ing the advance of bolshevism in catefa have grown more favorable was not tried. He fell into the Germany the Ebert government is hands of the British sovernment, lossforming as great a service for voking any law against aim or Italians as it is performing for it bringing him before any tribunal self. The problem belongs to no of Diaz unmessessary, He normand military or civil-without even pre- country. In the broadest sense it is by infringing the Monroe Dustrine universal, and is making itself the common issue of the war.

There is not a responsible states and power of the victor in war and man in Europe who does not realize was not pretended to be under legal the gravity of the situation, but neither is there a responsible statesman who has yet formulated a def-Most of them are trying to convince enough economic advantages out of the peace conference the danger will

This is likely to prove the great lawless than if it had been done New York World.

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THE MELTING POT.

Among the many post-war problems which confront the nation one of the most important is the Americanizing of America. The war has made painfully evident the danger which threatens from the masses of foreigners within our doors.

While there are many agencies that can be employed for amalgamation-the press, the rostrum, patriotic societies—the most powerful and natural agency is the public school. There, all children must in the future be taught what it means to be American citizens, the privileges that citizenship confers the duties it entails. They must be made acquainted with the framework of American institutions and instructed in their workings. They must learn the story of the slow development through the centuries of the principles of liberty, the struggles it has entailed, the sacrifices that have been made for They should be made to understand how priceless is this gift which has been handed down to them.

### TIME TO APPROACH MEXICO.

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Lee surrendered in April, 1865 in November, 1865, Seward brought friendly pressure to bear on Na-January, 1866, Napoleon agreed to a gradual withdrawal of the

No sabre clanking was heard. All passed in an amicable spirit. Bu if Seward had made a similar move in 1863, when secession's successful armies stood between Washington and the Mexican border, would Na poleon have shown the same obliging spirit? Seward and Lincoln certainly thought not.

The lesson of this bit of history It was a desperate German bears on the importance of hand-

the British, the French and the which had it instead would have made the long and hemelical rate and threatening us with a European neighbor. The present Gayarament to Mexico has destrayed at reader ed auproductive hundrade of mil Lons' worth of American property to now engaged in expropriating American owned oil wells, has open ed a door for lust intervention by any one of haif a dozen Powers, and has closed Mexican territory, practically, to American trade and entarprise. The reason for action excoeds that in 1865. The opportun ity as on the previous occasion is great and immediate.

> Anyhow, the weather shows helpful disposition toward the coal

#### BEATEN.

The German people seem to rest under the remarkable delusion that when the armistice was signed their armies had not actually been beaten in the field. They still possessed, some speakers and writers say, many lines of defense to which they could have retired, and had not revolution at home forced surrender they could have fought on indefinitely. This attitude is similar to that of the Confederate soldier who find comfort in accusing their army tox, "You all think you have beaten us, but we have worn ourselves out admit that their boasted army, the peating you all."

All evidence tends to show, all nilitary authorities agree, that the econd week of November found the German army thoroughly defeated and facing complete destruction. The unending series of hammer for the people who believe in it. blows which Marshal Foch had dealt it, one after the other, without cessation for four months, had says, are to have wide, floppy mauled it into complete submission. Its unprecedented losses in men, in stripped pattern, or bearing a broad ordnance, in munitions, the capture of its most important strategic positions and of one of its two main lines of communication had made further resistance impossible. The Germans surrendered because they poleon III, to effect the withdrawal had to surrender, because to fight of the French from Mexico. In on would have meant annihilation.

> ilad this not been the case, had nitely, surely it would have been a strange psychology which made the German people see in this

that their army tamely laid down its arms, that it admitted that it had had enough, before it was compelled by defeat to do so, is to accuse it of cowardice, of the worst kind of cowardice, of that moral cowardice that never manifests itself in the hour of victory but cries out in fear upon the approach of adversity.

The world has never beheld a more pitiable spectacle than the tame surrender of the powerful German fleet; can the German people remarked to his captors at Appomat- of a like craven spirit? Far better would it be to face the truth and military machine upon which their whole system of autocracy and imperialism was based, had been finally and decisively conquered.

An idea is not always to blame

Next spring's hats, the milliners brims and are to be "trimmed with saving propaganda?

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Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

Before using this preparation for a cough or cold you may wish to know what it has done for others. Mrs. O. Cook, Macon, Ill., writes, "I have found it gives the quickest relief of any cough remedy I have ever used." Mrs. James A. Knott, Chillicothe, Mo., says "Chamberit been true that Hindenburg was lain's Cough Remedy cannot be beat capable of keeping the field indefi- for coughs and colds." H. J. Moore, Oval. Pa., says "I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy on several occasions when I was suffering with a settled cold upon the chest and it matter of pride. To contend has always brought about a cure.

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