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Do not fail to adjust your clock tonight before retiring.

The colonel still is an asset when it comes to pure Americanism.

Von Ludendorff promises a "strong German peace" - like Limburger, for example.

A few firing squads might do much to clear the atmosphere in some parts of the United States.

What is the matter down at Lincoln? Can not the governor squarely face an issue he raised himself?

How about getting up tomorrow morning at 6:30 and consoling yourself with the thought that it is all right with the clock?

One year ago today the Nebraska legislature spent its time over the wording of a resolution requesting the president not to declare war.

Aren't there any red-blooded patriotic Americans in our Nebraska legislature? If so, it's about time for some of them to break loose.

An exodus of swivel chair warriors from Washington is under way, but the delay wrought by their presence will not be undone for many weeks.

Camouflaging a political gabfest by labeling it "patriotic meeting" evidently fools nobody - whether the stunt is attempted by the "ins" or the "outs."

Does our poor deluded police commissioner really imagine he can utilize the police pension fund as political capital in his quest for re-election and get away with it?

"Fee-grabber Bob" evidently does not take kindly to the idea of a grand jury indictment for embezzlement to test out that new law requiring him to turn the money into the county treasury.

Our federal reserve district is given a moderate allotment in the third Liberty loan, but Mr. McAdoo will be able to fill all orders, no matter how great the oversubscription, so do not hold back when it comes to buying the bonds.

The Third Liberty Loan.

Secretary McAdoo's preliminary announcement of terms and amount for the third Liberty loan comes as a pleasant surprise to the financial world. Neither the interest rate nor the total amount is as high as had been expected.

Just 30 Years Ago Today

Leroy Mayne has, in consideration of \$5,000, sold his bay geldings "Reno," "Alarm Junior," "Roan Hal," and "Wild Ass" to J. F. Schoning.

STRIKE OUT THE "PROVISO"

The proposed amendment to the constitution of Nebraska relating to declaratory citizenship has been presented to the legislature, presumably in conformity with Governor Neville's peculiar ideas.

The popular demand of the hour in Nebraska is to insist on full American citizenship as the prerequisite to suffrage, and to require full naturalization, not three years from today, nor next year, but just as soon as the change can be legally incorporated into our constitution.

The absurdity of the "proviso" may be seen also from another angle. The legislature will meet twice in regular session before three years shall have passed - so what need for an extra session to do something for which there is no more hurry than that?

Rather than submit the amendment in the present form it will be far better to do nothing at all. Before the proposed measure goes any farther, the fool "proviso" inserted to save disloyal votes for the 1920 presidential election (for that is plainly the inspiration of the Hitchcock-Mullen hyphenated combination that is pulling the wires on Governor Neville) should be stricken out.

Pershing's Offer to Foch.

Something characteristically American will be found in the reported visit of General Pershing to General Foch, there to offer him the aid of the whole American people in the present battle. It amounts to a request that American troops in France be permitted to share in the big work that is now going ahead there.

Proceedings of the ninth day of the conflict are conclusively in favor of the Allies. The German advance has been checked, apparently definitely, along its principal axis.

Observers are intent on the counter move that must come. So far the replies to the German attack have been chiefly defensive, and, while as such they are of importance, they can not be looked upon as in the nature of a general assault.

"We must work in the spirit of Washington and Lincoln," says Colonel Roosevelt, speaking at Portland, Me., and talking to all his countrymen, "and this we can only do if we apply that spirit to the issues of the present day."

Spirit for the War.

As these loans have been made with clock-like regularity every September since the war began, it is evident that an eighth loan must soon be floated. As the loans are now 50,000,000,000 marks (\$12,500,000,000) less than the war expenditures, there must be an immense floating indebtedness which will have to be funded.

Melting Pot of War

Australian high schools are now giving instruction in the Japanese language and it is also being taught at the military school.

It is reported from Rome that Italian women are giving up jewelry and household silver in order to make the fifth Italian war loan a success.

Cast iron shells, once thought obsolete, are being manufactured in France at the rate of 1,000,000 a day. They are more effective against earthworks than those of steel.

To Strasburg belongs the doubtful honor of having scored the world's high price record for food since the war began. In Strasburg market recently a large goose was sold for \$70.

The wives of navy men were recently warned by Secretary Daniels against social conversation concerning their husbands' military movements and other information that might be of value to the enemy.

To conserve material necessary in war and used in the manufacture of paints, leading paint manufacturers in this country have put their products from 100 shades to 22 colors for the duration of the war.

"When Cheyenne Was Young"

A Chapter Reminiscent of Border Life Forty-four Years Ago

By William Francis Hooker in "The Prairie Schooner."

