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"They shall not pass!"

Haig's message to his men sounds well to Americans.

Keep right on saving wheat and boost for another good crop.

A trifle early yet to swat the fly, but not too early to swat the kaiser.

German raids on American trenches start well, but finish badly—for the Germans.

If the Liberty loan could alone win the war, it would be all over but the shouting.

It will be a short, sharp and decisive campaign. We refer to the local political campaign.

Man power is to be the ultimate test in this war, and that puts the decision squarely up to Americans.

Wonder if the clinching argument of the "staff correspondent" for universal military training converted the hyphenated editor.

The house did not agree with Representative Shallenberger in his effort to interfere with the draft, but he has kept his record straight with the Hitchcock-Mullen combination.

If you must give attention to the idle rumors floating about, be very careful that they are not those intended to help the kaiser, such as the one now current that Uncle Sam intends to repudiate his bond issues.

Internment of a Nebraska officer, who had a long and good military record, only goes to show how deep the virus of kaiserism has penetrated America.

General Wood understands the war game thoroughly, therefore his advice on the problems involved is sound. Had it been followed years ago, we would be in much better position than we are today.

Canada also joins in daylight saving, although they already have more of that than they know what to do with.

Idealistic Friendship and Realistic War. Secretary Lansing's reply to the Dutch government's complaint against the seizure of the idle shipping of Dutch ownership is another classic contribution to the official literature of the war.

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BATTLING FOR HUMAN LIBERTY.

For 24 days the most stupendous battle in all human history, veritable Armageddon, has raged in France and Flanders, and the issue is not yet. No such onslaught was ever made as has marked the attack of the German hordes, while heroism has been outdone by the defenders. Worn and weary, sickened by the slaughter, and dulled by the sight of death, American, French and British soldiers stand shoulder to shoulder, fighting to hold in check the Hunnish power that seeks to crush liberty from the world.

We have done much, but not all. Our man power has hardly been touched. We have made progress in our efforts to equip and prepare an army, and we are assuming some of the terrible responsibilities of the defense against the kaiser that must press even heavier upon us before the final victory is won and peace is restored to a world safe for democracy.

Loaning money to the government is the easiest and lightest of all the burdens that are put upon the people. Two millions of our boys, on land and sea, are offering their lives, and other millions are waiting only for the word. This thought ought fairly to make the dollars leap from their hiding places in ecstasy of zeal to serve.

Haig has appealed to his men to die in their tracks if need be; Yankee boys and Frenchmen alike are pledged to similar devotion. Put your dollars behind these brave men, fighting to the death for human liberty and happiness.

Spring Medicine Myths. Science still moves in its unvarying path of inexorable exactitude, dealing with ponderable truths and establishing facts where ascertainable. One of the latest of its pronouncements is directed against a cherished custom, that of "thinning the blood" with various concoctions, decoctions, or distillations, to free the "system" from accumulated humors of the winter, and lubricate the eliminative machinery of the body that it may attain itself to the freshness of the springtime.

Railroads "Down to Brass Tacks." Director McAdoo is surely taking the romance out of railroading. His order for standardizing box cars and similar equipment caused a general sitting up and looking about by transportation big wigs who have advocated standardization for years, but never could reach agreement on a standard.

Just 30 Years Ago Today. A double wedding occurred at the home of B. H. Post, well known dairy man on Military avenue. The happy parties are Herman Soehl and Carolina Spannaagel and Charles Woolman and Mary Wolf.

Signposts of Progress. In 1914 Japan exported 9,000,000 pencils and in 1916 the number had been increased to 168,000,000. The practical destruction of Guatemala City by a series of earthquakes, the most severe of which occurred on December 25, January 3, and January 24, has inaugurated an unprecedented era of building activity in that city.

Editorial Shrapnel. Minneapolis Tribune: The kaiser would be happier if the Germans could hold some of those French towns as easily as they hold Milwaukee. Brooklyn Eagle: If Felix Diaz has whipped the Carranza forces, Tampoco, some Berlin plans may miscarry.

Out of the Ordinary. According to a French electrician, the temperature of the carbon filament in an incandescent lamp approaches 2,000 degrees. There are no fours of forty-fours in Japanese telephone directories, because the name of the figure "four," "Shi," is the term for death.

Views, Reviews and Interviews

Transmitting Important Secret Military Information by Cube Soup and Duck Code

Remember the "cube soup" story that went the rounds shortly after the outbreak of the world war? This was supposed to be the acme of military secret service work. According to the tale, agents of the German government went about the country in advance of the invasion of Belgium and France, putting up signboards exploiting the delicious qualities and sustaining character of a tabloid food product which had merely to be dropped into water and heated to make a delicious and nourishing soup.

