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THIS IS A SLANDER AND UNJUST TO JAPAN

The merchants of Japan are rolling up big profits while Europe is locked in a death struggle. The almighty dollar looks larger than ever with the Nipponese. They are commercial to the last degree, and think a good time to make hay is when the sun is out.—Los Angeles Times.

The above is unjust. It is not true. That is, the conclusions are not true.

The Japanese are hard workers and thrifty; but they are also idealists; lovers of beauty; lovers of justice.

The young men of Japan have all along wanted to get into this war, on the side of world democracy.

The leaders of that nation are now telling the world that is fighting German military autocracy that it is time for Japan to intervene in Russian affairs, to protect the Pacific ocean against the possibility of having it made a German ocean.

They are ready to fight, on land and sea. And they are prepared, to the last ounce of energy and the last man, for the supreme sacrifice. No nation is better prepared.

The present indications are that Japan will be given a free hand, and that she will go it alone in protecting Siberia against the encroachments of the German military autocracy. This will give Japan her opportunity of asserting the Monroe Doctrine of the Orient. She is fully able.

Vologda, a city of 80,000 people, 375 miles east of Petrograd, is to be the American diplomatic headquarters in Russia "until the situation in that country clears." That may make the stay of Mr. Francis a long one in Vologda.

Our soldier boys are getting into the thick of it; and they are giving the Huns "a run for their money."

Clinch the starch factory, of course. And get more such factories, if possible.

Over in England even King George must have his food card. We have not gone that far in this country—yet. And will probably not have to.

The question of what to do with Russia is up to the United States. This country has become the arbiter of the world.

It is likely that most of the 4000 motor trucks captured from the Russians by the Germans were made in the United States and paid for with American money.

Lenine says the knees of the Germans are on his breast. Wouldn't it be a calamity if they put their hands over his mouth. A Bolshevik unable to talk wouldn't be of much account.—Exchange.

As long as Germany refuses to bring the peace negotiations before the world's council table and is unwilling to accept the judgment of mankind as final upon it, so long will the war last.—Los Angeles Times.

The fight for the toga of the late Senator Paul Hastings has commenced in Wisconsin. There are two things for the voters to remember at the primary. The first is that they vote for a Republican, the other see to it that he is the direct antithesis of Senator La Follette.—Los Angeles Times. That is in fact the fight in Wisconsin. And it is a great fight.

The kind of an army America has was shown in the origin of the four soldiers who carried and guarded the colors of the 306th regiment in the New York city parade Washington's birthday. The sergeant who bore the stars and stripes was Edward Mueller, born of German parents, and the sergeant who held the regimental flag was Robert Bonaventure, an American of French descent. The color guards were Private Frank McCarthy and Private John Galenski, who announces that he is going to fight until Poland is free.

Apprehension concerning Ameri-temptation to drink is dispelled by the statement prepared by the British government at the request of Rev. Joseph Fort Newton and published in America by the Universalist Leader of Boston. The government shows that its measures to control the drink evil have had remarkable results. "As compared with 1913, public drunkenness has been reduced by 75 to 80 per cent, and the diseases usually associated with alcoholism have fallen by 40 to 60

thing often went wrong when the steady hand was at the wheel, and accidents were due to the airplane rather than to the pilot. But science seems actually to have built machines that will now take the air and stay with a very small margin of risk as far as the mechanism is concerned. But each day hundreds of men are rising towards the clouds for the first time. The number of flyers is unknown. The chief of the signal corps, however, said some time ago that in American training camps the aviators were averaging about 1700 hours of flying each day and totaling about 102,000 miles each day. "Considering," he said, "this amount of flying, the percentage of fatal accidents is remarkably low."

For more thousands of years than anthropologists can agree on man has clung to the earth. It is only within the past few years that he has taken to the air, and every moment that he is aloft he is not only in a new element, but battling incessantly with gravitation. One slip, and death is inevitable. Since the legendary days of Greece man has sought to fly, but the curse of Icarus is on the birdmen. Yet it may be said that the air has been conquered. Airplanes swarm over the battle lines in France and no one thinks of death except from the "A-A" guns, or the winged foe, though the danger from mere flying is ever present. But the more honor to the bravery of these men who gallantly take up this work they have been aptly termed the eyes of the army. They have revolutionized warfare. They are the most important innovation that the war has brought. They are needed, and they go to their flights serenely, true knights of our century, literally jousting with death, unafraid and insuperable. When one drops a score spring forward to take his place. The very peril lures their young, gallant hearts. They have but one life to give for their country, and they are willing to risk it in the most perilous service that this most terrible of wars has devised.

