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MACHINE GUNS LEFT BY THE GERMANS



These American soldiers are taking German machine guns out of one of the dugouts that were filled with guns and ammunition left behind by the Germans in their retreat from France. The men are of the One Hundred and Third Infantry of the Twenty-sixth division.

...nishing of financial assistance to farmers who are not in a position to furnish real estate security for such loans. In this connection he suggests that personal credit unions, established preferably by the state governments, would satisfactorily answer the purpose.

Everybody Will Respond.

Knowing all that has been done by the American Red Cross; feeling a part of the good deeds that have carried comfort and cheer to those who have been brought under the harrowing trials of war; being advised that the work is to be continued until all that is possible to do to heal the dreadful wounds has been done; with especial appreciation of the willing self-denial and sacrifice made by those who have ministered the benefits made possible through this organization; having advice of the most reliable source that every dollar is put to the best possible use; that it is in no sense a plan for personal or financial self-interest—with these and many other considerations of the highest possible merit, it cannot be felt that there will be anyone so far caloused to the slightest feeling of humanity as to refuse to join in membership and be enrolled as one of the family and in direct kinship with the "greatest mother on earth."

Takes Two to Make a Deal.

The Observer has given much space, in fact has published about everything that has been offered from Congressman Simont and Secretary Lane and others high in authority on the subject of land for the soldiers. These gentlemen are no doubt sincere in their views and they have many supporters of the proposal to make farmers of those who have been through the rigors of war. After all is said and done it is back to the old proposition that "it takes two to make a bargain." What is to be done with all this unused fertile domain if the soldier happens to be one of that kind

of live wires who does not see the use—or who does not care for the farm, anyway?

It is all very well to talk in a general way about the fifteen million acres of desert lands which the department of the interior claims can be irrigated or the seventy million acres of swamp and overflowed lands which that department claims can be drained and made profitable. There may also be all, stated by Secretary of the Interior, millions of acres of cut-over land, which can be cleared of stumps, brush, etc., and made suitable for agriculture, but these projects are all matters for the dim and distant future, whereas the disbandment of the army and the making of suitable provisions for the employment of the returning soldiers is one which must be dealt with immediately and consequently, while the country may be justified in incurring the tremendous expense necessary to make our two hundred million acres or more of desert, swamp and cut-over lands suitable for agriculture, the suggestion of utilizing any of this area (which at present is, and for years to come will necessarily be utterly uninhabitable and useless) for the purpose of enticing the men who make up our present huge armies back to the land, seems to be hardly worthy of a second thought.

POPULAR SCIENCE

If a pin had a hole in one end instead of a head it would be a needle.

When books were written on bricks all the hod carriers were literary people.

Stains on table linen from blanchery are easily removed with a sharp pair of scissors.

The easiest way to extract the wet part of water from an ordinary goblet, is to drink it.

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Hippodrome road show, Arrade Wednesday.



The Greatest Mother in the World  
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Roads Take First Place.

In a recent interview between David S. Houston, secretary of agriculture, and the editors of a number of agricultural journals, Mr. Houston expressed in substance the following views with reference to matters of interest in connection with the farming industries of the country:

Reconstruction plans should include resumption of the building of highways under the Federal Aid Road act; creation of a system of personal credit unions for farmers; systematic supervision of land settlement; provisions for safeguarding the rights of tenants and encouraging farm ownership; continuation of government supervision of stock yards and related industries; and extension of benefits of modern medicine and sanitation to rural districts.

During this interview Mr. Houston expressed the view that agriculture was probably the best prepared industry in the nation when the war came and that it would be the first to readjust itself to after-war conditions although he is inclined to feel that neither the farm nor the farmer can ever get back to the precise condition that existed before the war.

Secretary Houston also stated that, in his opinion, one of the vitally important measures of the reconstruction period is public highway improvement and he suggested that, for that reason, such work should be resumed as soon as possible. It appears that under the act above mentioned federal and state funds which, although appropriated for the building of roads have not been expended because of war conditions, will amount during the present year to approximately \$75,000,000, and it is the secretary's view that roadbuilding constitutes a worthy project on which to employ a large portion of the surplus labor supply likely to result from the shutting down of war industries and the demobilization of the army.

With reference to credit unions the secretary called attention to the fact that, although farmers with proper security can readily obtain loans from the farm loan banks, some convenient means should be provided for the fur-

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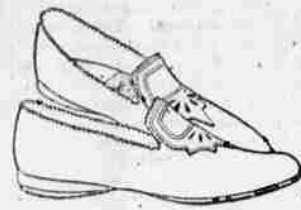
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