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## A Billion to Help Business and Farming

THE funds gathered into the Federal Reserve Banks now aggregate over \$1,000,000,000.

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### The Call of the Colors

Last week Thursday Ralph T. Bucy, Robt. A. Balentine, Perren A. Lyon and Harry E. Davis went to Amarillo to take a look at the recruiting officers, the new recruits and learn that they could about Uncle Sam's great army now mobilizing. As a result of the visit two of the crowd, Messrs. Bucy and Balentine, tendered their services to the army, were accepted and instructed to report for duty at the Amarillo recruiting station not later than July 25. Mr. Bucy will be in the engineering corps, and will very likely be assigned to Company B, Seventh Infantry, tho it is not known positively at this time that he will be with this company. Mr. Balentine will go in as a chauffeur and will, in all probability, drive an ammunition truck. The boys will go into camp with the Oklahoma and Texas recruits at Fort Worth. These young men are splendid specimens of young manhood, vigorous and capable of enduring much hardship, and with a few months training under U. S. army officers they will round out in perfect form. They will be missed by a wide circle of friends in Hansford. Mr. Bucy is Hansford county's surveyor, while Mr. Balentine is a mechanic employed at the Close blacksmith shop. Their many friends wish for them a safe return home and may they return with the reputation of having served their country well and faithfully.

### Pleasant Sunday Outing

A rare treat these long hot days is to tie away to the bank of the creek somewhere and, with plenty of lunch, while away the time in the shade of the trees. This is the way S. B. Hale and family, P. M. Maize and family, Chas. Endicott and family, John Dreesen and family, George L. Roland and family and Oran Kelly and wife spent last Sunday. The weather was ideal for an outing and everyone enjoyed themselves immensely, returning home late in the evening greatly refreshed in mind and body by the days' outing.

### Visiting Back Home

Grandpa Geo. W. Maize left Hansford about two weeks ago to visit friends and relatives in different parts of the country, going first to southern Texas. Grandpa is now in Missouri, visiting the scenes of his childhood, where he doubtless intends to stay quite awhile as he writes the Head-

light from Jackson, Cape county, Missouri, as follows: "Please send the Headlight to above address. I am visiting a cousin here whom I had not seen in 45 years. I attended school at this place 52 years ago. We spent the noon hours chinking and daubing the school house. On Saturdays we met on the grounds and split up small trees out of which we made benches and built a stick and mud chimney. Small acreage of wheat here this year, but a fine quality of grain. Bulk of the corn crop looks rather poor. The Germans are thick here and they do not hesitate to hold up for Germany. They don't pretend to believe that Germany is doing the dirty work she is accused of doing."

### Will Not Forfeit August 15

County Clerk R. L. McClellan is in receipt of the following letter from J. T. Robinson, Commissioner of the General Land Office of Texas:

County Clerk Hansford County,  
Hansford, Texas.

Dear Sir:

On account of conditions resulting from an unprecedented drouth throughout the school land territory, I have concluded not to forfeit lands on August 15 this year for the non-payment of interest due to November 1, 1916; that is, where persons are due one year's interest up to last November, I will not forfeit, but where interest is due for 1915, it should be paid. Please make this known to your banks, land owners and other interested parties.

You are authorized to give this publicity in your local paper.

Yours truly,  
J. T. ROBINSON,  
Commissioner.

### General Rules

Buy less; serve smaller portions. Preach the "Gospel of the Clean Plate."

Don't eat a fourth meal. Don't limit the plain food of growing children.

Watch out for the wastes in the community.

Full garbage pails in America mean empty dinner pails in America and Europe.

If the more fortunate of our people will avoid waste and eat no more than they need, the high cost of living problem of the less fortunate will be solved.

HERBERT HOOVER,  
United States Food Commissioner.

## Immortality

It cannot be that earth is man's only abiding place. It cannot be that life is a mere bubble cast up by eternity to float a moment on the waves and sink into nothingness. Else why is it that the glorious aspirations which leap like angels from the temple of our hearts are forever wandering unsatisfied? Why is it that the stars that hold their festival around the midnight throne are set above the grasp of our limited faculties, forever mocking us with their unapproachable glory?

And finally, why is it that bright forms of human beauty presented to our view are taken from us, leaving the thousand streams of our affections to flow back in Alpine torrents upon our hearts?

There is a realm where the rainbow never fades; where the stars will spread out before us like the islands that slumber in the ocean; and where the beautiful beings which pass before us like shadows will stay in our presence forever.—George D. Prentiss.

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John and Henry Jordan were here from Guymon Tuesday.

Misses Katie and Jessie Smith of Clarendon are guests of Miss Grace Winder.

That popular product of Holland, E. ter Borg, was trading in town Tuesday.

Read the ad of W. S. McNabb, the farm loan man, in this issue of the Headlight.

W. M. Lieb, from the community which bears his name, was in Hansford Tuesday.

C. M. Black was trading in Hansford Saturday, from the Maddox farm out southeast.

Frank L. Carson of the City National Bank made a business trip to Kansas since last issue.

M. B. Wright and family and Cecil Winder and Bob Thom Sundayed down at the turkey track ranch.

Miss Fern Reek of Guymon is a guest of Miss Laura Andrews at her ranch home down on the Palo Duro.

Friends of the family from all parts of the county were here Tuesday to attend the funeral of Herbert C. Nesbitt.

W. W. Groom, commissioner of precinct number three, was looking after business matters in Hansford Saturday.

F. Clint Stewart, licensed embalmer and Dr. W. H. Langston came down from Guymon Monday and while here embalmed the body of Herbert C. Nesbitt.

S. B. Archer and wife and G. R., Mrs. W. R. and Miss Buna Vernon were in from Holt Monday, shopping and looking after business matters.

Lon Hays and family were among those who went from Hansford out to the ranch to attend the funeral services held for Mrs. Ray McComas, on Tuesday.

J. Bernstein and son Arthur were trading in Hansford Tuesday. These gentlemen report a splendid rain at their home, 12 miles north, on Tuesday night and were happy over the prospects for a good row crop.

T. L. Hobbs was in town Saturday the first time in a week. Tom's friends were getting uneasy about him and were making arrangements to send a committee out to see what was keeping him away from his accustomed haunts so long.

Sever Forest was in from his home north of Hansford Monday looking after business matters. Mr. Forest informed the Headlight that he would start on Thursday, the 19th inst., to Raymond, South Dakota, to spend the summer. He will take the entire family and will go through in an auto.

### A Measly Trick

Jos. W. Jones was in town Tuesday and was somewhat peeved at the way some recent visitor to his premises had behaved. It has long been known that when rain is badly needed on the Jones ranch Joe goes down to the creek, catches a turtle of a breed known only to himself, ties this turtle exactly ten feet away from the water, and within 36 hours sufficient rain will fall to cause the water in the creek to rise up to the turtle. It was getting awful dry up the creek the latter part of last week, so Joe resorted to his old, time-tried method for bringing rain. The turtle had been tied on the bank almost thirty-one hours, rain clouds had begun to appear on the horizon and distant thunder was heard, when someone came along and turned the turtle loose. The finger of suspicion points with a considerable degree of accuracy toward Chas. Eadiott as being the perpetrator of this diabolical deed, but the witnesses against him are so unreliable that Mr. Jones says it will be useless to attempt to prosecute.

### Here's How It Feels

Just think how nice you would feel, you being an editor, sitting in an easy chair with no worries and have the following letter come to you. This is a little out of the ordinary to be sure, but it is a sample of what you will find. Read it: "Please send me a few copies of your recent paper containing the obituary of my aunt. Also publish the enclosed clipping of the marriage of my niece who lives in Kansas City. And I wish that you would mention in your local columns, if it doesn't cost anything, that I have two dandy bull calves out here and that I would sell them to the right man. I notice too that you have stamped my paper and that my time is out. Please stop the paper as times are too hard to waste money on newspapers."

