### THE BEE: OMAHA, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 1918.

### AUSTRIA'S REQUEST FOR CONFER-ENCE

The Austrian request for a conference to discuss peace terms did not come as a surprise, having been foreshadowed in the speeches of Czernin and Burian, recently commented upon, How it will be received by the belligerents may scarcely be forecasted.

It may be accepted that no sincere effort to bring the war to an early and satisfactory end can be ignored by either of the great nations, so the chief thing to determine will be the spirit in which Austria makes its proposal. On casual inquiry this does not ring true. Austria, as well as Germany and the world, has been well in-Daily 67,135-Sunday 59,036 formed of what basis for peace will be acceptand eirenlation for the month, subscribed and sworn to by able to Americans. Less than the terms conleaving the city should have The Bee mailed Address changed as often as requested. tained in the fourteen theses laid down by the president will hardly be considered by our people.

> For Austria these terms have been more completely crystallized by the formal recognition of the Czecho-Slovak republic. This involves the dismemberment of the empire, and carries with it by implication at least taking a seat in the war council. from Prussia the portion of Poland held in subjection by the kaiser. Similarly, the Russian provinces seized must be restored, while Turkey and Bulgaria will be required to disgorge territory now held by arms. Italy, naturally, will not be content short of the resoration of the Irredente, while the question of Belgium and Alsace-Lorraine have gone beyond any possibility of discussion, other than terms of restitution.

If the Central Powers recognize in the military situation the hopelessness of their case, and are willing to submit to terms, the approach will be without especial difficulty. But they can not be admitted to a conference on a status other than that of the vanquished.

## Pershing's Victory Growing.

As more detailed accounts of Pershing's Maybe "Vic" Wilson might be induced to drive against the St. Mihiel salient come from compromise with Dictator Burleson on the France, the brilliance of that operation increases. From Berlin on the first day was sent word that the sector was abandoned practically The water is all ready for Fort Crook as without defense. The seeming ease with which soon as the main is connected, and this waits the movement was carried out gave some color to that. Now it is known that the Germans resisted to the utmost, and that some of the most The kaiser asks who injected hatred into the war. It may have been the man who wrote the desperate fighting of the war ensued, in which the Americans wrung from a German officer, made a prisoner, the admission that they are Conservation of gasoline is demanded by Dr. "terrible adversaries." Captives taken support Garneld, which may mean an extension of joythe view that the Germans were not preparing to abandon the salient, and that the swiftness of the movement bewildered them in their action. Separate peace with Austria might have its Critics, who have watched the war from the attractions, were it possible. But the kaiser will first, agree that this first real test of Yankee ability in the new science of war was carried out with a dash and to a success that gives it place Do not, in your haste, overlook the American among the important battles of the war. Its nerchant marine. It is growing apace, and its ultimate effect is to be developed, but the value hare of the war work is being done splendidly. of the ground taken is shown by the effort of the foe to retain it. Finally, it has most ef-The attorney general of the state of Nebrasfectually settled any claim of the kaiser of inka quotes from the code of Hamurabi, 2,600 B. vincibility for his army. The German formula C., showing where some of our law comes from. of "retirement to prepared position" has no ap-

You will notice that neither Haig nor Petain plication to the defeat at St. Mihiel.

Right in the Spotlight.

Andrew Bonar Law, who celebrates his 60th birthday today, is one of the outstanding figures in British politics and public affairs. Mr. Law s a native of New Brunswick and passed his early life in the Canadian province. Soon after obtaining manood he went to Glasgow, which had been his mother's home, and fabrication, or our speeding up once we have the embarked on a business career, in which he proved quite successful. He first entered parliament in 1900, at a time when matters of trade and taxation were absorbing the public after the close of the Boer war, Mr. Law struck out on the broad basis of tariff as they affect the empire, and his utterances on this question attracted wide attention. In 1911 he was chosen leader of the Unionist party in succession to Mr. Balfour. When the present coalition government was formed by Lloyd

George, Mr. Law was given the post of chancellor of the exchequer and

One Year Ago Today in the War. Kerensky, as head of the Provisional government, proclaimed Russia a republic. The so-called "Rainbow Division" of the United States army was reviewed on dress parade for the first time at Camp Mills, L. I.

