



I pledge allegiance to my flag and the republic for which it stands, one Nation, indivisible, with liberty and justice to all.

FRIGHTFULNESS BROUGHT HOME TO AURORA

Within two months after the Germans had crushed the French and the English armies and imposed peace terms by which the English navy was turned over to Germany, 100,000 German soldiers were landed at Astoria and moved up the Columbia, while another 100,000 landed on Puget sound and engaged the attention of the American Army at Camp Lewis. Reaching Portland without resistance, 10,000 Huns were sent up the Willamette Valley. At Canby they demanded beer and wine, and being angered that there was none, they burned the town and marched on. Reaching Aurora they demanded \$100,000 from the residents. One old lady tried to conceal a small sack of coins, and was taken out and hanged. Some young women living near town met a fate that made them envy her. The Presbyterian minister was thrown into a cesspool while Hun soldiers looked on with laughter and jeers at his struggles. Some of the officers seized the best houses in town, insulted the women and drove them out, defiling and destroying the contents of the house. Some of the invaders got drunk on liquor found in trunks at the depot, and one of them discharged his rifle accidentally. The cry went up that the inhabitants were firing upon the Germans—and then hell broke loose. Robbery, loot, outrage and murder ran riot.

Ten leading citizens were lined up against the Aurora State Bank building and shot. A little child running down the street crying for her father (one of the ten) was bayoneted and left lying in the street. Her sister trying to carry away the body, was seized and violated in plain sight of her father and brother. Twenty other women were outraged and murdered, some even by officers. In all 150 helpless non-resistant men, women and children were killed. The Presbyterian church, the Postoffice, the Observer Office, the Bank Building, the Hotels, the Band Hall, and many residences were burned, and the city water supply destroyed. The ruthless invaders marched on, leaving the valley towns in their path only blackened ruins, the scene of innumerable crimes—until checked and driven back by an American army from the south.

No, this is not just a snappy localized story. It is not fancy at all. It is the Hun method of war. Every horrible detail is just what the Huns have done again and again in Belgium, France and Russia. Had Germany crushed France and England before America entered the war, the same thing would have happened on our shores. It might just as easily be the story of Aurora, of Canby, of Hubbard, or of Macksburg. It is hard to realize the danger, but it really existed and will exist until the Hun is crushed completely and forever! But America awoke to the danger in time, and this story will not be our story.

SUPPRESS PRO-GERMANISM

People all over the country are calling upon the government to deal more vigorously with the pro-German element. Nearly seventeen months have passed since war was declared, and all former German subjects in America have had ample time to reflect upon their obligations to America, and to re-adjust their views as to Germany's responsibility for the war. The government has been lenient with pro-German sympathizers, because it realized the difficulties all American citizens of German descent have had to overcome in readjusting their views to war-time tests of loyalty! But the government and the people have resolved that the time has now come for firmer action—for drastic action!

It is perfectly evident that there are still enemy subjects at large in America who are willing to serve the German government and to aid in the perpetration of crimes against the United States and its citizens. They are ready to conspire to burn property, wreck trains, blow up bridges, dynamite munition factories, to send secret wireless messages to our enemies to help German U-boats to sink our ships at the very gates of our harbors. These men should receive no mercy. We should not wait, however, until their crimes are accomplished. They should be interned today. But there is another element that is daily abusing the confidence or leniency of our government and our people—disloyal naturalized Germans who are false to the oath they took when they acquire citizenship. By that oath they renounced forever all allegiance to the German Emperor and the German government. The slightest attachment or sympathy, expressed or unexpressed, for Germany is a violation of that oath, and any evidence

DAIRY FACTS

ENORMOUS WASTE IN WINTER

Minnesota Dairy Expert Makes Startling Statement as to Amount of Milk That is Wasted.

Three and one-half billion pounds of milk are practically wasted in the dairy states every winter. This makes 21,000,000 pounds every day. The foregoing is a startling statement, but R. M. Washburn of the division of dairy husbandry, Minnesota College of Agriculture, says it is true. The farmer feeds most of his skim milk to hogs. This milk, fed to hogs, produces only 30 per cent of its energy value in edible pork. Eighty per cent of its energy value is lost. Mr. Washburn says, though, that some milk is necessary to start pigs off strongly.

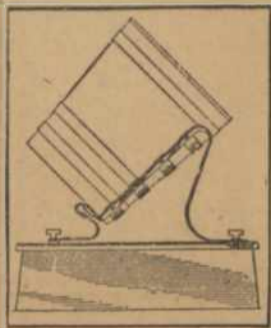
Much more of the energy value of the skim milk will be saved if it is made into cottage cheese. Every 100 pounds of skim milk, says Mr. Washburn, is equivalent to 20 pounds of ordinary meat, and will make 15 pounds of cottage cheese. The cheese contains about one-third more protein and one-third less energy than meat, and is therefore essentially equivalent to meat.

DEVICE ON BUTTER SCALES

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The Scientific American in illustrating and describing an attachment for scales, invented by F. D. Shea, 104 Chambers street New York, says:

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that such attachment or sympathy exists is sufficient cause to strip such naturalized Germans of their American citizenship, restoring them to their true status as enemy aliens. Their property should be confiscated under the alien enemy property act, they should be interned for the period of the war, and at its close deported to Germany.

The protection of our army and navy, the safety of the nation and of individuals all call for the governmental suppression of all pro-German activities. Law and justice cannot prevail otherwise. The time for temporizing is past. It is the duty of every loyal American citizen to point his finger squarely at the Pro-German and demand instant action by the authorities vested with power to act!

The rice riots of Japan are giving that country more concern than the race riots of the South do us.

The interest rate for the Fourth Liberty Loan will be 4 1/4 per cent. On ten billions in bonds, if the rate were raised to 4 1/2 per cent, the increase interest charge would be \$25,000,000 per year.

Simon Benson, chairman of the state highway commission, wants legislation to provide road signs to direct motorists. The 1917 legislature repealed such a law, which required the county court to provide signs—which in most cases they failed to do. Better pass a law to "let Simon do it."

It has become almost necessary for the farmer to be a machinist, a chemist, a botanist, a biologist, and a high financier, as well as ploughman, a food conserver, an economist, and a politician on the side. The advent of the tractor may make it unnecessary to be a graduate horse doctor—unless he wishes to run for Governor.

Wants, For Sale, Etc

LOCAL AD RATE.

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