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Yes, Mr. Weather Man, you're doing tolerably well—but a little more rain, please.

What is not the only food product of the American farms, so why stop there?

Threat to abolish "moose's milk" disturbs the Loyal Order, but it has been done by others.

The longer the food bill is held up the more time the distillers have to get in their work.

Those who are eager to escape the draft still have a chance to volunteer and many are taking it.

Declining to lay water mains may be a good way to cut off cost of pipe, but what about service to consumers?

Nebraska's new flag law requires the flying of the flag on all "national holidays." What are our "national holidays"?

Those Iowa folks surely have a twinkle on the War department. Results count. Hats off to the fellow who knocks the persimmon!

Nebraska's state fair comes under the head of national exhibits this year, a belated recognition of the educational value of the institution.

Now that the county judgeship here is a better paying position than the district judgeship, will the line of promotion be the other way?

Swedes and Danes report the loss since the war started of over 300 vessels of various sizes; one of the inconveniences of having quarrelsome neighbors.

The State Council of Defense takes a much milder tone with the Lutherans, now that it has heard from the church itself. Its shot scattered too much in the first place.

Issuing passes to army officers may be a good war measure, but it is strictly forbidden in time of peace, and both parties are taking a long chance in carrying out the deal.

A debate between the United States senators from Nebraska as to what is for the farmers' best interest would be entertaining at a time when the country was not busy with matters of importance.

The smoke curtain is not dense enough to keep us from getting glimpses of what is happening in Russia. The curtain is sure to lift, however, and soon, and open it up to full view.

An Omaha man's conscience has just been relieved of a burden of \$1,170, which he admits he gained by unfair means. Wonder what would happen if this sort of conscience became epidemic?

Nebraska's democratic farmer legislature resolute for one-dollar wheat, but our democratic United States senator at Washington raises it to two dollars. Just a little difference of one hundred per cent.

"Blood and iron" is an heroic prescription and difficult to administer, even to a docile people; therefore Premier Kerensky may have some trouble in getting the Russians to swallow the medicine with a good face.

Seventeen billions is Senator Smoot's estimate of the cost of our first year in war. Part of this naturally is chargeable to our national habit of procrastination. Maybe we will apply the lesson we are paying so dearly to learn.

To transmit more than 10,000 draft numbers with only thirty-one variations from the official master list is a real tribute to the skill of the telegraphers who handled the big job. Nothing in ordinary life is much nearer than 99.7 per cent perfect.

Industrial war is war just as much as any other kind, but the leaders of the local labor strike damage their unions as much as the employers when they send out broadcast attacks designed to run down Omaha and put the city "in bad" abroad. They should realize that some weapons do more execution at the breach than at the muzzle.

Profits on War Contracts

Wall Street Journal
A dispatch from Washington published in a morning paper that the government is doing all its buying on a cost plus 10 per cent basis is not in accord with information obtained here from companies which are supplying or negotiating orders for government supplies.

Still Hope for Russia.

The human tragedy now being enacted in Russia surpasses in immediate interest even our own preparations for war. The spectacle of a great mass of people, struggling for a firm foothold on its new path, threatened with destruction from within and from without, is pathetically impressive.

Our Readers Entitled to the Truth. The Bee acknowledges receipt of a letter finding fault with our display "in such prominent type" of the unfavorable war news from Russia, declaring that it "discourages our American readers" and by so doing "gives aid to our country's enemies."

Every patriotic American is distressed by the Russian fall-down, but no good would come out of self-deception by ignoring it. It is not "giving aid and comfort to the enemy" to tell the truth about war developments and to tell them in a way forceful enough to rouse our people to a sense of the danger in the situation.

The Bee will continue to give the war news promptly and accurately as it is available, rejoicing when it is good news and grieving when it is bad news, but not flinching from performing its duty as a newspaper.

Confusion Over the Food Bill.

The situation developed at Washington over the food administration bill resembles in some ways conditions prevailing in Russia. Diversity of opinion rather than harmony of action prevails and with the divergence of views is cropping out an acrimony of feeling that presages little good. At first it seemed simple enough to enact a law that would provide for the reasonable control of food distribution.

Smothering the Shipping Board Squabble.

President Wilson took an extreme course to smother the shipping board squabble and one that may well be discussed critically. In the first place, the president is largely responsible for the unfortunate mess, because of overlapping instructions he issued. In appointing General Goethals to be head of the ship-building corporation the president plainly stated that the general was to be in sole charge of construction.

Further Complications for the Future.

