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**JACK LANDALE**  
For This Issue

## AN AMERICAN

War, peace, and prosperity,—this is the sequence of events as they have transpired in America during the past two years. What a blessing it is to the American people, that the United States Senate and the President, finally decided on April 6, 1917, to cast the destinies of this nation on the side of the Allies! Of all nations, the United States of America, has profited most, from this insanely criminal and wicked war. Prior to our declaration of war, our place as a first class power was doubted by some of the more powerful European nations; our boastings of military and naval strength were ridiculed by Germany, and considered with skepticism by Great Britain and France; we were apart from the world family of nations, enjoying what some termed "proud isolation." But now we are recognized as the wealthiest nation on the face of the earth; the political peer of even England; and are conceded to hold the balance of power in any combination of nations that might be formed.

The United States entered the war, a debtor nation to the extent of \$5,000,000,000.00, and she emerges a creditor nation to the extent of \$8,000,000,000.00. This is a total gain in wealth of \$13,000,000,000.00, a sum which is beyond the comprehension and imagination of the wildest dreamers. The statistics which have been compiled by the Allied governments tell us that there are 11,000,000 war graves in Europe today. Of this number, 100,000 are those of American soldiers. Can anyone doubt that America has gained everything from the war, and given but little, when compared to the enormous sacrifices in lives and wealth of the smallest European countries? We are literally rolling in our wealth. Some of us fail to see that, individually, we haven't any more cash than we had in 1917, but as a nation, we have untold wealth and resources. All nations are owing us, while we owe none. We still hold fast to the traditional policies of the Monroe Doctrine, and, "no entangling alliances," but we are at last a world power, with world influence and importance. A thoughtful consideration of these facts impresses one with the glorious realization of what it means to be, AN AMERICAN.

## A PROPER EGOTISM

"A little knowledge is a dangerous thing." Egotism is one of man's worst enemies.

Did you ever become acquainted with a man who "knew it all," one who, no matter what subject was brought up in the ordinary course of conversation, had either been there, or had heard all about it, or who felt it necessary to interrupt every other minute just to make sure that you were aware of the extent of his knowledge? That man wonders why he fails to make friends.

Then there is another type: the man who wants to do something worth while, but doesn't think he can. He lacks self-confidence. That man wouldn't even make a good clerk in a grocery store.

But did you ever notice the man who makes egotism a virtue? He knows a few things, and knows he knows them, but he doesn't go around telling everybody about it. That man doesn't have to wonder why he fails to make friends. He has them.

Egotism can be made a hindrance but it can also be made a stepping-stone to success. John D. Rockefeller would never have amassed his great fortune if he had thought he couldn't do it, and there was no use even trying. But he believed he could make a financial success, and he did. He knew he had brains, but he didn't tell anybody about it except John D. Rockefeller.—Grinnell Scarlet and Black.

There is a large majority of people in this world who base their judgments of other men by the way they conduct themselves before others. This judgment is of course some times at variance with the true state of affairs, for the man in public action is often a different person from the same man in his private thinking. Since mere mortals cannot lift the cover on a man's thoughts at will we cannot blame them for turning to a more objective field of information. Granting then that it is only fair that you should be appraised at the face value of your public actions, how far above or below par would they place you? That is the question each man might profitably consider.—The Tar Heel, North Carolina.

## DAILY DIARY RHYMES

By  
Gayle Vincent Grubb

### "STICK AROUND, GEORGE"

George, write home to your pa and say

That you're stickin' around till Ivy Day

For, George, it's a day that you shouldn't miss

And take it from me, I know about this

For they tap the Black Masques, Innocents too

While there's plenty of kiddin' around to do

And the week of exams has passed on by

And—George, let's you and me give it a try.

Now I heard your Pa say the weeds in the rows

Of corn needs plowin' and maybe he knows

But the weeds can wait, George, what do you say?

Yet there ain't no use leavin' 'fore Ivy Day

And mark my word, George, mark my word

I'm not only talkin' from what I have heard

But I know because I have witnessed the day

And there ain't no use in going away.

Why, George, you can dance till your breath runs out

And your feet's all sore like a man with the gout

There is joy as supreme as the smile of a bride

And somethin' just sorta breaks loose inside

Why hang it all, George, it is food for heart

Just to put on a clean shirt and pick out a part

And be one of the gang for a long sweet day

Let's you and me linger, George, what do you say?

## PERSONALS

Thirty-six members of the Union Society went to Crete last Friday to attend the annual picnic of the organization. They spent the night at Horky's park and returned to Lincoln Saturday.

John Barton, of Omaha, is visiting at the Delta Chi house.

Mrs. David Hanna, of Woodlake, spent Tuesday with her daughter at the Alpha Phi house.

Ethel Little, of Lyons, was at the Chi Omega house Monday and Tuesday.

Lieut. Robert O. Vernon, ex-17, who has just returned from France is visiting at the Sigma Nu house.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Whitehead, of Mitchell, visited their daughter Mildred at the Alpha Phi house.

Frank Reide, of Omaha, spent Tuesday at the Delta Chi house.

Fred E. Buerstetta, of Bridgeport, is visiting at the Sigma Nu house.

Lieuts. Henning F. Nelson, '16, and Virgil Hlava, '17, are visiting at the Pi Kappa Phi house. Lieut. Nelson went overseas with the 35th Division the early part of 1918 and saw service at Verdun, the Vosges, St. Mihiel and the Argonne.

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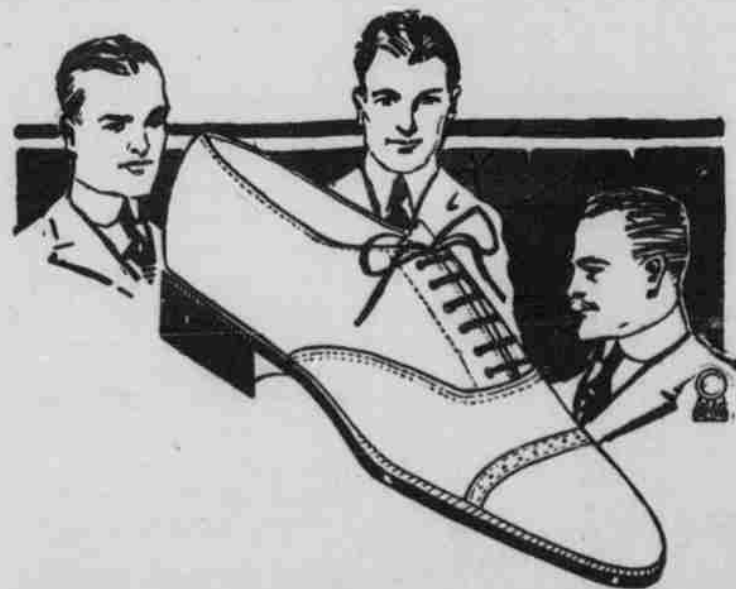
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