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'Tis the Star Spangled Banner,
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MY ROWS AWRY.

(With apologies to the author of a famous song.)
 The hours I spent in sweater art,
 Are as a string of pearls—I sigh
 To count them over every one apart,
 My rows awry—my rows awry.

Each hour I puri—each puri take care,
 To drop no stitch lest I be stung,
 I count, yea count unto the end,
 And there a sleeve is hung.

O, memories that bless and burn,
 Of raveling out at bitter loss,
 I drop a puri, yet strive at least to learn
 To knit across, sweet art, to knit across.

THE CLACKERS.

Of course you've heard of the slackers.
 Have you heard of the clackers?
 The two words sound much alike, and as far as service to country is concerned the slacker is no worse than the indiscriminate clacker, and every woman of America should read the leading article in Collier's of February 9, by Wm. S. McNutt, which deals with that subject without gloves.

The clackers are the women (or men) who discourage our soldier boys by clacking about how terrible it must be to go to war and get cut all to pieces by the blood-thirsty Germans, who discourage the soldiers by clacking to the boys at home on furlough about how dreadful it is to see them eager to get to France and shoot and kill, and clack in a way to make the boys feel like murderers; who, while knitting and sewing for the Red Cross clack to a mother of a soldier some story about how the boys are mistreated, underfed and underclothed.

The clackers are sometimes close relatives of a soldier boy and they moan and weep over him and make him feel as if he had done something of which his relatives are ashamed.

The clackers are those who repeat unfounded stories of terrible disasters to the soldier boys.

The clackers are those who tell stories about the government holding back the truth about what is happening to our boys.

The clackers are those who talk pessimistically to the soldier boys.

The clackers are those who still argue that we could have been kept out of the war some way and that we were forced into it by profiteers and munition manufacturers.

The clackers are those who say to a mother: "I suppose you feel terribly about your boy being in the army. It will ruin his future life if, perchance, he doesn't die of pneumonia or isn't killed by the Germans." The clackers are those who repeat stories to the effect that the government is going to take from people their canned fruit and dried vegetables, who repeat stories to the effect that the rich aren't economizing food, that there is plenty of food and that Hoover is a grafter.

The clackers think they are patriotic citizens, but they are in reality peddling the dope the German government wants them to peddle. They are in reality doing free of charge what the German government has paid millions to have its agents do.

They are unconsciously assisting the German propaganda.

They are doing things that a German alien would be clapped into jail for doing.

The slacker is promptly put into jail, but the clacker can't be so easily reached, and is for that reason the more dangerous.

It's time for the clackers to stop promoting the kaiser's business and to talk only about those things which will promote the war.

The war depends in a large measure upon the women. Don't listen to the clacker. Quiet her, even if you have to

be impolite in so doing. A soldier's life is more precious than the feelings of the thoughtless clacker.

Talk only cheery things, women. You have heard that the Yankee is the best fighter on earth, that one American is as good as two Huns, that the American soldier is the best paid, the best fed and the best cared-for on earth. You have heard that we are rapidly sinking the submarines, that only one troop ship has been hit, that the American boys are winning in the trenches, that the American boys are going to win the war.

Talk about these things. Encourage the boys. Love them and cheer them. Don't moan over them.

If you think it is so hard to kill and be killed, for goodness' sake stop the clacking that means the needless shedding of the blood of our own brave boys.

The Evanston, Ill., child who, while walking with his father and seeing the evening star so bright in the heavens, said that "God had hung out his service flag in the sky and must have a son in the war," uttered one of the most beautiful sentiments that has been born of the world struggle.—Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

TRAITORS.

In the same day's news we read that ten thousand shipbuilders, almost without warning, have gone on strike for higher wages and that the head of a great steel manufacturing concern has been arrested charged with using inferior steel in drive shafts furnished for government ships.

Anyone who would deliberately destroy the ways upon which a vessel was being constructed might be shot as a traitor, but his act would not delay the war any more than the strike of the shipbuilders.

The government has an effective way of adjusting wage scales. These men did not avail themselves of this method. They turned deaf ears to the appeal of the president.