# Thirty Years Ago in Omaha.

Mrs. Robert Ringwalt and Miss Gertrude Ringwalt returned home after a few months' absence in the

The first span of the new wagon



bridge over the Missouri river is

completed. Mrs. E. E. Edwards, who has been the guest of her daughter. Mrs. Clement Chase, during the summer, returned to her home at Santa Anna, California.

The nuptials of Rachel Bernstein and Joseph Chamison were consummated in the presence of a large number of friends and admirers. The Omaha Wheel club took jaunt to Irvington today. Fred Drexel has returned from an

extended tour in the east.

### The Day We Celebrate.

Rear Admiral Albert G. Berry, U. N., retired, born at Nashville, Tenn., 70 years ago. Alfred Noyes, celebrated poet, re-

cently decorated by King George for services in the cause of the allies, born in England, 38 years ago.

Selden Palmer Spencer, candidate for the Republican senatorial nomination in the recent Missouri pri-

# What We Are Doing In France.

#### Robert M. McBride in Leslie's. It is little wonder that we amazed the

French. They do only one thing quickly-fight the Huns. Their battle of the taxicabs at the Marne proved their speed in this. But in France mechanical construction is for there is a rumor affoat that I, as

the most part slow hand work. They do not understand our methods of standardization, of plants established. this "But we have not the men-you cannot

manufacture the labor," the French authorities ing to close the spring as it, in all told our leaders in the work. With true Yankee probability, would break out some briefness the seply came: "We can try."

And so from 10 nationalities we drew men for the labor. Brains and brawn must be about equally divided to create and maintain lines of communication sufficient for the needs of an army of 1,000,000 that is rapidly growing into an army in the system, and I am going to do

of five times that strength. And the brains are there all right-brains ble. that back home commanded salaries akin to those of railroad or insurance company presidents. I chatted with one famous expert who was dressed in muddy khaki. He was sloughing around the mud at the edge of a railroad yard

into a reality. And that man pays an income tax of \$375,000 Among the officers of construction work at

one yard I found a New York bank president, system. two great industrial corporation heads, the builder of one of the biggest enginering projects

of our largest railroads, former heads of great engineering corporations, and an endless assortment of skilled men who, at home, were distinguished for their wealth and genius.

vear.

The first need was docks, to unload our men and our supplies. At this particular port there were only sufficient docks to take care for the heard of, and who only paid the fitneeds of France. Our men went ahead and are ing fee for the office, through some constructing docks sufficient for the unloading of twenty great deep-draught steamers at once. were They are building 300 miles of railroad track to connect up those docks and the warehouses in that store yard. Before doing that 7,500,000 cubic yards of filling had to be put in. oing

In the meantime the warehouses were up like magic. Result-that one place will maintain an army

2,000,000 men with everything from motor trucks to canned tomatoes. There will be 200 such great warehouses,

each with 20,000 square feet of space, and eight state. others six times as large as that!

the United States. Like the famous "Agawam," the 5,000-ton ship launched from the port of Newark shipyard on Memorial Day, these warehouses are "fabricated." Various parts are made all over the country, shipped and fitted over adopted by the people as a reform there. These are the first fabricated warehouses measure against the abuses of the in history. The parts are interchangeable and old convention system so as to give these mammoth steel buildings are now going every candidate a fair and square up at the rate of eight a week!

This means that one immense steel warehouse democracy might prevail and the containing twenty thousand square feet of space people might rule. is erected in less than a day.