Let us suppose this is the year 1872, and that we are taking a trip across the continent on the first railroad from the Missouri river to the golden gate. We have passed through western Nebraska and its uninhabited hills and plains, and we are entering Cheyenne, on a vast plain, yet situated at the foot of a range of the Rocky mountains known as the lower Black Hills.

Cheyenne is (in '72, remember) a city of boards, logs and canvas, but is beginning to shake off the very first things of a "camp," and is entering the brick age, with good prospects of acquiring fame as a substantial city.

But there are some hundreds of things here that are strange to the eyes of an eastern man. For example, in all his life he has never seen a man, outside of a military encampment, with a revolver strapped in a holster to a belt around his waist.

He used to see his Uncle Cyrus plow with a slow-plodding team of oxen among the cobble stones of a Vermont farm; but this is the first time in his life that he ever saw seven yokes of oxen hitched together in front of two big wagons and every team pacing a gait that would bring praise from the judge's stand at a county fair.

He starts down the main street and he sees "The Gold Room" in big letters on a big wooden building. "The Gold Room," they call it, and he goes in. It is where they sell "jig," "squirrel" and the rest. But that is not all we see in the "Gold Room," run by Jack Allen.

Germany's Huge War Debt

Limit of Safety Set by Home Financiers Now Exceeded

Ernest L. Bogart, University of Illinois, in New York Times.

It is impossible, especially at this distance, to learn all the facts concerning the financial conduct of the war by Germany.

The first of these is the vote of credit by which the Reichstag appropriates money for the use of the government. As it is constitutionally necessary to have parliamentary approval before the money can be raised or spent, these votes are a matter of public record, and hence may be accepted as accurate.

The following table shows these votes: No. Date of Vote. Amount. 1-Aug. 1, 1914. \$1,250,000,000 2-Dec. 3, 1914. 1,250,000,000 3-Mar. 22, 1915. 2,500,000,000 4-Aug. 31, 1915. 2,500,000,000 5-Dec. 24, 1915. 2,500,000,000 6-June 9, 1916. 2,500,000,000 7-Oct. 20, 1916. 2,500,000,000 8-Feb. 25, 1917. 3,750,000,000 9-July, 1917. 3,750,000,000 10-Dec. 1, 1917. 3,750,000,000 Total. \$27,250,000,000

An 11th vote of 15,000,000,000 marks was granted the other day, bringing the total up to 124,000,000,000 marks. This refers not to the debt, but to the expenditures. Inasmuch as some of the expenditures - though not many - have been met out of taxation, it is obvious that we shall have to establish the amount of the war debt in some other way.

Fortunately, we have one other set of figures, which, while not quite so unimpeachable as those just quoted, are sufficiently trustworthy. These are the loans made by the imperial government. Down to October last the public war loans - seven in number - had amounted to 73,361,660,000 marks (\$18,340,415,000). These were as follows:

No. Date of Issue. Amount. 1-September, 1914. \$1,120,000,000 2-March, 1915. 2,280,250,000 3-September, 1915. 3,040,750,000 4-March, 1916. 2,691,750,000 5-September, 1916. 2,862,750,000 6-March, 1917. 3,192,500,000 7-September, 1917. 3,158,415,000 Total. \$18,340,415,000

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Peppery Points

New York World: Most of the Kaiser's spies have titles before and aliases after arrest.

Minneapolis Journal: The Kaiser saw the Kaiser's Easter hat and remarked gloomily, "Onward mit Gott!"

St. Louis Globe-Democrat: But the Kaiser is not getting close enough to the "drive" to expose himself to sharpshooters.

Washington Post: As the Lord's Prayer is said to have been engraved on a pin head, it may be that a reverent sentiment will yet penetrate the mind of Bill the Barber.

Nowadays your restaurant check ought to contain a certificate showing that you are entitled to the Croix de Guerre for having faced the waiter calmly and shot to pieces by the cashier.

New York Herald: If there were left room for any surprise over the "logic" of the war, it would come up for consideration by psychopaths that claim made by Germany upon the French government based on damages done to German property in Paris by a German bomb dropped from a German airship!

The Bee's Letter Box

Fitzgerald Answers Quinby.

Omaha, March 27.-To the Editor of The Bee: An item appears in The Bee's such Box of March 25 under the caption of "Burden of Taxation," coming from the ever lament pen of Single Tax Quinby, in which he criticizes the county assessor for obeying the laws and rules laid down by the State Board of Equalization for his guidance.

Mr. Quinby was once a member of the state legislature and as such state officer and law maker, one would have thought he would be familiar with that part of the revenue laws of the state, which instructs county assessors as to how to arrive at values of merchant and manufacturer, by demanding a list of inventories and all books of account for the preceding year including the annual invoice and inventory of stock of such merchant or manufacturer last prepared by such assessment, and the policies of insurance carried by such merchant or manufacturer.

