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PREPAREDNESS NOT A PARTY ISSUE

The Capital Journal has never taken kindly to the idea of maintaining a large standing army in this country. It has been our belief that we need have no fear of invasion by any armed foreign force that would threaten independence, or levy tribute upon our people. A navy of sufficient size and efficiency to protect our commerce on the seas and our interests abroad has seemed a necessity, expensive as it has proven to maintain, but a regular army larger than that required to do federal police duty has seemed contrary to our accepted ideals of government, and useless because of the wide expanse of ocean separating us from other world powers.

The developments of the present European war, its sensational over-turning of old-time military strategy, armament, and equipment, has brought about many changes of opinion in this country in regard to our ability to defend our country in case of aggression. Submarine warfare, long range and powerful artillery, undreamed of in any of the wars in which this nation has engaged, aeroplane and airship—as engines of observation and destruction—these have tended to annihilate distance and render useless many of the natural defenses upon which we have relied and believed in since we began to reckon the United States as a world power. Moreover, there are signs of the times which seem to be apparent to those high in power, who are cognizant of international affairs, from the president down to the leaders of the national congress, that have caused these men to unite in seeking to arouse the nation to a sense of impending danger if preparatory steps to meet the world crisis are not taken without unnecessary delay. Not all these leaders agree upon the methods of procedure but all are of accord in urging action toward a common end.

This unity of sentiment seems to have blotted out political lines in the national congress, as was evidenced by the recent utterances of Minority Leader Mann on the floor of the lower house. Representative Mann in his speech made his plea for support of preparedness plans upon the ground that it behooves the United States to prepare now for any eventualities that may come of the European war. He saw no immediate danger of war and hoped that peace might prevail, but the danger of this country being drawn into the present conflict or one that might result from it is too great to be disregarded. He urged no particular plan, but favored a standing army of a quarter million or even half a million men, better coast defenses and a navy able to defend the country on the seas. In pleading for a non-partisan view of the question, a view of it from the standpoint of patriotic American citizenship, he said: "I think that we ought to provide these great forces, that it should be considered an emergency matter, entirely apart from the ordinary routine or expense of government, without regard to partisan or party lines." He said the cost would be millions now, but better than billions later.

Representative Mann is a Republican and has been known as favoring a small army and navy. The position he takes now is that of one who sees the dangers and would be prepared not only to ward off trouble but meet it decisively in the event of hostilities.

It is undoubtedly a time for serious thought and patriotic action, unbiased by deep-seated prejudice and unrestricted by partisan considerations. Mr. Mann's position is that of a statesman and not a partisan, and his frank avowal of duty first to his country does honor to the party which elevated him to a position of leadership.

"Millionaire Hobo" Jones and his followers in St. Louis are protesting as strenuously as their store of energy will permit against any program of national "preparedness." There is at least the suggestion that it means work for somebody.

The weather forecaster has the softest snap we know of these days. All he has to do is to send out the prophecy, "Probable rain or snow"—and it makes a hit every time.

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MANAGEMENT OF A MILLION

Aside from yourself, how many people do you think could successfully manage \$1,000,000 suddenly acquired? Of course, you are sure you could. But how many others among your acquaintances could?

A woman in New York, who is 87 years old and the member of the household of a farmer, has inherited \$1,000,000, and the county judge has appointed a committee to take care of it for her, on the ground that she is unable to take care of it herself.

And the question arises: How many of us (besides yourself) would be any better able to manage this amount of money than is this old woman?

The woman of 87 whose habits and tastes have been developed and become fixed in the simple life on the farm would be less likely to squander her money in fast living than anybody else who can be imagined. In her, selfish ambitions would not use this money as a cruel lever to squeeze labor and oppress the public. Nor would vanity tempt her to an extravagant display.

All this could not be said of all of us. When we think how many hundreds of millionaires are mismanaging their money, using it only as a means of securing more and of feeding their own selfishness, the conviction is forced that the best management of \$1,000,000 does not necessarily lie in increasing it.

It is feared by the court that the old woman might not cling to her million as tightly as most millionaires do. And it would be a terrible calamity to her and the world, wouldn't it?

She might develop a soft spot in her heart and give some of this heap of money away to relieve human suffering and promote human good. And that would not be good financiering—would it?

So a committee is appointed to look after this money, to keep it together in a feasting heap, and to increase it—the Lord only knows what for.

The Oregon City Enterprise evidently thinks that Marion county handles its road funds to better advantage than Clackamas does. Here is what it says: "County Clerk Max Gehlar, of Marion county, this week issued a statement showing that the county to the south of Clackamas spent \$261,000 for roads in 1915. This sum includes the money turned over to the incorporated towns and cities of the county, the district and special funds as well as the general county road fund. Marion county has an assessed valuation of \$42,500,000, compared with an assessed valuation of \$30,000,000 of Clackamas county. Despite the fact that Clackamas has \$12,500,000 less taxable property than Marion county, we raised about \$300,000 for road work in 1915. Clackamas county wants good roads, and certainly needs them. The only trouble is that the county has not yet adopted the right method."

