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THE FOOD SITUATION

The Los Angeles Times has the following very sensible editorial on the food situation that should be read and absorbed by the people generally. It says:

"People need not worry about the high price of potatoes, for spuds have reached probably their extreme altitude. The latest advance was caused by knowledge of the fact that the government would want a large supply of potatoes for the use of the army and navy. So it will, but during the last month potatoes have been planted, in back yards, and in front yards, and in parks, and in cities, and in fields or farms, to an extent double or treble any heretofore known, and long before the new army shall be encamped or the new ships launched, an ample supply of potatoes will be ready for Uncle Sam's purchasing agents at half their present prices

"So with canned goods. Anticipation of large demands for canned fish, canned vegetables, canned fruit and canned milk for the use of the army and navy and for exportation to Europe, has caused an unprecedented demand for these articles even at advanced prices; but this demand, as well as that for flour and cereals and other nonperishable foods, is largely caused by panicky consumers who have means laying in large and unnecessary supplies. It is unfair to accuse middlemen alone of an advance in prices. The merchants of Los Angeles, for instance are almost a unit in denouncing an advance, and many of them have gradually sold their stocks in hand to their regular customers at former prices, and asked higher prices only for recently purchased stocks.

"It may be well for the government to establish a maximum price for flour, meal, potatoes, salted meats, sugar and canned goods, and make it a misdemeanor punishable by fine and imprisonment to exact from purchasers who are consumers more than the maximum price. Consumers might be limited by

law in their purchases to a month's or a fortnight's supply and the government might be authorized to seize excess supplies of stored food and sell them in limited quantities at fixed prices, giving the proceeds of sale to the owner—less his fine.

"Certainly one speculating in food products by locking them up in storage warehouses, with the intent to extort exorbitant prices for them when food storage becomes acute, is a public enemy and should be treated as such.

"When the new crop of potatoes is dug and the new fields of wheat are harvested some months hence, maybe some of the smart alecks whose cellars and bins and sheds are crowded with spuds and flour will wish they hadn't attempted to gain profit from the misfortunes of their fellow creatures."

The Kaiser's Prayer

Mine Gott will you be mine pardner?
You don't know who I am?
I am the German Kaiser,
Der Emperor, vell I am.

You know I whipped dem Belgians,
Und mitt bullets filled Russia full;
Und I vill whip France and Italy and
Blow up Johnny Bull.

Now all dem other nations
I don't give a dam;
If you just be mine pardner
And whip dot Uncle Sam.

You know I got dem submarines,
All Europe knows dot well;
But dot man Edison got a patent now
Vot blows dem all to hell.

Now Gott if you will do dis,
Den you I vill always love;
Und I vill be emperor of der earth,
Und you be de emperor above.

But Gott if you refuse dis,
Tomorrow night at eleven,
I'll call my geppelins out,
Und declar war on heaven.

I vouldent ask dis from you,
But it can be plainly seen,
Dot when Edison pushes dot button,
I got no submarines.

—Exchange.

COMMITTEE ON RED CROSS EXPLAINS WORK IN BULLETIN

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week, as proclaimed by the president, begins June 18. Let every patriotic citizen speak of the campaign to every other person he or she meets.

In this world war some must give their lives, others their money. No patriot at home could bear to think that a patriot bled to death on the battle field because he or she failed to contribute to the Red Cross. You have no right to say you are patriotic unless you give your utmost in service no matter what it may involve in personal sacrifice.

A membership in the Red Cross costs one dollar and every man, woman and child should become a member. The \$600,000 to be raised by Oregon must be raised independently of any membership fee money.

Classified Ads

For Sale, Rent, Wanted, Etc.

BURBANK seed potatoes for sale at \$1.50 per hundred. Phone 45-F11 JOHN PRESHERN, Springfield, R 2

FIR BALSAM WANTED.—We pay current market prices for Fir Balsam in clean barrels. State quantity, price and shipping point in first letter.

ORWOOD PAINT COMPANY
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WANTED: Girl over 16 for general work and to help in the dining room, at Cliff's Cafe.

FOR SALE.—Horse 5 years old, in fine shape, gentle to work single or double, good saddler, will stand anywhere. Has been on the Springfield laundry wagon for over a year. J. W. BAKER, Springfield, Box 191.

