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S. WILL NOT STOP EXPORTING MUNITIONS

PHATIC REPLY SENT AUSTRIA REGARDING CONTENTIONS OF THAT COUNTRY.

GERMANY SOLD MUCH ARMS

Points Out That Her Policy in Accord to Strict Neutrality and Protest Not Consistent.

Washington.—The state department has made public the reply of the United States rejecting views set forth by the Austro-Hungarian government in a recent note contending that exportation of war munitions to America to Austria's enemies is conducted on such a scale as to be "not in consonance with the definition of neutrality."

Through friendly in language and the note flatly denies the Austro-Hungarian contentions and recalls that country and Germany furnished munitions of war to Great Britain during the Boer war when the Austro-Hungarian government's enemies could not import supplies.

It insists the American government is pursuing a strictly neutral course in adhering to a principle upon which it would depend for aid in markets of the world in case it should be attacked by a foreign power.

The principles of international law, the communication concludes, the practice of nations, the national policy of the United States and other nations without great military and naval establishments, the prevention of increased armaments and navies, the adoption of the peaceful methods of settlement of international difficulties, and finally, neutrality itself, are opposed to the prohibition by a neutral nation of the exportation of arms, ammunition or other munitions of war to belligerent powers during the progress of the war.

Practical and Substantial Reason.—Pointing to a "practical and substantial reason" why the United States aside from the question of principle, advocates the practice of unrestricted trade in military supplies, the note declares:

"It never has been the policy of this country to maintain in time of peace a large military establishment of stores of arms and ammunition sufficient to repel invasion by a well equipped and powerful army. It has desired to remain at peace with all nations and to avoid any appearance of menacing such peace by the threat of its armies and navies. In consequence of this standing policy the United States would, in the event of attack by a foreign power, be at the outset of war seriously if not fatally embarrassed by the lack of arms and ammunition and by the means to produce them in sufficient quantities to supply the requirements of national defense. The United States always has depended upon the right and power to purchase arms and ammunition from neutral nations in case of foreign attack. This right, which it claims for itself, it cannot deny to others."

The United States asserts that it cannot accede to the suggestion that it change or modify the rules of international usage during the progress of war on account of special conditions, and declares that the idea of neutrality advanced by Austria would "involve a neutral nation in a mass of perplexities which would obscure the whole field of international obligation, produce economic confusion and deprive all commerce and industry of legitimate fields of enterprise, already heavily burdened by the unavoidable restrictions of war."

Attention is directed to the fact that Austria-Hungary and Germany, before the war, produced a great surplus of war munitions and sold them throughout the world, "especially to belligerents," and that "never during that period did either of them suggest or apply the principles now advocated by the Imperial and Royal government."

Austria and Germany Sold Arms.—The note points out particularly that during the Boer war between Great Britain and the South African republics the latter were in a situation almost identical with that occupied by Germany and Austria at the present time, and that "in spite of the commercial isolation of one belligerent, hundreds of thousands of cartridges, shot and weapons, and Austria-Hungary also sold similar munitions to the same purchaser, though in smaller quantities."

The note was cabled to Ambassador Penfield at Vienna Aug. 12. No word of its delivery has yet been received.

Houston Fire Is Fatal to One.—Houston, Texas.—All the fire equipment in the city was concentrated to fight a fire in the Edward Weil wholesale establishment which several times threatened to destroy valuable surrounding property. The stock of liquors and three-story building were totally destroyed, the damage aggregating \$80,000. George Birch, an employe of the restaurant in one of the buildings adjoining, was caught under a falling wall and sustained injuries which caused his death.

TEXAS NEWS BRIEFS

The attorney general's department has approved an issue of Colton county road bonds to the amount of \$200,000.

Dallas city funds will be increased by \$5,400.58 if the city is successful in all seven suits filed for payment of alleged delinquent taxes.

About 100 permits for the organization of warehouses and marketing companies have already been granted by the department.

Frank Scofield, a Hillsboro ranchman, shipped a pedigreed Shorthorn bull yearling to San Saba. The animal was sold for \$1,000.

About 200 cars of Elberta peaches left the Guthrie section of Oklahoma, last week, consigned to Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City, Omaha and Minneapolis.

Parker county is furnishing watermelons in carload lots to many parts of the United States. Already 44 carloads have been shipped and more will be within the next week by three produce houses.

While a revival service was in progress at the Baptist church at Howland the spire was struck by lightning and shingles were torn off and a few of the rafters were broken in two. Considerable excitement was caused among the congregation, but nobody was hurt.

In response to a petition signed by a large number of property holders, the county commissioners' court of Lubbock has ordered an election held September 18 for the purpose of voting upon the question of bonding county for \$100,000 to erect a new courthouse.

The Texas ranger force has been recruited to its full quota of 50 men and practically every one of the rangers is now stationed on the Texas-Mexican border country. Any further steps for the preservation of order by the state of Texas must be taken through the Texas national guard.

Agents of the French army are in America purchasing artillery and cavalry horses, announced their work in Dallas has been completed. The two officers had been there for a week, during which time they passed favorably upon more than 500 horses which are to be supplied to the French government.

Rallying to the cry that Texas rightfully belongs to them, some Mexicans in Guadalupe, Gonzales, and Hays counties have formed secret societies which are becoming a menace to Americans, according to former Senator F. C. Weinert, head of the state warehouse system, who recently returned from a trip to Seguin.

The United States has dispatched to Vienna a reply rejecting the Austro-Hungarian views recently set forth in a note contending that the great scale on which war munitions are being exported from America to enemies of the Germanic allies "is not in consonance with the definition of neutrality."

A rural survey of Travis county will be begun the first of October by several departments of the university of Texas. It is the purpose of the survey to get accurate data concerning actual conditions in a rural district of Texas. Such subjects as religion, social life, home conveniences, waste disposal, sanitation, income and expenditures, etc., will be treated.