Siam's declaration of war on Germany may not mean a great deal as affecting the actual fighting, but it has some reference to the future. When peace is finally made the interests of all the world will be considered and while only the belligerents will be seated at the council table all nations will be present to present views and claims.

Are Women Farmers?
British Daughters of Martha
By Frederic J. Haslink

Washington, July 23.—In Great Britain the teaching of agriculture to women has been adopted as a war measure. Classes in milking, cheese-making, poultry-feeding and light farm work are a big feature of every village town and estate.

The agricultural situation in Great Britain is extremely serious. Evidently the German U-boat maneuvers were not anticipated in the early part of the war, for England let its food production diminish to a distressingly small output before it realized its danger.

The agricultural sub-committee of the county co-operated with the war agricultural committee of the whole nation in preparing a scheme which has helped to solve the problem. Naturally the farmers were dubious about hiring girls who had never seen a cow, who did not know roots from vegetables and who could not handle horses.

Then there are so-called patriotic gangs, made up of a leader and several girls, who travel about the country from one farm to another helping with various harvests. Sometimes they pick strawberries on one farm; milk cows on another; work in the fields of yet another, and then end the season by harvesting hops.

Even before the war agriculture was urged as a profession for women by many people in Great Britain. Women themselves suddenly seemed to develop an ambition in that direction. Various agricultural schools for women were started by one person and another, one very good one in particular, by the countess of Warwick.

It was a couple of women in Hatham who introduced the first intensive farming into England. One woman in traveling through rural France had come upon a Frenchman and his wife who were making about \$2,500 a year out of one acre of land.

At Heathfield, in the county of Sussex, there is a farm colony of women known as the Women's Co-operative Farmers, Ltd., which owns many acres. The central farm is a school where pupils are received at \$30 a month for board, lodging and farm tuition.

People and Events

Another turn of legal wheels in Illinois bring closer to the squeeze stockholders of Smiling Billy Lorimer's string of broken private banks. The circuit court holds that stockholders are liable for double the amount of their holdings and ordered payments made on or before August 25.

TODAY

Proverb for the Day.
Hunger is a good sauce.
One Year Ago Today in the War.
British completed the capture of Pozieres.



And making the proper openings there-in placed it under the swarm and in a short while had the honied colony safely hived.

A petition is being circulated by the grocery clerks of the city to have the grocery stores close every evening except Saturday at 8 o'clock.

This Day in History.

1775—Continental congress established the postoffice service and placed Benjamin Franklin in charge.
1784—Charles Morris, a famous American naval officer of the war of 1812, born at Woodstock, Conn.

The Day We Celebrate.

J. C. Eugene Duval, better known as "Gene," general agent of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway, is celebrating his fifty-fifth birthday.

Timely Jottings and Reminders.

The Feast of St. Anne will be observed today by Roman Catholic churches throughout the world.

Storyette of the Day.
In the bureau of the census, at Washington, acts against the law are recorded under a few general heads, such as murder, burglary, etc.

Nebraska Editors.

The Gering Courier is one of the few Nebraska weeklies that succeeded in getting the names of the men drafted in its regular edition.
The Clay County Sun, which has been under the efficient direction of Fred B. Howard for the last few years, was 34 years old last week.

The Bee's Letter Box

Magazines for the Soldiers.
Peru, Neb., July 22.—To the Editor of The Bee: I have seen in The Bee that our soldier boys in France are wanting books, magazines, newspapers, etc.

Who Has a Job for Her?

Omaha, July 24.—To the Editor of The Bee: They say that because our young men are going to war, there will be many fine positions open to girls, yet I find it is not so in my case.

Praise for Swimming Pools.

Omaha, July 23.—To the Editor of The Bee: A recent issue of a local newspaper made a statement concerning the lack of order and accommodation at Municipal beach, Carter lake.

boy is safeguarded and watched that no harm will come to him while indulging in this most necessary of all recreation. Give credit where credit is due and for one take this means of paying my regards and highest esteem to him whose department governs this summer's pleasure and to the management and efficiency of those in charge.

MIRTHFUL REMARKS.

First Village Bum—Lambor's mighty scarce about here.
Second Village Bum—Terrific! I had to help my wife with the potatoes this morning—Life.
"Sixty miles an hour," said the judge.



Resinol healed that skin trouble

When you think what a source of annoyance and suffering that eczema has been to me in the past three years, do you wonder I am thankful that the doctor prescribed Resinol? The very first time I used it, the itching stopped for good, and the eruption began to disappear.

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