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COMPULSORY WORK.

Everybody works in West Virginia. Or everybody will, when the new compulsory labor law goes into effect. A statute recently enacted by the legislature requires every male citizen from 16 to 69 to engage in some sort of labor for 36 hours a week as long as the war lasts.

"In no case," says the law, "shall the possession by the accused of money, property or income sufficient to support himself and those legally dependent on him be a defense to any prosecution under this act."

And the penalty? The "able-bodied male idler, loafer or loiterer," as the law designates the work-shirkers, will be liable to pay a fine of \$100 and do his bit at road-mending in striped uniform.

Tramps and retired millionaires under 69 will therefore steer clear of West Virginia from now on. But they will have no assurance of immunity elsewhere, for this wartime-strenuousness virus is spreading. Loafing, whether in rags or a Palm Beach suit, is no longer fashionable or tolerable. If there is a community in the country that has not settled down to a deep conviction that the war is a big national job demanding every man's best effort, that community has not been heard from.

We're getting back to first principles—to the good old pioneer rule of Captain John Smith, that "he that will not work shall not eat." And it's a wholesome tendency which, let us hope, will not be immediately dissipated by the return of peace.

CRIPPLING THE PRESS.

The success of the Liberty Loan will be primarily due to the newspapers of the United States, which have given millions of dollars' worth of space and effort to popularizing and selling the bonds. All this publicity has cost the newspapers money, just as surely as it costs a farmer money to give away his crops, or costs a painter money to do a job of painting for nothing.

The papers have done it voluntarily and gladly, as a patriotic duty. They have expected no return of any sort except the reward that a newspaper man prizes most highly—the consciousness of having performed a public service. There has been no "string" to the Liberty Loan publicity, any more than there has to the ready, zealous, non-partisan support given by the American press as a whole to all the important war measures undertaken by the government.

At the same time, the newspapers naturally feel somewhat aggrieved that the government, ignoring those services along with the basic conditions of the newspaper business, should insist on raising second-class postal rates to a height that will seriously injure every important newspaper in the country and will drive large numbers out of business. It behooves a state of mind at Washington which not only fails to appreciate services rendered, but fails to realize the inevitable consequences of such postal discrimination.

The American press, needless to say, will not be animated by a spirit of revenge even if it is driven to the edge of ruin by such an unjust and untimely tax on its resources. But if the press is crippled by this or any other form of discriminatory legislation, it will no longer be able to perform such effective service, at a time when the public services that newspapers can render are particularly needed.

GOVERNMENT AND BUSINESS.

About 1,000 of the country's leading business men are now in Washington for an indefinite period.

In former days that announcement would have been received by the public with some misgivings. It would have meant, to most citizens, that they had gone there to promote their own particular business interests—that they were lobbyists. But that sort of thing has almost disappeared. These thousand keen business brains are not seeking any selfish advantage for themselves or their stockholders. All are giving their time and ability voluntarily and without compensation to help put the country in economic readiness for efficient war-making.

Among these men are the active heads of several great railroad systems, and many bankers whose names are household words. Every branch of big business is represented. Every man is an expert devoting his best effort to the particular public need which he can best serve.

There has never been anything like this before in the history of our coun-

MINERS' UNION WILL BUY \$100,000 LIBERTY BONDS

PRESIDENT FARRINGTON ANNOUNCES DECISION OF EXECUTIVE BOARD TO BOOST PATRIOTISM—MEMBERS IN SERVICE DUES.

Springfield, Ill., June 7.—One hundred thousand dollars' worth of liberty loan bonds will be purchased by the Illinois branch of the United Mine Workers of America. It was announced today. This is twice the amount which the international organization proposes to buy.

Final plans for the purchase of the Liberty bonds were made at the special meeting of the executive board. Frank Farrington, president of the organization said, other patriotic measures were discussed.

"We want to show the nation," Farrington said "that the Illinois organization is patriotic. We can afford to do it even better than the International body. We are more than a million dollars richer, and why shouldn't we? The country needs everybody's support. The United Mine Workers of Illinois is behind the President to a man."