In the locomotive assembling plant an en- would invite back the old conventire locomotive is set up and ready to go under tion system with its political intrigue. its own steam in 36 hours. The men who are But a modification of our present government undertaking. doing this work receive from the government primary law, by a few amendments, \$33 a month. At home their wages were from we can secure a perfect system of \$200 to \$300 a month. So we find that the engineers and other experts are making no greater sacrifices, in proportion to their worldly goods, than these mechanics.

A Miracle at Sea.



**BEHIND U.S. ARMY** Omaha, Sept. 13 .- To the Editor of The Bee: It has come to me that

park commissioner, intend to close the spring at Elmwood park, which Material Saved Behind Ameriis one of the most popular assets of the park system, and I am taking can Advances Amounts means of setting the public right. It is absurd to think of tryto \$2,500,000 During " August.

place else and destroy its use in the future. I intend, rather, to improve the surroundings and make it more inviting to the public rather than destroy it. In fact, I will not intentionally destroy any of the natural beauty of Elmwood park, as it has more natural features than any park among the wreckage of battle leather, \$57,000; rubber, \$90,000; caneverything in my power to maintain depot of the American army here. them and improve on them if possi-THOS. FALCONER. Superintendent Department of Parks grist of debris and litter from the camps and battlefields; for example, and Public Property.

Plans for a Primary.

Omaha, Sept. 11 .- To the Editor watching a gang of huskies converting his plans of The Bee: Summing up the pres- pairing this wreckage. The ma- are decorated before the rush comes ent primary system in this state, terial thus saved and restored to use are abundant. Family pictures and many candidates for office have found that the direct primary can month to \$2,500,000. be controlled by political bosses and corporation influence under the slate

By this system too heavy a burden of expense is placed on candiin the United States, the chief engineer of one dates in proportion to the legitimate combatant troops to grope amid the metal, hat bands, is saved to be benefits to accrue, as the salaries paid for state offices are too small to recompense the candidate for the expense incurred in securing the nomination and election.

The recent primary shows that candidates, practically unmysterious manner have been nominated over other candidates who better known, and who expended a considerable sum in newsvage depot here. paper advertising. This thoroughly proves that the political bosses are

still masters of politics by being able to manipulate the present day primary through the slate system.

Under the slate system a candidate is forced to political bargaining with political bosses and corporation influences, to align himself with other candidates and thus form a Slate cards, printed with the names of candidates for the respec-The steel for these warehouses comes from tive offices, are distributed by hired as a freak. There was nothing like workers at each voting precinct, to it in the civil war or the more rethe voters in the primary election cent modern wars. It started on a day, and through this organization small scale with 200 hands. they defeat the very purpose of the deal, free from all influences, so that

> Granting that the present pri-mary law is a failure, no candidate nomination and election, which will eliminate political bosses and insure honest elections. First-By amending the law to

only one of the sources of this salmake the filing fee for public office vage, explained our escort, but it is Boston Transcript. \$15, and the candidate to swear un- the greatest source. As men spring der oath that he will not expend di- into action they throw aside every rectly or by contribution over \$300 thing not absolutely essential. There

stantial footwear. Like the garments, these were classed to go back to the fighting troops or to the stevedores or to the German prisoners.

#### 50,000 Garments Daily!

It was the same with the infinite variety of army equipment going through the salvage process, rubber boots and arctics, shelter tents, harness for artillery, saddles, bridles, stirrups. All of it was on a prodigious scale, 50,000 garments a day; 1,000 pairs of rubber hoots a day at the army price of \$2.65 a pair. The salvage of all kinds of rubber articles was 99 per cent, an almost complete saving of everything received. More than \$1,000,000 worth of clothing was saved last month, and American Supply Headquarters, the magnitude of the work as a ours, France, Sept. 15 .- Two car- whole can be judged from these figoads of hair brushes abandoned by ures of the output: Shoes, \$325,120 American soldiers in camps were clothing, \$1,307,026; harness and

brought today to the great salvage vas and webbing, \$35,000. There are some curious things This was only one little item in the gathered up in this litter of the ighting zone which has been care- three fireless cookers. Enough ully gathered up and sent here for books and magazines are left behind restoration. Five thousand persons to stock several libraries. Pictures are employed in renovating and re- and knicknacks with which the tents or sold amounted in value last belongings of a personal character are carefully preserved in little bags In the big battle around Chateau- t, be returned to their owner or hi

