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A newspaper writer who asked General Pershing what he thought of the league of nations, got this reply: "I think we had better keep out of European affairs as far as possible."

Senator Miles Poindexter, of Washington state, announces that he is a candidate for the republican nomination for president.

Well well!—But there is no law to prevent anybody seeking nomination for that office.

The Canadian Pacific railroad has paid the same wages paid on American railroads without advancing its charges for service, and it came through the war period unimpaired financially. Why? Because the big Canadian system was privately managed by experienced railroad men. The American roads and the American public have paid a frightful cost to show what political management and control can't do.—Washington State Weekly.

About three months ago shoe manufacturers and wholesalers told the country that shoe prices were going up and up and up until any serviceable footwear would cost twenty dollars or more for a pair. Immediately there was a big howl started in the press and general demand for investigation. The shoe men then suddenly discovered that instead of going up the price of shoes was going to come down, and that very shortly. The howl then stopped—and last week the wholesale shoe dealers' association again announced that prices will not come down, and that still higher cost may be looked for before the next springtime.

In the matter of soaring prices and consequent high living cost the various departments and bureaus of government don't appear to be doing very good team work.

In an address delivered at Boston last week, Attorney General Palmer appealed for a campaign of "construction, saving and economy" to meet the war "not merely against high prices, but against hunger and starvation in the cities and towns of our beloved land."

Contrawise, the government railroad administration during the past summer has advertised specially low round-trip fares throughout the East to induce people to make tourist trips to the Pacific coast and get rid of the money the attorney-general wants them to save.

And a circular-letter just received from the forest service at Portland tells us of the creation of a new department, the functions of which are to spend money in providing all sorts of conveniences for tourists in the national forests and to co-operate with all agencies interested in increasing tourist travel.

RAILROADS AND POLITICS

[Forest Grove Sentinel.]

Congressman Hawley has assured the shippers of lumber in this section that he prevailed upon the railroad administration to furnish the necessary cars for the movement of the product.

We wish to commend Congressman Hawley for his energy and also to draw attention to the fact that this action bears out the claim often made by The Sentinel that turning the railroads over to the government would be to make them a political football. This is the first concrete evidence that we have had of the truth of this statement, but it shows to what extent influence at Washington could be used in the securing of service from government-owned railroads.

A congressman whom an opposing administration desired to punish might have some trouble in getting any favors for his district, but the fellow who was on the inside could get anything he wanted. The West would stand a fat chance of getting what

was coming to it under such a system with the great bulk of the members, and the more influential ones, coming from the East with its greater demands for service.

We are grateful to Congressman Hawley because he has been successful in this instance, but we do not wish to be placed in a position where we will be dependent upon action by our congressmen to get railroad service.

No government ownership for us.

STRAWBERRIES. STRAWBERRIES

The development of the small fruit industry has raised the strawberry to a most important place.

The market for this fruit in 1919 opened at \$200.00 a ton and advanced rapidly to \$240.00 a ton. The average price for ten years including 1919 was \$90.00 a ton.

Is any stronger argument needed to show the wonderful opportunity presented for profit by raising this crop?

The Wilson is ideal for jelly, jams and preserves and yields two to three tons per acre. The Etterburg 121 promises great results not alone from standpoint of productivity, yielding in California all the way from four to six tons per acre, but they are ideal for factory purposes being solid red throughout and retaining their color. In California they crop four to six years.

The demands for strawberries has exceeded all sources of production at present. Take the Willamette valley, Oregon, as an example. Not to exceed 200 tons are grown and the best estimates show there is a market for at least 2000 tons.

A world-wide demand has been created for this fruit and the problem now is to bring production up to a point where this demand can be supplied. The strawberry is now sent to the ends of the earth in its preserved form, whereas in its fresh form its shipping possibilities were limited. The development of fruit preserving and canning industry has made the market for this crop.

Plant Strawberries should be a slogan in every community where they will grow.

MONEY IN GRAPES

For years grapes simply went to waste in the Willamette valley, Oregon, until development of jam and jelly industry was started by the Phez company at Salem. It will this season manufacture 25,000 gallons of grape stock for jelly and jam, using 100 tons of grapes. This is encouraging increased acreage of grapes of the Concord and Campbell's early varieties. Price paid this season, \$100 per ton. Vines begin bearing at three years and at 8 years have produced 5 to 8 tons per acre. In the grape districts of New York and Ohio manufacturers are paying \$65 per ton for grape-juice purposes, while for its greatest competitor—loganberry juice—as high as \$180 per ton was paid in 1919 for the raw product and loganberry juice now in active demand even at much higher price than grape juice.

