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A FIGHTING YEAR.

Cartersville, Ga., like many another town in the South, is having a hard time of it just now, but is far from discouraged. Instead of facing the coming year with doubt and gloom, Cartersville is getting ready for a scrap. It is going to be a fighting "year," says the Tribune-News, expressing the militant spirit of its citizens.

"The fighters will get their farms, their stores, their banks, their factories on bedrock and will get a long lead over the weaklings—those who back into their shells and wait.

"The merchant who quits buying and advertising and pushing his business is surrendering to the alert opposition.

"He may think he is waiting, but he is not; he has quit.

"The farmer who holds to the dead corpse of high price expectations, frets, complains and waits, is out of the running. It is the man who is planting, pruning, stumping, ditching, cleaning up and hustling who will be ahead of the game next fall."

Bully for Cartersville! Any town that accepts that gospel is bound to succeed, regardless of what is going on in Europe or Washington or anywhere else. The Tribune-News sums up the situation in these pungent paragraphs, which ought to be published and taken to heart in every city in America:

"There is business, but only those who hustle will get it.

"The soft, the timid, the chicken-hearted will fall out.

"The growler will not get by.

"The bears will get the doubter.

"We're not resting.

"We're not backing off.

"We're going through!"

THE REAL REPARATION SUM.

The vast sum proposed for German reparation has resulted in a vast amount of misunderstanding. People who were expecting perhaps \$15,000,000,000 or \$20,000,000,000 to be fixed as the total of Germany's financial liability to the Allies were astounded when they read that the payments were to total \$55,000,000,000 in gold. Most of the comment still heard and read dwells impressively upon those figures.

An analysis of the terms, however, shows that the \$55,000,000,000 is not, as nearly everybody at first assumed, the principal to be paid. It is the sum total of annuities representing principal and interest together, extending over a amortization period of 42 years. There are to be two annuities of \$500,000,000, three of \$750,000,000, three of \$1,000,000,000, three of \$1,250,000,000 and 31 of \$1,500,000,000. Germany is permitted to pay these annuities in advance, or discount them at the rate of 8 per cent for the first two years, 6 per cent the second two years and 5 per cent thereafter.

It can be easily computed by anyone able to figure problems in interest that the real principal involved is only about \$20,000,000,000. Take that sum, compute the interest on it at the rates fixed for the periods given, and it will amount, at the end of 42 years, to the \$55,000,000,000 determined upon. This is not an unfair basis of estimate, because the damages due from Germany may be fairly considered as due now, or indeed, as having been due already for some time.

It can hardly be argued, therefore, that the sum of the annuities is so oppressive and impossible as the Germans maintain. If they had the cash, or could raise it by a foreign loan, the Allies would cheerfully enough accept the \$20,000,000,000 in full payment, instead of the 42 annuities provided. The extension of the period of payment, which was fixed at 30 years in the Versailles treaty seems to have been intended as a favor to Germany.

Those twenty billions, while burdensome, are a small sum in comparison with the loss Germany deliberately inflicted upon the Allies, and are probably not beyond the power of Germany to pay. The 12 per cent tax levied on German exports for a period of 41 years is another matter. That tax is what constitutes the really unexpected burden, and it is upon that, if upon anything, that Germany will have a legitimate objection.

A POINT OF HONOR.

Not long ago President Wilson received from an unnamed magazine an offer of \$150,000 for an article on any subject he might choose. The only condition was that it should be the first work of his pen after he left the White House. He refused the offer, saying that no article written by any

man on any subject was worth \$150,000. The students of Wilson College in Pennsylvania, recently begged Mr. Wilson to reverse his decision and accept the offer, donating the money to their endowment fund. It is not likely that the President will change his mind. He would probably feel that such an action smacked too much of doing evil that good might come.

The money might be acceptable to the endowment fund in question, but in his simple decision refusing to capitulate, his official position, President Wilson gave to the whole nation a finer lesson than any money could be. In an age given over to unwholesome commercialism, in literature as in other things, it was like a breath of fresh air to have a man refuse a big money offer on the ground that the proposed product was worth it.

FARM THRIFT.

Illinois farmers have started a movement to force down the high price of farm machinery. According to a statement issued by the Illinois Agricultural Association, they are going to "patch up their old binders. With a belt here and a rivet there, they are going to use the same cultivator and plow until the price of farm machinery follows corn and wheat."