The city of Dallas had a net cash balance in the hands of the city treasurer amounting to \$1,155,872.21 on Aug. 1, in spite of overdrafts in a number of funds aggregating \$273,030.40.

A committee representing the Waco chamber of commerce will leave Aug. 23 to visit Marlin, Calvert, Hearne, Bryan, Navasota and Brenham for the purpose of arousing interest in the improvement of the Brazos river from Waco to Old Washington.

One thousand rounds of rifle ammunition was shipped from Corpus Christi to Ranger Captain Ransom at Harlingen. The shipment was made under orders from the adjutant general's department at Austin.

Births exceeded deaths in the city of Dallas by a ratio of almost two to one during July. There were 238 births from the stork to 122 deaths, according to the monthly report of the acting health officer, submitted by the registrar of vital statistics.

Payment of a tax bill which has been on the Dallas city's books since small, but it had grown to \$200,188.77 years, was received. Originally the amount of the bill was through accretion of penalty and interest.

The attorney general's department has approved an issue of \$140,000 Harris county drainage district bonds, also approved three issues of Freestone county bridge repair bonds of \$1,999 each.

AN EPITOME OF EVENTS

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN HAPPENINGS SERVED UP IN ATTRACTIVE STYLE.

EUROPEAN WAR HAPPENINGS

Everything Important That Could Be Confined to a Small Space Is Here Found.

The Italian minister of marine has made known an official statement in which it is said the Austrian submarine U-3 had been sunk in the lower Adriatic.

An official communication from Berlin tells of an allied air raid over Zweibruecken and Sankt Ingbert, Bavaria. Eight persons were killed and two wounded in the latter town.

Austro-German overtures for a separate peace with Russia were begun at the end of March, according to the London Star, which quotes telegrams it says were taken from the Italian green book.

The British torpedo boat destroyer Lynx was sunk in the North sea as the result of striking a mine. Four officers and 22 men of the crew were saved. The destroyer Lynx had a displacement of 935 tons.

The Russian armies having successfully extricated themselves from the Warsaw sack, in which the Germans tried to enclose them, now are opposing stubbornly the German advance toward Bialystok, on a line 70 miles to the east of Warsaw.

The American reply to the last German note regarding the sinking of the American ship William P. Frye has been cabled to Berlin. It is understood that the United States is now to agree to accept payment for the Frye, under conditions suggested in the German note, obviating any appeal to arbitration at The Hague.

The following official communication was issued in Petrograd: "A German fleet of nine battleships and 12 cruisers, with a large number of torpedo boat destroyers, persistently attacked the entrance to the gulf of Rifa, Sunday, but everywhere were repulsed. A cruiser and two torpedo boat destroyers were damaged."

London dispatches that Great Britain and her allies are considering the purchase of all America's export cotton brought forth reports that England and France are also considering plans to seek a \$750,000,000 bond issue in the United States, the funds from which are to be used to meet their bills for American cotton and grain this fall.

Encircling operations by French troops against German forces in the Kamerun, West Africa, have resulted in further successes, according to an official statement which says: "On July 17 columns from the south took Bitam, which the enemy evacuated, thus completing the conquest of that part of the Congo ceded to Germany in 1911."

Malmö, Sweden.—The American steamers Llama and Wico, bound from America to Stockholm laden with patriotism, have been seized by the Germans and taken into Sveinmunde. The Llama was seized Aug. 4 near Lillegrundet and the Wico the following day near Oere Sund.

A Berlin telegram states that in a bill voted by the federal council for a supplementary imperial budget for 1915, a new credit of 10,000,000,000 marks (\$2,500,000,000) was asked for.

An immense shipment of gold, said to be the largest bulk which has been shipped since the beginning of the European war, was sent to New York City from Halifax. It was consigned to New York bankers by the bank of England. The amount is estimated at \$100,000,000.

The date of Gen. George W. Goethals' resignation as governor of the Panama canal zone has been designated as Nov. 1 in his formal resignation, sent to Washington, according to an announcement made by him on his arrival from Cristobal.

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The Pacific Mail Steamship company, in pursuance of its plan announced some ago of disposing of its fleet and other property, has sold five of its steamers to the Atlantic Transport company of West Virginia.

Heavy selling of bills of exchange on London and Paris caused another break in remittances to those centers, the rates falling to lowest quotations ever recorded since New York began to occupy a place of importance in the financial world.

The Locomobile company of America, at Bridgeport, Conn., has agreed to its machinists demands for an eight-hour work day and other minor concessions, thereby avoiding a strike. This announcement was greeted with cheers at a mass meeting of 1,500 machinists employed at the plants.

Eleven thousand employes of the Willys-Overland company of Toledo, O., received notice that 48 hours will constitute a work week at the plant after Nov. 1. This move follows a recent voluntary increase of 5 percent in wages.

An attack by German airplanes which destroyed the English coast, in which 14 were killed and 14 wounded, was announced by the London official press bureau. The statement says one of the airplanes was reported completely destroyed by British aeroplanes while being towed into Ostend.

A large packing company of Chicago has made public a cablegram from Liverpool asking that an estimate be furnished of the cost of 1,000,000 head of American beef cattle delivered at Liverpool. The order, if filled, would require the payment of about \$100,000,000 and would make vast inroads on the available cattle in the United States.

A running fight between 500 strikers and sympathizers on one side and three nonunion drivers and a score of policemen on the other, which terminated in a riot in front of the St. Louis transfer company's stable, was the initial act of violence in the strike of 1,500 transfer drivers and chauffeurs, which began there Friday.

North Louisiana's oil field operations are holding up excellently, with approximately 60 wells drilling and new locations being made almost daily. The situation is considered doubly interesting when it is taken into consideration that the price is low and during the last few days there has been a considerable decrease in the output.