SMALL FRUITS AND LOGGED-OFF LAND

In developing the small-fruit industry the way is opened up for making use of thousands of acres of logged-off land. Utilization of this land has long been a problem, as the cost of clearing it in large tracts has been beyond the average farmer. The small tract devoted to berries seems to offer a solution.

As a general rule, logged-off land makes ideal fruit land. Ten acres of this cheap land will produce thousands of dollars' worth of berries. A man can soon clear an acre or two for a start and add to his patch rapidly after that. Contract prices for such berries as strawberries, logan-

berries and raspberries are high enough so that a man starting in on a tract like this can see his way out with a good profit for his labor, not to mention the tremendous increase in the value of his land.

Logged-off land offers wonderful opportunities for the man with a little ambition who wishes to gain an independent living.

THRIFT

By Dr. Frank Crane.

Thrift is simply the application of intelligence to expenditure.

It does not mean only saving. It does not connote skimping and penny-pinching, niggardliness and miserliness. That is often the most foolish kind of waste, waste of health, of spirits and of the joy of life.

Thrift means intelligent spending. To spend a dollar now may save two dollars next month.

Thrift implies a budget. If you have no wise plan, it makes little difference how much you make. What is the use of forging ahead when you don't know your destination?

Some busy money-makers might sing, with Mr. Dooley, "We don't know where we're going, but we're on our way."

Thrift implies foresight. It means we can see tomorrow as well as today. —By special permission.

W-S-S

The Woolworth building in New York was built with five and ten cent pieces. Save them.

SPRINGFIELD FLOUR

WE HAVE ADDED TO OUR LINE OF FLOUR MADE FROM LOCAL WHEAT A NEW FLOUR AND WE HAVE NAMED HER

"Springfield"

IT IS MADE FROM AN EASTERN HARD WHEAT AND LOCAL LITTLE RED HARD WHEAT

"Noxall"

IS A HIGH PATENT MADE FROM OUR BEST LOCAL WHEAT WITH ALL THE LOW GRADE REMOVED

—AND YOU KNOW OUR CREAM MIDDINGS AND OLD-FASHIONED GRAHAM MADE ON THE OLD-FASHIONED MILL STONE

ALL MONEY-BACK GUARANTEE

SPRINGFIELD MILL AND GRAIN COMPANY



THIRD RED CROSS ROLL CALL

Nov. 2 to 11 1919

TIME TO RE-JOIN

"It is on membership more than money contributions that the stress of the present campaign is laid, for the Red Cross seeks to associate the people in welfare work throughout the land, especially in those communities where neither official nor unofficial provision has been made for adequate health and social service."—President Wilson.

"The American Red Cross is the mobilized heart and spirit of the whole American people."—Henry P. Davison.

"A magnificent spirit breathes in the American Red Cross."—Marshal Foch.

In giving prompt and efficient relief the Red Cross has won the eternal gratitude of millions of people."—General Pershing.

"It requires no organization to allow one of us as an individual to buy a dinner for a hungry man. It requires the greatest degree of organization to deal with the foes of a world. The Red Cross seems to be essentially demanded. . . . Without the Red Cross I do not know whether the world would have been able to bear the horrors and devastation of this fearful war."—Newton B. Baker.

"The Red Cross is the great Neighbor. . . . If the world is made a little more comfortable, a little happier, a little stronger for the struggle of life through its effort, the Red Cross is content."—The Secretary of the Navy.

"The Red Cross is not going to turn its back on its responsibilities."—Livingston Farrand, Chairman, Executive Committee, National Red Cross.

"I don't know what we would have done without the help of the Americans. I thank you from the bottom of my heart."—Ignace Paderewski, Premier of Poland.

"Mr. Davison has spoken to me of how the Red Cross hopes to continue work even in peace time. This is a noble enterprise. . . . Wonderful results could be obtained if all countries would join hands, especially in all questions concerning small children, tuberculosis, and sanitation in general."—Queen Marie of Rumania.

"The Red Cross is America at her best. . . . Money given to the Red Cross is not an investment, nor is it a charity. It is a sacrament."—Charles A. Eaton, Pastor Fifth Ave. Baptist Church, N. Y.

"It is extraordinary what can be accomplished when a free people all unite and work together for their common good and for the good of humanity."—Cardinal Mercier.

The Red Cross—a work of the heart on a sound business basis. Membership in the Red Cross is insurance against regret. The Red Cross never intrudes—but she has a mother's sensitive hearing. Red Cross is not a responsibility—it's an opportunity. JOIN.