Thierry, as our fighting men went family if that is possible.

over the top they were followed Besides restoring articles for use, closely by detachments of non- every scrap of wool cloth, leather, wreckage and debris and save it turned into some other form of usefrom complete abandonment and ful article or is sold. The sale of loss. Each detachment comprised junk, tin cans and scraps last month 29 enlisted men and an officer. They netted 18,400 francs.

had trucks and derricks and all the The women workers are chiefly paraphernalia for gathering broken- French and Belgian, many of them down cannon, rifles, cartridge belts, refugees from the invaded districts, helmets, clothing, and the vast so that the work has this further stores of abandoned arms and ma- useful end for some 4,000 women. teriai left in the track of a con- They get from 6 to 7 francs a day, test, and to send it back to the sal- working from 7 to 11:30 and from 1:30 to 6. The wages paid last month were 711,400 francs. But ail the cost of wages and new material was less this war, but none stranger than this than 10 per cent of the value of the gigantic salvage plant where every- articles produced for army uses,

#### LAUGHING GAS.

"Why is it that wisdom teeth give ople so much trouble?" "I suppose it is because they are wiseachers."-Baltimore American.

"How many lumps will you bave?"

"Two," said he She dropped in one.

\$50,000,000. This is no freak; it is cold, hard saving of millions of right on with his eating.-Pertiand Press

"John," exclaimed the nervous I believe there is a burging in the height  $^{12}$  havn't time to fool with small 7 ntire day fighting regular profit + ~"-Washington Star.

Wife-The fact that there are germs on money doesn't werry me. Hub-No my dear. It would take a pretty active perm to hop from the money o you during the brief time you have it -

Let 'er go. Hyng' The big guns sing.

was the slowly restours.

ON WITH THE GAME.

thing from crippled guns and can-non to old army shoes and caps is a tribute to the ingenuity which has saved from total loss and turned produced this unique establishment back to some useful end at the of war economy. front. At first people looked at it But now, after a few months, it

is a monster industry, with huge buildings and towering stacks. It asked the waltress girl to the man size will save the government \$35,000,- was walting on. 000 the first year, and it may reach \$50,000,000. This is no freak; it is

dollars, at a time when material is scarce and shipping difficult. It is

the anti-waste campaign brought to its highest development by a huge Going over the plant today there was an opportunity to see the remarkable details of this salvage. The wreckage of the battlefield is

in primary expenses. Further he will

It doubtless would send a thrill of delight through Germany if one of its U-boats should with any other candidate or candi-in primary expenses. Further he will is besides the litter of the actual fighting, broken and abandoned mode of every constrained of every constrained and allied atmiss forward swing.

Salvage Big Industry. Strange things have come out of

time watching Pershing. They are eping Fritz busy all along the line. Good cum work.

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Kaiser Bill is getting ready to chuck it.

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history.

ready to go again

shone rate matter.

waste fuel in doing so.

"Doughnut days" are over over here, but not

The "watch on the Rhine" must be about

"Keep the home fires burning," but do not

The Central Powers are waking up to the

Gravelotte is not so very far away from St.

Mihiel. This will be a good place to reverse

fact that the Yankees are in the fight.

only on the War department now.

hymn ending "Gott strafe England !"

rideless Sunday beyond the Mississippl.

now allow his vassal to slip out so easily.

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Well, in ordinary/times a corn crop of 2,800,-00,000 bushels would be accepted as worth while, and it probably will serve for the present. Next year we will raise more.

The Yanks are showing up in many places ng the battle front, and will establish a record for ubiquity along with their other contritions to the uneasiness of Ludendorff.

