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SHOULD TAKE AN INTEREST

It is hoped that in the coming city
election a greater interest will be
taken than was displayed in the re-
cent caucuses.

Of course every one of the men
nominated are well known citizens of
Bandon and without doubt there is
not one of the six but could fill the
a councilmanic chair to the benefit
of the city. But the fact that all
of them are good men for the job is
not an excuse for lack of interest in
the coming election.

The men chosen will represent the
city in an official capacity and doubt-
less to their judgment will fall the
weighing of municipal problems of
vital interest to not only the com-
munity at large but also to individ-
ual. And it will surely be
their lot to receive both praise and
censure of their official decisions.
In passing we should remember that
as upholders of the great
American idea of fair play, we can
not criticize an official in whose se-
lection our interest was so small we
failed to take part when the oppor-
tunity was offered.

KEEP BUSINESS GOING

The following business editorial
published by Wanamaker & Co., of
New York City, contains so much of

merit, the World republishes it for
the perusal of its readers:

"Our country, prosperous, can
pay our war costs as they come, and
have enough left over to aid our al-
lies. Our country, unprosperous,
with business halting, money hoard-
ed, through fear or false economy,
will be hard pressed to keep food on
the table and clothing on the back.

"Keep business going, is a patri-
otic slogan. Keep money in circula-
tion. Keep employment for every-
body. Keep wages good. Keep on
making money that we may have
money to spend for war sacrifices.
The worst thing that could happen
to the world these days would be a
business depression in our United
States.

"War in itself does not cause busi-
ness depression. The billion dollars
of money to be expended in war pre-
paration will be put into circulation
in our own country and this in itself
will create new wealth for use in the
world struggle for humanity. The
one thing that might destroy busi-
ness right now is an unpatriotic
economy.

Patriotic economy means the elimi-
nation of waste and extravagance.
It means the conservation of our food
products, our natural wealth, our
health, our energies, our labor, our
very lives. It means putting more
efficiency in everything we do so that
each unit of money, energy and in-
telligence may accomplish the ut-
most. Patriotic economy does not
mean the lowering of America's
standard of living, which would make
us less efficient, physically and men-
tally, nationally and individually,
and would kill the spirit and the will
to do the truly self-sacrificing things
to be done.

"Cities and communities must go
on with their civic improvements.
Road building and public works must
proceed. Railroads must renew their
equipments. Factories must be kept
going to their full capacity. Labor
must be employed. Homes must be
kept up. Merchandise must be pro-
duced, distributed and used. War
duties and war expenditures must be
in addition to peace duties and peace
expenditures. The more we do, the
more we can do. The more money
we spend, the more we will have in
our pockets to spend. Money creates
money.

"In a word, the natural, sane life
of the country must proceed as
though we were not at war, in order
that we may have the necessary pros-
perity to promote the war to a quick
and successful conclusion. President
Wilson sounds the keynote in this
sentence: 'It is evident to every
thinking man that our industries, on

the farm, in the shipyards, in the
mines, in the factories, must be made
more prolific and more efficient.'

"Our industries can be made more
prolific only if the people buy and use
the merchandise produced by our in-
dustries. Manufacturing slackens
when business slackens. Manufac-
turing grows in a prolific way when
business grows. And business can
grow and remain healthful only when
the people buy and keep money in
circulation.

"Business is going in the East, the
West, the North, the South. The
country is prosperous. Last month's
increase in business was very large.
Banks may wait in their operations
until the government bonds are as-
similated. People may pause tempo-
rarily in their outfitting to arrange
to meet the new conditions. But the
unloosening of billions of dollars
will unloose a flow of prosperity ab-
solutely necessary to sustain the
world's burden. Governments set
the pace in their expenditures. Indi-
viduals must not lag behind.

Seven billions of dollars to pay is
only \$70 per capita in the United
States. Yet seven billions of dollars
put into work at 6 per cent—a fair
estimate of the producing power of
money—will create 420 millions of
new wealth.

"The income tax we pay will not be
a tax on prosperity, but a spur to
prosperity. Every dollar the indi-
vidual pays out will come back to
him with interest in the general pros-
perity of the people.

"Keep business going for our coun-
try's sake. War cannot be waged
and won without the sinews of war."

AS TO FREE SPEECH

Among the things for which
America stands is the principle of
civil and religious liberty. Nothing
can be more un-American than to
deny to a man the right to do his
own thinking and to utter his own
convictions when that conviction is
born out of the deepest reverence he
has for truth and duty, says an
eastern exchange.