Conditions in Cameron, Hidalgo and Starr counties, Texas, where Mexican bandits have been raiding ranches, terrorizing the population, and have killed at least two Americans in the last two weeks, have improved to such an extent that Texas militia will not be sent into that section, according to Gov. James E. Ferguson of Texas, at Rockport. The governor spent his summer vacation on the gulf coast there.

A written confession given to officers by a friendly Mexican who is held incommunicado at Brownsville, and who says in his formal statement that he was forced to join the bandit gang that attacked Norias, attributes to that expedition the object of reclaiming the land that had been taken from Mexico by Texas. He further states his information to be that the expedition emanated from Caranza.

Secretary Daniels declared there was an overwhelming sentiment in the country generally for large increases in submarines and aircraft.

Russia is seeking to create a market in the United States for Russian koustar, or lace handwork of the peasants, with a view to providing employment for her maimed and crippled soldiers, according to an announcement made by a special commissioner from Russia to the United States.

New uprisings by the Bobo and Zamar factious have broken out at Capé-Hattien and have forced Rear Admiral Caperton to establish military rule in the city.

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COMPLETE AND NOISY MEAL

Traveler Surely Well Fitted With Abundance of Nourishment and "Music."

The longest and noisiest dinner that Mr. James Sibree, Jr., the author of "A Naturalist in Madagascar," ever attended was given by the governor of a town called Ankarana. About a score of officers were at the table and seven ladies. After a long grace by the pastor, dinner was brought in, and consisted of the following courses:

First, curry; second, goose; third, pigeons and waterfowl; fourth, chicken cutlets and poached eggs; fifth, west sausages; sixth, boiled tongue; seventh, sardines; eighth, pig's trotters; ninth, fried bananas; tenth, pancakes; eleventh, manioc; twelfth, dried bananas.

And lastly, says Mr. Sibree, when I thought everything must have been served, came haunches of roast beef. Claret went about very freely, and at length some much stronger liquor; and the healths of the queen, "our friends, the two foreigners," then those of the prime minister, chief secretary and chief judge, were all drunk twice over, the governor's coming last; and each was followed by musical and drum honors.

There was a big drum just outside on the veranda, as well as two small ones, besides clarinets and fiddles and these were in full play almost all the time. Then the room was filled by a crowd of servants and aides de camp, and the shouting of everyone, from the governor down, was deafening. The old gentleman directed everything and everyone. I was glad when I could take my leave, after two hours' sitting, but I was not to leave quietly. The governor took me by the hand and escorted me home, while the big drum was hammered at ahead of us all the way.—Youth's Companion.

Most Obliging.—A street car was getting under way when two women, rushing from opposite sides of the street to greet each other, met right in the middle of the car track and in front of the car. The car stopped and began to talk. The car stopped, too, but the women did not appear to realize that it was there. Certain of the passengers, whose heads were immediately thrust out of the windows to ascertain what the trouble was, began to make sarcastic remarks, but the two women heeded them not.

Finally the motorman showed that he had a saving sense of humor. Leaning over the dashboard he inquired in the gentlest of tones: "Pardon me, ladies, but shall I get you a couple of chairs?"—Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph.

Found Ancient Watch.—While hoeing in his garden, Dr. Edward R. Noyes of Brantleevor, Vt., uncovered a watch in a solid silver case bearing a hallmark which showed that it was made in London in 1794. The order for the hallmark was issued by King George III in 1782. The watch is of peculiar design. All the metal parts are intact except the steel, which has rusted away.

Wrote Famous Work.—Karl Friedrich Glasenapp, the famous biographer of Richard Wagner, recently died at Riga, Russia. The Glasenapp-Wagner biography, published in 1876, remains the most extensive work on the life of the great composer.

Life is one continuous hurdle race to the people who make a habit of jumping at conclusions.

Activities of Women.

English society girls are now working in the fields.

Fifteen-year-old Grace Funk has the distinction of being St. Paul's greatest girl athlete.

Over 50,000 women are now at work in various factories in England which produce munitions.

Mrs. Robert Lansing, wife of Secretary of State Lansing, is an anti-suffragist and also has the distinction of being the wife and daughter of a secretary of state.

Queen Mary of England has given \$1,250 to pay for the training and expenses of a student at the London School of Medicine for Women for a five years' course.

One of the most daring members of the Russian flying corps on the Galician front is a girl from a Petrograd high school, who recently arrived at Kiev wounded in the arm and leg, having been hit while flying over some Austrian positions. In spite of her injuries she kept control over her machine until she landed in the Russian lines.

Khaki-Clad Women Salute.—The number of women in uniform of various kinds has been attracting a good deal of attention recently, and the action of women in khaki who salute army officers in the street has been commented upon. It appears that those who salute do so on their own initiative and that the practice is quite against the spirit of the Women's Volunteer reserve and of the Women's Reserve ambulance, two of the most prominent women's corps.

The uniform of the Women's Hospital corps is khaki color and was so before the war office gave them recognition. The yeomanry nurses also wear khaki and men who are back from the front and know what both these corps have done in Belgium and France are said to pay the tribute of a salute to all women in khaki. French and Belgian officers, in particular, are quick to offer this courtesy.—London Times.

Camping Hint.—Asbestos comes will be found invaluable to the open-air camper. Roll a sheet of asbestos in cone shape and set the small end securely in the campfire. In it may be baked apples, potatoes and many other things. A good-sized cone will take the place of several cooking utensils.—McCall's Magazine.

Lesson From a Beggar.—"It was a street beggar who made me feel my insignificance," said former United States Senator Chauncey M. Depew, "and he did it in a gracious way. I was a trifle out of sorts when I said to him, 'You can't hold me up.' 'Not even as a good example,' he replied, lifting his hat."—Youth's Companion.

Officer, He's Out Again!—Snicklerfriz—I know a man who never washes his hands before breakfast.

Dinglebatz—Why doesn't he? Snicklerfriz—Guess he hasn't time. He employs nearly 200 hands in his factory.

