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STAND BY THE PRESIDENT.

There is growing discontent at the conduct and misconduct of war-time affairs at Washington.

The army, the navy and the men who are bearing the brunt of the responsibilities of action seem to be acquitting themselves with credit. But at Washington, where the main spring of our war efficiency lies, and where the war, to a great degree, will be lost or won so far as we are concerned, there is haggling, delay and puerile wordiness.

The shame of it is becoming increasingly apparent to the country at large. Soon the people, who pay the cost of this war for world freedom and who bear its burdens and its sorrows, will let it be known in certain tones that they have had enough of narrow-gauge political pulling and hauling at the capital. They will rise up and drive the little obstructionists, the contemptible Kaiser-pawns and the self-conceited partisans from their posts of misapplied authority.

And in their stead will be placed men of real patriotism, bigness and ability.

If the muddle at Washington serves no better purpose, it will at least show who in Congress, and who elsewhere in official position, is truly worthy. There will be a grand thinning out of the unfit, during the war, and afterward.

The ship building row, with its interminable quibbling and delay was a world disgrace. The everlasting jealous debating and revising of the food bill is as bad.

God knows we have need of action. And the experience of our Allies during the three years of war shows conclusively the rightness of centralized power, and the futility of divided responsibility.

With all our democracy, the people realize the pressing necessity of autocracy in such a crisis as this. It is the only way. Give us leaders and let them lead. Give them authority and let them use it. If they fail, they can be replaced.

But failure, or at least costly mistakes, beyond number—costly to the youth of the land, our most precious possession—surely will follow if the men at Washington try to conduct this war on the lines of a debating society.

Strangle a few score senators and congressmen who are quibbling over the food bill. Rightly or wrongly, the country at large wants Hoover to take hold of that vital department. That is undoubted. Give him a chance. Don't strangle him with committees and community rule. It's a one man job. If he fails, there will be time to find a better man.

A one man job. That's just it. In a great measure, in an unprecedented degree, this whole war, from our standpoint, must be a one man affair. The country expects that the one man is to be given the power to actually lead. It expects that he is not to be hampered and restricted. It cares little for party and less for playmate personalities.

And that one man is the President of the United States. He is our elected leader. He is responsible for the conduct of the war. He must be given every authority such leadership and responsibility requires. He must be vested with truly autocratic power. He must be supported, not hampered, by Congress.

Such is the wish of the country. Such is the need of the hour. Loyal Republicans would have it so, just as much as Democrats. There is no other way.

That pretty phrase, lipped so often at the time of declaration of war, "Stand by the President," must be a reality. And largely, it would seem, it is no such reality in Washington today.

If the powers which the President must have, and which he will receive, sooner or later, are abused, he, and his party will be fittingly rebuked by the sovereign people at the appropriate time. If they are well exercised, the country will rally round him as a Lincoln.

But if Senators and Congressmen and officials, who keep muddying the legislative and administrative waters, think they can survive the ultimate

wrath of the people, they are mistaken. Partisanship, personal selfishness, sectionalism and hair-splitting will never be forgiven. The national leaders of tomorrow are these men who are big enough to forget everything but their determination to help win the war. They will survive. The others, the little men, will sink into deserved and unpleasant oblivion.

TRICKING THE CREDULOUS.

Lures of Gold Brick Schemes For the Small Investors.

Will persons with money never learn how to take care of it? Will they never guard themselves against the horde of tricksters who make a business of taking advantage of the credulous and especially of credulous women?

Bear in mind that no one will make money for you when he can make it for himself. If he offers to give you the key to wealth, suspect him, for such keys are kept by their possessors and are not given away to strangers.

The postoffice a year or two ago showed that over \$150,000,000 had been lost by persons who listened to the gold brick schemes, but the game still goes on despite the vigilance of the postoffice department and the passage of protective measures, known as "blue sky laws," by many states.

Will the people never learn to discount the alluring literature which these shysters send out and which is written for them by some of the sharpest and brightest writers of our day, whose services can be easily obtained for a few dollars?

I advise my readers who receive these tempting propositions to send them at once to the postmaster general at Washington for investigation. That is the business of the postoffice department, and it will be only too happy to take up such matters.

Small investors are particularly the victims of these bunco schemes, for the false notion prevails that a man or woman with a small amount of money cannot buy high class investment securities such as successful investors prefer. This is erroneous. An investment can now be made in the best of paying securities with as small an amount as \$10 through the partial payment plan, which is readily understood, though the term may sound formidable.—Leslie's Weekly.

A LITTLE PIECE OF LEAD.

The Costliest Thing This World of Ours Has Ever Known.