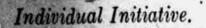
Peace based on victory is the only sort that nericans can accept. We have not made all our sacrifices to accept a patched-up agreement Auything short of our full program means our boys have died in vain.

Another ten-story hotel with 250-room cacity added to Omaha's equipment ought to ress outsiders, as well as the home folks, the important growth the city has made d is making. And we yet have room for more.

ongressman Greene of Iowa eloquently funds, and the members walked out on lowing a fine disregard for any discusthe great revenue bill. This spirit of ce to responsibility in congress is not to the pepole who foot the bills.

### Shortage of Gasoline.

ministrator Garfield has given out show the daily deficit in America's rures tha ply at present to be 3,000 barrels a stock of oil has been reduced day. Reser more than 4,000,000 barrels since April 1. These sures indicate the increased use of this fuel under war demands, as well as the necessity for curtailment in some ways in order that actual needs of the government may not be interfered with. The appeal of the fuel administrator to autoiats east of the Mississippi river to refrain from pleasure drives on Sunday brought such response as saved a considerable quantity of the oil that was being heedlessly expended, but more drastic measures may yet be needed. In this, as in other lines, the government has endeavored to interfere as fittle as possible with the routine life of the citizens, but no one will ing a contribution to winning the war. Gasoine must not be wasted.



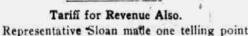
They said that the day of the individual in was done, that the age of the hero was that in the struggle of the twentieth cenonly multitudinous masses counted or ould even be discerned in the conflict, that, on he battlefields of the world, the opposing es were but giant machines with each hu-an infinitesimal, inconsiderable cog. To watching from 3,000 miles away, it seemed only the gallant chasse pilots darting cross the perilous skies had inherited lory that used to be.

this they said, and more. It is not true. fortunate that their work takes front know it is not true. There he chaplains to the men of the service, war today calls for-and receives-as ndividual initiative, as shining a personal te as ever the marvelling world saw at at Balaklava, at Missionary There every hour they see some man ever heard of before reveal a blazing of high valor that lights up like some that flare in black night of war.—Stars bes (Published in France)

### Value of the Dollar and Exchange. An anonymous correspondent writes to The

Bee, inquiring why it is the dollar has suffered in comparison with the pound sterling in foreign exchange. It is simply because the banking facilities of the United States were not well organized for the purpose of handling foreign accounts. Most of the world's banking is done through London; prior to the war Berlin was the next great center for exchange. This was brought about because the big British and German banking firms had established branches throughout the world, and so were enabled to control the business. As long as Americans were borrowers, it is obvious the entire strength of their banks found employment at home. While the money center of the world has shifted from London to New York, an incident of the war, and we have become money lenders, our banking facilities throughout the world have not yet been extended to such a point that they can efficiently serve the commerce of the world. So a great deal of exchange still is written through London that might better be handled by our domestic bankers, were the machinery for so ded with the house against the waste of doing adequate to the demand. Also, at the very beginning of the war, the British government took steps to protect its money against unfavorable exchange rates. The American government has not thought advisable to do this. Finally, the credit of the government does not rest on the rate of exchange absolutely. Liberty

bonds are the only issues of any government now selling at or near par, and our 31/2 per cent issue is bringing a premium. The discount on the American dollar in Denmark, Spain, and other small countries is a reflection of local sentiment, rather than of actual standing of the



in his mild criticism of the pending revenue measure. It is that the majority of the committee has entirely ignored one of the surest and most reasonable sources of government income, that of duty on imports. Blindly devoted to the exploded dogma of free trade, the democrats persist in neglecting the tariff, even in war time, when, if ever, such taxes would be justified. It means nothing to them, apparently, hesitate between giving up a joy-ride and mak- that Great Britain, hitherto the leading exponent of the free trade idea, has abandoned its position and collects a considerable of its income at its ports, its revenue from this amounting to several times the proportion of the whole so received by the United States. Canada, long a high protective country, has increased its port collections since the war begun, and now gathers half its national revenue from imports. On the other hand, the total of imports into the United States shows a continued growth while collections of customs dues has decreased. Last year's total of importations was the greatest in 20 years, while the revenue was the lowest in

that period. The foolishness of such a policy, when ingenuity is being exhausted to develop sources from which to raise money by taxation for public expenses, shows a lamentable lack of capacity for understanding and meeting the grave problems of government finance.