The fact that a man is downcast doesn't necessarily mean that he is in trouble. It may be that he has caught sight of himself in that mirror.

When a missionary explains that the heathen are experiencing a wonderful awakening, that is a sign he is going to pass the hat.

Even a sensible man likes a taste of flattery occasionally.

Fallicious Fabrications.

An old horse that lay sleeping in his stall was rudely awakened by the hired man, who jabbed him with a pitchfork.

"Oh, ho, ho!" said the horse, arising stiffly. "Another day's work ahead, I suppose."

"For once," said the hired hand, who was a college graduate in disguise, "your supposition is incorrect. You will be permitted to remain in your stall and rest. Your master is dead, and his funeral will be held today."

"But I am going to the funeral," said the old horse.

"Why, for the love of Mike," gruffly asked the hired man, "should you go when you may as well stay here and rest?"

"For 20 years," replied the aged horse, "I have been wanting to attend my master's funeral, and now that the opportunity is present, I will not be denied."

Occasionally it happens that all those in the funeral train are not there for the purpose of shedding the scalding tear.—Judge.

Bathing Trains for Soldiers.—All the commanders of the various armies now fighting recognize how extremely important in every way is cleanliness. The better the sanitary arrangements and the cleaner that everything is kept the less chance is there of cholera and other diseases spreading and causing more deaths than do rifle bullets and shells.

Special arrangements are made at the front by the commanders of the allies to enable the soldiers to have hot baths as frequently as possible.

The Germans have gone a step farther though, for they are now using specially constructed bathing trains which travel as near the front as possible.

Each train consists of a locomotive, tender, water tank car, three cars fitted up with hot baths, and a number of cars fitted up with separate compartments where the soldiers can have cold shower baths.

The tank car contains 2,500 gallons of water and each train allows 50 soldiers at a time to have a hot bath.

Really Possible.—"I presume you had many interesting experiences while abroad?"

"Quite so. I liked Venice." "As to why in particular?" "You could get a seagull call there all right."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

A Scholar, All Right.—"Bill—That young man is just out of college."

"Jill—He looks like a scholar." "Yes, one who would be at the foot of his class."

Between Octogenarians.—"I understand they sentenced him to life imprisonment?"

"Well, no; it wasn't as bad as that. He got only ninety-nine years!"—Puck.

Submerged But Deadly.—Knicker—Isn't Jones a summer pest?

Bocker—He is the submarine under the hot wave.

Suburban Quiet.—Knicker—Did they have a sleeping porch?

Bocker—Yes, the darned thing snored.

For at least 24 hours after marriage the average woman thinks her husband is the smartest man on earth.

Many a straight man goes on a bender when luck is against him.

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Subscribers failing to get their paper on time, will confer a favor by reporting same to us.

If you want to sell or buy anything, advertise.

When the Germans captured Warsaw, it proved to be a last year's bird's nest--nothing in it.

The man who tries to shirk his part of the burden of schools and good roads had as well move on.

While Jess Willard is a strenuous advocate of temperance, it is said that he is not a prohibitionist in the common acceptance of the term.

John Bull, last week, was inquiring where he could buy about a million head of cattle. He can get about that many in Texas, but he would be forced to pay a good price for them.

Last Tuesday, a mob in Georgia took Leo Frank from the penitentiary guards and hung him to a tree. If Frank was guilty, little Mary Phagan has been avenged and the law unlawfully vindicated by those who felt that money and influence had cheated justice.

Germany is not kicking because the American people are selling munitions of war to her enemies; it is only her would-be sympathizers that are raising a howl about it. While Germany is sore over the fact that she can't get our stuff, yet she recognizes our right to sell to him who wants to buy.

Recent observation would lead the casual observer to conclude that it is rather an expensive luxury to get drunk and drive through this town, whoopin' 'em up. Two or three parties can testify to this fact from actual experience. Automobile numbers, telephones and sheriff's make it hard to get by with such stunts now-a-days.

The people who are forced to travel the Big Springs road are still kicking about the Chalk creek mud-hole. Last Sunday, after the rain, it was hub deep to a buggy. We learn that a petition will be circulated, calling to the attention of the Commissioners' Court the condition of this mudhole and asking that it be remedied.

A good, dependable rifle and plenty of ammunition in every home in Southwest Texas would add much to the safety of those homes during these stirring times. While it may not be probable, yet it is possible that Mexican bandits will attempt to raid and plunder in the thinly settled counties. In that event a good rifle and plenty of cartridges would come in mighty handy.

Those Mexicans who planned to conquer and take over that strip of land lying between the Rio Grande and Nueces rivers are not so foolish as they are ignorant. They have been taught that the Mexican arms are invincible, and that the Americans are cowards. Following this teaching, death is the next thing they meet after they have met the rangers and cowboys. They have been misinformed.

It seems that the War Department has at last realized that Sister Morris Sheppard was talking thru his hat when he told Congress that it was all serene along the Rio Grande. Gen. Funston has been down there himself, and has taken in the situation. The troopers and big guns that are in evidence along our border go to show that "Little Morris" only represented a part of Texas when he criticized its Governor because he asked for protection for its Mexican border.

A certain progressive ranchman, whose ranch is not a thousand miles from here, had some cattle to sell. He shaped them up in classes, decided on the price he would ask for them and put a sign in the

COME TO OUR BARBECUE

We expect you. The ladies of Sterling will bring the pies and cakes, while the men will furnish the bread and meat. Visitors are expected to bring a good appetite and a sunny disposition, only.

If you are looking for good time, come next Wednesday, Aug. 25.

In less than three days he had buyers galore, and, of course, he sold his cattle with little trouble to himself or the buyers. If you have stock to sell, advertise them; and if you do not sell, it won't be because the buyers were ignorant of the fact that you had stock for sale.

