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been no financial stress. This because at any time it has been possible for national banks to go to the reserve banks and obtain money with farmers notes as security. The farmers note, backed by a growing or a harvested crop, is commercial paper. Prior to the reserve bank system such loans were not so honored and the farmer often had to sell his product against his will. The difference in what a farmer can obtain for his wheat now as compared with the price a month or two ago may be attributed to the federal reserve system because under old conditions a vast number of farmers would have been obliged to sell, thus keeping the price down.

When the American people meet around their Thanksgiving tables this year they will have genuine reasons for good cheer and there is one toast in which we all may join: To President Wilson—who guards our peace, prosperity and freedom.

THE RAILROADS ARE BUSY

THERE is encouragement in reports of vastly increased business for the railroads. A year ago the railroads were croaking to some extent about poor business. Today they are unable to handle the traffic and shippers complain of car shortages.

A story from New York yesterday is enlightening. A general revival of freight traffic, unequaled since 1907, was reported today by almost every railroad entering New York City or with terminals on the New Jersey shore across the Hudson river.

At the office of the Erie railroad it was said that tonnage figures for last month, available today, showed that the business done in September, 1915, was the greatest ever recorded on the books of the company during the operation of the road.

Tonnage on the Baltimore & Ohio of shipments to New York and for export has increased 40 per cent, it was said within the past 90 days.

The New Haven railroad is moving more freight today, it was said, than it has moved for years before. The New York Central lines report that business is so good that hundreds of extra men have been added to handle the traffic.

and delivery of 5000 to 6000 cars recently ordered is being hurried to care for the traffic. On the Central railroads of

New Jersey the volume is equal, it is said, to the previous high record of the company. The Pennsylvania railroad company declined to state the volume of business being done over its lines, but in railroad circles it was reported that seldom in the road's history had it been equaled before.

BARBAROUS

THE barbarity of this war is again emphasized by two occurrences, each of them equally shocking to American instincts, says the San Francisco Examiner. One of these occurrences is the execution of Miss Edith Cavell by a German court-martial. The other is the sinking of a German submarine by the inexcusable and cowardly misuse of the American flag and the killing of the German sailors as they swam about after the destruction of their vessel.

The execution of Miss Cavell was strictly legal, under military law, and corresponds very much to our own execution of Mrs. Surratt for aiding and abetting Confederate conspirators against the lives of the president and his cabinet officers. But legal or illegal, it shocks us Americans to see a woman put to death by a firing squad, even for the serious crime of military treason and misuse of the privileges of a nurse.

The consensus of maritime military law permits the use of a neutral flag to approach an enemy, though not to fire upon one, and if the British patrol boat Baralong displayed the British flag before firing upon the submarine, she was technically within the law.

But legal or illegal, the use of our flag to creep upon a foe and the killing of helpless men swimming about after resistance was ended, is as shocking to American instincts as the execution of a woman, caught in committing a military capital crime.

The point we desire to emphasize is that the longer this war continues the more savage and hateful it becomes and the more are the natural human sentiments and characteristics of Germans and Frenchmen and Englishmen changed to resemble the ferocious instincts and cruel characteristics of savages.

It is a dreadful war and all good hearts long for its end. Portland schools will encourage service in the national guard but will not establish military companies in the schools; it is a line of action that will bring results and can cause no just complaints.

Mrs. Trumbull says the women are often to blame for whatever goes wrong at home; she is a fine lady of great perceptive powers and not at all like Mrs. Jiggs.

A Chicago board is striving to bring about more simplified spelling; the East Oregonian tried that once and people could not read the paper.

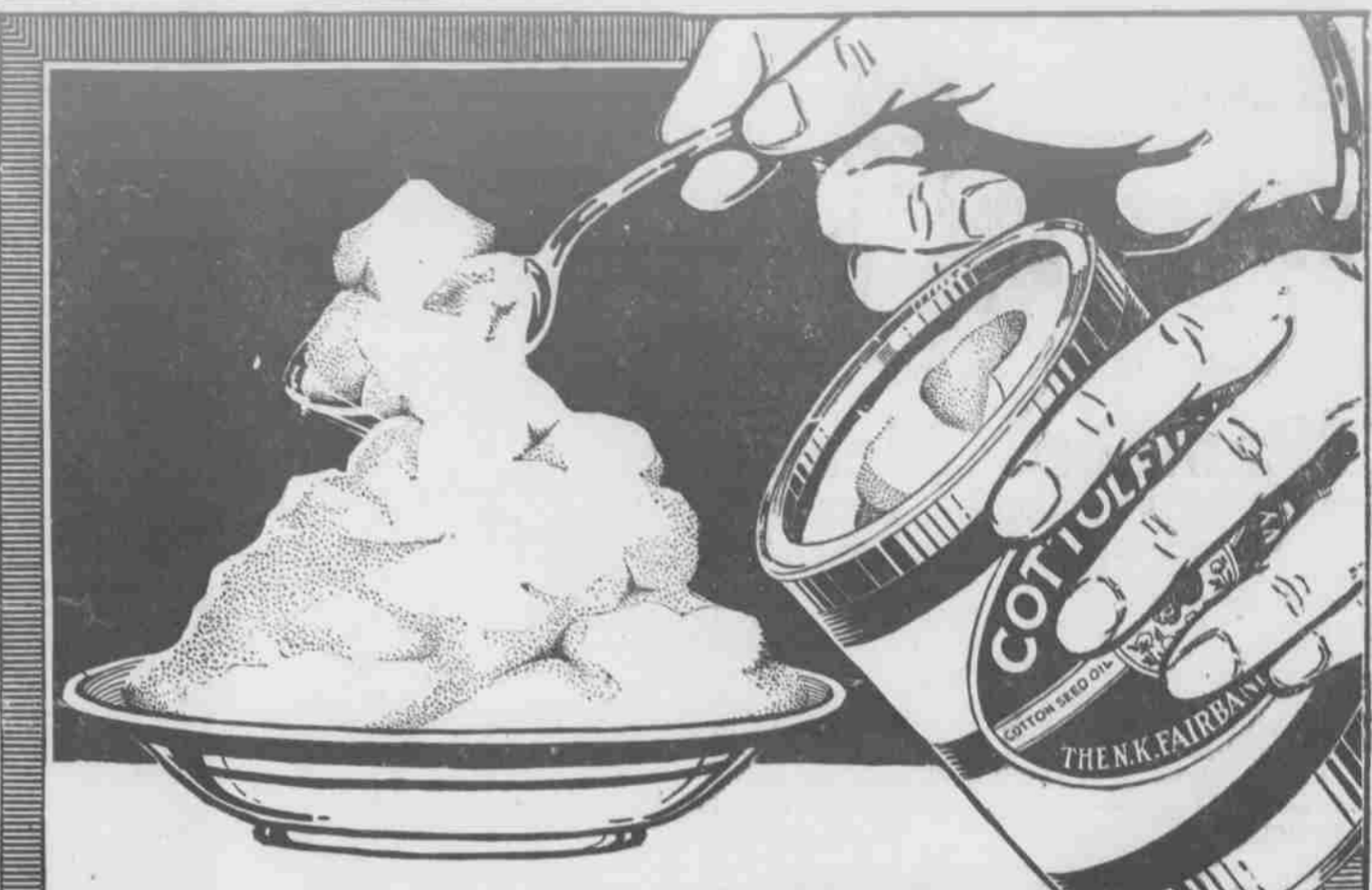
The sentencing of that Arkansas moonshiner to nine years in prison will hold the gentleman for the time being at least.

