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elastic response of these young men to the call to duty. Some of our technical schools have been almost "depopulated" by the movement. College authorities are already beginning to consider seriously the problem of reorganizing their classes on the basis of a falling off in attendance next term. Some of the institutions in which tuition fees are important are beginning to see financial breakers ahead.

time they could spare from tending their crops, wove 2,000,000 pieces of cotton cloth by hand, the product being valued at \$6,000,000 in American money, or more than one-tenth of the value of the whole cotton cloth exports of the country in the same year. If the entire country were industrially organized, it is plain to be seen that its output would be enormous, and that the country could easily supply its own consumption without making any draft on the outside world.

protection of the United States against spies. The experience of the allies has shown that these so-called innocent communications are the chosen medium of spies.

Stars and Strikers.
By Leone Cass Baez.
AMBIGUITY note.
"Dollie Miller, of Jessie and Dolle Miller, was operated on for a nasal complaint in the West."

UNIONS ARE NOT WITH I. W. W.
Enlightened Labor Men Resent Institution as Cruel and Unjust.
PORTLAND, July 9.—(To the Editor)—A communication published in The Oregonian of this date, "Are I. W. W. Sacrilege," signed by Joseph N. Blair, is as untrue as it is vicious and libelous, insofar as it relates to labor union members.

Concerning Some Substitutes.
By Christine Verhulst Herick, of the Vigilantes.
I THE reason I hate food economy is because the substitutes given you are not good to eat! I heard a woman say the other day, when the ever-present topic of food-saving was under way.

PORTLAND, THURSDAY, JULY 12, 1917.
HOOVER KNOWS HOW.
Any doubt as to whether Herbert C. Hoover is the man to control the food supply of the United States during the war is removed by the letter to President Wilson in which he defines the situation and the measures which are needed to meet it. While Senators and Representatives are flying round blind as bats, jabbering such stock formulas as "Supply and demand," "Uphold the Constitution," "Irresponsible dictator" and "Disturbance of business," Mr. Hoover with calm, clear, logical intellect, free from passion or prejudice, diagnoses the case like a skilled physician.

But Germany is not to be defeated by mere wishes, or hopes. Possibly there will be a revolutionary upheaval in Germany and the Kaiser will lose his crown. But only possibly. Obviously, if the Kaiser renounces his throne, the beginning of the end of Germany will have come. If wishes were 42-centimeter guns, the war would soon be over.

REMEMBER THE NUMBER.
A new duty has fallen upon every male American of age that subjects him to military registration. It is the duty of ascertaining his number, and then remembering it. It is important for every man to know that no excuse will be accepted by the Government. If, in a few days, he is "drawn" for service, he will be expected to respond. All reasonable efforts will be made to inform him of the fact, but the burden will be upon himself.

WOMEN IN RAILROAD WORK.
That women are already qualifying to take the place of men in the departments of railroad work not heretofore regarded as open to them is shown by a recital of recent experiences of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad made in a magazine published by the employees of that company. In the shops and yards at one terminal point twenty-one women are now employed, one of whom has won promotion to the position of foreman by sheer merit.

John W. Lott, former leading man for Catherine Countess and Amelia Bingham, has enlisted at Philadelphia in the Medical Reserve Corps.
Over 60 English actors presented themselves at headquarters in Lower Broadway, New York, last week for examination to head the British Expeditionary Force in the English army. R. D. Sinclair, Harry Travers, Frank Woods, Carlton Kent, John M. Traugh, Charles Wellesley, Edgar Weid, Galway Herbert, Edward Taylor, Cosmo Ince, J. Chester and others were among the number.

Harry Jean Hornick, recently with the late Sir Herbert Tree's company, has enlisted over here with a bass hospital unit and will sail shortly for the other side.
Percy Grainger, the noted pianist, has enlisted in the Army and is a member of the band at Fort Hamilton.
Paul Gordon, who has visited us often in vaudeville and who was engaged with Henry W. Savage for next season, has obtained a commission at Plattsburg, N. Y.

Two Romanes.
The impartial and uncritical eye seen in newspaper picture of young George Gould and his bride most impressing pair. The young lady is petite and graceful, as becomes an expert and popular dancer, which she is said to be, and is otherwise charming and wholesome, as becomes a young wife.

Some Congressmen question Mr. Hoover's fitness for the task because he has long resided abroad. His clear understanding of the situation and of the way to meet the prompt and suggestive demands of the situation, China, Australia, England and Belgium, coping with such difficulties as Mr. Hoover has overcome, would be beneficial in fitting our statement for their work. He has not been in the United States since he was where unusual situations called for initiative, courage, resource, stern integrity and firmness of purpose, and he has made good on every occasion. In Belgium he found a nation to be fed, and he fed it.

PREPARE FOR 1918 FOOD CROP.
Before the wheat crop of 1917 has been harvested, Kansas is making a survey of its farms in preparation of a drive to sow 10,000,000 acres next fall, the largest by nearly 2,000,000 acres in the state's history, says a New York Post correspondent. Fields are inspected, product estimated, elevators and mills forewarned, and seed provided. This is a step which could wisely be taken by all states with regard to other staple crops as well as wheat.

THE BEST CURE FOR THE I. W. W. COMPLAINT IS HAND WORK WITHIN THE RANGE OF A SOLDIER'S RIFLE. The agitators should not be run out of town to repeat their offense in the next town. They should be run in, not out—into a camp where they will use the muscles of their arms and brains and will rest those of their jaws.

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THE CASK'S SUBSCRIPTION TO the "Joan of Arc" will be welcomed, of course. And by the time he realizes what freedom really means he will be ready to double the amount.

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COLLEGES REDEMING THEMSELVES.
It seems that the pessimists were mistaken a few weeks ago in their gloomy estimate of the patriotism of the college student. The coyote-like quality of the pacifist cry is power of making a few voices sound like a mighty chorus in the dead watches of the night—was deceptive. Now that the lines have been drawn and the news of the college men are found to be responding nobly to every call. It has been found advisable, indeed, to put a check upon the enthusiasm of many of the undergraduates, and to remind them that they would do better service to the Nation by remaining to complete their courses of study, and to fit themselves for the reconstructive duties of peace, if happily, the war shall not be long-drawn out.

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