All miners enlisting in the military branches of the government service will be exempt from payment of dues and will hold the same privileges as before enlistment, according to a decision by the international executive board in session in Indianapolis recently, and given out today.

"We recommend," the decision reads, "to all local unions that members of the United Mine Workers who engage in military service be exonerated from the payment of all dues and assessments levied by the international organization or its subordinate branches for the time they are enlisted, in their country's cause. Also that during this period they are entitled to enjoy all rights and privileges of the members of the United Mine Workers of America in good standing with all branches of the organization."

WOMAN PLAYED HEROIC PART IN THE CIVIL WAR

Gave Husband and Sons and While They Were Away Diligently Cultivated Plantation.

Charleston, S. C.—During the first days of that most lamentable conflict that we now know as the civil war a little woman in this state gave her husband and their four grown sons to fight for the cause that to her seemed just. She was not belligerent; she was brave. A few years later a neighbor brought her word that all but the youngest boy had been killed, says Hansburg Liehe of the Vigilantes.

"You shouldn't have sent them all," said this neighbor. "You should have kept two of those boys at home."

"If I had a dozen to send I would have sent them," the little woman replied very readily, very calmly. "And I know that my men went down in their boots, doing distinguished service. You see, I know my men."

At the end of the war the youngest boy returned. He was a captain, and not a captain merely by courtesy. As he rode through the old plantation he saw to his intense surprise that it was in a fair state of cultivation and that foodstuffs had taken the place of cotton. He had expected to find those broad acres filled with weeds and brambles. As soon as he had proudly greeted his mother and been in turn proudly greeted by her, he spoke of this.

"That was my part," she told him. "You couldn't fight without having something to eat, could you?"

It was then that he noted the marks of toil on her hands, and he knew that the faithful old negroes had not done all the hard work. He brought his heels together in the military fashion and lifted his hand to the rim of his hat. "Mother," he said, not very steadily, "I salute you, the greatest soldier of us all!"

Shave Renews His Youth. Bridgeville, Del.—Shaved for the first time in fifty years, Daniel F. Long, who lives outside of Bridgeville, is expecting to become a regular "cutup." Long is about eighty years old and has not been shaved since he was thirty years old. Long has never visited a large city, never saw a cinema, never was on a railroad train and never went to a moving picture show. He expects to go to a "movie" and plans to visit Philadelphia on the next excursion.

try. There was no such cooperation in the American Revolution or the Civil wars. And certainly there was nothing approaching it in the last peaceful decade. Business and government have themselves been at war for many years, to their own mutual disadvantage and loss. The new co-operation is a fact of happy omen. Surely business and government—which means business men and office-holders—will understand each other better hereafter, and get along better. Co-operation need not end with the emergency that produced it.

SUBSTITUTES FOR MONEY.

Trader Will Take Almost Anything in Lieu of It.

Cottonwood Falls, Kan.—Robert Younggreen, a merchant in the little town of Thurman, a trading point in the southeastern part of this county, twenty miles from the nearest railroad point, has a habit of recalling pioneer days.

If money is not forthcoming for merchandise secured at the store Younggreen is not backward in accepting substitutes. Coyote scalps, gopher scalps, crow eggs and crow heads are his favorites. A coyote's scalp is accepted as \$1, a gopher at 5 cents and crow heads a cent apiece.

The county bounty on these pelts and the long distance from the county seat explain the unusual "money" accepted. When Younggreen has a good supply on hand he mails or brings them to the office of the county clerk and is paid the legal bounty, the same value as he has already paid out to his friends.

DID HIS BEST TO ENLIST.

Patriotic Youth Placed Small Cotton Pad Under Each Heel.

Albany, N. Y.—Trying to boost his five feet three inches up to the standard required for military service, Willis Hartman, a patriotic youth from Glenwood, near here, tried a form of elevation that almost got by the United States marine corps recruiting officers here.

Willis went through without a flaw until he stripped to be examined for scars, when the doctor discovered several layers of adhesive plaster and a small cotton pad under each heel that gave a "French heel effect" to the would be warrior. When it was removed he lacked one inch of meeting the required height.

