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Things along the Potomac are not enveloped in a holy calm, but the fuss is quieting down considerably.

Packers testify they are willing to pay living wages, but the point to be settled is on what sort of "living" the wage rate is to be based.

Wait till the fiction writers break into hushed Russia—but can they invent anything more incredible or fanciful than is coming over the wires from there?

Plans to add another million to the men now under arms for America ought to quiet any apprehension that the war will be over before soldiers now being trained get to France.

Lord Northcliffe has been named as director of propaganda among the Germans. If he goes after them as vigorously as he did after the British incompetents the kaiser will learn what a real "roast" is like.

The \$4,000,000 fine placed on Russia by Germany may serve to vision what would be required of America in event of the kaiser coming out on top in the war.

What else did Trotsky expect when he began his farcical "peace" negotiations with Germany? Did he think the kaiser would yield anything to supine and spineless Russia?

Douglas county also has the distinction, unthought but present, of paying the biggest sum of money in taxes under the heaviest rate of the state.

Government ownership of the railroads after the war is not the question just now. What the public is vitally interested in is having the railroads brought up to a point where they can perform the service needed.

Seattle made a record recently that ought to spur the eastern shipbuilders. Three ships, totaling 18,800, were launched in one day and one of them, a 3,500-tonner, took the water with steam up and engines ready to turn and did not stop going after she started on the slides until her trial voyage was completed.

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Germany, Austria and Russia.

Granting the self-evident fact that Germany is to have its way in Russia, unopposed so far as the Russians themselves are concerned, the affair assumes a more interesting phase because of the reported stand of Austria. From Vienna come rumors that the renewal of the kaiser's advance against the Dvina in carrying out the threat made at Brest-Litovsk has aroused considerable resentment.

It would be quite in keeping with the surprising turn the war has taken in other ways if the collapse of Russia should be the cause of a split between the Teutonic allies. It was Russia's interposition on behalf of Serbia against Austria that brought on the war, Germany getting in to protect its ally. Russia brought in France and this gave Germany its pretext to attack through Belgium, which involved England, and finally the world.

Out of the carefully guarded inner councils of the administration of the War department come news that another and greater reorganization is under way. Most important of the rumored announcements is that Major General Goethals is to be made director of munitions, in fact if not in name.

England and the Versailles Council: Opposition to Lloyd George has nearly forced an exposition of the plans adopted by the interally war council at Versailles. The movement to this end was predicated on the resignation of General Robertson as chief of staff, seized upon as a pretext by the combination of extremists who seek to overthrow the present cabinet.

Just 30 Years Ago Today: An adjourned meeting of the alliance convened at the Young Men's Christian association. The committee appointed to district the city and superintendent the visiting of every home therein reported progress and were continued as standing committees.

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An Englishman's View of Washington

Tribute Written Many Years Ago by the Essayist Charles Phillips

York, Neb., Feb. 14.—To the Editor of The Bee: Find enclosed the finest tribute to Washington I have ever seen. It is taken from an old school reader and you will note its punctuation is for special readings.

International Law Overthrown: Judge J. B. Winslow, Chief Justice Wisconsin Supreme Court. Few probably appreciate the profound shock to civilization that would result from a general overthrow of international law.

Results of Food Saving: There are those in Great Britain who have doubted that the people of the United States would make any food sacrifices on behalf of their allies in the war.

People and Events: The depths of home grown patriotism in this war will not be stirred until the government takes over dishwashing.

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The Bee's Letter Box: "Acres Day" to Increase Food. Riverton, Neb., Feb. 18.—To the Editor of The Bee: I have thought a great deal of how we can get more food in the small towns can help win this war by a bigger food production.

SMILING LINES: "I'll bet my wife can make money as far as any woman in this town." "How's that?" "She shops on foot as long as she can, and then takes a taxicab."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

THE SHOWCASE QUARREL: John D. Wells, in Buffalo News. A rattling and a rattle. The other was soft as the April rain. The one was change in a showcase meat. The other was change in a showcase meat.

The Famous HOSPE Player-Piano: Is equal to every occasion. You have always cherished the hope of having a player piano in your home—why not secure it now, and enjoy it while most in need of music's cheering influence!

KEEP LOOKING YOUNG: It's Easy—If You Know Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets. The secret of keeping young is to feel young—to do this you must watch your liver and bowels—there's no need of having a sallow complexion—dark rings under your eyes—pimples—a bilious look in your face—dull eyes with no sparkle.

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