Now then, how does that strike you. We feel so good about it that we are going to quit business before long.—Trenton (Mo.) Times.

### A Good Job

The home of Willis Peoples, who lives twenty-five miles south-west of Meade, was robbed Sunday, June 10. Mr. Peoples, with his family, had gone to a neighbor's to spend the day and upon returning home in the evening found the windows broken, the bedding cut and torn to pieces and \$400 which had been left in the house was missing. A large number of tin cans were piled in a spring close to the house, and a broken bottle labeled

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"strychnine" indicated that its contents had been emptied into the water. No trace of the intruders has been found. \* \* \* Dwight Zink of this city has a broken cheek bone and several other bruises about the head and face as the result of a motorcycle accident. Last Sunday Mr. Zink started for Turon, where he expected to begin harvesting his wheat Monday. When about three miles west of Kingsdown and while traveling at the rate of fifty miles per hour, the front fork of the machine broke, throwing him at least seventy feet. He returned to his home in Meade as soon as his wounds were dressed and had sufficiently recovered from the shock to return to Turon Tuesday.—Meade News.

### BIRTHS

Born, on Sunday, July 15, 1917, to Mr. and Mrs. James T. Smith, 4 miles east of Hansford, a daughter.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Davis, on Thursday, July 12, 1917, ten miles north of town, a son.

Dr. Collier made his regular trip to Plemons Tuesday.

Jimmy Lyon, from the southwest corner of Ochiltree county, was here Tuesday on business.

Dave Hester and L. M. Womble were among the Hutchinson county visitors to Hansford Tuesday.

Tom Riley, who has made his home with his brother Jess, 12 miles east of town for the past few months, left Wednesday for his old home near Kahoka, Mo.

### Mrs. Ray McComas

A death always brings sorrow and sadness but the most universally regrettable death, it seems, is that of a young mother. It is our painful duty this week to chronicle the death of Mrs. Ray McComas, which occurred on Sunday, July 15, 1917, at their home, about 20 miles north of Hansford. The death of Mrs. McComas was sad indeed. She was formerly Miss Icy Mae Davidson, well known to almost everyone in Hansford and Guymon. She leaves a husband and baby boy, born on July 4, and numerous relatives and friends to mourn her untimely demise. Deceased was 20 years, 11 months and 19 days old. Funeral services were held at the family residence, one mile northwest of the L. R. McComas ranch on Tuesday, July 17, at 10 a. m., and at 2:00 p. m. of the same day the remains were laid to rest in the Guymon cemetery.

### Herbert Victor Nesbitt

Our entire community has been saddened by the death of our good citizen and brother, Herbert Victor Nesbitt. Tho he has not been in good health for some time few of his friends suspected that he was in a serious condition. He took his bed on Thursday. On Sunday afternoon he sat up for awhile and fell in a fainting spell. He was not able to rally even under all of the ministrations of tenderness and love that the family and friends were able to give. At 2 o'clock a. m., July 16, 1917, he fell asleep almost as quietly as a babe in its mother's arms. There are left behind him a wife, but lately a bride, an aged mother, one brother, a few other relatives and a large number of friends. Each one of us, in our own way, will feel a deep personal loss.

Herbert has been a man of great usefulness to the community. As a business man he was faithful and alert, treating everyone with fairness and courtesy. As a leader of the orchestra and other musical organizations he was untiring. His was a large share in making the lyceum course a success. In the work of his lodges he has taken a leading part and will be missed as a true brother, who has fallen in the midst of the battle. In the work of the church he was faithful to his post as leader of the singing. He was indeed our sweet singer. He was a brother who thought of himself and his own interests last, a son who was for years the stay of his widowed mother, a husband who was noble and tender. His was a brave spirit that did not whimper at physical suffering nor give up under the strokes of misfortune. We shall keep him tenderly in memory as a real man.

Funeral services were held under the charge of the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs. They led the procession from the home to the church. There, after a hymn, scripture reading and prayer, the pastor made a few remarks. The friends and loved ones then viewed the remains. At the grave the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs paid the last tribute to the fallen brother in their beautiful burial ritual. A very large crowd gathered for the funeral, many friends from out of town being present.

As far as human sympathy can reach we suffer with the bereaved family. Yet because our best comfort is but weak, we commend them to the One who is able to bind up the broken hearts. May He sustain them with the blessed hope of the resurrection.

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# The Quarterbreed

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## CHAPTER XXIV—Continued.

He, in turn, was so intent upon maneuvering to have himself spoken to by that most genial of hosts, the president, that he failed to see Marie until she spoke to him. The first sight of her bewildered him, and his bow did not altogether hide the effects of the delicious shock given him by her dazzling beauty. But he quickly recovered his self-possession when he saw that she was with Vandervyn. That young man, though more boyishly handsome than ever, bore himself with rather a sullen air. He met Hardy's clear gaze with a forced smile. The smile became still more forced when the girl transferred her hand from his arm to Hardy's.

"Only a very few minutes," she soothed the disappointed lover.

"Whatever you say!" he deferred to her caprice, and he drew back to speak to a sharp-eyed man near the president.

Hardy was gazing into the wonderful blue-black eyes of his companion. They were as inscrutable as when he had last looked into their depths. He tried to speak calmly, but his voice shook.

"Do you know that you are by far the most beautiful woman here?"

Her long lashes drooped and rose again to disclose the same inscrutable look.

"So I have been told several times already—I wished a few moments with you, that I might thank you for your generosity. It has given me the great opportunity of my trip abroad and this visit in Washington."

"I am saving all the reports of your social triumphs," he said. "They have made me very happy."

Again the girl's lashes drooped. "That is good of you—It is quite necessary for me to become the rage—if I am to force a recognition from Reggie's relatives. He says that, fortunately, his fiancée has become interested in another man who is quite as eligible as himself."

"Very good of you to offer. However, I believe I have enough left to last me through. And in any event, I could not impose on your generosity. The money would be used against him—which, you see, would hardly do."

"Then you refuse any loan?"

"It was most kind of you to make the offer."

"Don Quixote de la Mancha!" she murmured.

"Tilting at machine windmills!" he replied.

Though there was no trace of bitterness or satire in his wit, her chin lifted to the angle of offended pride. "That is sufficient, Captain Hardy. May I ask you to take me back to him?"

Vandervyn was waiting for her near the president. As they approached him, she gave Hardy a look of half-resentment. "You must understand, Captain, that I must do as my heart dictates, though I confess that lobbying is far from agreeable to me. I have already met his excellency, and he has been so kind as to promise me a hearing."

"I cannot wish you success," he replied.

She gave him a quizzical glance and turned away with Vandervyn.

Standing in the eager, jostling crowd that waited for a word or even a nod from the president, he fully appreciated the ease with which, in the midst of so great a crush, she managed to obtain several moments' conversation apart with the nation's chief magistrate.

She was still beside the president when the sharp-eyed man to whom Vandervyn had spoken came around beside Hardy and murmured a few words in his ear. Hardy looked him in the eye, bowed, and quietly started to move away. The man followed him until he had left the White House.

## CHAPTER XXV.

### Condemned.

The court-martial began its session at nine in the morning, and the trial of Hardy was over before three in the afternoon. Vandervyn testified to the suppression by the accused of the existence of the developed mine and of Redbear's misconduct.

Hardy's statements in explanation of his actions were as brief as they were cold and dry. Acting as a civil officer, he had considered the question of withholding any mention of the mine as a matter within his discretion. When interrogated whether he had not taken advantage of this suppression to enter the contest, and win the mine for himself, his bald admission of the fact, unaccompanied by any explanation of his motives, was received by his officer judges with marked gravity.