"I don't want to be a slacker," so I tried my best to enlist," said Hartman when he was rejected. "The scheme would be all right, too," he added, "if I could only make it stick."

REFUSE TO FIGHT.

Adventists Declare Religion Bars Them From Battles.

Washington.—Seventh Day Adventists have notified the war department that their religion will not allow them to participate in the war between the United States and Germany.

The declaration adopted by the executive committee of the North American division conference sets forth that, although believing in the principles upon which this government is founded and acknowledging that it should receive the support of its citizens, the Adventists are "compelled to decline all participation in acts of war and bloodshed as being inconsistent with the duties enjoined upon us by our Divine Master toward our enemies and toward all mankind."

GIRL NOT LEFT BEHIND HIM.

Soldier Said Goodby, but She, in Fighting Garb, Followed.

Pittsburgh.—Disguised as a soldier in the hope of being near her sweetheart, Marion Nestor, eighteen, of Woodlawn, rode on the Eighteenth regiment troop train 150 miles before she was discovered. Weeping, she was placed aboard a train for home.

Lieutenant Ottman W. Freshour of Company K, his suspicions excited by the appearance of an soldier, took off the suspect's hat. Long brown hair fell about the shoulders and face of a pretty but frightened girl.

Miss Nestor said that when Stewart Walthour, nineteen, of Woodlawn, was called with his regiment she wanted to go too, but he bade her goodbye and left. She decided to follow.

DR. FINLEY VISITS FRANCE.

He Carries Message to Schools of Sister Republic.

Albany, N. Y.—The regents of the university of the state, with the approval of Governor Whitman, authorized the commissioner of education, John H. Finley, to make a brief visit to France for the purpose of seeing the schools and observing what they are doing for the nation in war time.

The University of France was organized on much the same lines as the University of the State of New York. Dr. Finley is permitted by President Wilson to carry his greetings to the schoolteachers and school children of France and is the bearer of many other messages to those who are doing their brave part back of the line.

FARMERS FIRE ON BALLOON.

Appeal Made to Stop Practice, Which Imperils Army Aircraft.

Omaha, Neb.—An appeal to farmers and others throughout this territory to refrain from shooting at balloons was issued by Captain H. J. R. McElgin of the balloon corps at Fort Omaha, who announced that such acts subject perpetrators to severe penalties. Many balloons are being sent up from Fort Omaha every day for the purpose of training air service recruits. Captain McElgin said shooting at these balloons seemed to have become popular.

Sees His First Show.

Bluffton, Ind.—J. W. Wetrick came to this country from Germany thirty-five years ago, settling at Vera Cruz, a village east of here. In all of this time he never left his home town until recently, when, accompanied by a daughter, he visited relatives at Wolcott, Ind. On his way home he stopped at Fort Wayne and witnessed a show, the first of his life. He said he enjoyed his first ride on an interurban car and the "sights" on the short journey.

"Why, oh, why," remarked the observer of events and things, "will a woman smile with delight when she sees a hat in a milliner's window and frown when she sees the same hat on her neighbor's head?"

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FISTS TESTED RECRUITS.

Riley Made Sure Men He Recommended Were Fighters.

Chicago.—Tom Riley of West Fifth street was told at the recruiting station that he was too old to fight, although he begged for an opportunity to enlist.

"I guess I'm too old to fight," he said, as he twisted his grizzled and bony hands, "but maybe I can send you some likely lads. When they come in, esp, and tell you they're from Tom Riley, take me word they'll be all right."

That was one day recently. Since then more than twenty-five huskies have come in, saying they were "recommended" by Tom Riley. Barring black eyes and bruised faces, they were ideal recruits and were gladly accepted.

Old Tom himself appeared again at the station and was informed that all of his recruits had been accepted.

Air a Part of the Earth.

"A balloon is sent up at New York city on an absolutely calm day, remains in the air for one hour, drifting in the moderate currents of the upper air, and descends a few miles from the place from which it was sent up. How is it that the place of descent is not some spot adjacent to Chicago if the theory of the earth's revolution is correct?"