Quite aside from the justice of their dissatisfaction and their fight against machinery manufacturers, there are a number of commendable features in this plan. Farmers have always been notoriously careless with their machinery. Plows and cultivators, mowing machines, binders, rakes and other important implements have been left outdoors in all sorts of weather or, if stuck into a shed under a roof, have been left through the winter unoiled and unrepared. This was wasteful enough in the days before the costly farm tractor and the gas engine arrived to make farming more efficient. It would be infinitely worse if allowed to continue with the same careless handling of modern machinery.

But the farmers themselves have come to see the value of prompt repair work. One agricultural association has inaugurated farm machinery repair weeks during the winter for this especial purpose. This kind of thrift may prove so profitable that they will save enough to pay any reasonable price asked for the new equipment they are now buying as a matter of course.

A Vienna physician announces that he can restore youth to women by playing the X-ray upon them. On these youth doctors! First they make poses of the man and then they make light of the women.

Lucy Page Gaston says that cigarette-smoking will destroy women's beauty. She is wrong. Time kills women's beauty, and cigarette-smoking kills time.

DECISION ON HOSPITAL FINAL

EUGENE, Feb. 7.—Judge J. W. Hamilton, at Roseburg, has issued a permanent injunction against the Wachster company, prohibiting it from constructing a tuberculosis hospital on the banks of the North Umpqua river. This is the outcome of the case instituted by Dr. Ester Pohl Lovovsky, of Portland, to prevent the institution from being built near the city water source of supply and an adjoining property. None of the company's officials appeared against the injunction and arrangements have been made for the construction of the hospital near Eugene.

TWO NEW HALLS ARE OPENED AT WILLAMETTE U.

SALEM, Feb. 7.—Friends of the university were given an opportunity to visit the newly completed Lausanne and Waller Halls Friday, when the board of trustees of the university was in Salem for its semi-annual meeting.

Lausanne hall, the women's dormitory, will house 120 girls and is modern in all respects. The foundation for the building was laid a year ago on the site of the old Lausanne hall which was razed by the student body upon the assurance that a new structure was immediately forthcoming. The cost of the building is in the neighborhood of \$100,000.

Waller hall, the "historic temple" of campus tradition, which was partially destroyed by fire a little more than a year ago, has been completely rebuilt within the old brick walls. The hall is a four-story structure.

SHERIFFS AND ASSESSORS MUST BE DOG CHASERS

OLYMPIA, Wash., Feb. 7.—Sheriffs and assessors are not too dignified to be dog chasers, the senate decided last week in refusing to repeal the dog license law. The public defender bill was defeated. The house passed the measure allowing libraries to be established in Spokane and Pierce counties, already passed by the senate. Fraternal insurance solicitors outside of the jurisdiction of local lodges will come under state insurance laws, according to house bill 88, passed by the house Thursday.

Municipally Owned Utilities Cared For In Bill In Senate

SALEM, Feb. 7.—Senators Hall and Eberhard today introduced a bill providing for municipally owned utilities to come under the jurisdiction of the public service commission and for indeterminate franchises to be granted to utilities, a contingency of which would be an option to the municipality to buy the utility.

Igloo Has Advantage.

An igloo is perhaps the best example of a house that conforms to the surroundings to be found the wide world over. They say the igloo is rather cramped for room, but on the other hand the high cost of living can have little effect on the price of "building materials" within the arctic circle. And to the explorer the glimpse of an ice hut through a gathering storm must seem more inspiring than a hundred boulevards to a city dweller.

Education.

By science constant appeal is made to individual reason. Its truths are not accepted upon authority alone; but all are at liberty to test them; and, in many cases, the pupil is required to think out his own conclusions. Every step in a scientific conclusion is submitted to his judgment. He is not asked to submit it without seeing it to be true. And the trust in his own powers thus produced is further increased by the constancy with which nature justifies his conclusions when they are correctly drawn. From all which there flows that independence which is a most valuable element in character.—Herbert Spencer.

Primitive Pins.

The earliest kind of pins, or of spikes serving the same purpose as pins, were probably thorns or the small bones of fish and other animals. Among the remains found on the sites of prehistoric lake dwellings of Europe there are a number of an elegant form. The great majority of the pins in these "finds" are, however, of bronze; but a few of copper and one of iron have also been discovered.

Porcupine No Mean Fee.