The other charges were far more serious, and he opposed them with vigor. He denied emphatically any intention to desert or to remain permanently absent from his proper duties without leave, and showed the tele-



"I Could Not Impose on Your Generosity."

gram from a high official in the war department that led him to believe his resignation and application for leave of absence would be at once favorably acted upon by his commanding officer at Vancouver barracks. This, in some circumstances, might have been considered a sufficient excuse for his conduct. His refusal to explain his conduct, and his taking advantage of his superior position, were clearly and forcefully stated by the members of the court-martial. The president's statement of his purpose in coming to Washington.

interview with the president. It was refused. He went to his lodgings and spent the remainder of the day and half the night drafting and redrafting a concise statement of his argument against Vandervyn's contract. This he addressed to the president and stamped for mailing. He wrote nothing with regard to his own case.

When, near morning, he at last fell asleep, he was so near exhaustion that he did not waken until late. The hour set for the reconvening of the court-martial had already come. He sprang into his uniform with a celerity that might have reminded a fellow officer of reveille in cadet barracks at West Point.

The worn soles of his highly polished shoes beat a tattoo on the carpetless old stairs by which he descended to the street. He did not turn to go in for a belated breakfast at the meager table of his landlady. He hastened along the few feet of narrow hall to the street door. As he drew it open, another man in uniform stepped into the doorway and confronted him. The other officer saluted. Hardy responded mechanically. For all his cool look, he was astonished. The man before him was the president's military aide.

"Captain Floyd Hardy?"

"At your service."

"You should now be in attendance upon the court-martial," stated the aide with cold severity.

"I shall explain to the court," replied Hardy. "If not delayed, I shall be only a few—"

"You will come with me," interrupted the aide, still more severely. "Your conduct has been brought to the attention of the president. It is to be seen, sir, whether you will continue to refuse to answer the inquiries of your superiors."

Hardy went white, but his jaw set firm with grim resolution. He stepped out beside the aide, and crossed the sidewalk to the waiting motor. As they were whirled away over the sleek asphalt, the aide sat with more than military stiffness, his head and body half averted from his companion as if to avoid contamination. Hardy sat as stiffly at the other extreme of the seat.

The ride was short. The car made a sudden turn, and curved around to the executive offices of the president. Hardy looked at his companion, perplexed. The face of the aide showed only the stern watchfulness of one who has a reputedly dangerous prisoner under arrest. At the entrance he stepped behind, as if apprehensive that Hardy might attempt to escape. A doorkeeper conducted them along a corridor into a small waiting room. He passed into the room beyond, but reappeared in a few moments and signed to Hardy to enter.

Hardy stepped into the room, and the door was closed behind him. The aide and the doorkeeper had remained outside. Hardy looked around with a frown of perplexity. Across the room a man sat writing at a businesslike desk. There was no one else present.

The man turned in his swivel chair and abruptly made a beckoning gesture. Hardy's hand went up in salute as he stepped forward. He was in the presence of the commander in chief of the army and navy.

The president looked him up and down with a severe glance.

"You are Captain Floyd Hardy?"

"Yes, sir."

"The same who suppressed the late insurrection in the Sulus?"

"I happened to be in command at the time, sir."

"After that you obtained a detail, your conduct in discharge of which has resulted in your trial by court-martial on serious charges. I have before me the findings of the court. The circumstances are exceptional. Because of your record and of certain statements that have been presented to me, I have been persuaded to give you an opportunity to explain your conduct."

Hardy saluted. "Permit me, sir, to first present for your consideration a matter relating to the interests of the tribe which—"

"Stop!" ordered the president. "Others are waiting for interviews. I can give you only ten minutes. If you expend them on this other matter, you will have no further opportunity to state your own case."

"The evidence before the court-martial covered the facts, sir. If those facts sustain the charges against me, then I am guilty, and desire no clemency. That is all I have to say on my own case, sir. With regard to the matter which I desire to present—"

"Sit down!" ordered the president. "You have nine minutes. Be brief."

Hardy seated himself and proceeded to present his argument against the Vandervyn contract. He spoke deliberately, but with a conciseness that covered what he had to say fully and clearly, in words as forceful as they were few. The president listened attentively, but with no change in his expression. At the end of eight minutes Hardy stopped.

The president showed a trace of surprise. "Is that all you have to say? There is still a minute."

"That is all, sir," replied Hardy, rising.

The president looked at his watch, but said nothing.

"You have been so eager to marry a 'breed girl—here is one, already your wife'?"

"I am not married!"

"You are not married?"

"I am not married!"

"You are not married?"

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Hardy and Marie. At sight of Hardy the young man stopped short, but, meeting the president's cordial smile, came forward with easy assurance. Marie did not look at Hardy, as she followed.

The president addressed Vandervyn: "Captain Hardy has declined to ask for clemency. I have decided to sustain the findings of the court-martial. In the face of all this, he has had the temerity to make a charge of fraud against your Indian contract."

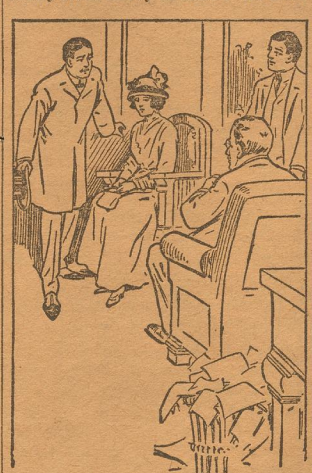
Vandervyn nodded: "Captain Hardy is too skilled a strategist not to realize that the best way to shield himself is to raise the cry of 'stop thief!' against others. Does he allege that the signatures to my contract are forged?"

"The signatures are genuine. They were obtained by fraud," bluntly charged Hardy.

"My word is as good or perhaps somewhat better than that of a cashiered officer," rejoined Vandervyn.

"You deny the charge," the president stated rather than inquired.

"Most emphatically," pleasantly agreed Vandervyn. He looked significantly from Hardy to Marie. "As a soldier—"



"My Word's as Good or Better Than a Cashiered Officer's."

Hardy—until recently—the gallant captain probably believes in the saying that all is fair in war and love."

Marie lowered her eyes. The president looked thoughtful. "Of course, Mr. Vandervyn, there can be no question, when it is a matter of your word against his. Yet were there any other witnesses than yourselves and the Indians?"

"Your excellency evidently has not seen the contract," said Vandervyn. "It is duly witnessed by Charlie Redbear, the official interpreter, and by his sister."

"Ah, the interpreter, you say? This matter may be rumored in the house and even in the senate. It will be well for you to send for the man."

Vandervyn shrugged. "Can't do it, even to oblige you, Mr. President. The fellow has gone to the place where cold storage is unknown. My uncle told you about the affair. The fellow was drunk; he aimed his 'gun' at me. I supposed it loaded, and shot him in self-defense. Hardy was present. He can't deny what I say, without forswearing himself."

Hardy met the president's look of inquiry, and bowed in confirmation of the statement. The president again looked thoughtful. "That leaves the man's sister as the only witness to the contract. It would be well if she could be produced."

The aide left the room. Vandervyn again shrugged. "Search has been made for her, Mr. President. All that could be learned from her Indian relatives was that she had been very sick and had gone away. Of course that meant to the happy hunting grounds. There was no other place that she could have gone."

The aide returned to the room leading a tall young woman who was dressed in a Parisian tailored suit that Vandervyn had last seen on Marie. She was gloved and heavily veiled, and she entered the room with perceptible timidity. Marie went to take her arm in a reassuring clasp and raise the veil. At no time since their coming to Washington had Vandervyn been given so much as a glimpse of Miss Dupont's reputed Hindu maid. This undoubtedly was the woman, and he looked at her with sharp curiosity as Marie raised the veil. Marie stepped aside and gave him a full view of the girl's face.