Is England whipped or have they not yet begun to fight? Clear autumn weather is beautiful to look at but it does not make the ground wet.

The wireless phone has a long reach. Coming Election May Indicate how Sentiment Tends

POLITICAL FEELING OF COUNTRY MAY BE SHOWN ON NOVEMBER 2. (By United Press Staff Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22.—Three state and five congressional elections to be held Nov. 2 are looked to by national committees here to furnish an indication of the present political sentiment of the country.



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WM. J. RICHARDSON, JR.

Mrs. Jesse Richardson, Paducah, Ky., says she has used Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin for the past year and that there is no medicine in the world like it. She writes, "My little son, William, Jr., just loved it because it is so pleasant to take, and everybody talks about his being such a fine healthy boy."

Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is a compound of simple laxative herbs, free from any opiate or narcotic drug and is the standard remedy for constipation in thousands of homes throughout the land. Try stores everywhere and if they cents a bottle, get a bottle of this excellent remedy, and have it in the home.

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disposition of New England toward the two national parties. O. W. Weller, republican, is running against E. C. Harrington, democrat, for the governorship of Maryland. Internal political strife has put this state in the republican rank. The republicans say they will hold it this year.

In Kentucky, nominally a democratic state, Gov. A. O. Stanley is running for reelection against E. R. Morrow, democrat.

In the Thirty-sixth New York congressional district, left vacant by the death of Seneca Payne, Norman J. Gould, Seneca Falls, republican, is running against G. L. Licht, Geneva, democrat. Congressman Payne carried the district by 11,853 in 1914.

In the Twenty-third district, New York city, W. S. Bennett, republican, is running against E. J. Healy, democrat. This district went democratic by 6823 in 1914.

In the Thirty-first New York district, H. F. Small, Potsdam, republican, is opposing W. L. Allen, Malone, democrat. In 1914, the republicans carried this district by 8870.

There will be elections to fill vacancies in the Twenty-fourth Pennsylvania and Fourth South Carolina districts.

The suffrage issue will come before the electors of four states—New York, New Jersey, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania. Recent statements by President Wilson and members of his cabinet have given the suffragists strong hope for victory.

In several states there will be elections to county and other minor offices.

DEAD CERTAIN. "Hello," said the voice of the village joker at the end of the line, "is this the Gem pharmacy?" "It is," answered the bus druggist. "Do you keep carbolic acid?" "We do." "Well, wouldn't that kill you!"

WHY FAMOUS PASTRY COOKS USE KC BAKING POWDER. The patrons of our first class hotels and restaurants are exacting—they demand the best. Women go where the pastries and cakes are noted for their excellence. Men are attracted by hot bread and biscuits—when fresh and moist and light. The pastry cook with a reputation uses K C Baking Powder because he knows that results are certain; every time everything is as good as his best. Then, too, with K C Baking Powder he can mix the various kinds of batter before the rush of the meal begins and bake as needed so that every order goes to the table fresh and hot, yet the last he bakes are just as good as the first. The reasons behind these reasons is that K C is really a blend of two baking powders. One commences to give off leavening gas as soon as moistened. The other requires both moisture and heat to make it active. Dough or batter will remain in a partially leavened condition for hours, and when put in the oven, will come up as light as if mixed a moment before. For cookies, pancakes, doughnuts and the like, which cannot all be baked at once, K C is indispensable. For all baking the double raise makes doubly certain. Follow the example of the professional cook and your baking will be equal to his.

OREGON : THEATRE FRIDAY, OCT. 22nd MAIL ORDERS NOW RECEIVED H.H. FRAZEE PRESENTS THE LAUGHING HIT OF THE CENTURY A PAIR OF SIXES OF SIXES By Edward Peple With OSCAR FIGMAN and NEW YORK CAST Praised to the Skies by Every Critic Prices 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50. Seats on Sale Thursday, at Warren's Music House