F. M. Williams, of Austin & Williams, reported yesterday that during the season his firm had sold 140 dozen fruit jars. When R. L. Lowe, of Lowe & Durham, was asked how many his house had sold, he replied: "Oh, I don't know," but his looks and tone indicated that they must have sold about a carload. This means a lot of good eats in Sterling and vicinity and the money for them kept at home. Buying tinned fruit that can be raised and put up at home is not good business. You pay a big price for tinned fruits at the stores, including the can, and when the fruit is consumed, the can is a waste that goes to the garbage pile, but the glass jar will be ready for next year's crop.

Texas Land Measure

Our statutes provide that all Texas lands shall be surveyed by the vara system, instead of yards, rods, etc. It would be well to preserve the following: 33-1/3 inches equals 1 vara, 100 feet equals 36 varas, 1900.8 varas equals 1 mile, 5645.4 sq. varas equals 1 acre. A league and labor are 5099 varas square, and contain 4895.6 acres. A league is 5000 varas square and contains 4423.4 acres. A labor is 1000 varas square and contains 177.1 acres. To reduce varas to feet, multiply by 490 and divide the product by 36. To reduce feet to varas, multiply by 36 and divide by 100. To reduce square varas to acres multiply by 177 and divide by 1000.000. In teaching land measure, Texas pupils should be taught that the vara is the unit of legal land measure instead of the yard. When the pupil has once learned the vara system, he will find it much easier than the English method.

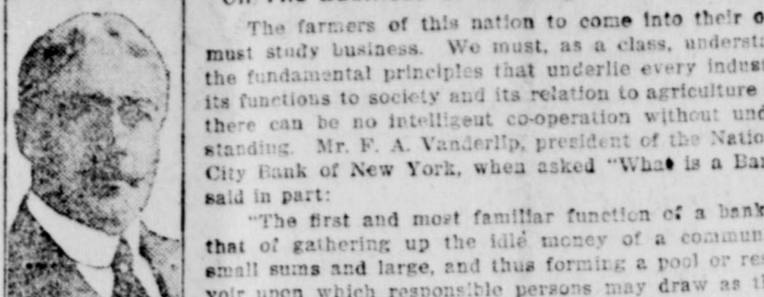
OUR PUBLIC FORUM

Hon. Elihu Root On Woman's Suffrage

The question of Woman Suffrage is an issue before the American people. Twelve states have adopted it, four more states vote upon it this fall and it is strongly urged that it become a platform demand of the nation's political parties. It is therefore the privilege and the duty of every voter to study carefully this subject. Hon. Elihu Root, in discussing this question before the Constitutional Convention of New York, recently said in part: "I am opposed to the granting of suffrage to women, because I believe that it would be a loss to women, to all women and to every woman; and because I believe it would be an injury to the State, and to every man and every woman in the State. It would be useless to argue this if the right of suffrage were a natural right. If it were a natural right, then women should have it though the heavens fall. But if there be any one thing settled in the long discussion of this subject, it is that suffrage is not a natural right, but is simply a means of government, and the sole question to be discussed is whether government by the suffrage of men and women will be better government than by the suffrage of men alone. "Into my judgment, air, there enters no element of the inferiority of woman. It is not that woman is inferior to man, but it is that woman is different from man; that in the distribution of powers, of capacities, of qualities, our Maker has created man adapted to the performance of certain functions in the economy of nature and society, and woman adapted to the performance of other functions. "The whole science of government is the science of protecting life and liberty and the pursuit of happiness. In the divine distribution of powers, the duty and the right of protection rests with the male. It is so throughout nature. It is so with men, and I, for one, will never consent to part with the divine right of protecting my wife, my daughter, the women whom I love, and the women whom I respect, exercising the birthright of man, and place that high duty in the weak and nerveless hands of those designated by God to be protected rather than to engage in the stern warfare of government. In my judgment, this whole movement arises from a false conception of the duty and of the right of both men and women. "The time will never come when the line of demarcation between the functions of the two sexes will be broken down. I believe it to be false philosophy; I believe that it is an attempt to turn backward upon the line of social development, and that if the step ever be taken, we go centuries backward on the march towards a higher, a nobler and a purer civilization, which must be found not in the confusion, but in the higher differentiation of the sexes."

OUR PUBLIC FORUM

F. A. Vanderlip On The Business of Banking



The farmers of this nation to come into their own must study business. We must, as a class, understand the fundamental principles that underlie every industry, its functions to society and its relation to agriculture for there can be no intelligent co-operation without understanding. Mr. F. A. Vanderlip, president of the National City Bank of New York, when asked "What is a Bank" said in part: "The first and most familiar function of a bank is that of gathering up the idle money of a community, small sums and large, and thus forming a pool or reservoir upon which responsible persons may draw as they have temporary use for money. It is evident that this makes large sums in the aggregate available for the employment of labor and the development of the community. But much more is accomplished than the use of the money actually deposited in the banks, for by the use of drafts, checks and bank notes the efficiency of money is multiplied several times over. A very large business, for example one of the great best banks, may use very little actual money; on the one side of its bank account will be entered the checks and drafts it is daily receiving from everywhere in payment for meats, while on the other side will be entered the checks it draws in payment for cattle, etc., its only use of money being for small payments, to labor and otherwise. "If there were but one bank in a community and everybody paid all bills by drawing checks on that bank, and everyone receiving a check immediately deposited it in the bank, the amount of money in the bank evidently would not change at all and the entire business of the community would be settled on the books of the bank. And the situation is but slightly changed when there are several banks, for they daily exchange among themselves all the checks they receive on each other, which practically offset themselves, although the small balances are paid in cash. This is called 'clearing' and every large city there is a 'Clearing House' where representatives of the banks meet daily to settle their accounts with each other. "A bank is constantly receiving from its customers, particularly those that are shipping products to other localities, drafts and checks drawn on banks in other cities, which it usually sends for deposit to a few correspondent banks in the central cities with which it maintains permanent accounts. In this way these scattered credits are consolidated and the bank draws upon these accounts in supplying customers with the means of making payments away from home. As each local community sells and buys about the same amount abroad in the course of a year, these payments largely offset each other. It is evident that the banks are very intimately related to the trade and industry of a country. The banker is a dealer in credit much more than a dealer in money, and of course his own credit must be above question. He exchanges his credit for the credits acquired by his customers, and lends credit for their accommodation, but he must conduct the business with such judgment that he can always meet his own obligations with cash on demand. This is the essential thing about bank credit, that it shall always be the same as cash."