"Oinna!" he exclaimed.

"Yes. Is it not a happy surprise?" said Marie.

She smiled at the shrinking girl, and drew her about to the president. "My dear, this is the great White Father of all Indians and of our tribe—he is our father—your excellency, this is Mrs. Reginald Vandervyn."

The blow was given with merciless force. As Vandervyn gaped at Marie, her eyes flamed with a sudden up-leaping of fierce exultance.

He gasped and choked out: "You—you!—All these months—this—you—Indian!"

"Yes, Indian—to you, even as she was Indian to you!" cried the girl. "You have been so eager to marry a 'breed girl—here is one, already your wife'!"

"I am not married!"

"You are not married?"

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"I am not married!"

you wish him to acknowledge you as his wife?"

"No, no, sir!" she disclaimed. "I don't want him any more."

"I am pleased to hear you say that," replied the president. He turned to Vandervyn. "I understand this witness is prepared to testify that the signatures to your contract were obtained on the false representation that it was a second copy of the minutes of the tribal council."

"It's a lie!" hoarsely replied the young man. "Hardy knows nothing about it. There's only her word against mine."

"We can send for the Indian witnesses, if necessary. Another matter—at the inquest you testified under oath that a certain Indian killed Agent Nogen, and that you and Redbear then killed the murderer. When you shot Redbear, you rode off, certain that he was dead. He lived long enough to confess himself the murderer of Agent Nogen. Why did you perjure yourself at the inquest?"

"You can't prove it," defiantly challenged Vandervyn. "I stand by my testimony. This squaw and Hardy have hatched up the lie between them. Even if Redbear made such a confession, it is only hearsay and not legal evidence."

"Your friend Redbear seems to have enjoyed shooting at agents," remarked the president. "He also confessed to having made the two attempts on the life of Captain Hardy. In view of your perjured testimony at the Nogen inquest, one is led to infer a not improbable connection between those attempts and your enmity to Captain Hardy. But the point at present is whether you still insist upon the validity of your contract. Do you wish an official investigation that will take the evidence of the Indian witnesses?"

A cold sweat was gathering on Vandervyn's forehead. He looked at Marie. She turned from him, afraid that he might misconstrue the womanly softness into which her fierce resentment had melted. He wheeled about, and left the room, sullen, unrepentant, defiant.

"A very great pity," commented the president. "Young and clever, handsome, well educated, good social standing—yet all wasted! Courage—miserable, no sense of shame; unmoral, rather than immoral. He will ride hard to still harder falls than this one, or else to what the world calls success. But I am too busy a man to moralize. If you will pardon me, ladies, there is to be a cabinet meeting."

He bowed to them, and then confronted Hardy. "Sir, I warned you that if you did not speak in your own defense, you would have no other opportunity. I shall not reverse my approval of the findings of the court-martial."

Hardy had stood an amazed and dumfounded spectator to the rejection and disgrace of his rival. But throughout it all Marie had never once looked at him. If her scornful casting off of Vandervyn had roused any hopes for himself, they must have been dashed when she led Oinna away without favoring him with so much as a glance of recognition. There was a slight stoop in his shoulders as he saluted the president.

"If the sentence approved by your excellency does not make association with me scandalous," he said, "I beg leave to express my thanks for the intimation that you will invalidate the fraudulent contract."

Without replying, the president abruptly faced about to his desk. Hardy again saluted, and marched from the room as if on dress parade.

## CHAPTER XXVI.

### The Sentence.

In the anteroom the doorkeeper waved Hardy to a door on the right. It led him into a stenographers' room. He saw the flounce of a woman's skirt behind a revolving bookcase near the far end of the room, and paused. Someone stepped into the room after him, and touched him authoritatively on the shoulder.

"One moment, Captain Hardy—your sentence."

He turned and faced the president's aide with the clear, unflinching gaze of a brave man about to be shot. The aide saluted with punctilious formality. Hardy responded with equal formality. The aide presented an official document, saluted, and withdrew from the room.

For a long moment Hardy stood with the decree of his fate slowly crumpling in his hand. His eyes were fixed on vacancy. Doubtless he was seeing the years of soldierly comradeship and duty that now lay in the past and the vision of the career to which he was to have given the utmost of his powers. He had always loved his profession—and now—

The woman whose skirt he had seen was in front of him before he became aware of her presence. He found himself looking into the cool, half-mocking face of Marie.

"Are you afraid to read your sentence?" she taunted. "Had it not been for you, he would have had the mine and a million from his contract and me. The president conferred with Senator Clemmer an hour ago. The treaty appropriation bill will be passed with a clause that no commission is to be paid for the services of any tribal agent or representative. He has lost everything. And now—I am waiting to see you read that paper."

Hardy drew himself up, opened the envelope, took out the document and

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"Accused—honorable—charges!" he murmured. "On all charges—! Honorable mention recommended—Approved—the President."

Marie smiled with cool condescension.

"Merely a question of doing justice to you, Captain Hardy. When a man has done his duty, however harshly, it is the duty of others to see that he receives just compensation. I take credit for having helped to bring this about."

"You?" he exclaimed. "Of course, though, if you really did not love him—"

"That does not follow. You must know I did love him. But to find that I had for rival another 'breed girl—one not half so beautiful as I—I could not endure the thought. You have seen the proof that there is a good deal of my mother's red grandfather in my blood. No, I had to give him up, and I have decided to marry another man."

"Another!" echoed Hardy.

"Will you not congratulate me?" she asked.

He rallied. "I congratulate him. After what has happened, I feel confident that you must have chosen someone more worthy of you."

"He is!" declared the girl, her glorious eyes melting with tenderness. "He is far more worthy of me than I am of him!"

With an effort she recovered her cool composure.

"But now, before going, I wish to take this opportunity to discharge in a way the obligation that, as a member of the tribe, I owe to you for your services. I shall therefore return the mine to you."

She held out a document. He stepped back.

"No, Miss Dupont," he said. "I cannot accept it."

"You must. I took it from you. Though I have used the income from it not altogether for personal gratification, you must realize that my pride will not permit me to keep it any longer. Let me add that it has been pinched out, as you may have inferred from what I said at the ball. It is bonanza."

"I regret that I cannot accept it," replied Hardy. "A captain's pay is quite sufficient for a—bachelor."

Marie gave him a mocking glance. "Really now, Captain Hardy, you do not expect me to believe you will long remain unmarried?"

He tried his best to conceal how her frivolity tortured him. "You may not believe it, Miss Dupont. Yet it is true."

"It is not," she contradicted. "When we were abroad, Pere and I went to Monte Carlo. I fancy the gambling spirit infected me. Let us settle the ownership of the mine with a wager. If you do not marry this year, I agree to keep it. But if you marry within that time, you will accept it back from me on your wedding day."

"It is not fair for me to bet on a certainty; but if you insist, I agree to a wager," said Hardy.

"Then be prepared to take the mine a week from today," she bantered.

He tore his gaze away from the lovely face whose gay smile appeared so heartlessly mocking.

"You—cannot realize—how this—"

She handed him another sealed envelope.

"Here is the order detailing you to special service with the general staff for the winter. You will then be required to return to the reservation and carry out all the plans recommended by you for the civilizing of the tribe. Your mare is in the same stable as the thoroughbred that I have bought to use as her riding mate."

The changed tone in the girl's voice compelled Hardy to look up. In her radiant eyes he saw a look that could not be mistaken. The smile that had seemed so mocking was now tenderly teasing.

