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... This paper has enlisted with the government in the cause of America for the period of the war

GETTING RESULTS.

Before the eyes of the nations the fighting men of America are engaged in action that will build America's reputation—good or bad—as a fighting force. More than half a century has passed since the abilities of the men of our nation as fighters were tested and convincingly demonstrated to the world. Yet the American stock since then has had many and strange infusions from abroad and has undergone confusing processes at home, says Chicago News. Consequently American prowess or lack of prowess had come to be an unknown factor in the reckonings of modern war experts when morale, discipline, personal efficiency and courage were taken into account. The Americans fight for justice and enduring peace. If their efficiency as fighters shall be proved beyond question in the present battle the cause for which they fight will be more greatly benefited than it could be in a hundred years by all the pacifist theorists who ever gave the chautauqua salute.

This is Gerald Stanley Lee's recipe in Saturday Evening Post for ending the war: "The war turns on making the Germans afraid. They are afraid already. They are merely more afraid of Ludendorff and the kaiser than they are of Foch. Germans are born licked. And it's because Ludendorff and the kaiser have licked them and kept them licked that the Germans like them. When we begin to Ludendorff the Germans, and when we once start up being their Ludendorff for them, they will be meek in a minute." This, of course, applies to the Germans who stayed in the fatherland, not to the Germans who left Europe because they didn't want to be licked. It begins to look as if the Ludendorffing of the born-licked kind had begun.

There is less excuse for the German misconception about the Americans because they had previously admitted their parallel blunder about the British armies. Contempt, first for the British armies, and then for the Americans, sprang from the same cause—a feeling that only a militarized nation, in the grip of a military caste, with an hereditary aptitude and taste for war, can successfully make war on the modern scale. They knew nothing about the fighting power of aroused democracies, says Vancouver Province. But they are learning, with most of the lesson yet to come.

The movement to teach humanity in public schools is one worthy of all commendation and of general support. It will correct a tendency too common among children to exercise cruelty to animals, a tendency coming more from ignorance and thoughtlessness than from innate brutality. It will also educate the better and higher instincts, and with a greater regard for the sufferings of the lower creation will bring a higher idea of kindness toward humanity in general.

Concerning President Wilson as a golf player, a Massachusetts caddy is credited with observing that "his direction on drives is good" and that "he keeps his eye on the ball." That his talents in these two lines are not confined to his work on the links, friends and foes across the sea can amply testify.

The German woman who lost nine sons in the war has received a photograph of the kaiser. If she takes good care of it, she will have something to throw things at as long as she lives.

General March says with 4,000,000 men we can go through Germany's line wherever we please. Well, make it 5,000,000 and let's break through a little sooner than we please.

The war is to be won principally by energy and products. Don't forget that. It isn't the price of wheat, but the shortage of wheat that is hurting most.

Since it has been officially pronounced patriotic to wear short skirts and low shoes, we may as well prepare for a sandals-and-kilts combination.

DISAPPEARANCE OF TRAMP.

What has become of the old-fashioned tramp, with the crooked stick, at the end of which were appended all of his belongings, tied up in a handkerchief? Before the war quite a number of them still were in evidence. There were varieties of the typical American class, those who were tramps from choice and those who were forced by misfortune to enter the ranks of the "tie counters." If General Coxey would now call for an army to march to Washington for a demonstration in front of the White House as he did years ago, it is doubtful whether more than half a dozen men would respond. Thus the war, with all its horrors, has bestowed one blessing upon the land, for which the farmers and the inhabitants of small towns and villages are especially thankful, says St. Louis Times. The freight and passenger conductors and brakemen of the various railways also are heaving sighs of relief, for there is little need nowadays to scrutinize box cars and trucks and other favorite hiding places of the "way beaters."

Observant visitors from the country and from small islands, such as Bermuda, are struck by the old eyes in young heads which they see in New York city. Beautiful eyes, but seldom young and trustful, may be seen in all parts of the city. Children ten years of age or more have the hard, alert eyes of middle age, the result of constant watchfulness and suspicion, says New York Commercial. This is due in part to the dangers of the crowded streets which threaten them at all times. The pity of it is that city children cannot see more of the country and know more of nature and less of men. Greek poets sang of ox-eyed beauties, but such were not the products of crowded cities.

How often accidents fatally demonstrate the risks attendant upon attempting to cross a railroad track in front of an advancing train! There is always the possibility that the engine of the motor car may "die" just when the car reaches the track. It is a possibility never to be trifled with when a train is nearly due. When a train is coming on in plain view the hazard is so great that it would be unbelievable anyone would take it, were there not evidence that thousands of people do.

There can be no peace with honor or safety to ourselves or to posterity except a just peace, and there can be and will be no other peace. Work for peace accomplishes nothing but the hampering of our effort, the delay of the real peace and a greater toll of death of America's fighting men. Our duty is to war for a just and righteous peace; to work or speak for any other peace is aid and comfort to Germany—injury and disloyalty to our boys in France.

