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VALUE OF INDUSTRY IN WAR

(By Wm. B. H. Dowse)

We stand tonight on the thresh-
old of a new epoch in our history.
We have been tested before in the
fires of war, but these wars have
been waged at home or near our
borders, and we fought to establish
our independence and maintain our
integrity as a nation. Our independ-
ence and our national existence are
at stake in this conflict, but we
have entered the war to maintain
international obligations and to
defend democracy.

All the instrumentalities of the
nation must be mobilized for service
in the great task to which we have
set our hands. Our army, gallantly
led and with the ranks filled with
the world's bravest men, can be
depended upon to uphold the best
traditions of the service, but a
great deal of work is needed to make
it adequate in numbers, equipment
and training. The United States
Navy has covered itself with glory
in all our wars and to a ship and
to a man it will do its duty. The
pity is that there are not more
ships and more men, for a greater
task has never been assigned to
our Navy than that which faces it
today.

Through years of neglect our
merchant marine has been allowed
to decline and we must improvise
the means of ocean transportation.
The lesson of these recent years
should not be forgotten. All legiti-
mate means of government encourage-
ment of shipping and ship-building
should be utilized to prevent any
catastrophe in the future, and
public sentiment should be aroused
in earnest support of universal
military training.

So far as its industries are
concerned the United States is
better prepared for this emergency
than it is in any other way. Taught
by the bitter experiences of our
struggle for independence, the
fathers of the nation realized the
absolute necessity of diversified
industries and they adopted a
definite and successful policy of
encouragement and protection of
manufacturers.

We owe it to their wise fore-
thought and to the deliberate
judgment of the American elector-
ate, expressed so often at our
national elections, that our indus-
tries are so capable today of meet-
ing the demands of this critical
hour. We had to fight for the
establishment of these industries
and their successful operation
throughout the past hundred
years against the bitter opposi-
tion of the older manufacturing
nations of the world. And Great
Britain, the nation that hoped to
be the workshop of the world and
that tried most persistently to
prevent our industrial develop-
ment as a goal as we are today
that her efforts to crush our
industries in their infancy failed
and that our efforts to become a
great manufacturing nation suc-
ceeded, for it is upon these Ameri-
can industries the product of a
century of protection, that Great
Britain and her allies depend in
this time of need.

No more striking vindications
of a national industrial policy
could be afforded than this pres-
ent demonstration of the world's
need of the American manufac-
turer, of the American work-
man, of the American producer.
It is upon the products of the
mills, the factories and the farms
of the United States that the
issues of this war depend. More
than upon our Army, more than
upon our Navy, though their
service and their sacrifice will
be upon an unparalleled scale,
the issues of this war depend
upon the productive industries of
our country, and that we have
these industries today is due to
the fact that throughout most
of our history we have main-
tained a policy of encouraging
and protecting American farm-
ing in the history of our coun-
try; the most critical period in
the history of the world. Every
man from the highest official
to the humblest citizen should
render to the country the best
service of which he is capable;
and every man capable of ren-
dering service should be given
his chance, whether it is hoeing
a row of corn or leading a
brigade on the battlefields of
France.

THE LOOKING GLASS

Soliloquizing the Home Guards

Captain Jensen, Spick and span
Had something to do for every man

With military hat and wooden gun
He put the Kaiser on the run

Ach, Himmel wasn't it fine
As sharp shooter Kepner toed the line

Springfield's safe from aero attack
Since Lieutenant Kirk is on their track

After those uniforms arrive the civi-
lians won't be in it

And in the years to come, the annual
encampment of the Home Guards will
be some event

Remember the drill tonight at 7:30.
Every male member of the town is el-
ligible to enlistment.

Classified Ads

For Sale, Rent, Wanted, Etc.

- LOST Alligator skin pocket book be-
tween Fourth street and the river
bridge Saturday morning. Leave
at News office.
- WANTED—Position in family to do
housework. I am 20 years old and
experienced. Vera Cox. Phone
44-F12.
- LOST—Friday on the street a gold
watch chain bearing the letters
M. W. A. Return to News office.
- FIR BALSAM WANTED.—We pay
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price and shipping point in first
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News office and paying for this ad.
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Cut Clover Now and Avoid Midge

This is the Advice of the Oregon
Agricultural College at
Corvallis.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COL-
LEGE, Corvallis, June 16. (Special)
"We would advise that the clover be
cut now in the fields where it is de-
sired to produce a seed crop," writes
Mr. C. W. Creel, scientific entomolog-
ical assistant of the U. S. D. A. In
a recent communication to Professor
Lovett, entomologist at O. A. C. Ob-
servations in the field have been made
at various points in Lane, Benton,
Linn, Clackamas, Washington, Polk
and Yamhill counties, by government
experts. "The brood of the seed
midge is much later than usual," he
continues, "but for the best results
the clover should be cut now." We
find that the aphid also is not so bad
on clover cut earlier and the possi-
bility of rains later which might delay
the cutting beyond the midge-free date
makes it advisable to cut at this time."
Those desiring more complete data
on the midge should write to O. A. C.
for the bulletin No. 203 on clover seed
pests.

Fourth-Class Postmaster Examination
The United States Civil Service Com-
mission has announced an examination
to be held at Eugene, Oregon, on June
22, 1917, as a result of which it is
expected to make certification to fill
a contemplated vacancy in the posi-
tion of fourth-class postmaster at Jas-
per, Oregon, and other vacancies as
they may occur at that office, unless
it shall be decided in the interests of
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