"Marie—you—" he stammered. "Are you certain it is—love—not a passing feeling of pity?"

"Pity! For you?" she cried. "Do you think I could dare pity you?—a man like you! I could not have been so presumptuous even had those treacherous conspirators succeeded in crushing you. Do you think it was pity that made me live a lie all this time—that forced me to flout you and accept his detestable attentions?"

Her voice sank to a note of deep humility.

"I know how very unworthy of you I am. Yet I hope I am not so unworthy as that first day at the coulee, when I scorned you, and you, with your skill and courage and moderation, saved us without harming those whose attack he had wantonly brought upon us. I was a coquette—a coquette infatuated with the kind of man with whom a coquette deserves to be infatuated. But I was not altogether frivolous. I soon perceived your immeasurable superiority over him. Only my head could not overcome the fascination that had bound my heart. My soul sought to free itself from the spell—I struggled and prayed—Yet not until there at the mine, when you showed yourself the bravest, the most generous—"

She flung out her arms to him in piteous appeal. "Captain! My captain! Say that you do not think me—altogether what he—thought me!"

Hardy drew her hands together, and bent to kiss them with reverent passion.

"Dearest," he replied, "you forget that other day in the coulee—that day when you thought me dying. I pressed up into your arms, and saw the

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Throw out all vegetables and fruits which are withered or unsound. Wash out all grit and dirt. If possible, use only fruits and vegetables picked the same day and never can peas and corn picked more than five hours.

Prepare fruits and large-sized vegetables for blanching. Remove all spots from apples.

Prepare beans and greens as for cooking. Be especially careful to remove all foreign plants from the greens.

Blanch vegetables and all fruits except berries by leaving them from three to five minutes in clean boiling water, or by steaming them for a similar period in a colander over a vessel of boiling water or in a steam cooker.

Remove the blanched products from the boiling water or steam and plunge them quickly into cold water, the colder the better. Take them out immediately and let them drain. Don't let them soak in the cold water.

From this point on, speed is highly important. The blanched vegetables and fruits, which are slightly warm, must not be allowed to remain out of the containers a moment longer than is necessary.

Remove skins when required, and as each article is pared cut it up into proper size and pack directly into the clean, scalded cans or jars.

Pack as solid as possible, being careful not to bruise or mash soft products.

In the case of fruit, fill the containers at once with boiling hot sirup.

In the case of vegetables, fill the containers with boiling hot water to which a little salt has been added.

Place scalded rubber rings on the glass jars and screw down the tops. Seal tin cans completely. Watch them for leaks. As the preliminary

Cabbage	5-10	120	90	60	40
Brussels sprouts	5-10	120	90	60	40
Cauliflower	3	60	40	30	20
Root and Tuber Vegetables.					
Carrots	5	90	80	60	40
Parsnips	5	90	80	60	40
Salsify	5	90	80	60	40
Beets	5	90	80	60	40
Turnips	5	90	80	60	40
Sweet potatoes	5	90	80	60	40
Other roots and tubers	5	90	80	60	40
Combinations and Soup Vegetables.					
Lima beans	5-10	150	120	90	60
Peas	5-10	180	120	90	60
Vegetable combinations					
Greens, Domestic or Wild	5-10	120	90	60	45
Swiss chard	15	130	90	60	40
Kale	15	120	90	60	40
Chinese cabbage					
leaves	15	120	90	60	40
Upland cress	15	120	90	60	40
French endive	15	120	90	60	40
Cabbage sprouts	15	120	90	60	40
Turnip tops (young, tender)	15	120	90	60	40
Spinach, New Zealand	15	120	90	60	40
Asparagus	15	120	90	60	40
Spinach	15	120	90	60	40
Beet tops	15	120	90	60	40
Dandelion, cultivated	15	120	90	60	40
Dandelion, wild	15	120	90	60	40
Dasheen sprouts (tender)	15	120	90	60	40
Mustard, native	15	120	90	60	40
Mustard, Russian	15	120	90	60	40
Mustard, wild	15	120	90	60	40
Collards	15	120	90	60	40
Rape (tender leaves)	15	120	90	60	40
Pepper cress	15	120	90	60	40
Lamb's-quarter	15	120	90	60	40
Sour dock	15	120	90	60	40
Smartweed	15	120	90	60	40
Sprouts	15	120	90	60	40
Purslane, or "pusley"	15	120	90	60	40
Kaleweed sprouts	15	120	90	60	40
Marsh marigold	15	120	90	60	40
Soft Fruits and Berries.					
Milkweed (tender young leaves)	15	120	90	60	40
Apricots	1-2	16	12	10	5
Blackberries	16	12	10	5	
Blueberries	16	12	10	5	
Cherries	16	12	10	5	
Currants	16	12	10	5	



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Fish	5	180	160	120	90
Shellfish	5	180	160	120	90
Camp Rations.					
No. 1	90	60	50	40	
No. 2	90	60	50	40	
No. 3	90	60	50	40	
Soups.					
Cream of tomato soup	80	20	15	10	
All other soup combination and soup stock					
	90	75	60	45	

Juice should be added in excess of the amount in the tomatoes canned.

**Add Sugar and Salt.**

In addition to the liquor, a mixture of sugar and salt adds greatly to the flavor of such products as tomatoes, peas, Lima beans and corn. The mixture recommended by the government specialists in canning is composed of one-third salt and two-thirds sugar. Two level teaspoonfuls of each are placed in a No. 3 can and one teaspoonful in a No. 2 can. For beans, okra, cauliflower, etc., a brine containing 2 1/2 ounces of salt to a gallon of water is used. For asparagus a heavier brine, four ounces to a gallon of water, is needed.

In order to conserve the supply of tin cans, it is strongly urged that all products intended for home use should be put up, whenever possible, in glass. The hermetic type of jar, however, is not a suitable one for intermittent processing, for which the best type is a glass-top jar with wire clamps. The clamps should be raised at the beginning of each processing to allow for expansion.

## PROFITABLE DISPOSITION OF ALL SURPLUS FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

Every Ounce of Food That Can Possibly Be Produced This Year, Will Be Needed—Housewives Can Avoid Much Waste by Canning.

### WASH-BOILER EQUIPMENT IS SATISFACTORY

Practically All Perishable Products May Be Canned by One-Period Cold-Pack Method of Canning, as Taught by the United States Department of Agriculture—All Cans Should Be in Good Condition and Absolutely Clean.

PREPARED BY UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.)

### AN SURPLUS FOOD, BUT USE JARS AND CANS WISELY

Don't have an empty preserving jar in your home next fall. There may be some difficulty in securing cans and preserving jars. Reserve regular tight-sealing containers for vegetables, concentrated soups, meats and fish.

Concentrate products so that each jar or can will hold as much food and as little water as possible. Pack fruit juices in ordinary bottles.

Put up jams, jellies and preserves in glasses sealed with cork or paper and paraffin.

Don't can anything that can be kept just as well dried or in other forms. Dry navy and mature lima beans for winter use.

Produce in your garden lots of cabbage, potatoes, and root crops that can be kept for the winter without canning.—U. S. Department of Agriculture.

The waste of surplus fruits and vegetables in this country each year is large. It would be deplorable if this normal waste were allowed to go on this year when every ounce of food that can be produced is needed. The waste can be avoided in large part if housewives will can as large a part of the surplus perishables as possible.

Any fruit or vegetable and practically any other food may be canned satisfactorily by the one-period cold-pack method of canning taught by the United States department of agriculture to the boys and girls of the canning clubs in the northern and western states. The homemade wash boiler equipment for use in this method of canning, described below, is entirely effective. Home-size water seal, steam-pressure or pressure-cooker canning outfits, which save time and fuel, may be used instead if desired.