AS TO CUTTING DOWN.

(Los Angeles Times.)

F. R. Feitshans, president of the Los Angeles Desk company, and prominent in local business circles, says that one of the facts which has challenged his attention is that so many people nowadays are talking about the patriotism of curtailing business and cutting down expenses. Mr. Feitshans is not one who believes in the efficacy of increasing the circulation of the blood by exerting special pressure on some particular vein or artery of the human system—and he thinks the commercial and political system of our country is not dissimilar in many respects to the human anatomy, its correlative parts and co-operative functions. He does not believe the body can be made healthier by amputating any of its members. Instead of less business he believes in more business, instead of a pressure on production he believes in more production in every line. He says that while many professional men are mistakenly advocating a false conservatism the average business man realizes the danger of such an attitude. The Times believes Mr. Feitshans has the same idea. What do you think?

BITS FOR BREAKFAST

Spring is here. Weather and politics warming up. Japan is ready to go over the top in Siberia. And if she starts she will go. She knows the Russians, and it will not take her long to get acquainted with any Germans who may dispute her right of way.

It has again been proven, as if further proof were necessary, that Germany forced the war upon France. She did so because she wanted the war, to carry out the plans for world conquest which she had been making for forty years. And she came within an inch of getting away with it.

The indications are that our American soldier boys are almost too anxious to get into the thick of the fighting. This eagerness is the best

Ohio Man Is Modern Wizard

Discovers magic ether compound which loosens a corn so it lifts right out

Good news spreads rapidly and druggists here are kept busy dispensing freezeze, the ether discovery of a Cincinnati genius, which is said to loosen any corn so it lifts out with the fingers.

Ask at any pharmacy for a quarter ounce of freezeze, which will cost very little, but is said to be sufficient to rid one's feet of every hard or soft corn or callus. You apply just a few drops on the tender, aching corn and instantly the soreness is relieved, and soon the corn is so shriveled that it lifts out without a particle of pain. It is a sticky substance which dries when applied and never inflames or even irritates the adjoining tissue. This discovery will prevent thousands of deaths annually from lockjaw and infection heretofore resulting from the suicidal habit of cutting corns.

asset in war; but their commanders should see to it that they do not throw away their lives. They should be fully prepared in every way, in every department and with all equipment, and they should be well directed plans, so that their strokes will be the most effective, with the least possible loss of life. The English soldiers made many mistakes at the beginning, and needlessly threw away many precious lives.

Speaking of jobs, there is the task of complying with the 3067 treasury rulings in relation to the income tax.

Is nothing ever going to break right for the married man? They are now making kimonos that button up in the back.

The reduction of the number of oysters in a stew is nothing new. The cooks have been onto that brand of conservation for quite a while.

The fashion papers announce that the striped blazer will be the thing the coming summer. Just another unnecessary horror added to war.

Remember when one could buy a fat hen for two bits and the pick of a flock of turkeys for a dollar.

A man advertises "2000-year-old White Leghorn hens." Now we know where the restaurant man got 'em.—Los Angeles Times.

"Three thousand Slav Nobles in Prison" reads a headline. At last we know what a Slav noble is good for.

"On whetless days the old song, 'In This Wheat By-and-by,' is no longer applicable when the old-fashioned batter cakes come to table.

The bureau of fisheries is distributing posters giving ten reasons for eating oysters more generally. If the man hasn't the price all of the other reasons are excess baggage.

The English David ought to take his sling and slay the Goliaths who are objecting to his management of the war.—Exchange.

AT THE LIBRARY

These new books are being put on the shelves at the public library this week: "Brave Belgians" a collection of accounts of a striking episode from Liege to the defense of the Yser as related by the soldiers themselves.—Buffin. "Democracy of today," a collection of some of the best speeches and writings on the purposes and signifi-

Jump from Bed in Morning and Drink Hot Water

Tells why everyone should drink hot water each morning before breakfast.

Why is a man and woman, half the time, feeling nervous, despondent, worried; some days headachy, dull and unstrung; some days really incapacitated by illness. If we all would practice inside-bathing, what a gratifying change would take place. Instead of thousands of half-sick, anaemic-looking souls with pasty, muddy complexions we should see crowds of happy, healthy, rosy-cheeked people everywhere. The reason is that the human system does not rid itself each day of all the waste which it accumulates under our present mode of living. For every ounce of food and drink taken into the system nearly an ounce of waste material must be carried out, else it ferments and forms ptomaine-like poisons which are absorbed into the blood.