Just think of one small piece of lead, probably weighing less than an ounce, that cost the world some \$100,000,000, 000 in money, probably \$100,000,000, 000 in property, more than 11,000,000 lives and individual suffering and loss impossible of computation—a bit of lead that embroiled in war Germany, Austria-Hungary, Britain, France, Belgium, the United States, Turkey, Siberia, Italy, Montenegro, Roumania, Bulgaria, Albania, Egypt, Canada, Australia, China, Japan, South Africa, India and Russia and brought every other nation to the brink of internal trouble or outward disaster, the consequences of which are being felt by every human being, civilized or uncivilized, white, black, yellow or brown!

That small piece of lead was fired from a pistol in the hands of a crack brained youth of Serbian nativity into the body of the heir to the Austrian throne. The troubles arising from this mad act and its punishment set fire to the powder trains in Europe and led to hostile act after hostile act and finally and suddenly to open war in 1914.

That little piece of lead should be preserved as a memorial to all future generations and as the costliest thing mankind has ever known. It would become the greatest silent teacher the world has ever seen. It would teach restraint for the weak minded and violent; it would teach the importance of minor acts and things; it would teach peace as no costly monument, no book of horrors, no painting of tragedy could ever teach it.—Detroit Free Press.

JOE KELLY DENIED CHANCE IN MAJORS

Star of Minor Leagues Continually Shoved Back After Brief Try-outs in Fast Company.

By H. C. Hamilton,
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)

NEW YORK, July 26.—The case of Joe Kelly is one of the strange twists of fate that once upon a time grabbed Jack Knight, tying him tight, and threw him for a great loss.

Joe always has been one of the greatest stars of minor leaguedom. Away back in the days when Allen Sotheron, Mike Reagan, George Sisler and other stars were wondering if they ever would be able to fill even a minor league uniform, Joe was hitting them far and wide. In addition he was establishing records as a base runner.

Kelly has had several chances at the big show, always to fall down. He's growing old as ball players' ages go, but he's still up there trying his mightiest to convince the big timers he has the punch.

Joe began as a ball player back in the Western association—in the palmy days of baseball. In a short time he graduated into a class "A" circuit, where his playing was of such a decided high class character he was sold his second year to the Chicago White Sox.

Joe had battled his way into the select .300 class of hitters in a class A league and had fallen only slightly behind the league's record for stolen bases when Jimmy Callahan, then

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Although Walter C. Forse has lost his trigger finger, he was accepted by the marines by special consent after having walked from Binghamton, N. Y., to Washington to join the corps.

running the Sox, picked him up. Joe merely was used for practice that year and was sent back to the Western league, from where he soon graduated to the Pittsburgh Pirates.

No less an authority than Chick Fraser, the one time star pitcher, proclaimed Joe an excellent outfielder, one who would make his mark if ever given the chance, but Joe was discarded after a year's effort and relegated to the American association where he immediately started in all over, batting at a .300 clip and stealing bases at random.

The Cubs grabbed Joe and he was doing well when Fred Mitchell was engaged to pilot the Chicago club. Joe was sent to the Braves in the deal. He hasn't been paralyzing the opposition with hits, but he has been playing decidedly good baseball. A little encouragement will go a long way with Kelly. He would be a star with the proper man to give him a chance. Perhaps Stalling is the man to do it.

NOTICE OF CONTEST.

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon, July 20, 1917.

To Warren H. Stewart, of Bend, Oregon, Contestee: You are hereby notified that Emory W. Gurney, who gives Box 147, Bend, Oregon, as his post office address, did on May 26, 1917, file in this office his duly corroborated application to contest and secure the cancellation of your homestead entry No. 079711, made January 16, 1911, for E 1/2, Section 1, Township 20, South, Range 16, E., Willamette Meridian, and as grounds for his contest he alleges that said Warren H. Stewart, as I am

informed and verily believe, and therefore state, has wholly abandoned said claim for upwards of five years last past and has never resided upon, or cultivated said tract, or any portion thereof, that said absence from the land was not due to his employment in military service rendered in connection with operations in Mexico or along the borders thereof or in mobilization camps elsewhere, in the military or naval organizations of the United States or the National Guard of any of the several States.

You are, therefore, further notified that the said allegations will be taken as confessed, and your said entry will be canceled without further right to be heard, either before this office or on appeal, if you fail to file in this office within twenty days after the fourth publication of this notice, as shown below, your answer, under oath, specifically responding to these allegations of contest, together with due proof that you have served a copy of your answer on the said contestant either in person or by registered mail.

You should state in your answer the name of the post office to which you desire future notices to be sent to you.

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H. C. ELLIS, Recorder.

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