**Preliminary Preparation for Canning.**

Provide a false bottom of wooden



Packing Blanched and Cold-Dipped Product Into Jars.



Dipping Blanched Product While Hot Into Cold Water.

treatment has taken care of expansion it is not necessary to exhaust the cans.

**How to Sterilize or Process.**

Put the jars or cans as soon as possible into boiling water in a wash boiler or into your canning device. Let them process for the time specified in the table, counting from the time the water begins to boil again, or the gauge on the canning outfit registers the proper pressure.

**Time Table for Scalding Blanching, and Sterilizing Vegetables, Soups, Fruits, and Meats.**

Products by Groups.	Scale of blanch.	Pressure cooker	30 to 40 pounds	From 10 pounds	Water-seal outfits.	214 deg.	Hot-water bath	outlets at 212 deg.
<b>Special Vegetables.</b>								
Tomatoes	1 1/2	22	18	15	10			
Pumpkin	3	120	90	60	40			
Squash	3	120	90	60	40			
Hominy	3	120	90	60	40			
Sauerkraut	3	120	90	60	40			
Corn, sweet	5	20	120					
Corn, field	1	120						
Mushrooms								
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Dewberries	16	12	10	5
Figs	1-2	16	12	10
Gooseberries	1-2	16	12	10
Grapes	16	12	10	5
Huckleberries	16	12	10	5
Peaches	1-2	16	12	10
Plums	16	12	10	5
Raspberries	16	12	10	5
Strawberries	16	12	10	5
Citrus fruits	1-2	12	8	6
Fruits without sugar sirup				
Hard Fruits	30	20	12	10
Apples	1 1/2	20	12	8
Pears	1 1/2	20	12	8
Quinces	1 1/2	20	12	8
Windfall apples (ple filling)	12	10	8	5
Quartered apples (saled)	12	10	8	5
Whole apples, pared and cored	16	10	8	5
Apple sirup	15	10	8	5
Fruit juices	15	10	8	5
Preserves, after preparation and filling				
Meats—Uncooked.	20	15	10	
Poultry and game	180	150	120	90
Beef	180	150	120	90
Corn beef	180	150	120	90

Time schedule given is based upon the one-quart pack and upon fresh-picked products.

When processing fruits in steam-pressure canners, not over five pounds of steam pressure should be used.

When processing vegetables and meats do not use over fifteen pounds of pressure.

After processing, remove the containers.

Tighten the tops of jars immediately and stand the containers upside down in a cool place, being careful that no draft strikes the hot jars.

Watch for leakage and screw covers down tighter when necessary. Store in a cool, dry place, not exposed to freezing temperature.

Use band labels for cans, being careful not to let the glue get on the can itself as it may cause rust.

From time to time, especially in very hot weather, examine jars and cans, making certain that there are no leaks, swellings or other signs of fermentation.

There will be no spoilage if the directions are followed implicitly and the containers are sealed up tight.

Fruits which are put up with heavy sirups can be kept under cork and paraffin seal. Save all wide-necked bottles, glasses and jars for putting up fruits.

Vegetables, meats, and fish, however, cannot be kept safely unless they are hermetically sealed. Reserve regular jars for products that cannot be packed in other ways.

As there may be some difficulty in securing cans and jars, dry or keep in other ways everything that need not be canned.

The labeling should be done with a rather dry paste, which is put only on the end of the label, so that it does not touch the tin. Paste may cause rust, and in damp climates it is sometimes customary to lacquer the outside of the can before it is labeled. The label, if the product is intended for sale, must contain the net weight in pounds and ounces and the packer's name and address.

In packing fruits and vegetables, it is necessary to surround them with brine, sirup or water, but under the terms of the federal law governing the interstate shipment of canned goods, no more of this liquor is allowed than is actually necessary to cover the contents after as full a pack as possible is made. With tomatoes no water whatever should be added and no tomato

### FRUIT JUICES FOR JELLIES

May Be Sterilized and Bottled Without Sugar and Made Into Jelly at Any Time.

(From the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Fruit juices for use later in jelly making can be sterilized and bottled without sugar and made into jellies at the housewife's convenience. This enables her to do with fewer jelly glasses and to distribute her purchases of sugar for jelly making through the year. Moreover, with the bottled juice she can make a greater variety of jellies, as juices which will not jell can be put up when the fruit is ripe and combined later with fruits that will jell, or fruits ripening at different seasons can be combined. For example, the juice of strawberries, cherries, or pineapple can be kept without sugar and later when apples are plentiful can be made into combination jelly.

To put up unsugared fruit juices for jelly making proceed exactly as if jelly were to be made at the time. Cook the fruits until they are soft and strain out the juice through a flannel bag. Heat and pour while hot into bottles previously scalded. Fill the bottles full, leaving no air space between juice and cork or seal. Place the filled sealed bottles on their sides in water near the boiling point, and keep them in the bath for about thirty minutes. Make sure that the corked or sealed end is under the hot water. As soon as the bottles are cool cover the cork with a paraffin seal. Thorough sterilization and sealing are absolutely essential to success.



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#### CROP CONDITIONS

Owing to the long dry spell during the spring and early summer a great deal of anxiety has been felt among our farmers over the feed crop. The recent rains have put a different look on things, and if we have occasional showers during the remainder of the growing season there is a great probability that we will have the heaviest feed crop this county has ever produced. The condition of the wheat crop this spring caused many to plow it up and plant the land to maize and Kafir. The result is that we have almost double the acreage of former years. Some trouble was experienced during the early part of the season in getting a good stand. Some farmers had to plant the second and third time. As a rule now the stand is fairly good, the acreage very large and most raw crops in fairly good condition. We can figure pretty safely on having three months yet before we are likely to have frost sufficient to kill vegetation, and this will give ample time for crops to mature, and so they were planted late. We have some complaint of weeds almost all over the crops and some of our farmers even complain that weeds are growing rapidly. It has been our experience that when crops are in a healthy condition weeds do not grow so fast.

reason the weeds have the advantage of the crops, is because the farmer is undertaking to handle too great an acreage and the weeds got the start of him. Or it could be, in some instances, he has been whiling away his time waiting for rain when he should have been working his crop. A dry time is good for killing weeds, while stirring the ground helps to retain the moisture. During past years our farmers have been depending largely on wheat as their cash or money crop and raised kafir and maize only as a feed crop. In fact until recent years there has been no market for maize and kafir grains since from our local feeders. A glance at the market reports show these grains now selling in Kansas City at from \$3.60 to \$3.75 per hundred pounds, or over \$2 per bushel. They are bringing practically as much per bushel as wheat, and the fact that the yield is usually better, makes this crop fully as valuable for market. At the present prices being paid for maize, and average yield of this cereal per acre, one crop will pay for the land on which it is grown, valuing the land at \$40 per acre. By all means let us care well for our maize and kafir crops, not only this season, but in the years to come. It is said in the great corn states that "corn and hogs are the great mortgage lifters." Let us make maize and hogs do the same for this country.

The new regiments of the National Guard of Texas will be mustered into federal service on August 5. Announcement from Washington of delay for at least ten days in drawing names of men to be selected under the draft will be those between 21 and 31 years of age. It is an opportunity to enlist in the National Guard or regular army. The draft will probably be made the first week of July 23.

