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THE BEE'S SERVICE FLAG



The dignity of labor was never so universally acknowledged as today.

What will win the war? Work will win the war—whatever work is assigned to you to do.

Death and taxes are inevitable and unescapable. No one can get an immunity bath from either of them.

Between war offensives and peace offensives and political offensives, anyone can see strenuous times ahead.

It's a sad Labor day for those professional I. W. W. labor agitators facing a period of real labor in a federal prison.

Wonderful how loyal and patriotic every candidate for office with a war record bordering on treason has suddenly become.

Who wants to be American ambassador to the court of St. James, if Colonel House doesn't want it? Don't all speak at once.

In view of that successful demonstration, no good reason can exist for not adding an aviation section to our Fort Omaha balloon school.

Remember that the Czech-Slavs are our most valuable unofficial allies. The Czech-Slovak bazaar deserves your most liberal support.

Hogs this past week went up over \$20 on the market and within 5 cents of the record top. Any wonder they may be seen every day riding through town in cushion-tired automobiles?

Another world's fair is proposed in Chicago for 1920 to celebrate the 300th anniversary of the landing of the pilgrim fathers. Of course, the piece de resistance would be the exhibit of Plymouth Rocks.

Those who object to the declaration that by entering the world war for humanity the United States put the dollar mark on the American flag are now to be denounced as "patrioters." But it won't stick any more than the dollar mark.

An installation charge of from \$5 to \$10 for new telephones will effectually stop expansion of phone service, if that is what the government wants to do. A house with a telephone already in it should have an added value on the rental market.

Nebraska's Great State Fair.

The state fair, which is again under headway as an annual event, has long since passed the "pumpkin show and horse trot" stage, and has become a truly great exposition of the allied activities of the agricultural industry.

By diligent application of knowledge gained at these fairs, which really have become competitive exhibitions of methods and products, they have added to the productivity of the soil, increased their annual output, and so given aid to society.

Because the state fair has had its undeniable part in the success of the Nebraska farmer, it should be included in the category of institutions beneficial and indispensable.

TODAY

One Year Ago Today in the War. Italian aeroplanes bombarded Trieste. English east coast raided by German aeroplanes.

The Day We Celebrate. Allan D. Falconer of Black & Falconer, manufacturer, born 1875. Sumner I. Kimball, the originator and head of the life-saving service, born at Lebanon, Mo., 34 years ago.

Henrietta Crozman, a well known actress of the American stage, born at Wheeling, W. Va., 48 years ago. Dr. Frederick Starr, celebrated anthropologist of the University of Chicago, born at Auburn, N. Y., 60 years ago.

Rev. Newell Dwight Hillis, noted clergyman and author, born at Magnolia, Ia., 50 years ago.

1874—Messina was reduced to ruins by bombardment under King Ferdinand IV of Naples.

1876—A capitulation of Sedan and the whole French army therein were signed by Generals Von Moltke and Wimpfen at the Chateau of Compiègne.

LOYALTY OF LABOR.

Labor day demonstrations this year properly present patriotic features with an almost total subordination of the labor theme. We are at war and the big job is to win the war as fast as possible because the quicker...

It is a matter for self-congratulation that our American labor has responded to the nation's needs in such a way as to leave no question of its loyalty as a whole. In no other country which accords a measure of freedom to the worker has this been equally manifest.

By doing its full part for the winning of the war, labor is establishing its claim to more adequate recognition after the return to a peace basis.

America's New Merchant Marine. Spectacular performances by the armed forces of the United States show so monopolized attention the public has almost forgotten the existence of our merchant marine.

For example, the Tuckahoe, which got a great deal of space on front pages because of being constructed and ready for cargo in 37 days, has gone on with its speed, and now makes a round trip a week between Newport News and Boston.

In other ways advances have been made, so that German calculations based on pre-war performances are of about as much use as those resting on the records of the Phoenicians.

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McAdoo's Timely Hint to Kitchen.

The secretary of the treasury has startled the ways and means committee of the house by suggesting that it take pains not to put too onerous burdens on business. Chairman Kitchen is inclined to interpret this advice as a retreat from Mr. McAdoo's original suggestion of a flat 80 per cent levy on all war profits.

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Gossip at Washington has it that the president is contemplating a tour of the country to boost the coming Fourth Liberty loan.

Chief Galligan, having been granted permission to exhibit the fire department during fair week, is making preparations on Davenport street between Seventeenth and Tenth.

It was an idle hour in a certain high-class shoe store. A few salesmen were gathered together in one corner of the establishment, discussing the relative values of different kinds of footwear.



At a political meeting the speaker made a jest, and finding that his audience had missed the point, he said laughily: "I had hoped that you would laugh at that."

Mr. Meekton—Daughter says she won't marry any man who hasn't been in the war.

Letters From a Canteener Intimate Touches of Life Close to the Front Line Over There

These three letters written home by an American girl doing canteen work in France give such a graphic picture that we print them here, even though not privileged to use the name of the author.

A la Cantine Americaine, Limoges, Sunday, July 28, 1918.—Dearest Agnes: Your letter came this morning. I could have shouted for joy—only 10 days and I knew what you were doing such a short time ago.

How glorious everything is now! I wonder of you get a wave back of the joy that is surging over France. The most disgruntled are now jubilant; the Americans are idols.

We went through the De Luxe hospital train built in England after our designs. It is like a first-class boat, exquisitely dainty with every convenience and comfort.

