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## Just Folks by Edgar A. Guest

**HUNGER**

I'm gettin' sort o' hungry for the blossoms on the trees is comin' on the trees. An' I'd rather like to listen to the dronin' of the bees. An' I'm lookin' for the comin' now of little Jenny Wren. An' the mornin when the bird house will be occupied again.

I don't feel any older but somehow it seems so. That the winter days are longer than what once they used to be.

An' I find I'm disappointed on those April mornings when I'm looking for the sunshine and it starts to snow again.

Oh, I want to go out fishing and I want to tramp the woods. An' I want to give up city streets for leafy neighborhoods. An' I want the grass to walk on 'stead of white air 'marble floors. I'm tired of walls and windows and I want the wide outdoors.

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### POLITICAL FAKING?

**IN VIEW** of the announcement that the Fordney emergency tariff bill will be passed at the special session of congress there is considerable discussion as to the probable workings of such a law.

The New York World, which is anti administration in policy, has this to say:

The special session of congress which President Harding has called for April 11 is to begin in fraud and false pretenses with the re-enactment of the Fordney Emergency Tariff Bill which President Wilson vetoed.

This bill is a downright take, conceived in political cynicism and economic inquiry. It may be highly beneficial to food-speculators and profiteers, and will furnish an excuse for an increase in the cost of living, but it is of no value whatever to the American farmer, whose troubles are not due to low tariffs but to the collapse of his foreign markets. The bill carries on its face all the evidence of the policy of bargain and barter which has become characteristic of high-tariff programs.

After the agrarian members of congress have voted for this ridiculous measure they will have a valid excuse for supporting the tariff schedules which the great protected interests are demanding and to which the republican leaders are pledged. If the agricultural elements attempt to protest, congress need only refer them to the duties that have been exacted to prevent the importation of foreign foodstuffs. That is why the Fordney bill is to receive first consideration at the hands of the new congress. It is the Old Guard's way of committing the farmers to the subsequent tariff program in which the farmers will be taxed along with everybody else for the profit of favored industries.

The country needs peace, reconstruction and economical government; so the Harding administration is preparing to enact a tariff law to protect the American farmer from a foreign competition that does not exist. Political fakings has never been carried to further extremes in a time of crisis.

When President Wilson vetoed the Fordney bill on the last day of his official career the veto was commended by as good a republican newspaper as the Oregonian which described the bill in language less vigorous than that of the World but similar in tone. It is also to be remembered that despite the announcement that the Fordney bill is to become a law soon there has been no advance in the price of wheat. It is evident the Chicago speculators do not consider the emergency tariff as anything for the benefit of the wheatgrower.

### LOWER COSTS AND MORE MONEY NEEDED

**THAT** the remedy for the scarcity of a million homes in the United States lies in providing better transportation, abundance of fuel, credit for loans, and full information on the best methods of construction, is contended by Senator William M. Calder of New York, chairman of the senate committee on reconstruction, in a report made public yesterday.

To accomplish the desired ends, Senator Calder has recommended to congress ten legislative measures; they are as follows:

A bill to establish in the department of commerce a division for the gathering and dissemination of information as to the best construction practices and methods, technical and cost data, and matters relating to city planning, etc., in order to encourage standardization and improved building practices throughout the country.

A bill to provide for the gathering and publication by existing governmental agencies of current facts as to production, distribution, available supplies, standards of quality, costs and realization of cost.

An amendment to the transportation act directing the Interstate commerce commission to declare without hearings an emergency which will give preference of priority in transportation.

An amendment to the federal reserve act to permit the federal reserve board to direct the use of savings and time deposits of national banks for long-time loans, thus giving such deposits greater security and applying a source of long-term money for home building.

A home loan bank bill to provide for district home loan banks which may sell, under federal supervision, bonds secured by the aggregated loans deposited by the member banks.

An amendment, limited to five years, to the revenue act of 1918, to provide for the extension from seven profits and income taxes of the profits on the sales of dwelling houses where such profits, plus an equal amount, are reinvested in dwelling-house construction.

An amendment to the revenue act of 1918 to exempt from taxation interest on loans up to \$40,000 on improved real estate used for dwelling purposes, when such loans are held by an individual.

An amendment to the revenue act of 1918 limiting the taxation of profits from the sale of capital assets by providing for their taxation as of the years of accrual rather than as of the year of their sale.

An amendment to the revenue act of 1918 to limit the surtax upon saved income to an amount not in excess of 20 per cent of such income.

An amendment to the postal savings law increasing the limitation on deposits as to amount and time and authorizing the rate of interest to be changed from time to time and providing for compensation of postmasters for the extra duties.

Some of the recommendations are good and if adopted might foster home building, but most of the suggestions are but junk. The government has "gathered and disseminated" information until people are black in the face. The big factors that work against home building at present are the high cost of construction and the lack of money. Until these drawbacks are overcome there will be but little building, no matter how much congress may investigate and disseminate. Time and the law of supply and demand will ultimately correct the trouble; nothing else will.

The Bohemian bride who found her picture bridegroom 55 years old and very different from his picture need not worry; she got to America anyway.