#### WHAT ABOUT THE RAILROAD

That is the question which is being asked on all hands and comments of all sorts are being made. The facts as we look at them are as follows: Work seems to be progressing as rapidly as conditions will permit. The greater part of the grading seems to be completed or nearing completion to a point within ten miles of Spearman. We learn, however that there is some very heavy grade work and several bridges in the northern part of Lipscomb county and this is where most of the delay seems to be. It is our understanding, and this is verified by statements of those connected with the railroad work, that the original contract was let to a competent and responsible construction company for the complete construction of the road from Shattuck, Oklahoma, to Spearman; that this contract included not only the grade work, but the bridges, laying of the track, building of depots and water tanks, and that this contract called for the work to be completed by the last of November. While it has been reported that they might complete the road by July or August, doubtless this was largely due to the expressed opinions of many of us who were extremely anxious that such would be the case. There can be no doubt in our minds that the construction company will have their work completed within the time limit in the contract, and as much earlier as conditions will permit. Many of our business men are expecting to move to the new town of Spearman and seem anxious to get on the ground at the earliest possible date. They can see no object in moving, however, until the road is completed and should this be delayed until winter it makes the moving doubly hard. We still hope to see the road completed before cold weather sets in, that we may get comfortably housed and our winter

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The State of Texas, Hansford county. To the Sheriff or any Constable of Hansford county, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon J. A. Simson, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 31st judicial district; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said Hansford, Texas, to appear at the next regular term of the Justice Court of precinct No. 1, Hansford county, Texas, to be holden at the courthouse thereof in Hansford, on the first Monday in September, A. D., 1917, the same being the 3rd day of September, 1917, then and there to answer a suit filed in said court on the 12th day of July, 1917, numbered on the docket of said court No. 37, wherein W. H. Douglas and B. O. Cator, composing the firm of B. O. Cator Grain Company, are plaintiffs and J. A. Simson is defendant, said suit being in substance as follows: Being a suit upon the balance of an open account and for attorney's fees, said open account being for goods, wares and merchandise sold and delivered by the plaintiffs to the defendant herein, at the various dates set out in said account, said goods having been purchased at various dates beginning about January 30, 1917, and running until about March 23, 1917, and said account having been in a total of \$187.42, but a payment of \$100 having been made on said account, leaving a balance of \$87.42 now due on said account. An itemized, verified statement of said account is filed with the papers in this cause, and reference is hereby made to said account for fuller description thereof. Plaintiffs allege that the prices charged for said goods were reasonable and proper. Plaintiffs show that at various dates during the time said account was being made and immediately thereafter they requested said defendant to pay said account, but he failed and refused to pay the same, or any part thereof except as above specified, and defendant still fails and refuses to pay the same. Plaintiffs allege that on account of said failure and refusal, that they are justly entitled to an attorney's fee of \$20.00.

Wherefore plaintiffs pray that defendant be cited to appear and answer herein, and that upon a hearing hereof they have judgment for the amount of their debt and damages against defendant on account of said account, or \$87.42, and for \$20 as attorney's fees, or a total of \$107.42, and they pray for all costs of suit and for all relief, general and special, that by law and equity to which they are entitled.

Witness my hand and seal of said court this 3rd day of July, 1917.

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Waters of the Palo-

## Announcement

Following our policy of taking care of our customers in all emergencies, the customers of this bank who have raised no wheat, and who are unable to purchase seed, are assured that their requirements for this purpose will be met by us and funds for that purpose furnished them.

You are advised to make your own arrangements, wherever possible, to get what seed you will require through some neighbor who has raised it, thus eliminating unnecessary handling expenses.

We will furnish the money for this purpose and will carry it until the new crop is raised at the actual cost of the seed plus 8 per cent interest.

Our only requirement will be that the ground be thoroughly prepared for seeding as soon as possible—the sooner this is done the better—and that we be advised promptly of the requirements of our customers who find it necessary to take advantage of this offer, in order that we may make our own arrangements for taking care of such needs.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF HANSFORD.

## Oregon and California Railway Co. Grant Lands.

Legal fight over land at last ended. Title re-vested in United States. Land, by act of congress, ordered to be opened under homestead laws for settlement and sale. Two million three hundred thousand acres. Containing some of the best timber and agricultural land left in United States. Large copyrighted map showing land by townships and sections, laws covering same and description of soil, climate, rainfall, elevations, temperature, etc., postpaid, \$1. Address, Grant Lands Locating Co., Portland, Oregon.

## Clean Up.

All unclean places about the town of Hansford, such as privies, outhouses, hog pens, etc., must be cleaned up at once and kept clean. The danger of such places during the extremely hot weather is very great and the safety of the public demands that they be cleaned up. Use lime profusely.

J. H. HANEY,  
County Health Officer.

## Coat Lost

A gray coat, having confederate medal and Sunday school badge attached to lapel and bank statement and \$100 deposit slip in pocket, was lost between the Jarvis place and Lieb school house. Finder please leave at Headlight office and receive reward.

## Tractor for Sale

I have a Model L Emerson 12 20 tractor for sale cheap. Will take cattle or horses in trade.

J. F. EDWARDS,  
Hansford, Texas.

## Pigs

Two pigs or one shoat wanted at the Trout Restaurant, Hansford.

## Card of Thanks

We desire to thank our friends most sincerely for their kind help and encouragement during the late fatal illness of our husband and son.

Mrs. H. V. M.  
Mrs. W. M.

## LUCERNE

Sunday School was well attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Gid Noble spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Sid Powers.

Misses Ana and May Spivey spent Friday night with the Misses Monna and Jessie Eubanks.

Mrs. Faus and children called on Mrs. Foster Saturday evening.

Earl Reynolds of Texhoma is working for Billy Spivey.

Miss Grace Winder is entertaining two girl friends this week from Clarendon.

Billy Spivey and Barney Grisles have the whooping cough.

Mr. Sul Spivey spent Sunday with his brother Johnnie who left for New Mexico on the following day.

George Faus spent Sunday with his wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Boston Eubanks and children attended the Kangaroo Court at Lakeside last Saturday night.

Lee Patton made a business trip to Hansford Friday.

## Notice

Fishing and hunting—grape hunting included—will not be allowed hereafter on my premises. This notice must be adhered to or prosecution will follow.

JOS. W. JONES.

## WANTED

A well drill Give full description and price first letter. Must be a bargain. Write me at Rule, Colorado. 2614

T. SNOWDEN.

## Notice

Anyone wishing to buy Aluminum-ware should see

MRS. MARY E OPELT,  
Palo Duro Hotel.

## ALFALFA SEED FOR SALE

I have about 300 bushels of re-cleaned Alfalfa seed for sale. See sample at Hansford County Bank. L. R. McCOMAS,  
Star Route, Guymon. 17-16

## A Strictly Home Product

That delicious ice cream served at the fountain at Hale's Drug store is a made-in-Hansford product. The cream comes from that splendid bunch of Jersey strippers which Mr. Hale owns and he recently installed a lot of new, modern machinery for making ice cream and also to care for the surplus milk. Mr. Hale finds this plan much more satisfactory than to be compelled to rely on shipments of cream from the railroad, which frequently arrive in poor condition, and also, as he can personally superintend the entire job, even to the milking, he knows that the cream served to his customers is absolutely pure, a fact which the customers will greatly appreciate.

LOST:—Automobile curtain, in Hansford. Finder leave at Headlight office. Reward.

New goods arriving almost every day. Come in and see,  
TRUAX HARDWARE CO.

Bert O. Cator is spending the week at home, from his business at Texhoma.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. John Kincheloe is quite sick with measles and whooping cough.

It was reported in town Wednesday that five members of the Noah Stevenson family, of Lieb, were sick with fever.

P. M. Woodring, who has been down at Noble, Okla., for the past two weeks visiting relatives, returned home yesterday. Rev. Franklin met him at Texhoma and the two jitted home by the light of the moon.

Hail and rain accompanied by a strong wind visited portions of the county Tuesday night. J. D. Sheets was in town Wednesday and reports that the storm must have spent most of its fury at his place, 15 miles southeast.