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the First State Bank of Sterling City will be at the office of said bank in Sterling City, Texas, on the first Wednesday in September, 1915, same being the first day of said month, for the purpose of electing Directors and Officers to serve for the ensuing year, and for the purpose of transacting such other business as may come before the meeting.

Emmett Westbrook, President N. L. Douglas, Cashier

TEXAS FACTS

MANUFACTURING. Texas has 5,000 factories. There are 300 new factories built per year in Texas. The capital investment in Texas manufacturing enterprises is \$216,876,000. Texas factories employ 70,230 wage earners. The annual production of the Texas factories is valued at \$272,530,000. One and six-tenths per cent of the population of Texas is engaged in manufacturing. Texas ranks seventh in factory output and first in opportunity for new enterprises compared with other states. The annual per capita factory creation of Texas is \$25.00. We have one manufacturing enterprise to every 830 people. Fifty per cent of the factories of Texas are owned by individuals, 30 per cent by corporations and 20 per cent by firms. There are 3,000 steam and 802 gas engines in Texas factories. We also have 3,154 electric, 1 water motor and 31 water wheels supplying power. Less than 2 per cent of the factory wage earners of Texas are under 16 years of age. To operate Texas factories one year requires a million tons of coal, two hundred thousand cords of wood, three and one-half million barrels of oil and a hundred million cubic feet of gas. Only 3,882 women work in the Texas factories. The prevailing hours of labor in Texas factories are 54 per week.

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Prof. Goldwin Smith, now in his eighty-sixth year, is still a frequent contributor to the newspapers and magazines. He was eminent as a scholar and a writer when he first went to Canada, 40 years ago. At the age of 34 he was regius professor of modern history at Oxford university.

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Prof. and Mrs. S. Kellogg (the latter being better known as Mrs. J. E. Douglas) scientific Masseurs, chronic diseases a specialty. Prof. Kellogg has had 14 years' experience in this science, and Mrs. Kellogg has had 18 years' experience in the science. So if you have any trouble that medicine has failed to cure, be sure to give us a trial, for we are going to stay in Sterling City and wait your patronage, and we promise to give you good service and treat you right.

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LOCALS

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Butler made a trip to San Angelo last Wednesday to meet Dr. and Mrs. O. Patton and Miss Ada Wakefield. The expected guests did not arrive on account of the severe storms in Southern Texas.

Ewing Kendall, of Ennis is visiting relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Stewart, late of Callahan County, are visiting relatives here.

Lowe & Durham have installed a new water tank in the rear of their building to take the place of the one that was wrecked about two weeks ago.

Mrs. Sin Burke and children, of Raysville, La., are visiting the former's sister, Mrs. R. L. Lowe.

The ladies of the Wimodaughis Club will conduct a bazaar the latter part of November for the benefit of the library. Any contribution from any friend of the library will be appreciated. Hand work will be sold on commission. For particulars phone No. 61.

If it's a daily paper you want, try one of these:
Houston Chronicle, 100 days, \$1. (trial subscription.)

Star-Telegram, new or renewal, till December 1st, \$1.50.

Fort Worth Record, new or renewal, till December 1st, \$1.50.

—Christian Aid Society

Mrs. N. L. Douglas and son, Guy, made a trip to Austin this week.

Joe Clifton was in from his ranch near Konohasset yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Phagan, of Hico, are visiting their daughter, Mrs. B. C. Wade.

S. R. Cox was in from his ranch Wednesday to purchase a harvester with which to harvest his big feed crop. Mr. Cox reported range and stock conditions in fine shape in his part of the country.

Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Hodges and son, accompanied by Mr. Kelly, all of Maryneal, are visiting Mr. Hodges' uncle, G. A. Hodges.

Misses Elli and Leora Pool, who have been visiting at Roby, returned home Wednesday.

Phone us in regard to that daily or weekly newspaper, or magazine you are wanting—Christian Aid Society.

Miss Bernie Files, of Itasca, came in last Saturday to visit relatives here.

Frank Cole, this week, sold his dray and transfer equipment to Allard Bros., who will operate the business in the future.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Lane and Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Brown, of Scranton, Tex., came in last Friday on a visit to Mr. Lane's brother, J. R. Lane. They left Sunday to visit relatives in Coke and other counties.

Sterling and vicinity was visited by splendid showers last Sunday.

Miss Helen Aiken, of San Angelo, is the guest of Misses Sadie and Lottie Rawls.

Try the Houston Chronicle 100 days for \$1.00. Other rates will be published later.

Fort Worth Record till December 1 for \$1.20.—Christian Aid Society.

While Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sparkman were visiting here a few days ago, they had the misfortune to lose one of their matched buggy horses, which sickened and died soon after arriving at town.

The "Dixie" is a nice cool place to go these warm nights. You can sit in comfort and watch the magic scenes that are thrown on the canvas. The "Dixie" people spare neither pains nor money to put on high-class shows.

After a visit of several weeks to relatives here, Mrs. A. J. Kellis and daughter, Miss Hattie B., left last Tuesday for their home at Wickenburg, Ariz. They were accompanied by Floyd Kellis, who has accepted a position with a mercantile concern at Wickenburg.

Clyde McGee, of Dallas, who has been visiting at the U Ranch for the past three weeks, left Monday for his home.

Miss Maud Emily Taylor, Dallas, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Geo. H. McEntire.