It must be admitted that the opening price for July wheat is disappointing but we are getting used to that.

If those who drink "canned heat" really want a thrill, why don't they eat dynamite caps and do the job up right.

This Happy Canyon talk sounds like fall.

A man may have a head for business, but he will need to use his hands and feet to make a success of it.—Passaic Herald.

## Faith Wins



"If you pray for rain you must take your umbrella." Such is the faith of the Widow Gaines (last) who prayed for oil until oil was struck on her farm near Bowling Green, Ky. The picture shows a tank and a pool of crude oil on Mrs. Gaines' farm. "Now," she says, "my four children can go away to school." The Gaines well is a "wildcat" three miles from the proved field.

## GRAVES OF AMERICAN SOLDIERS IN FRANCE WILL BE DECORATED

**Appropriate Exercises of Principal Military and Civil Cemeteries Will Be Held**

PARIS, March 28.—(A. P.)—Plans for Memorial Day and commemorative exercises throughout France, in honor of America's dead who lie in French soil, have been considered by the American Memorial Day Committee at a meeting held at the American Legion Headquarters.

This General Committee, under the honorary presidency of Ambassador Hugh C. Wallace, virtually all American activities in France, including the embassy, the various committees, Graves-Registration Service, American Legion and Auxiliary, Red Cross, Young Men's Christian Association, Young Women's Christian Association, Knights of Columbus, Jewish Welfare, the American churches, American Hospital, Women's Club, Franco-American Welfare and the American public at large.

Following the program adopted last year, the Committee will provide for the placing of flowers or a wreath upon every grave in France and will organize appropriate exercises at all of the principal military and civil cemeteries where American dead are buried.

Due to the generous contributions made last year, the committee finds that the funds on hand for this year's exercises are ample to cover the prospective expenses of the program. Therefore it announces that no appeal will be made to the public by the committee for funds for the ceremonies of 1921.

## THE BOOK SHELF

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Dr. Carroll has made a study of nerves and nervousness. In the course of his professional work thousands of interesting cases have come under his care and observation and out of his successful treatment of them he has gathered certain fundamental principles. These principles have been made the basis of the chapters of this book. Writing in semi-fiction he portrays, with photographic clearness, the life stories of people addicted to nervousness. His method of presentation arouses the reader's interest at once; there is humor and real human drama in the pages. **THE DR. CARROLL STORY** has more than a national interest; each makes a definite point brings home a lesson, shows the way out.

Kellogg—Mortimer, the Fighting Cardinal of Belgium

In this book Mrs. Kellogg tells the story of the Fighting Cardinal, who has become one of the world's great figures. His quiet, devout life before the war and invasion swept over Belgium; the fine dignity of his scholarly and ecclesiastical career, are depicted in sympathetic terms. Then come the onrush of the Hun, the

destruction of the "scrap of paper" which professed Belgium, and the terrible occupation and oppression of the Belgians. Their king was to exile fighting to regain his country. Cardinal Mercier stepped into the breach and, through the power of right and the Church, defied the German oppressor in his material military might and saved the Belgian people in their bodily enslavement from mental and spiritual subjection to the Germans. Mrs. Kellogg worked with the Commission for Relief for Belgium under Mr. Hoover. Owing to her deep sympathy and to her knowledge of the subject, and to the opportunity she had of meeting Cardinal Mercier personally, and of obtaining information about him from first hand sources as well as through careful research, her story of Belgium's hero priest is of high practical value. Mrs. Kellogg's book is an authentic, tremendously interesting, extremely well written biography of this great man and his career.

Moore—On Uncle Sam's Water-Wagon

This new and practical book covers the entire ground. It will show you how to make in the comfort of your home, practically and drink or mixture which you might buy at soda fountains. Contents: Fruit punches,

sauces, lemon and lime, orange and pineapple, strawberry and raspberry grape juice, egg drinks, ginger and ginger ale, milk and malted milk, tea, coffee, cocoa, chocolate, invalid drinks, ice cream and phosphate drinks.

Stosson—Creative Chemistry

Here is a book on chemistry written especially for the layman, which assumes no previous knowledge of the science from the reader. It describes in plain language the modern processes of the chemical industry and in a vivid, unflatteringly entertaining style explains the political and social effects of the achievements of the present-day chemists. It is an innovation—a radical departure from the ordinary method of treating popular science. It is a lively, interesting history of creative chemistry—the fundamental science of the transformation of matter—which has made a new world out of the old one by freeing man from the limitations of nature, altered the balance of power among nations, and revolutionized warfare.

Smith—Romance of Aircraft

There is a genuine thrill in this story of aircraft achievement. Following man's persistent efforts to master the problems of flight, from the pioneer days of gliders, parachute, and balloons, through the invention of heav-

## Needed—An Umbrella!



## Healthy Mother Merry Children Happy Home

**TO** maintain a happy home the housewife must keep in good health. Her duties are many and various, and it seems as if every other member of the family depended very much on her.

"Where is my hat?" cries the boy.

"What did you do with my coat?" asks the daughter.

"I can't find any handkerchiefs," yells the husband.

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