Delay in building ships will prolong the war, and prolonging the war means the death of thousands of our young men. Upon those who deliberately obstruct the building of ships through strikes which are not necessary in order to right some terrible wrong is the blood of those who die because of such unpatriotic action.

We fail to see how they are much better than common traitors.

Defective steel in the mechanism of the boats which are to carry troops and food to Europe may mean the death of thousands. The defective steel was used, it is alleged, in a conspiracy to mulct the government of hundreds of thousands of dollars.

While our boys are going cheerily forth to meet the blood-glutted war monster, while our women are straining themselves in the making of Red Cross supplies, while we are sacrificing pleasures and necessities in order to buy liberty bonds, here are workmen who put dollars above their patriotism and a great manufacturing concern which puts lucre above the lives of our soldiers and sailors.

In the case of the profiteers we can say without hesitancy that they should be used as decorations for the most convenient lamp posts.

In the case of the workmen, it has long passed the time when such acts as theirs should be mildly treated. They should be ordered to remain at work pending government investigation under penalty of being branded as traitors, and they should be ordered to abide by the recommendations of the government.

War is war and the time for mild treatment of those who interfere with its prosecution has passed.

There is a new definition of a traitor in such times as these but the old style punishment is good enough.

The draft evader who had his wife slam away at his trigger finger with an ax has courage enough to make a good fighter.

PUBLICITY FOR FOOD TRAITORS AND RED CROSS SLACKERS.

In a recent issue the Corvallis Courier published the name of a business man of that city who refused to contribute to the Red Cross, who refused to contribute to the Y. M. C. A., who refused to buy liberty bonds and who refused to abide by the food regulations.

The Courier gave this man the proper treatment, and it is safe to say he will be out of business inside of a month.

That is the kind of treatment that should be given any such man in any town in the United States. It is an effective treatment.

And the same treatment can be applied to those who are not in business.

Those who, though able, do not subscribe to the Red Cross and Y. M. C. A. and who do not buy liberty bonds, and especially those who do not try to comply with the food regulations, are looked at askance by patriotic citizens. Were their names published in the newspapers, they would be ostracized from society.

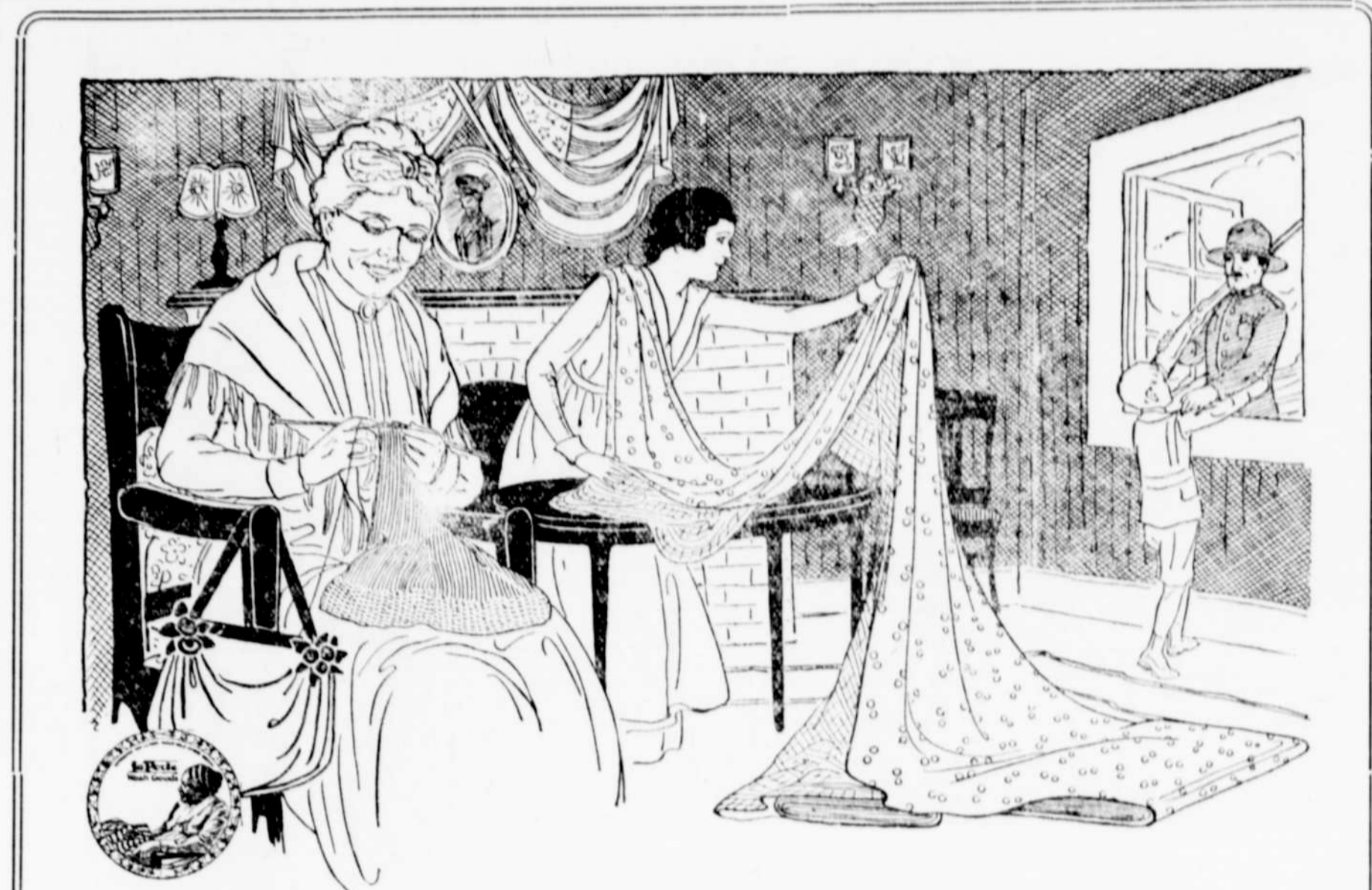
And it is coming to that.