Joe B. Foster, who has been at Sherman for the past year, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Foster.

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C. E. Schaff
On Railway Investments



President Wilson recently referring to our railroad problems said in part: "They are indispensable to our whole economic life and railway securities are at the very heart of most investments, large and small, public and private, by individuals and by institutions."

"There is no other interest so central to the business welfare of the country, as this. No doubt, in the light of the new day, with its new understandings, the problem of the railroads will also be met and dealt with in a spirit of candor and justice."

When the first citizen of the land stresses the importance of understanding and dealing justly with the railroads, certainly the American plowman can venture upon a careful study of the problem.

It may be said that the railroad world is encumbered with a lot of phantoms which exist only in the popular fancy. For instance, because there have been a few so-called "railroad magnates" whose names have figured prominently in finance, many people have come to believe that the railroads of the country are largely owned by a few rich men.

It is a fact, however, that the ownership of the railroads is widely distributed. Of the colossal sum of twenty billion dollars of American railroad securities, less than five per cent is now, or ever has been, in the hands of these men who have figured prominently in the newspaper headlines—while the other 95 per cent is in the hands of over two million investors, large and small, who in many instances have put the modest savings of a life time into these securities in order that they might lay away a competency for old age.

When, therefore, the value of these securities is depressed or perchance destroyed, the hardship is a hundred-fold greater upon thousands of every-day citizens, than upon the handful of millionaires, good or bad, who have figured prominently in railroad circles. Hundreds of millions of dollars of the assets of our great life and fire insurance companies, savings banks, trust companies, educational and fiduciary institutions are invested in railroad bonds—and the moment, therefore, that the soundness of these bonds is called into question the financial solidity of these varied institutions—directly affecting the welfare of millions of policyholders and bank depositors—is gravely menaced.

During the last several years, many millions of dollars representing depreciated values, have been charged off the books of concerns like those enumerated above. American railroads have become a vital part of the very woof and fabric of the nation. Their continued efficiency is absolutely essential to the smallest community in the land.

In blindly striking at the railroads our blows fall not merely upon thousands who have committed no wrong, but, in the last analysis, upon ourselves. We should remember how interdependent we have come to be in this mighty republic of ours—that each is in truth becoming more and more his brother's keeper, and that we need to act and think circumspectly, lest in our mistaken zeal we destroy those who, like ourselves, need whatever of this world's goods the toil and sweat of years has bequeathed to them."



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Superintendent Collins and Principal Carson motored over from Abilene last Friday on business connected with the public schools here.

Dr. Gowen returned yesterday from Christoval, where he had been spending a season with his parents.

LAUNDRY

Why worry about wash day? Let C. C. Potts send your "washin'" to the Model Steam Laundry. Basket leaves Tuesday and returns Thursday. Remember the place—phone 12.

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KILL ENEMY OF BABY

DUTY OF ALL IS TO DO AWAY WITH THE FLY.

As a Disseminator of Disease It is Recognized That This Pest Can in No Way Find an Equal.

(Prepared by the Children's Bureau, United States Department of Labor.) No one likes to have a single fly and, much less, a swarm of them buzzing about him, or lighting on his food. But in addition to being a nuisance, the fly is also a real source of danger, owing to the fact that he may carry the germs of disease from the sick to the well. Typhoid fever is known to be distributed in this way, and it is believed that other forms of illness, including diarrhea, are also carried about on the hairy feet and legs of the ordinary house or "typical" fly.

On this account, it is especially the baby who needs to be protected from flies. Awake or asleep, he needs it. His milk should be kept out of their reach, and his bed or his sleeping room should be carefully screened against them. If it is not possible to have the whole house and the porch screened.

The flies that get into the house in spite of screens should be trapped, poisoned or swatted, but far more effective than any of these measures is that of destroying the fly larvae before they hatch into full-grown flies.

The favorite breeding place of the common house fly is in horse manure. In a pile of a thousand pounds there may be half a million maggots ready to hatch, unless they are destroyed in the larval stage, as the eggs are called.

Various substances have been suggested for use upon horse manure in order to destroy the fly maggots. Among these are iron sulphate, kerosene, chloride of lime, hellebore and borax. Some of these are too expensive for continued use, and some, such as borax, when used in too large quantities, may be injurious to the crops upon which the manure so treated is used.

The United States department of agriculture has recently recommended powdered hellebore as a cheap, safe and effective substance for the treatment of manure. "One-half pound of powdered hellebore mixed with ten gallons of water is sufficient to kill the larvae in eight bushels, or ten cubic feet of manure. In most places hellebore is obtainable in 100-pound lots at a cost of 11 cents a pound. This makes the cost of the treatment a little less than seven-tenths of a cent per bushel of manure. A liberal estimate of the output of manure is two bushels a day per horse."

After the summer has advanced, the effort must be made to keep each individual home as free from the pest as can be done with screens, fly papers, traps and swatters. Garbage pails must be kept covered, and no refuse of any sort should be allowed to accumulate about the premises, to provide breeding and feeding places. As in most other things, prevention is far better than cure; the time for preventive measures to be most effective is in April and May, when the fly crop is small.

The HOME BEAUTIFUL Flowers and Shrubs Their Care and Cultivation



THE WINDOW GARDEN

By EBEN E. REXFORD. It may not seem reasonable to the reader to treat of winter window gardens in midsummer, but a careful consideration of the subject from my point of view will convince the flower-loving person, I feel quite sure, that this article is "timely."

Look over the window gardens of your neighbors, in winter, when they ought to be at their best to give the fullest degree of satisfaction, and I think you will find the majority of them far from satisfactory.

The plants will be small, much too small to be ornamental, and if you keep an eye on them throughout the season you will find that few of them reach the flowering stage before March, which is to say that most specimens in the ordinary house collection of plants give few or no flowers at the period when a window garden should afford us the greatest amount of pleasure.