J. M. FITZGERALD, County Assessor.

Smith and Community Centers.

Omaha, March 26.-To the Editor of The Bee: I am amazed at the ignorance displayed by Ed P. Smith, the candidate for mayor on the "out" ticket.

Mr. Smith, in one of his campaign ads announces that if he is elected he will favor the establishment of community centers for winter recreation. If Mr. Smith is the student of civic affairs that his opponent would believe, he should know that at the present time community centers are being conducted in many parts of the city.

The newspapers from time to time have carried announcements of the various activities of the community centers, and only a week ago The Bee carried a series of photographs showing a number of groups engaged in a weekly concert.

For the benefit of this authority on civic affairs, I will inform him of the community centers, as I now understand them from personal experience. I myself attend regularly the professional lectures of the Red Cross class which meets once a week in the community center, and also reaps the benefits of the women's athletic class, which is also conducted one night a week.

Perhaps it would be well for our friend Mr. Smith to get around and learn what is going in this city before he attempts to pose as an expert on civic affairs.

Two Kicks on Haze.

Omaha, March 27.-To the Editor of The Bee: I must admire the unmitigated officiousness of Commissioner Kugel in recommending the reinstatement of H. P. Haze on the police force.

And now forthwith he has only five years more to serve until he is eligible for a pension. He has always been a barnacle on the state payroll, and after five years, he will become a perpetual burden on the future policeman of Omaha.

The Battle Hymn in the Dugout

If any additions to the Battle Hymn of the Republic were permissible, they would be such spontaneous additions as the soldiers themselves make when they sing the hymn in the trenches.

But it seems that the boys themselves do not want any changes. In a letter to his mother, written by a young Vermont soldier in the New England division, under date of February 12, which the St. Albans Messenger publishes, we find this inspiring passage:

"Just after breakfast the other day we heard 'hand, so a lot of us started out to find it. It seemed to come up out of the ground, and going over to a group of trees we saw a large hole about 30 feet across and 60 or 70 feet deep. The band was down there playing the 'Battle Hymn of the Republic.' That is our war song. We then went down the side of the hill and found the entrance. The place where the band was playing was a large room with a big hole overhead and a large pillar supporting the roof. In the center of the chamber is a large terrace several feet high. The chaplain was on the terrace, dressed in his robes. There was a large cross that was carved in the rocks."

And the soldiers, with their chaplain and beneath the cross, were singing the Battle Hymn of the Republic in this cave. The incident proves the superb vitality of the hymn. Making it say under such circumstances, it is capable of taking care of itself. Not alone in the "evening dews and damps," but in the bowels of the earth, they have "built Him an altar." - Boston Transcript.

Twice Told Tales

A Strong Argument. Counsel for plaintiff was delivering the peroration of an impassioned address. While thundering forth his eloquence he was leaning for support on the back of a chair in front of him.

He was a gentleman of much weight, in more ways than one, while the chair was an ancient one, and gave way under the strain placed thereon, with the result that the barometer fell prone to the floor among the wreck. Quickly regaining his feet, he remarked:

"This proved the strength of my argument." This was met with a gentle ripple of merriment all round, which speedily merged into a roar of laughter when the opposing counsel replied:

"My learned brother's argument may be all that he claims for it, but it fell to the ground." - Philadelphia Ledger.

Bessie's Interpretation.

Little Bess, who is in the second grade, studies the word "interpret" by finding that her teacher was all the time calling for cigarettes. Her mother was so puzzled over this that she visited the school one afternoon to find out what the student by interpretation meant.

In a little while the mystery was solved, for the teacher, glancing around the room, called out to the pupils: "Sit erect, sit erect!"

"There, mamma, didn't I tell you?" - Boston Transcript.

see that the men that voted to put this deal over should be elected to stay home; they are too small to run this city. Wake up, people, and elect men that are big enough for the job and men who will give us a real business administration and in the interest of the people and a greater city.

"GOTT MIT UNS"

(Living Church) The Kaiser's recent renewal of his claim to be in partnership with the Almighty, "Gott mit uns," justifies repeating this sobriety by a Harvard undergraduate, the first appearance of which, in a university publication, roused furious criticism from those who felt the force of its trenchant lines:

No doubt you are the people; Wisdom's flames spring from your cannon - yes, from your throat. God needs your dripping lance to prop him through. Your grateful torch his glory to proclaim. No doubt you are the people; far from them. Your captives, who deface the captured ones. Which, by the labor and the blood and bone of pious millions, calls upon his name. No doubt you are the folk; and 'tis to prove Your worshipfulness of Virtue and of Love. Upon the altar to the Prince of Love. Yet still cry we who will in darkness plot 'Tis said Christ 'ye serve and not our God."

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