Men and women, whether sick or well, are advised to drink each morning before breakfast, a glass of real hot water with a teaspoonful of limestone phosphate in it, as a harmless means of washing out of the stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels the indigestible material, waste, sour bile and toxins. Millions of people who had their turn at constipation, bilious attacks, acid stomach, nervous days and sleepless nights have become real cranks about the morning inside-bath. A quarter pound of limestone phosphate will not cost much at the drug store, but is sufficient to demonstrate to anyone, its cleansing, sweetening and refreshing effect upon the system.

cance of American especially as related to our present situation; Lincoln, Lloyd George and Wilson being the chief authors.—Gauss. "Psychology of Citizenship" a book for voters and politicians on such subjects as: why citizens do not give attention to public affairs, why they do not like to pay taxes, why they go to war, and why lawyers should not be legislators.—Weeks. "How to Fly", a simple discussion of the building and management of the aeroplane, for the would-be pilot.—Collins. "How to get what you want" more of Mr. Marden's ideas of attaining success in which he calls discouragement one of the serious disease of men.

"We need a new idea of God," an answer to the question by a Unitarian minister who believed that there is basis for inspiring religious faith that "wars and rumors of wars" need not disturb.—Reeman. "The Brontes and their circle," letters written to and by this interesting literary family.—Shorter. "The printed book" on account of the development in book-making and a description of the making of the modern book.—Aldis. "Keyboard harmony," a simple explanation of the teaching of harmony in music by educating the ear rather than by written exercises.—Smith. "The Victor book of the opera" and the librettos of these famous operas: Ernani, Carmen, Cavalleria Rusticana, I Pagliacci, Il Trovatore, Rigoleto.

"Art in dress"—Bolmar. "Farm legions"—Carleton. "Party book for 1918"—Denison. "Stamboul night," stories of Constantinople.—Dwight. "Jerry"—Perry. "Master of the craft"—Jacobs. "To the last penny"—Lefevre.

"THIS IT IS TO BE A MAN To ride the running waters where they swirl. Neath branches bent to edge and from the whirl To reach an upflung arm and seize a flower. A sweet, full rose—rare loveliness her dowry. To halt the sunrise in the glorious east, To share with eager zeal the high noon's feast; To joy in the splendors of the setting sun, Nor fear the night that falls on labor done. To dare, to dare, and yet again to dare! To prove the plumage of defeat and On it, through maimed, to victory over odds— Such courage marshals men among the gods.—Claudius Thayer.

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WAY IS PAVED FOR NEXT LOAN Cookingham, Portland Banker, Comments on Treasury Certificates

By W. C. COWGILL. "The Wisdom of Getting Your House in Order" is the title of a forceful editorial recently published by Edward Cookingham, vice president of the banking house of Ladd & Tilton, Portland, and by him mailed to every banking house and trust company in the country. The object of the United States government in issuing 4 1/2 per cent interest bearing treasury certificates is to pave the way for the purchase of the third issue of liberty loan bonds, bearing the same rate of interest, which can be exchanged for the loan bonds, without in any way disturbing the business of the nation. This latter position, which is government is explained more in detail in a recent letter to all banks and trust companies in the northwest by James K. Lynch, governor of the federal reserve bank in San Francisco.

Joseph H. Albert, cashier of the Capital National bank, says it seems as if this important matter is not understood by the general public as it should be, and gave out for publication the following editorial written by Mr. Cookingham, which he thought would be of more than general interest, in view of the fact that the drive for the sale of the third issue of liberty loan bonds, will soon begin. As Salem has already invested heavily in the first and second liberty loan bonds and will roll up another big sum in the third drive, it is very easy to see that the banks of the community will be prepared to assist in the liberty loan bond drive, and it will not congest any legitimate business for them to take a hand. In other words, as Mr. Albert says, the treasury certificates will act as a "bumper" for the liberty loan bonds to hit, and hit hard. Mr. Cookingham's editorial follows: "Our bank is making every effort to so order its affairs that it may be able to take its share of the \$3,000,000,000 of treasury certificates (which the secretary of the treasury has asked the banks of the nation to purchase at frequent intervals in anticipation of the next issue of liberty bonds. We have also urged all interior bank clients, who have asked our advice, to comply as far as possible with the secretary's request. The vast operations of the war are calling for a veritable flood of money, and the weather and transportation conditions are wholly inopportune for a large bond issue just at this time. It is therefore altogether fitting that the banks of the country should place at the disposal of the government sufficient of their resources to bridge over the period when a permanent financial program must for the time being be anticipated by temporary loans. The situation is comparable to that which would confront the banks of a com-