This problem was propounded in a letter to the Scientific American and received this interesting answer:

The simple answer to your inquiry is that the air is part of the earth and rotates with it just as the water does. If it did not there would be a tremendous wind from the east of nearly 1,000 miles an hour at the equator and about 550 miles in our latitude. This is apparent if you recall the wind which is felt when going swiftly through still air on a car. The air is held upon the earth by gravity and constitutes a part of the revolving globe in a very real sense.

Their Upper and Lower Worlds.

Shamanism is a name applied to the religion of certain peoples among Finns, Hungarians, Turks, Mongolians and Tunguses, but chiefly those of north-western Asia. The present Shamanism is best represented by the practices of the Tunguses. According to them, there are three spiritual realms—heavenly, earthly and subterranean. The earthly realm is on the surface of the earth; the other two consist of stories above and below the earth's surface. The good spirits live above or on the earth; the evil below it. The upperworld of light is composed of seventeen such stories, or heavens; the lower world of darkness, of seven (or nine) bells. Above live the greatest lords, khans, gods, good spirits and blessed ghosts; below, devils, demons, kobolds, goblins, gnomes, swanmaiden and the damned.—Philadelphia Press.

Kindness to Animals.

Don't be discouraged because you see so many unkind things being done, says Our Dumb Animals. Just keep on being actively kind to animals yourself and the number who follow your example will continually grow.

Learn to Think on Your Feet.

It does not matter whether one wants to be a public speaker or not, a person should have such complete control of himself, should be so self-reliant and self-poised, that he can get up in any audience, no matter how large or formidable, and express his thoughts clearly and distinctly. In all ages oratory has been regarded as the highest expression of human achievement. Young people, no matter what they intend to do, whether blacksmith or farmer, merchant or physician, should make it a study. Nothing else will call out what is in a man more quickly and more effectively than the constant effort to do his best in speaking before an audience. When no undertakes to think on one's feet and speak extemporaneously before the public the power and the skill of the orator will not be put to the severest test.

Inactive Kidneys Cause Disease

"I shall not soon forget the benefits I derived from the use of Foley Kidney Pills."—A. A. Godfrey, Forest Grove, Oregon.

Too much work and too little work seem to have about the same effect on persons past middle age. Proper action of the kidneys is necessary to good health. They act as a filter and remove from the blood poisonous waste matter which if permitted to remain in the system leads to many complications.

Many nervous, tired, run-down men and women suffer from pains in the back and sides, dizzy spells, bladder weakness, sore muscles and stiff joints and fail to realize that rheumatism, diabetes or even Bright's disease may result.

If you have cause to believe that your kidneys are weak, disordered or inactive you should act immediately. Foley Kidney Pills have been used by young, middle aged and old with complete satisfaction. They act quickly and surely and have given relief in cases of ten years' standing.

For sale by W. D. Duncan.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

OPEN NOSTRILS! END A COLD OR CATARRH

How to Get Relief When Head and Nose are Stuffed Up.

Count fifty! Your cold or head or catarrh disappears. Your clogged nostrils will open, the air passages of your head will clear and you can breathe freely! No more sniffling, lawking, mucous discharge, dryness or headache; no struggling for breath at night.

Get a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm from your druggist and apply a little of this fragrant antiseptic cream in every air passage of the head, soothing and healing the swollen or inflamed mucous membrane, giving you instant relief. Head colds and catarrh yield like magic. Don't stay stuffed up and miserable. Relief is sure.

ACORNS TO OAKS DIMES TO DOLLARS. It's just the same story; as "inighty oaks from small acorns grow," so will dimes grow into dollars, but you must SAVE. Thousands of comfortable homes today were started when their owners began to save their dimes. A savings account leads to happiness and we will show you how to start one. Here's the Surest and Safest way to help you SAVE A DIME A DAY. THE NATIONAL CITY BANK OTTAWA, ILLINOIS "HOME FOR SAVINGS"

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