Prof. William Herbert Hobbs says one of the most amazing facts connected with the war is that it was not foreseen by any of the historians and statesmen of any of the allied countries. We fail to see anything amazing about that. Naturally, historians are not expected to know about anything before it happens and statesmen don't know about it either before or after.

Girl workers in German war factories are paid weekly \$1.20 in cash and the rest of their wages are put into banks by their employers for the next loan without the formality of asking their consent. The enthusiastic response to the national war loans over which the kaiser is so happy, is thus ingeniously explained.

A magazine editor fears that American soldiers in camp are eating too many dainties and receiving too much attention from the fair sex for their best interest. American boys can stand a good deal of that kind of treatment without deterioration. It is even conceivable that its effect will be to make them better fighters.

If wooden soles are good enough for army shoes they may prove good enough for shoes for ordinary wear. Perhaps the search for substitutes necessitated by the war will incidentally as in this case free consumers from various kinds of thralldom to manufacturers.

The information that there are more than 500,000 American troops in France is circulated to encourage. Five hundred thousand actual fighting men, fully equipped, should materially hasten the result on which the safety of the world depends.

If there are those who do not economize on sugar for patriotic reasons the argument that Hooverizing will reduce their weight and render their figures sylphlike will have an irresistible appeal.

One of our readers calls attention to the fact that "Father, Dear Father, Come Home with Me Now" is not the only song that has been written about father. There is another, "Everybody Works But Father."

NO TIME FOR PESSIMISM.

Don't be pessimistic. This is no time for it. The pessimist may be patriotic, but in giving expression to his gloom he borders closely upon sedition. Be optimistic. Look to the brighter side. Don't give way to doubt, says Knoxville Journal and Tribune. We are going to win this war, that is as certain as the sun shines in May. The other day the president asked: "Why limit the army to 5,000,000 men?" He answered by saying it is the first duty of the United States to win the war. In saying that the president was not speaking for himself alone, his voice was the voice of the American people. Twelve months ago there was a difference of opinion here about going to war, but that difference has been practically wiped out; it is seen there had to be war, and when the American people go into a war they go in to win. One thing is certain, that is if Germany is going to win it must be done this summer. With the kaiser this summer, it is now or never. He must even now see that hope of victory for him has gone glimmering. Most people saw it in the failure of the Germans to successfully carry out the drive begun two months ago. Nothing much was gained in territory, and what was gained was at fearful cost. What has thus been gained is a graveyard covered over with human blood, and most of the blood shed has been German blood.

As an economic measure the French minister of provisions has urged a meatless week once a month. For those seven days he has suggested that horseflesh be eaten as a substitute. The latest statistics show that 70,000 horses were slaughtered for edible purposes in France last year. Two thousand donkeys and mules and 300 horses are daily being killed at the present time to supply the French table. Of this number 200 a day are being furnished by the British army. The best cuts sell at about 20 cents a half pound. How little, viewed in the light of these facts, has the American patriot to grumble about. Up to now no horse meat has appeared on his menu card, and no mule has been served as his piece de resistance, and only by the slightest shade has his war bread been darkened.

The king and queen of Belgium have the honor of being the first royal couple who took a journey in the air, when they flew from Belgium to England in an airplane to congratulate the king and queen of England on their silver jubilee. But they have a still prouder honor of being so finely representative of the spirit of their brave and undaunted little kingdom.

An effort is being made to enroll 1,000,000 women pledged to sell one-half of the next Liberty Loan. This will be one occasion when husbands will not object if they wake up to find their wives occupied in the time-honored custom of going through their pockets.

It is all right for the small boy to be ambitious to become president or the owner of a bank, but we can tell him that however attractive life may become during its golden years, it will never be quite as full of joy as it is during the years when he can sleep with his dog.

We strongly believe in the efficacy of prayer, if it be the right kind of prayer. For instance, we believe one man praying between the plowhandles will get more response than 90 town loafers who do nothing themselves but stand on the street corners and importune the Lord.

The American Indian is giving an excellent account of himself at the front. Incidentally it may be mentioned that the American Indian had no small share in introducing the corn and tobacco now regarded so highly by military authority.

Secretary Baker says he thought most ball players were over thirty-one years old, and therefore did not think the work or fight order would injure the game. He must have been blaming old age for some of their out-of-the-ordinary averages.

We owe it to the fine boys who go across and risk all to make the trifling easels behind the lines work for the food they are eating.

When they told him America wouldn't fight, someone at the helm of Wilhelm gave him a bum steer!

Germany's paper clothes were not a success. Nothing they've made with paper ever has worn well.

The loafers of this country are going to work or they are going to stop eating. Just watch.

It is significant that those U-boat commanders unfailingly speak perfect English.

And besides all that, the German language is so hard to speak.

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