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munity in which is located a very large industrial concern of undoubted financial stability upon whose successful and continuous operation the prosperity and development of that community depended. If such a concern were suddenly confronted with a demand for temporary funds in order that it might continue to operate pending the completion of arrangements to bond its property and thus permanently finance its requirements, no bank in that vicinity would hesitate to contribute even at considerable sacrifice to its share of the amount needed by the industrial concern to maintain its operations at full strength during the interim when its permanent financial arrangements were being consummated. How much more essential is it that the banks of the country now fighting for its very existence, should respond, even at great sacrifice if need be, to the call which has been made upon them? They are not asked to incur even the smallest fraction of hazard in making an investment, the proceeds of which will be used to protect the families and property of themselves and their depositors quite as much as it will aid in supporting the men whose lives are the stakes of the great war game in which we are vital participants."

A Clean Brain and healthy body are essential for success. Business men, teachers, students, housewives, and other workers say Hood's Sarsaparilla gives them appetite and strength, and makes their work seem easy. If overcomes that tired feeling.

Former Scotts Mills Man Dies in Eastern Oregon. SCOTTS MILLS, Or., March 1.—C. A. White, formerly of Scotts Mills, died Friday in eastern Oregon, his funeral being held at Scotts Mills Sunday. Mr. White had been sick for some time, and moved to eastern Oregon last summer, hoping his health would be benefited. He leaves a wife and four sons, Harry, Ben, Richard and Merle White. L. H. Lewis went to Salem Wednesday, returning Thursday. Mrs. A. F. Richter received the sad news of the death of her father, Jim Shaw, at Wallace, Neb., Friday afternoon. Mr. Shaw had been ill for some time. Miss Ruby Brougher visited in Salem Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. John Scott and John

Fairclough of Oregon City attended the funeral of C. A. White Sunday. Mrs. L. H. Lewis returned home Monday from Portland, where she visited her daughter for two weeks. Mr. and Mrs. John Kellia visited at Independence Saturday. L. S. Rice went to Eugene Friday, where he attended the Christian Endeavor convention. Mrs. Rosa Barm returned to the home of her brother, J. S. Korb, after visiting friends in Silverton several days. The Nobler club held its regular monthly meeting at the Noble schoolhouse Friday evening. A patriotic program was given and a general good time enjoyed by all present. The next meeting will be held March 22. Charles Scott, who has been quite sick for several days, was taken to Salem Tuesday for treatment. C. E. Melvin of Portland was a week-end visitor at the Brougher home.

No Further Information About Joseph A. Martin. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Martin of Salem have received no further information relative to the report that their son Joseph Arthur Martin of the navy died January 20, but are still of the opinion that the report is erroneous. An investigation has been started and Mr. Martin is now awaiting information from Washington. He wired Senator McClary to inquire into the case and is expecting a message from the senator.

MOTHER! GIVE CHILD "SYRUP OF FIGS" IF TONGUE IS COATED. If cross, feverish, sick, bilious, clean little liver and bowels. Children love this "fruit laxative," and nothing else cleanses the tender stomach, liver and bowels so nicely. A child simply will not stop playing, long to empty the bowels, and the result is, they become tightly clogged with waste, liver gets sluggish, stomach sour, then your little one becomes cross, half-sick, feverish, don't eat, sleep or act naturally, breath is bad, system full of cold, has sore throat, stomach-ache or diarrhoea. Listen, Mother! See if tongue is coated, then give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs." and in a few hours all the constipated waste, sour bile and undigested food passes out of the system, and you have a well, playful child again. Millions of mothers give "California Syrup of Figs" because it is perfectly harmless; children love it, and it never fails to act on the stomach, liver and bowels. Ask your druggist for a bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly printed on the bottle. Beware of counterfeiters sold here. Get the genuine, made by "California Fig Syrup Company." Refuse any other kind with contempt.

LAST DAY BEAUTIFUL DOROTHY DALTON IN "FLARE UP" SAL AND MACK SENNETT COMEDY "THE KITCHEN LADY" IT'S GREAT—TRY IT

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