Roy McKelvie starts his formal campaign for the governorship today, and Nebraskans will get a good chance to measure the young man who has made such a splendid record for himself. McKelvie's methods are the sort that win. | energies.

maries, born at Erie, Pa., 56 years A. E. Thomas, well-known short

story writer and dramatist, born at Chester, Mass., 46 years ago. other side.

This Day in History. 1861-Postoffice savings banks established in Great Britain. 1873-France was evacuated by the last of the German troops, following the Franco-Prussian war. 1891-The Chilean provisional

government was recognized by France, Italy and Germany. 1893-An imperial ukase, abolishing the use of the knout by the Russian police, was issued.

1901-Prince and Princess Wales (King George and Queen Mary) were welcomed in Quebec. 1914-Germans were put on the defensive from Noyon to Verdun.

# Timely Jottings and Reminders.

1,508th day of the great war. Mexico today celebrates her national independence day. New Orleans is to be the meeting

place today of the 20th annual convention of the National Association of Retail Druggists. The Southwestern Jersey Cattle association is to open a show in

Kansas City today to develop a greater interest in the dairy business Six hundred delegates from the

United States and Canada are expected in St. Louis today for the opening of annual session of the sovereign grand lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. The Enright street separation

plan, said to be the most elaborate scheme of traffic regulation ever set up for practical trial, is to be put into operation in New York City today.

# Storyette of the Day.

General Crowder was talking about the German communiques. "The way the Germans count their prisoners," he said, "reminds me of the circus barker who stood in front of the tent and barked: "'Walk! up, ladies' and gents! Walk up and see the remarkable

African hyena. Measures 16 feet rom the tip of his nose to the end of his tail, and the same distance back again, making 32 feet in all. Walk right up, gents and ladies!

## Center Shots.

Washington Post: Sixteen hundred thousand Americans on the dead Hun's chest! Ho, ho, ho, and more to come! Detroit Free Press: Of course, all

the German people are not to be wiped off the face of the earth; some of them will have to stick around to pay the indemnities New York World: Some care and

forethought may well be devoted by congress to the problem of making up for the tax loss on beer without taxing tea, coffee and cocoa. "A free breakfast table" has long been an American ideal.

Minneapolis Tribune: Theodore wounded: Archibald wounded; Quentin killed; Kermit decorated for bravery in battle-the Roosevelt family is living up to the best traditions of American democracy. asks nobody else to do more than it will do itself

Baltimore American: The women of France interested in equal suffrage have sent President Wilson a letter of thanks for his recent message to the women of the allied pations. This fact is commended to the little band of agitators here who are harrying the president in this great crisis confronting the nation and demanding the concentration of all its

port and snuff out the lives of all the soldiers ing voters to vote for such a slate, on board. No submarine commander has been

able to turn that war trick, although more than and any person who aids or assists 1,500,000 of our men have been landed on the

In its attack on a troop ship just reported a by one year in prison. Teuton U-boat torpedo came desperately near a tragic success. The transport appeared for a moment to be doomed to quick sinking, but and will insure a better type of office something-it is not yet clear what-saved it seeker.

shin was kept afloat so that it could be beached, the adoption of the direct primary and it may be retrieved for further service. Aside from the miraculous character of the private clubs in which the general escape, the striking feature of the incident was public has little or no interest exing situation. The men did not lose their poise true soldiers, responsive to discipline, cool in the primary and if he is not interthe face of extreme danger, buoyed to courage ested enough to register at the priby the underlying American spirit that urges mary, he should lose his vote at the them on to their given mission as foilers of