Before this war is over The Sentinel may publish in black type as food traitors, or as Red Cross or Y. M. C. A. slackers, the names of a few who have heretofore passed as respectable citizens.

Already the work has commenced by word of mouth and there are many who would feel uncomfortable if they knew what others are saying of them for their failure to give their time and money to war work.

LOYALTY MUST BE CERTAIN.

The more we see and hear of the so-called Non-partisan league, the less it appeals to us. While the motives of such men as C. E. Spence can hardly be crit-



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ECONOMY IS THE KEYNOTE OF THE WORK TO BE DONE BY THOSE WHO STAY AT HOME. Women who have never before done their own sewing are turning cheerfully to the needle in order to cut down the costs of home management. In doing this they are finding a new interest—a new pleasure—in making and designing their own dresses.

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ized, it seems to us that they showed poor judgment in associating themselves with such men as E. J. Stack, for example, in the promotion of any movement. Stack is the man who threatened the country with a revolution in the event of the passage of the conscription act. Only recently the two head officers of the North Dakota Non-partisan league, with which the Oregon league is affiliated, have been arrested in Minnesota for disloyalty to country, and it was before this league that Senator La Follette delivered the speech which is likely to put him out of public life.

Outside of the bad company which one has to keep to be a member of the league, we do not take very much to any such one-man affair as this where the officers have carte blanche in disposing of the hundreds of thousands of dollars that are collected for membership fees. Anyone who can separate the Willamette valley farmers from \$10 each for the privilege of joining a political party is a mighty shrewd and a particularly smooth one. And there is one thing certain—the Oregon farmer is not going to tie up with any party while there is any question of the loyalty of those at the head of it.

DEMOCRAT RESIGNS OFFICE.

The first recorded instance of a democrat resigning public office (with salary attached) within recent years took place last week, when J. C. Parker quit the sheriff's office. He gives as his reason that he is going to enter business. To many, however, it looks as if he resigned so that his chief deputy, in whose favor he promised two years ago to step aside, might have the inside track in the general election by virtue of being appointed to fill out the unexpired term. As the office has been held so long by democrats, the county court was helpless in making the appointment, if a man familiar with the office was to be appointed, and there were none but democrats available. It is agreed by republicans that Elkins will be much easier to defeat than Parker would have been, although the latter was given a run for his money two years ago.

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