We find it difficult to repress our
indignation at the absurd charge
brought against citizens of the United
States, who, differing from the ma-
jority of their fellows on the question
of war or peace, are denounced as
traitors to their country, burnt in ef-
figy, and virtually ostracized. We
can understand a church so largely
convinced that war is the only resort
left the nation that it might desire
the resignation of a minister who
conscientiously believed he could not
be true to the teaching of Christian-
ity and uphold war. We cannot con-
ceive of a church accepting such a
resignation in any other spirit than
that of good will and regret.

We can conceive of neighbors dif-
fering widely upon this same ques-
tion of war or peace, but to charge
a man with being false to his flag
because he honestly believes he has
no moral right to shoulder a gun
and go forth to kill someone under
that flag, is to show how little one
understands the significance and
meaning of American history.

Personally we believe there is
nothing left for us as a nation to do
but to protect ourselves against the
forces that have declared war upon
the sacred liberties of mankind, and
would supplant democracy by auto-
cracy. For all that, we reverence the
sincere conviction of the man who
differs from us. We hold his right
as divine as ours.

AS TO FOOD SPECULATION

From every hand come reports
that American farmers are rising to
the occasion and planning the biggest
crops ever grown, says the Portland
Live Stock Reporter. It continues.
Patriotism and self-interest will take
care of this part of the program.

There remains another of equal
importance, and that is to see that
the food produced on American farms
gets to the right parties without
waste and without extortion. We
believe we violate no rule of ethics
when we declare that the right parties
are the people who consume this
food. The railroads must haul much
of it from the villages to central dis-
tributing points. Grain must be
ground into flour and meal. Live
stock must be converted into beef and
bacon. Butter and cheese must be
made. Potatoes must be kept from
freezing, and beans must be cleaned
and put into bags or cans. All of
these products will have to be hand-
led in different ways and sold to con-
sumers or retailers or exported by
proper authorities to our allies now
fighting our battles in Europe.

In the past we have tolerated a
scandalous amount of juggling and
misleading of these products. They
have been bought by special agents
or buyers; sold to jobbers; re-sold to
wholesalers; held in elevators, cel-
lars and warehouses and sold over
and over again. They have been
dumped into the river to force a
shortage and stiffen the price. They
have been shipped back over the
routes whence they came. They have
been cornered by gamblers on
'change. They have been bought by
local merchants on the expectation
of doubling their money. They have
been hoarded by retailers.

All these things have been done in
spite of the fact that many of the op-
erations never added one cent of value
to the article thus handled while
they added cost to the consumer and
worked a hardship on the producer.
Under present circumstances food
speculation is a crime. The farmer
should be guaranteed a good price on
everything he sells and the pirates
who fatten off the sufferings of their

AURORA LEIGH'S GARDEN.

The folds
Hung green about the window,
which let in
The outdoor world with all its
greenery.
You could not push your head
out and escape
A dash of dawn dew from the
honeysuckle.
But so you were baptized into
the grace
And privilege of seeing . . .
First, the lime,
.. past the time, the lawn ..
Which, after sweeping broadly
round the house,
Went trickling through the
shrubberies in a stream
Of tender turf and wore and
lost itself
Among the acacias, over which
you saw
The irregular line of elms by the
deep lane
Which stopped the grounds and
dammed the overflow
Of arbutus and laurel. Out of
sight
The lane was; sunk so deep, no
foreign tramp
Nor drover of wild ponies out of
Wales
Could guess if lady's hall or
tenant's lodge
Dispensed such odors—though
his stick well crook'd
Might reach the lowest trail of
blossoming briar
Which dipped upon the wall.
—Elizabeth Barrett Browning.

'ellows should be treated as the civil-
ized world has always treated
pirates.

Why fret you at your work because
The deaf world does not hear and
praise.

Were it so bad, O workman true,
To work in silence all your days?

I hear the traffic in the street,
But not the white world's o'er the
town;

I heard the gun at sunset roar,
I did not hear the sun go down.

Are work and workman greater when
The trumpet blows their fame
abroad?

Nowhere on earth is found the man
Who works as silently as God.
—Samuel V. Cole.

TWO ANGLERS

A barefoot boy,
A white birch pole:
A can of worms,
A swimmin' hole,
A baited hook,
A tug and a swish,
A steady haul,
A string of fish,
A white duck suit,
A canvas boat,
A costly rod,
A patent float,
A gaudy fly,
A cast and swish,
A pretty sight,
But nary a fish.
(Selected and reprinted at request
of a local nimrod.)

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and independence which has cost us
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