Hun designs. It is no exacting test of faith to believe, in directed by a Power greater than the supple- to vote as he sees fit on every meamentary to that of armies and navies. Ger- sure for the convention's consideramany proposes but God disposes .- Minneapolis tion. This unit rule is the worst Tribune

# People and Events.

A wife suing for divorce in Chicago testified that her husband drank a barrel of wine containing 80 gallons in three months. Almost a gallon of wine a day isn't so much for an artistic appetite anticipating an indefinite drouth after district, and in this way every section December 1. Airplane mail service between New York

and Chicago, featured as a new treaty of good will betwen the rival cities, gets a cruel jolt at for the betterment of the present di- were in bundles, looking very fresh the start. Some Gotham barbarians "spilled the rect primary law, if such amendheans" by putting out a story giving Chicago a ments were enacted into laws, I beshocking odoriferous origin. According to the lieve would prove a step forward in New York version Chicago sprang from our political affairs, and would in-Chicauk, the Indian name for skunk. Let it go sure bona fide candidates, free from at that.

New York's district attorney continues squelching fake war charity schemes in that provide ample protection for candi-Frequent exposures deprived the quarter. chemes of their original richness, still some of lent manipulation of the direct prithe smooth workers manage to touch the gen- mary law. ROY M. HARROP. erously disposed. A so-called French restora-

tion fund, recently suppressed, brought the boosters \$9,000, of which \$7,000 clung to the palms of the boosters. Of seven French school children's composi-

ions on American soldiers, featured by the New York World, three mention their cleanliness and four their politeness. Courage is taken for Marne. granted. They are kind to children. They have

a sweet tooth. They speak about their mothers. With money they are generous. What more can be said? The youngsters caught the main points serve during the war in any branch vation. It seemed to be an answer and drew a picture true to life.

Gold coins of other days recede farther and farther from sight. Precious few people may they are to wield farm tools for produce evidence of goldbuggery these days army pay. and get away with it. Uncle Sam wants it, and holders or hoarders of the yellow metal had bet- ton, Ill., is the proudest grandmothter get a license or keep mighty mum. All of er living just over the line of Big Bill which is a reminder of how quickly the world Thompson's billiwick. Mrs. Quinspins around. Back in '96 the goldbugs actually lan's service flag carries 26 stars for that number of grandsons with the flaunted their opulence in public.

Frequent mention is made of the high cost of living in Washington. It is surely going some. Mrs. Howard Gould, who is in Washington, helping to find suitable living quarters for wo- message of Floyd Gibbon, war corremen war workers, is about to quit the job. She spondent, invalided home from says she cannot afford to live in the city because France. To a New York audience he she is charged 40 cents for an egg and \$1.40 a said: "Don't pull at your boys' coatdozen for fried oysters. One egg and a dozen to the international kamerad cry the fried being little more than an appetizer the Germans will send to you this win-Washington-bound gets an advance hunch on ter. The message from the boys at the cost of a square meal.

Out in Montana the girls play the game of olitics with all the zeal and candor of initiates. 18 years old, one of the scrappers of A Mrs. H. C. McDonald, running for a seat in the old 69th regiment, now on the ongress, frankly tells the enfranchised that her firing line, cheerily tells in a letter to congress, trankly tells the entranchised that her election will mean the "appointment of capable, experienced business women to at least half the ed and at one sitting. The Huns offices," at the same salary the men get. If that doesn't fetch the ambitious feminine vote in an twice without marring the beauty of avalanche, all other appeals are useless.