Dogs have to be well used to the work of hunting porcupines or they have no chance. A porcupine will stop suddenly in full flight and as it were, instantaneously reverse engines, and come charging full backwards. The best dog I ever had, a bull terrier, was killed by this trick. He was absolutely without fear and simply threw himself upon the advancing avalanche of spikes, and was in consequence speared right through the heart. I can assure you hunting porcupines is not at all a sport to be despised.—Exchange.

While congress splatters away over the appropriation of \$20,000 for a spectacular inauguration, Senator Harding says: "Keep the money, boys. Just inaugurate me on the front porch and let it go."

THE OFFICE CAT



—BY JUNIUS—

THE daily questions of this ilk, "That I am prone to utter, "Why is it coconuts give milk, "Since peanuts give us butter?"

Let's hope that prohibition, like whisky, will improve with age.

Washington folk doubtless feel like the fellow who was all dressed up and nowhere to go.

J. A. Arbuckle says that most everybody likes to see it snow. But after it snows nearly everybody starts awaking it away.

The fact that Lennie is sick does not cause the world to worry near as much as when Lennie is well.

Harding's idea of an inauguration is a severe jolt to people who'd like to eat a hot hamburger while watching the ceremonies.

What is your line of business? I'm a T-L-teacher. What kind? I talk-kenne stultoring.

WHO CAN TELL.

The soda water man by his "phiz." The temperance man by his "no's." The conceited man by his "I's." The surveyor by his "feet." The employer by his "hands." The soldier by his "arms." The miser by his "chest." The dairyman by his "calves."

I wonder if Thomas A. Edison is anything of an athlete? Well, they say he has made some wonderful records.

Who, inquires the Elkhart Truth, first thought of getting the gal in calouses?

HAPPY NEW YEAR.

(From the Alma, Kan., Enterprise) Sugar is down to eight or ten cents and family is still \$1.50 a pound. Fat cattle are seven cents and beefsteak is 40 cents. Hogs are nine cents and bacon is 50 cents. Merry Christmas, Peace on earth, good will to men.

"Refined Dancing Every Night Except Monday," says an advertisement. We expect to attend on Mondays only.

I'm going to marry a poor girl and settle down. Better marry a rich girl and settle up.

Did you enjoy your vacation last summer? No, I took my wife along.

My wife makes soup every day. My wife uses canned soup. Are tin cans healthy? I don't know. I never ate any.

There are some sorry Englishmen who let a little Wiles against Sherman.

THE BIG SALE IS ON

My entire stock going at a great sacrifice. Get your bargains now! Every Man's Store M. A Chinlund 1309 Adams Ave.

LOOK—READ—THINK—ACT "You want to succeed. We can train you to succeed. One year ago we enrolled many young people who are now successful. Others hesitated and yet have no chance for advancement. What are you going to do? If you want profitable employment the year around, enroll next Monday. New classes are organized each week. Baker Business College. Phone 131, Baker, Oregon. 2-5-eod.

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For Sale

60 ACRES well improved, good buildings, irrigated, on main road, and only 2 miles from town. This is a splendid dairy proposition, or in fact, can be used for anything, as the soil is first class, and there is plenty of water. The price is \$300 per acre. Might consider a small tract of good land in Canada as part payment.

WE HAVE Another tract a little closer in on a paved road, with no improvements, except that the same is in alfalfa, at \$200.00 per acre. Small payment, good terms.

WE HAVE An 80-acre tract, no buildings but all good land, and in cultivation, 6 miles from town at \$125 per acre. Small payment and long time on balance.

WE HAVE Another 80-acre tract 8 miles from town, just fair buildings, a deep well, on a good road, and all in cultivation, for \$10,500. Small payment and reasonable terms.

480 ACRES, 4 miles from the town of North Powder. 240 acres of this in cultivation, 120 acres of it now in Fall Wheat, the balance is all good pasture land, small creek through the place, good buildings. The price is \$15,000.00. Purchased could assume the indebtedness, which is about \$6,000, and present owner would consider taking another property, for his equity. Prefers something on the order of a stock ranch with plenty of outside range.

WE HAVE A 4-acre tract just outside of the City Limits, with good house, barn, and large hog sheds. The price is \$3500, and the buildings and improvements are worth this money. Only takes six or seven hundred dollars in cash to handle this.

HAVE A nice small residence on Adams Avenue, \$2400.00.

FINE Residence, best location on Sixth Street, \$4,000.00

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