But now we have an account of another military signaling device that discloses equally amazing ingenuity, narrated in an article in the current Harper's Magazine contributed by a former representative of the Associated Press in the eastern war area. In this he tells how the armies of Serbia and Austria were blocked for many days on opposite sides of the Sava river, which one was vainly trying to cross to get at the other, because unable to escape the enemy's vigilance. Despite incessant watchfulness, making sure that no couriers or spies were passing the lines and that no message or communication was being sent from their bank of the river, the Austrians were puzzled as to how the Serbs seemed to be notified every time they made a move.

As an aftermath of the primary election my old friend, Al Sorenson, who also ran, gives us this sage advice that stamps him as a political philosopher of the first magnitude: "Without an organization or a slate at his back an office-seeker wastes his time and money. An independent go-as-you-

Bull's-eye Shots by Kennedy

Editor of Western Laborer on Hyphenated Disloyalty

Beaten to a Pulp. The German Alliance World-Herald was beaten to a pulp at the special war session of the legislature. It was beaten to a pulp in its English scheme to attach a German Alliance amendment to the constitution. Instead of following the suggestions of the German Alliance World-Herald and "fixing" the new amendment so the curs who took out first papers and voted and then swore in their questionnaires that they were alien enemies to escape military service so that these hermaphrodite "citizens" could vote for the re-election of our pro-German senator, the legislature stood up square for American and Americanism and passed the amendment which simply says, "Only citizens can vote."

Every local exemption board in the state knows the names of the men who now swear they are aliens, or alien enemies, to escape military service. Not one of them will dare go to the polls next November. If they do we feel sure some red-blooded citizen will knock them cold with a chair and send them to a hospital before they reach the ballot box. Last Yelp of the German Alliance. The last yelp of the dying German Alliance inence in the legislature came as a sort of "afterbirth," and is signed by 10 senators who died in the ditch for the boozeyerein and the German Alliance.

That is what the squealers who signed "the afterbirth" want, but they won't get it. Everybody in Nebraska is out of step but the 10 signers to "the afterbirth." Ain't it h—? Don't Offend Our German Subscribers. "Omit the word 'Hun' in all matter," is the order to editors, reporters, proofreaders and printers on the pro-German World-Herald. The reason given is "because we have a large number of German subscribers we do not want to offend." And then Newbranch has the guts to claim the World-Herald is American.

Think of it, you men and women of Omaha who are giving your boys to Uncle Sam to go over to France to fight the Huns! Think of a newspaper in Omaha forbidding the use of the word "Hun" in its columns because it might offend its German subscribers. Think of an editor in the center of the American continent being afraid of offending the Beastly Huns who cut the throats of wounded American boys! When it is Hun in copy change it to German, so as not to offend our German subscribers. When the Huns get an unconscious American soldier boy they cut his throat. How different. What a Foolish Question. "That's the kaiser's building," said a pa-rader last Saturday. "Did you hear that?" said Art Ellis, and he repeated what the man behind said. "Often," I replied. "What building do you suppose it was? Well, guess!

Liberty Bonds and War Stamps Bring Returns Tax Receipts Don't. If You Fail to Lend Your Money to "Uncle Sam" He'll Take it in Taxes. Our Boys at the Front Are Offering All WHAT ARE YOU DOING? The Woodmen of the World purchased more than two million dollars' worth of Liberty Bonds and War Savings Stamps. W. A. FRASER, Sovereign Commander.

Around the Cities

Salt Lickers turned in the greater part of \$1,000,000 in income taxes collected in that revenue district. Kansas City voters authorized a bond issue of \$1,250,000 for improving the city's water plant. A new flow line to the east bottoms and a pumping plant there are projected. "Watch your step" is the slogan of Sioux City's safety first boosters. People on foot are cautioned to look both ways at crossings, and people on wheels must slow up, especially if the cops are looking their way.

Chicago enforces a rule requiring automobile drivers to stop at boulevard crossings. On any bright Sunday 200 or more drivers win a golden rule summons to the speeders' court. Blue Monday features the fine. Minneapolis stages a modern version of the Tooley street tailors. Scene laid in a tailor shop, tailors beside a table studying the intricacies of poker, and a fast deity, as a center piece. Masked bandits enter. The kity disappeared, also \$200 from the pockets of the tailors. "We are the people."

