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"A — man recently received a letter from his brother, who is in the German army. He was requested to save the stamp as it would be the last letter ever written by the brother. When the stamp was removed, the words, 'We are starving' were found written under it."

"A — girl recently received a letter from a sister in Germany. At the end of the letter she had written, 'I wish the Kaiser was dead' and the censor had added, 'Your sister was executed this morning'."

Both these letters are interesting and if true, according to our staff war college, reveal an astounding amount of German resource. The first letter, according to newspaper reports and other news carrying mediums, has been received in twenty-one different places in Oregon and the second one in eight. Presuming that an equal number have been received in the other forty-seven states, this German soldier and girl have 1008 and 384 brothers and sisters in America. If such large families as this are common in Germany, enough boys are born every year to make it possible for Germany to stand off the world indefinitely.

Stories reflecting upon the loyalty of Colonel E. Hofer of course have been found to be false, but it takes no denials, statements or investigations to assure us of the Colonel's loyalty. The prohibition extends its area, jitneys run, municipal utilities strive, railroads are regulated, union labor holds its own and big business is restricted, despite these inconveniences, Colonel Hofer would be the first man to swat any outsider who stepped over the line.

If Theodore Roosevelt wants to go to Europe and fight, he should be allowed to do so, and take with him all those who desire to go. Such an army would give a good account of itself, tho possibly not be able to whip the whole German army as a number of T. R.'s enthusiastic friends think.

"Universal military training means an army of the people, consequently an army in full sympathy with the masses and the republic. We want no other kind of militarism.—Woodburn Independent.

We hope the kind we want and the kind we get are the same.

It is being hinted in Germany that it would help some if Kaiser Bill would step down and out. Bill's evacuation of the throne would not be of much value unless all of his gang went with him. A complete renovation is all that will save Germany.

We have heard at least forty voters say: "I've voted for George Chamberlain every time but never again." The senator's brand of militarism is too strong for them to stand.

While the government is hurrying along war measures, one important one is being neglected. Federal control of the price of foodstuffs is needed at once.

Newspapers are the only thing that have not advanced in price. The publishers, being all well to do, are standing the extra expense themselves.

FEED THE FOLKS AT HOME FIRST

The Courier questions whether our patriotism should be stretched to the extent of taking bread from the poorer families of Oregon and shipping it to the fighters of Europe, because we have declared war on the same country they are fighting.

Godwin's Weekly truly observes that when a man is hungry his patriotism grows cold.

Cable reports from London and Paris state that prices on food products are lower in these cities than they are in Oregon.

And the products on which lower prices are fixed were grown and manufactured in this country.

The wheat of the bread which sells for less in Paris, was grown in Oregon, a part of it, the heaviest of war transportation and insurance risks paid on it, and it was shipped six or eight thousand miles.

The statement was made to the Courier editor this week by a Corvallis dealer that he looked for flour to go to \$20 a barrel by August 1.

And the Oregonian played up as a leading patriotic story in Tuesday's issue that 100 carloads of wheat will leave the Northwest each day for Europe, and that the railroads have agreed to give it the right of way.

Perhaps my patriotism isn't on just straight, but anyhow I reason it out that real patriotism commences at one's fireside, and that it is the duty of a real American to provide flour for the hungry at home before he goes to hurraing about shipping 100 cars of wheat out of the country every day. — Benton County Courier.

DISADVANTAGES OF A CHEAP CAR

It was at a G. A. R. reunion at Washington. Two old chaps, one from Virginia and the other from New Hampshire, were reuniting. The N. H. vet noticed an ugly scar on the side of the Virginia vet's face.

"Where did ye git that?" he asked.

"Oh, I got that here about ten years ago."

"Ten years ago? Are you fellers fightin' yet down there in Virginia?"

"No, no. I didn't get that in a fight. I got it in a feud."

"Well," said the old Yankee, with a sigh, "that jest proves what I wuz tellin' the old woman the other day. It don't pay to buy them cheap cars. Me for a Bu-hick." — Irvin S. Cobb.

THE FRESH BRAKEMAN

On the new brakeman's first run there was a very steep grade. The engineer always had more or less trouble to get up this grade, but this time he came near sticking altogether. Eventually, however, he reached the top. Looking out of the cab, the engineer saw the new brakeman and said, with a sigh of relief: "We had a hard time getting up, didn't we?" "We sure did," assented the new brakeman, "and if I hadn't put on the brake we'd have slipped back." — Scrap Book.

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