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The Italians are demonstrating that the Hun chain is no stronger than its Austrian link.

In saying that Russia started the war, Germany has merely located the blame on the wrong side of her eastern frontier.

If the winning of the war depended upon the economy of the American people in the use of gasoline, the Huns would now be shelling the Statue of Liberty.

If you merely borrow your hometown paper, the kindly interest you thus have shown ought to be sufficient to encourage its editor to stay.

The merchant who doesn't advertise in the local paper does by indirect advertisement the fact that he cares only for your dollars and nothing for the welfare of your town.

Do you think you have done all that should be required of you when you loan your money out of your abundance while other men give their lives? Sacrifice a little, indulge yourself less, save more, loan all you can, and then be sorry you can do no more.

There were women mayors in Asia Minor five thousand years ago, but they didn't get our vote.

In war time every unnecessary purchase is an unwise one.

Do not excuse yourself for dodging the government's war regulations by the plea that others may be doing so. Would you steal because another man is a thief?

Elgin is swatting the Kaiser with a Knit Your Bit club.

Other things may grow scarce in Germany, but she is never short of lies and liars.

Having made an idol of the state, Germany's people are due to discover that it has feet of clay.

Germany's chance is by no means so much in evidence as her chancellor.

The Americans have taken Belle wood while, as the late Bill Nye would say, the Huns have taken umbrage.

The Weston country is over the top, of course, with the W. S. S. drive. It has the habit.

The proverbial knot on a chunk is a regular humdinger for public spirit compared to the local merchant who will not advertise.

Perhaps the Austrians were routed wrong in their recent excursion across the Piave; they were routed, anyway.

The Huns seem to be troubling themselves needlessly about peace terms, as the Allies will attend to that detail.

THE PRUSSIAN HOPE

A great many times, in print and in talk, we have run across this idea, remarks the Saturday Evening Post: "Even though he beats the French army and the Italian army, the Kaiser cannot bring England and the United States to terms unless he shatters their sea power. Now, then, can he hope to win ultimately?"

It is an easy conundrum. He expects England and the United States to lie down. He hopes there is enough laziness and selfishness and cowardice in them to give the game into his hands. He thinks

they will get tired of fighting. He calculates they cannot stand the gaff. He banks on the chap who resents having his profits interfered with, his pleasures interfered with, his easy ways of living interfered with, his diet regulated; on the big capitalist who forestalls as much as the law will let him; on the small capitalist who will not buy a Liberty bond when he can get eight percent on a mortgage; on the labor leader and wage-earner who will strike—even against the Government; on the farmer who would rather let his production fall off than pay high wages for help. He expects timidity and the slacker and the grafter and the sponge, in all their manifold varieties and manifestations, to get the upper hand and surrender.

The Kaiser will be disappointed; but don't let anyone encourage him.

FARM NOTES BY COUNTY AGENT

(M. S. Shrock.)

Some very interesting facts were brought out during our recent tour of the wheat counties. Nearly every farmer does some experimenting, either consciously or unconsciously. The results of his experiments are interesting, whether they be positive or negative. It was for the purpose of seeing the results and studying the methods employed on a few of the most prominent of these experiments that the trip was planned.

In almost every community visited we saw some fields that will make practically a full crop without further rainfall. We also saw in practically every community some fields that are almost a total failure. The methods of farming in the good fields were very similar all the way through. Early plowing and thorough weed control were the outstanding essential factors. Late plowing and weeds are found the very close companions of the poor crop in every case.

We saw men plowing summer fallow on June 22 on three different farms, but we saw no good crops on these farms. Next year, regardless of weather, the drought will be blamed for a poor crop on these fields now being plowed.

We saw some splendid demonstrations of the superiority of certain varieties of wheat and barley over other varieties under the same conditions.

At the Moro experiment station, where we spent a day, we found the most interesting work of all. Here varietal testing, crop rotation systems and tillage methods have been carried on for six years. It is well worth any farmer's time to visit this station and study the results.

Weston Tourists Have Nice Trip

A card received from Dr. F. D. Watts, who motored eastward with his family, has this to say from Chicago, Ill., under date of June 17:

"We reached this city without accident and with the same Weston air in our tires. Not a puncture—and pumped up to hold to 80 pounds but once.

"We have camped among the Mormons of Utah; the sheepherders of Wyoming, with jackrabbits galore; in the yards of thrifty Nebraska farmers and in the schoolyards of Iowa, where floods raged ten days ago. We have never seen a more beautiful country than some we have passed through, but everyone listens when we explain from whence we came and we take pride in the telling."

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WESTON BOY MEETS UP WITH HUN SUBMARINE

Lowell Hyatt, the Weston boy who learned to swim when the transport President Lincoln was torpedoed 500 miles off the coast of France, the 31st of May, arrived Wednesday for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Hyatt.

Lowell's furlough is a brief one, as he must report for duty again July 10 at New York City. He has been assigned to the U. S. S. Sea Arrow.

The Lincoln was struck with two torpedoes and went down in 27 minutes. It was sailing between two other transports returning from France and was sought out by the submarine captain in order that the Huns might earn a reward of \$30,000 offered by their precious kaiser for the Lincoln's destruction, as it had been one of the interned German ships taken over by Uncle Sam.