Brooklyn reports that burglary is a thriving business thereabouts, apartment houses being the chief source of revenue and goods. At the same time burglary insurance rates on apartment houses have been advanced, so that tenants are fairly assured a touch from one or the other. The state court of appeals headed off a movement to charge 6 cent fares on street cars of Rochester. N. Y. Permission to boost fares had been granted by the Public Service commission, but the court ruled that the commission has no authority to set aside franchise agreements or charter provisions which limit the rate to be charged.

BOOKS FOR SOLDIERS. "Neither will I offer... that which cost me nothing." I send my books to you, O brave men bearing the world's great burden with undaunted eyes. For in some little way would I be sharing Your spirit of unquestioning sacrifice. And these books were my love: I held each one dear. Even as another holds his wife and child; Or as a friend whose wisdom counsel is freely; Or as some kindly wizard who beguiled Long winter evenings with his magic passes, Transforming gray to gold, and sigh to song. Who poured red wine from seeming empty glasses, And waved across life's screen a gay, fair throng. Here was a sprightly Ariel, floating 'Round the world on my spirit, first as his: Here went I with your Cupid brave, a-courting, Forgot my loneliness in lovers' bliss. Here are my poets, who, above wild discord, Heard Truth's unfaltering voice ring high and clear, and clear, and clear, and clear. Who followed Beauty—left on earth the record That her white soul enfolds us, now and here. So take my books, with all their varied grace— The prophet's sight, the poet's ecstasy, I shall not grieve to see their empty places If they are half to you they were to me. —New York Tribune.

DOMESTIC PLEASANTRIES. Office Boy—I tell ye the edito' ain't in. I've just looked. "That's too bad. I wanted to pay him some money I owe him." "Wait a second. I'll look again."—Life. "A good many ladies were disappointed this afternoon." "How was that?" "The guest was spoken of as a bridge expert and he turned out to be nothing but a famous engineer."—Boston Transcript. "Ten years elapse between Acts 1 and 11." "Yes," said Mrs. Flubbub bitterly, "and I see the brute's wife is still wearing the same hat."—Chicago Post. Mrs. Grammercy—My husband talks in his sleep. Does yours? Mrs. Washington Square—Why, no, dear. I always give him a chance when he's awake.—People's Home Journal. "That magazine is not up to date." "Because you have to wade through so much pure reading matter before you get to the automobile ads."—Baltimore American. "So you have captured the belle of the season, eh? I never thought it would do

me any good to lay my heart at her feet." "The same idea occurred to me. So I substituted a quantity of gilt-edge bonds." —Louisville Courier-Journal. "Why the sigh, girlie?" "I was just reading of an ancient painter who painted grapes so naturally that he fooled the birds." "Well!" "I wonder if I'm fooling any of the birds around here?"—Louisville Courier-Journal. Redd—Didn't I see you out in your new car today? Green—Yes; I was out for a trial. "Was the trial satisfactory?" "No; the judge fined me \$10."—Tonkers Statesman. "I suppose the young men do not regard Miss Borrowcliff as so handsome now that her father has lost his money." "Well, they don't think she has such a fine figure as she once had."—Pearson's Weekly.

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TODAY. One Year Ago Today in the War. British offensive in region of Lens and St. Quentin rolled Germans back over 50-mile front. President Wilson created a bureau on public information, with functions of censorship and publicity. The Day We Celebrate. A. W. Scribner, tax commissioner of the Union Pacific railroad, born 1855. Howard M. Goulding, president of the Omaha Bottling company, born 1880. George L. Barton, head of the Barton Printing company, born 1862. Rear Admiral Albert W. Grant, United States navy, born in Maine, 62 years ago. John J. Carty, electrical engineer, major signal officer's reserve corps, born at Cambridge, Mass., 57 years ago. Martin G. Brumbaugh, governor of Pennsylvania, born in Huntingdon county, Pa., 56 years ago. This Day in History. 1810—Justin S. Morrill, who served more than 20 years as United States senator from Vermont, born at Stratford, Vt. Died in Washington, D. C., December 28, 1898. 1842—Admiral General Adna R. Chafee, who rose from the ranks to the command of the United States army, born at Orwell, O. Died at Los Angeles, November 1, 1914. Second Infantry now stationed at Fort Omaha and the opportunity was improved by the officers of the regiment and the general's staff to congratulate him upon his recent promotion to the position of major-general. Decline of the German Ladies' School society was held at the residence of Mrs. Louis Heimrod and preparations were made for a grand cater party to be held in Germania hall. Committee to attend to this matter, consisting of Mrs. Heimrod, Misses Augusta and Pomy, Nettie Richards and Emma Andres, was appointed.