Baker City has tried the commission plan of government and it seems to have failed, as it has in Des Moines, Iowa, and many other places. Now they are talking of a city manager as a cure for the evils of government from which they are suffering. All these new ideas in the management of public business seem to be in the experimental stage and most municipalities which have pioneered in them seem worst off than those which have clung to the old methods.

President Wilson is a real mean if we may believe the republican leaders. They accused him of swiping their "preparedness" program some months ago, and now he announces his advocacy of a non-partisan tariff commission. Still, as "stealing political thunder" is little more than petit larceny it is doubtful if they will take steps toward prosecuting the chief executive.

Railroads officials may be cheered by the thought that the "worst is yet to come." The snow blockades are almost sure to be followed by washouts.

What's the use of so many editors wasting space objecting to the income tax? They are all immune.



ONE MAN'S MEAT

The snow is good for the winter wheat, but it isn't good for rheumatic feet. And that is the way with all things on earth; for some they're bringing a freight of woe—there's rheumatiz in the sparkling snow! The wind is bitter and keen and cold, and it brings delight to the plumber bold, but it brings to us the forbidding frown, for pipes are bursting all over town. The ashes thrown on the icy walk saves many a man from a beastly shock; but the surgeon sighs, "That's the way they rob a man like me of a first rate job!" The snow is good for all kinds of soils, but my feet feel like two third-rate boils. The young man sings as he lightly treads, the kids exult as they tool their sleds; the bards sing odes to the "mantle white," and find new charms in a wintry night; but I sit nursing my aching feet, and what I am saying I won't repeat; the words I use have a dark green tint, the editor says they won't do to print.

HOOSIER GOVERNOR FOR PREPAREDNESS

Makes Strong Plea for Americanism Without Any Kind of a Hyphen

Attention, all ye folks from the state of "Tippecanoe and Tyler, too," and those from Kiekapoo and Kokomo, and from the banks of the Wabash, and from Posey county, and from the home of Abe Martin and J. Whitcomb Riley. Here are a few things former Lieutenant Governor Martin, of Indiana, said in a Thanksgiving address delivered at Manila, Philippine Islands: "For many years some of our people have advocated a greater degree of preparedness for war. It has seemed as if each year, our people have become more heedless of the lessons of history, and more sure that we were so peculiarly favored, that with folded arms and childish complacency, we could assume that for us, the millennium had arrived. "No song was more popular than one, the theme of which was, 'I did not raise my boy to be a soldier,' a sentiment which would have made our grandmothers blush with shame. "We must be Americans with no hyphens. We must make ready for defense. It will not be enough to have arms and munitions. It will not be enough to have soldiers and sailors. We must have the faith of the martyrs in the high calling of our nation. We must believe that we are worth defending. "We will again hail the day when the United States will again command the respect of the world. Therefore, the change in sentiment within the last few months is inspiring. We are again beginning to see our duty to the world. "S. M. Hesselman, of rural route No. 7, is a Hoosier who is well acquainted with former Lieutenant Governor Martin and a thorough believer in preparedness.

San Francisco Imports Break All Records for Month During January

San Francisco, Feb. 3.—January was the greatest import month in the history of the Port of San Francisco. While figures are not completely tabulated at the customs house, it was announced today that the imports in January will total at least \$14,000,000. The nearest approach to this was in July 1915 when \$8,777,000 worth of foreign goods entered the United States through this port. Wool, raw silk and coffee consigned to the warring countries in Europe are being imported in great quantities and are responsible for the January record, Collector Davis says.

MRS. WILSON'S LIBERAL "TIP"

Des Moines, Ia., Feb. 3.—Peggy Connor, head waitress of the Hotel Chamberlain, is treasuring a \$5 gold piece "tip" Mrs. Wilson gave her here while the president was making his preparedness campaign stop. Officials allowed there'd be no trouble about it, though tipping is prohibited by law in Iowa.

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Dear Mr. Editor:
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Forest Rangers To Feed Game and Birds

Portland, Ore., Feb. 3.—The district forester at Portland, Ore., has issued a circular letter to all forest officers, urging them to feed game and birds in their respective localities during storm periods. The national forest appropriation is limited to the care of fish and game supplied to stock the forests or the waters therein, and cannot be used for the purchase of food for game and birds. However, the matter is a most worthy one, especially during this year of exceptional storms, and each forest officer is urged not only to use his best efforts to furnish game animals and song birds with something in the way of food, but is asked to appeal to ranchers and stockmen generally in his vicinity to do their part in aiding the work.

Mexicans Will Deny Claims of Carranzistas

San Francisco, Feb. 3.—The claim that the Carranza government is a "de facto" organization is unlawful and maintained only by force of arms will be set up Tuesday when two Mexicans are tried here on charges of having lithographic stones for printing Carranza currency. Defense Attorney Brand indicated today that he will prove there could be no offense against a de facto government, for he claims such a government has no standing in legal proceedings. Moreover, he will try to prove that the Carranza regime is a "de facto" government, through reference to communications of President Wilson and Secretary of State Lansing thus designating it.

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