What we aim at is flowers in winter—not in the spring, when the blossoms of the outdoor garden are at hand. Said a woman to me, not long since: "I don't see why it is that I can't have flowers in the winter. Some of my friends have, and they don't take half as good care of their plants as I do. Why, some of them don't report their plants at all, still I notice they have flowers from them; and I go over all my plants just before winter sets in, and report them and cut them back or start new ones and take pains to give them the best soil and am so careful about watering, and fertilizing, and airing, but most of them will not blossom for me. They look healthy and they grow well, but one doesn't care for just leaves."

Now, this woman's failure to obtain flowers from her plants was explained by three words she made use of—"just before winter." The attention she gave the plants at that period came several months too late.

The fact is, as anyone will readily see when they come to think the matter over, a plant cannot be satisfactorily developed in two or three months. Not much can be expected from a plant that is not made ready for winter until that season is about upon us.

SOME HELPFUL HINTS

Roses of all kinds should be thoroughly manured with well-rotted cow manure and mulched with lawn cuttings and leaves.

Liquid manure should be applied only when the ground is moist enough to absorb it.

It is fatal to some plants to fertilize them with rich manure when the ground is very dry.

Never allow roses to remain on the bush until the petals begin to fall.

All plants that are intended for winter bloomers should have the buds pinched off now.

Pick the panicles and nasturtiums every day if you want to have plenty of bloom.

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Don't Lose a Day's Work! If Your Liver Is Sluggish or Bowels Constipated Take "Dodson's Liver Tone."—It's Fine!

You're bilious! Your liver is sluggish! You feel lazy, dizzy and all knocked out. Your head is dull, your tongue is coated; breath bad; stomach sour and bowels constipated. But don't take salivating calomel. It makes you sick, you may lose a day's work. Calomel is mercury or quicksilver which causes necrosis of the bones. Calomel causes into your bile like dynamite, breaking it up. That's when you feel that awful nausea and cramping.

If you want to enjoy the nicest, gentlest liver and bowel cleansing you ever experienced just take a spoonful of harmless Dodson's Liver Tone. Your druggist or dealer sells you a 50-cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone under my personal money-back guarantee that each spoonful will clean your

sluggish liver better than a dose of nasty calomel and that it won't make you sick. Dodson's Liver Tone is real liver medicine. You'll know it next morning because you will wake up feeling fine, your liver will be working, your headache and dizziness gone, your stomach will be sweet and your bowels regular. You will feel like working; you'll be cheerful; full of vigor and ambition.

Dodson's Liver Tone is entirely vegetable, therefore harmless and cannot salivate. Give it to your children! Millions of people are using Dodson's Liver Tone instead of dangerous calomel now. Your druggist will tell you that the sale of calomel is almost stopped entirely here.

HAD THE LAUGH ON HIMSELF Miser Got Away With the Oatmeal and Also Succeeded in Saving Precious Whisky. J. F. Hartz of Detroit, the doyen of the American Surgical Trade association, said at the fifteenth annual convention in New York:

"The war has kited the price of carbolio acid up to \$1.65 a pound—it sold before the war at nine cents a pound. The hospitals that use carbolio acid now have to be economical and sparing as old Josh Lee. "Old Josh Lee was a miser, and he breakfasted every morning on oatmeal. To save fuel he cooked his week's supply of oatmeal on Sundays. This supply, by the time Saturday came around, was pretty stiff and tough and hard to down.

"One Saturday morning old Josh found his oatmeal particularly unappetizing. It had a crust on it like iron. He took a mouthful of the cold, stiff mixture—then he half rose, thinking he'd have to cook himself some eggs.

"He had to get to give in. He hated to waste that oatmeal. So he took out the whisky bottle, poured a generous glass and setting it before his plate, he said:

CONVEY MUCH IN FEW WORDS

Japanese Proverbs Pungent and Their Repartee Apt to Be Keen and Stinging.

It has been said that the Japanese are as apt and unique in their proverbs as they are in their works of art. What, for example, could be more appropriate to men in certain desperate circumstances than this: "Man may shout when he can no longer swim." "While the tongue works the brain sleeps," is another saying of the Japanese, which expresses their contempt for loquacious persons.

The Japanese are quick at repartee; their wit is keen and tempered, and they can often administer a perfect snub in brief, terse form. In illustration of this there may be cited the following instance:

There was being tried in a court case involving the possession and ownership of a piece of property. The litigants were brothers. The holder, who was clearly not the rightful owner, had assaulted and ejected his brother and was protesting his right to defend his claim.

The examining magistrate listened very patiently to him until he closed with the words, "Even a cur may bark at his own gate." Then the judge quietly voiced the judgment, as if stating an abstract point of law, "A dog that has no gate bites at his own risk."

Preparing. In one of the southern states the negroes are great patrons of a matrimonial agency. One darky, anxious to find a wife for his son, went to this agent, who handed him his list of lady clients. Running through this the man came upon his own wife's name, entered as desirous of obtaining a husband between the ages of twenty-eight and thirty.

Forgetting about his son, the darky hurried home to announce his discovery to his wife. She was not at all disturbed.

"Yes," she said, "I done give him my name. I puts it down when you was so sick in de winter and de doctor says he must prepare for de worst."—Chicago Journal.

LADIES! —Take CAPUDINE— For Aches, Pains and Nervousness. IT IS NOT A NARCOTIC OR DOPE— Gives quick relief—Try it—Adv. Easy Money. "Any fishing up where you spent your vacation?" "Plenty. In fact, there wasn't anything else. All we got to eat was the fish we caught ourselves, and they charged us \$15 a week for serving it."

CURED OF PELLAGRA; WOMAN IS SO HAPPY

Ratiff, Miss.—Ida Creel, of this place, writes: "I am enjoying fine health, better than I have in years. My weight is 116; when I began taking your treatment it was 98. I sure can praise your treatment; can eat anything I want and it don't seem to hurt me."

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