sink an outward-bound American troop trans- dates in making out a slate, instructthe penalty for violation thereof be-It is not only what is left by our

own troops, but what is left by the in distributing"such slate cards is guilty of election frauds, punishable ammunition, bayonets and every This will kinds of fighting material. Even when there is no battle, the mere shift of a division of troops

something—it is not yet clear what—saved by Year by year it is recognized more rescued by crews of vigilant British and are a part of the government, but ing essentials—guns, blankets, emer-American torpedo boat destroyers. Even the these political organizations through gency rations-and leave the rest Mangin. make haste, behind, books, extra clothes, shoes, law, are to be no longer regarded as etc. The men arrive from America with an undue amount of cloth- For ing; it is trimmed down at the first cept to pay the election expenses. the admirable behavior of the troops in a try-The present primary law should be training camp; again it is trimmed amended so that every man who de- down as they go to the front; and or in any way disclose themselves as other than sires to vote should be registered at each new trimming of thousands of men means another huge stock for salvage.

In the main building, a quarter election. of a mile long, there was the roar Another change should be made in the state platform convention, in of a vast and diversified industry, which the so-called unit rule should with over 4,000 women workers and the light of a sea event of this kind, that the be absolutely prohibited. Each in- a thousand men, with long batteries Shall show a sneaking skulking head. destinies of the world are being shaped and dividual delegate should be allowed of sewing machines, shoe machines, rubber and harness machines such as one sees in the great factory disform of political piracy, a usurper of tricts; with the same huge installapower, and authority, and is not a tion of engines, boilers, disinfecting representative form of government. plants, laundries; and the whirr of Not only that, but it is an instru-big metal machines for making over ment made use of by political bosses the many branches of ordnance. to deprive the individual of his right Women Aid Work. of referendum.

abor troops and stevedores.

The committee on platform should Hundreds of women were sortbe selected by the convention, one ing the uniforms and underclotheach congressional member from ing just come from the salvage proc-There were some 200,000 255. will have a voice in the making of the planks of the platform, and blouses, on these towering shelves, and as many more of all the other should make a perfect system The suggestions that I have offered articles of soldier wear. and clean, quite like the stock of a well equipped clothing establishment. The women were arranging the garments in three classes: Class A-Garments in good order. boss rule and corporation influence and keep the campaign expenses practically the same as new, to be within ordinary bounds, and would sent back to the front as part of the supply for fighting troops. dates seeking office against fraudu-Class B-Garments partly worn out but fully repaired to be sent to the base ports on the coast for

# Over There and Here.

but in a fair state of preservation. The Huns are now fully 55 miles to be sent to prison camps for Gerfrom Paris, measured from the nearest point to their lines. They are man prisoners. further off and worse off than at any This was significant of what the time since the first battle of the German prisoners were getting; not

the best, to be sure, and not the Members of the Mennonite and same goods as our own men, but Dunkard sects, drafted into Camp worn goods in a fair state of preser-Grant, signified their readiness to outside of the fighting lines, espe- to the outcry that the German priscially farm work. Their conscienoners were getting the same as our men. One cold follow the stages of the

huge stacks of hob-nail army shoes Mrs. Ruth E. Quinian of Evansfrom the time they arrived, covered with the mud and grime of the trenches and the battlefield, through

tails to impede them. Close your ears

Sergt. Tom Gleason of New York. his box score.

ods of every conceivable nature r big tanks roll Arms Are Recovered.

While hills and vales with victory ring Hit 'er up, Halg,

own troops, but what is left by the Biot out the plague enemy, often great stocks of arms, Let fiendish footsteps grow more vague Until the last Loud cannon's blast

Shall make the foe for mercy ber.

Push on, Petain leaves an enormous stock of aban-tioned goods. Moved on short Through Hindy's line Smash to the Rhine

Then may we welcome peace again. The dem ion faced From France's horders must be chased; Do you not pause sweet applause Till Hindy's line is all erased.

Pershing, proceed The Yanks you lead Inspire the boche hordes to speed; Back whence they came And lose the game They entered for their nation's greed.

Foch, forge ahead And fill with dread The Huns till they are full of lead. Till they no more On allied shore Bayoll Ne Trole Omaha.