The submarine fired when submerged and was never seen until it had completed its work of destruction. It then came to the surface, and took photographs of the wreckage in order to prove its claim. The Lincoln survivors, clinging to life rafts in the restless sea, were jeered and taunted by the Hun sailors from the deck of the submarine, which cajoled in circles about them and drenched them with spray from its wake. Once the Huns trained a gun upon them, but for some reason did not fire.

Lowell had sweet revenge later. After being picked up by one of Uncle Sam's swift destroyers, the Lincoln survivors witnessed the bagging of a U boat by this ocean greyhound. A periscope was sighted and the destroyer made for it at full speed, dropping depth bombs at the proper spot. The subsequent explosion lifted the destroyer itself out of the water as it sped away. It returned subsequently to find the ocean covered with oil, showing that the German shark had met its death wound.

Lowell himself doesn't exactly know how he learned to swim, but swim he did. He is a fireman, and was down in the coal bunkers when the torpedoes struck. Covered with coal and water he managed to come to the surface in the submerged bunkers, after the explosion, but was going down for the third time when a shipmate dragged him out by the hair. As the Lincoln itself was about to plunge over the side and sank until he thought he would hit the ocean's bottom. He was a long, long time reaching the surface, and much to his own astonishment was swimming when he came up, although he had never swam a stroke before. He managed to swim to a bit of wreckage some 200 feet away, to which he clung until he could get aboard the life-raft. In pursuance of the orders which govern in such cases the Lincoln's sister ships speeded away and left the survivors in the water.

The S. O. S. had been sent out, however, and brought the rescuing destroyer after the wet, cold and hungry men had been in the water eighteen hours.

The only casualties on board the Lincoln were of men killed by the explosion. All others were saved—even wounded soldiers coming back from France. Every man on board "kept his head" with the single exception of a young negro. Frightened to desperation, he shot himself.

Lowell himself looks none the worse for his experience, although he lost ten pounds in weight from hardship and exposure. He wears a hardy new uniform, and typifies the gallant young fighters who are serving Uncle Sam on land and sea.

Death Summons J. L. Fuson

James L. Fuson, for many years a well known citizen of Weston, died suddenly at his home in this city at 11:45 o'clock Thursday night. Mr. Fuson was a sufferer from heart trouble and had been in failing health for the past six months, although his condition was not regarded as serious and he attended daily to his work. An attack of smothering was the immediate cause of his death.

Mr. Fuson was born in Missouri September 27, 1862, and came to Weston with his family twenty years ago. He is survived by Mrs. Fuson and five children, who are: James W. Fuson, a newspaper correspondent in France; Mrs. W. H. McKinney of Weston, Wilbur Fuson, Mrs. Alfred Pambrun of Athens, Miss Maggie Fuson.

Seven grandchildren and two stepchildren also survive him. The latter are Walter Milton and Mrs. Alberta Frakes, both of whom reside in Kansas City, Missouri.

At the hour of going to press, arrangements had not been completed for the funeral.

Butter wraps at Leader shop.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church of the Brethren—Sunday school at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. C. W. S. at 6:30 p. m. Bible Study, Life of Christ, at 7:30 p. m. John Bonewitz, elder.

Methodist Church—Sunday school at 10 a. m. Preaching services at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Epworth League at 7 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening. S. E. Powell, pastor.

United Brethren Church—Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday school at 10:00 a. m. Junior C. E. at 2:30 p. m. C. E. meeting at 7 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening. E. F. Wriggle, pastor.

Baptist Church—The Church with a cordial welcome for all. Sunday school at ten o'clock, preaching at eleven. Also preaching at eight o'clock in the evening. W. R. Storms, pastor.

900,000 AMERICAN TROOPS IN FRANCE

United States Is Five Months Ahead of Program For Sending Army Overseas.

Washington.—Nine hundred thousand men have been shipped across the sea, General March told newspaper correspondents at the weekly conference Saturday.

The United States is five months ahead of its program for placing an army in France, General March said.

The figures on American troop movements are significant, since General March at his first conference fixed the number at more than 800,000, the addition of 100,000 during the past week showing the rate of progress that is being made.

General March accorded high praise to the Americans sharing in the present struggle.

Especially did he commend the first regular division under General Robert L. Bullard for its gallantry at Cantigny, the Rainbow national guard division under General C. T. Menoher for high grade work to date; the Twenty-sixth division is doing very well.

One of the most striking things on the western front, the chief of staff declared, was the supreme importance of a unified command. This was first advocated, he added, by President Wilson and carried through under the president's constant pressure, until unity of command was realized in the appointment of General Foch. General March regarded that as one of the greatest single military achievements of the allies which are already showing its effect in the fighting.

RAISING OF DRAFT LIMIT IS OPPOSED

Washington.—Secretary Baker and General March, chief of staff, informed the senate military committee that they opposed as premature and unnecessary the proposed extension of the army draft age limits.

In asking that the draft legislation go over for the present, Secretary Baker and General March said that within 60 or 90 days, probably about the middle of August, after the proposed recess of congress, the administration will submit a new comprehensive army program, covering not only the number of men it is proposed to raise, but also dealing with shipping and other problems.

After a conference with Secretary Baker and his aides the military committee decided to follow their recommendations and to oppose any legislation at this time changing the draft age limits.

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