WANTED.—A girl who has had experience, to do general housework in small family. Address M. Care of News office, Springfield, Oregon.

MANY GOOD POSITIONS.—Can be had by any ambitious young man or woman in the field of railway or commercial telegraphy. We want a number of young men and women to prepare for the telegraph service to fill vacancies caused by unusual drafting of young men for Signal Corps. Prepare to help your country. Write today for full particulars.

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FOUND: A purse containing promissory coupons. Owner may have same by calling at the News office and paying for this ad.

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BRITON DEFEATS THREE GERMANS

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Escapes Fire of Machine Guns, Rifles and Fieldpieces in Return Flight From Enemy Positions — Aviators Continue to Drop Many Bombs All Over the Enemy's Lines.

Here is the record of a single flight of one British airman made within a few days. Only the names and other small details which might conceivably be useful to the enemy are left out; otherwise the record is precisely as the aviator wrote it.

"When our machines were attacking Cambrai I attacked a hostile aviator at a height of about 7,000 feet. I saw that I had hit his engine as we closed and half looped to one side of him. Then he dived, with a long trail of blue smoke. I dived after him to about 4,000 feet and fired fifty rounds into him, when he went down absolutely out of control. I watched him spinning down a thousand feet, his trail of smoke increasing.

Attacked by Three.

"I was immediately attacked by three enemy machines, which drove me down to a height of only 300 feet. We were firing on one another whenever possible. When at last I got into a good position I attacked one of them from above, having another on my right. I closed on the latter, turning in on him so close that I could actually get a sight on the pilot's head. I saw one of my bullets strike his head, and the machine then simply heeled over and fell to the ground. The other two machines cleared off.

"Having lost sight of the other machines, I decided to fly home very low, about 200 feet. A troop of German cavalry going east along a small road halted and fired at me, and also several machine guns opened fire on me.

"After going west for about five minutes I was again attacked by an enemy single seater. As we approached I rocked my machine until he was within fifty yards. Then I side looped over him and fired a short burst at him. He seemed to clear off and then attacked me again. These operations were repeated several times with slight variations in the way I looped over him until within about five minutes of the time of crossing the line (flying against a strong wind), when he was about 150 yards behind I looped over him.

Hits Pilot in Back.

"Coming out of the loop, I fired a good long burst and saw where I hit the pilot in the back just over the edge of the cockpit. He immediately dived straight to the ground.

"I then went over German trenches

filled with soldiers. I was fired on by machine guns, rifles and small field guns. There was a lot of artillery firing going on, and many of our shells were bursting about the German trenches somewhere in the vicinity of the Cambrai road. I saw many small companies of infantry and cavalry going east along the small roads, but noted no convoys or movements of artillery.

"I landed at the first aerodrome I saw, for my machine was badly shot about."

During the battle, besides the daily job of observation of the enemy's guns and positions, airmen continually fly far into the enemy's country. In the last few days alone they have dropped twenty-seven tons of explosives on enemy stations, depots and stores and positions of all kinds. They have gone down close to earth and sprayed the German trenches and roads with machine guns.

VALUE OF THE PORPOISE.

Oil From Its Jaw Keeps Clocks and Watches Running Smoothly.

In this bustling age of ours, when even seconds count in business life, it may sound paradoxical to say that we owe our punctuality and time saving to the playful porpoise. And yet such, indeed, is the fact, for watches, clocks and the still more dignified chronometer would not run month in and month out with regularity but for the lubricant obtained from its jaws. This oil has the unique property of being able to retain its fluidity summer and winter, and there is an authentic record of the lubricant doing its work at a temperature of quite 100 degrees below the freezing point.

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Record Fishing.

A correspondent asks for the record tuna taken on light tackle in Santa Catalina island waters. He requests further enlightenment on what light tackle means.

Light tackle of the Tuna club consists of a wood rod, butt and tip, not shorter than six feet over all. Butt to be not over fourteen inches in length, tip not less than five feet in length and not to weigh more than six ounces. Line not to exceed standard nine thread.

On this tackle R. Rochester, Jr., of Los Angeles, in the waters of San Clemente on Aug. 28, 1913, fought a seventy-seven and three-fourths pound tuna for seven hours before subduing the fish.—New York Sun.

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