Mr. Morrison says my shoes are in Bordeaux and he has persuaded the American Express to ship them to me here—a coup which I hope he will pull off.

I am going for a week's rest August 15; have not decided where, but shall go first to Paris for a talk with Mrs. Vanderbilt and see Mr. M. and T. I hope.

F. S.—Five kilites were in the other day, and now they are being fought with Americans and can't say enough about the bravery of our boys and officers.

My three months here are up and I am due for a change. If I am to have as much responsibility as I have had here I may as well have more authority and a canteen entirely my own.

Speaking of horrors, just as we were serving supper tonight I heard a wild sound outside the door and stepped out of the canteen to investigate—so many beggars get the kettle.

Railroad builders up in Alaska are not bothered about an ice shortage. Recently they put a stretch of track over a foundation of solid ice 40 feet thick.

Second Battle of the Marne This newspaper occasionally finds moments of embarrassment in the fact that it is written not only by and for but also about the American army.

But just now a great part of the A. E. F. is cheering from the bottom of its heart for another great part. To all the American soldiers whom fate touched on the shoulder and summoned into the second battle of the Marne, every other American in France takes off his hat today.

They were called into a battle as fraught as Gettysburg in its consequence to the world for weal or woe, called in numbers greater far than ever the field of Gettysburg belied.

Washington Post: Judging by the estimates of his casualties, Crown Prince Willy's objective is the Port of Missineh.

Louisville Courier-Journal: The German foreign minister tells the press that their cause is in danger.

Baltimore American: Now that General Bernhardt, the noted war correspondent and prophet, has said his own corps badly beaten by General Haig, he is probably more convinced than ever that the pen is mightier than the sword.

Brooklyn Eagle: "Good Lord, deliver us from the hyphenated American," was the prayer of house of representatives chaplain, the Rev. Henry N. Coudon.

Philadelphia Ledger: Strikes in wartime are hard to justify, but the women conductors in England who refuse to work until they receive the same bonus that men similarly employed are receiving have right and reason on their side.

Cleveland Plain Dealer: Kaiser Wilhelm was gratified, he said, because a German mother had lost nine sons in the war.

Dry belt slouts of Sioux City are slouching on fresh trails of bootlegging women. Liberal supplies of booze roll into town in gas wagons driven by women, who, in some cases, ride the brown bottles under copious skirts.

The Bee's Letter Box

Short of Help. Omaha, Aug. 31.—To the Editor of The Bee: The labor situation of this country at this present time needs consideration. The calamity of "short of help" is becoming an every day excuse for rendering improper service.

Is Noise Part of Patriotism? Omaha, Aug. 30.—To the Editor of The Bee: The labor situation of this country at this present time needs consideration.

Over There and Here The first meatless week in Germany started August 19. An extra ration of seven pounds of potatoes fills the meatiest space.

People and Events Wonders in wartime clutter the records. Some stand out in a more conspicuous way than others.

Then It Happened. "I wonder if you could?" mused the Rummy, as he mooched a handful of omelette.

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SMILING LINES.

"But as he never said he would marry you, why do you want to hear of his coming in?" "When I proposed to him," said the leop- year maid in the slightest degree committing himself to any political opinion.

"Every man likes to hear the sound of his own voice." "That fact," remarked Senator Borahum, "is what makes base ball a beneficial institution. A man can vociferate all he likes without in the slightest degree committing himself to any political opinion."

Conscientious objector.—Shooting at those targets makes me realize how awful war will be. I'd die before I'd kill a man. Officer (who has watched him shoot) You certainly would.—Sun Dial.

"What is your idea of a good salesman?" "A bald-headed barber who can sell hat tonic."—Washington Star.

"Do you know what an Italian greyhound is, Willie?" "Yes, sir. He's a high-bred animal." "And what is a dachshund?" "It's a low-down German dog."—Yonkers Statesman.

Daughter.—"Pa, our domestic science professor is teaching us how to spend money." Dad (interrupting).—"Next he'll be teaching ducks how to swim."—Boston Transcript.

"I'm tired of canned beef," complained the summer boarder. "Some fish would be so good." "That's easily fixed," responded the general farmer. "Bury, open a can of sardines."—Chicago Post.

Angry Woman.—My husband attempted to strike me. I want to hear him arrested. Police Captain.—All right. Where will we find him?" Angry Woman.—In the emergency hospital.—Chicago News.

A divorce scandal was being discussed in the presence of English Ambassador Reading. "Poor Smith," a banker sighed, "to fall at the age of 49! He would have been the very top of the moral ladder, too. In fact, he was a Sunday school superintendent. How strange a man! Smith should have fallen from the ladder's top!"

"Here's a letter from Sam at the front, and he says there isn't much difference between being a mule driver and a gun flier." "Why not?" "He says both kick him."—Baltimore American.

McJone.—This morning I found a \$8 bill in my hat summer suit. McSmith.—Is that so? I thought you were married.—The People's Home Journal.

"The summer waits are very thin." "Yes." "I don't think the girls can get 'em any thinner." "Don't arouse 'em, now."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

"A chorus girl doesn't get a large salary." "Why not?" "But she derives great comfort from the romantic stage name she picks out for herself."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

"I am so obsessed with my love for you," wrote the sweet young thing to her soldier. "That I cannot eat a bite." "That is the kind of girl for me," said the rookier. "With the price of oats having a blue sky limit, I could just about support a wife who didn't eat."—Florida Times Union.

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