The Misses Hancock, Olivette, 10 years old on July 11 and Priscilla, 9 on July 13, gave a joint birthday party to twenty-three of their little friends on Thursday, July 12. The little girls spent a very delightful afternoon and pronounced the Misses Hancock delightful entertainers.

Jack Nesbitt, brother of the deceased, and Mr. and Mrs. George Jones of Guymon, Vernie Caldwell and family from Lieb, Mrs. Mary Foster and sons Edd and Will and Mr. Denison and family from Ochiltree county were here Tuesday to attend the funeral of Herert.

A sunshiny day with a few clouds in the morning and a clear day in the afternoon.

## CHANCE FOR HIGH

Always an Opportunity for Enlisted Men to Secure Commissions.

WELL PAID AND CARED FOR

Food, Clothing, Lodging and Medical Attendance Provided—Many Who Have Entered Service as Privates Have Gained High Rank.

By EDWARD B. CLARK,  
Washington.—"In the regular army,

"This line is from a song in praise of the regulars which is as old as the army itself. It is the pride of the regulars to say that they are always ready and it would seem to the civilian who reads the history of the standing army that the pride is not misplaced.

There seems to be throughout the country a misunderstanding concerning enlistments in the regular army today. The registration of men between the ages of twenty-one and thirty-one for possible selection as soldiers in the new national army does not in any way prevent the registered man from enlisting today in the regular army, the navy or the Marine corps. There is still a chance for a man to become a volunteer and by becoming one to enter the ranks of an army which has made history and will continue to make it so long as American fighting men take the field.

In the regular army the enlisted man is assured of a fine quality of leadership. He is under the command of men who know the war game from its beginning to its end and who understand thoroughly how to instill a strict discipline which is good for the men and for the service because, while necessarily strict, it has for its spirit a kindly consideration and a knowledge of the needs of the soldier. Moreover, the regular army officers know how to care thoroughly for the health of their men.

## Thoroughly Trained Leaders.

It must not be understood from this that the new national army will not be well led and well cared for, but in the regular service the entire personnel of the commissioned ranks is that of men who have had the best kind of training with special reference to the guidance of those who shall be under their control. In the national army in each organization there will be some regular officers, whose duty it will be to impart to the newer officers the things which they have learned by long experience. Both services will be of the highest order.

The young man who enlists in the regular service has every chance of promotion. He enters as a private, but there is an opportunity for him while still an enlisted man to secure a position which will pay him \$81 a month in addition to his entire support so far as food, clothing, lodging and medical attendance are concerned. The government gives all these things gratis.

There is always an opportunity for enlisted men of the United States army who are mentally and physically alert to secure commissions, and thereby to pass from the ranks of an enlisted man to that of an officer, and be assured of a profession for the rest of his life. Enlisted men who remain enlisted men in the army can retire after 30 years service with good pay and allowance.

## Pay in the Army.

In order that the young man who desires to become a volunteer through enlistment in the United States army, for probable first service in the field of the present war, may know just what his pay will be, the following table is given by which he can determine almost at a glance what his "monthly money" will amount to, and while studying the table he should remember that the government takes it upon itself to keep him in food and clothing, to give him lodging and medical attendance and, in fact, to provide for him every necessary of life free of cost. Here is the table:

	Per Month.
Private, Private, second class, Bugler	\$30
Private, hospital corps (private medical department)	\$11
Private, first class	\$35
Corporal, artillery, cavalry, infantry, Saddle, Mechanic, infantry, cavalry, field artillery, medical department.	\$40
Farrier, Wagoner	\$35
Corporal, engineers, ordnance, signal corps, Q. M. corps, medical department, Mechanic, coast artillery, Chief mechanic, field artillery, Musician, third class, Infantry, cavalry, artillery, engineers	\$30
Sergeant, artillery, cavalry, infantry, Stable sergeant, field artillery, infantry, cavalry, Supply sergeant, infantry, cavalry, artillery, Mess sergeant, Infantry, cavalry, artillery, Cook, Horse-shoer, Radio sergeant, Fireman, Band corporal, Musician second class, Infantry, cavalry, artillery, engineers, Musician, third class, military academy	\$35
Sergeant, engineers, ordnance, signal corps, Q. M. corps, medical department, Stable sergeant, engineer, Supply sergeant, engineer, Sergeant, sergeant, engineers, Electrician sergeant	\$35
Band sergeant, Musician, second class, Infantry, cavalry, artillery, engineers, second class	\$35

LOTS IN THE TOWN OF

**Follett, - Lipscomb - Texas**  
County

Will be offered for sale on

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1**

This town is located on the Santa Fe Railway now being constructed between Shattuck, Oklahoma, and Spearman, Texas, about 5 miles south of Ivanhoe, Oklahoma, in the center of a first-class farming district.

I will be at Follett, on said date and will personally conduct this sale.

For particulars address,

**F. W. WILSEY,**

Branch Office on Townsite

**Canadian, Texas**

## GET MORE MILES

I am getting six more miles per gallon of gasoline, 20 per cent more power from my engine and freedom from Carbon troubles. I am saving dollars every month, instead of wasting them in unnecessary gasoline, all because I use a

**.. LYDON SPEEDLER ..**

I am so thoroughly convinced by actual test of the merit of the Lydon Speedler that I want all my friends and their friends to know about it. It costs you nothing to own a Lydon Speedler because it saves its price in a month. It is the biggest value for \$5 that I know of. Fits every car. I have taken the general agency for Hansford, Ochiltree and Hutchinson counties. See me at once and let me demonstrate.

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Board by day or week at popular prices. Table supplied with the best the market affords. Clean and comfortable rooms and beds.

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Everything in the Grocery line at right prices. We appreciate your business

GUYMON, OKLAHOMA

## Resident Lumber Co.

TEXHOMA, OKLA.  
Everything in Building Material

Until eye, ear, nose, throat, and other parts of the body are in good condition, the person will be unable to do his best work. Sanitary eye, ear, nose, throat, and other parts of the body are in good condition. July 20.

# The Secrets of the Hohenzollerns

STARTLING EXPOSURE OF INNER LIFE OF KAISER AND CROWN PRINCE AS TOLD BY COUNT ERNST VON HELTZENDORFF TO WILLIAM LEQUEUX

**EDITORIAL NOTE.**—William Lequeux, who here chronicles for his friend, Count Ernst von Heltzendorff, the latter's revelations of the inner life of the imperial German court, has long been recognized throughout Europe as the possessor of its innermost secrets.

The English "Who's Who" says of him: "He has intimate knowledge of the secret service of Continental countries and is considered by the government (of Great Britain) an authority on such matters." Another authority says: "Few people have been more closely associated with or know more of the astounding inner machinery of Germany than he."

Lequeux probably has more sources of secret information at his command than any contemporary in civil life, and for the last six years the British Government has made valuable use of his vast store of secret information through a specially organized department with which Lequeux works as a voluntary assistant.

Count von Heltzendorff became an intimate of Lequeux several years prior to the outbreak of the war; he has been living in retirement in France since August, 1914, and it was there that Lequeux received from the crown prince's late personal adjutant permission to make public these revelations of the inner life of the Hohenzollerns—that the democracies of the world might come to know the real, but heretofore hidden, personalities of the two dominant members of the autocracy they are now arrayed against.

## Trautmann Affair Cause of Trouble

THE Trautmann affair was one which caused a wild sensation at Potsdam in the autumn of 1912. I became implicated in it in a somewhat curious manner.

I chanced to be lunching at the Esplanade in Berlin, chatting with Larogue of the French embassy. Our hostess was Frau Breitenbach, a wealthy Jewess—a woman who came from Dortmund—and who was spending money like water in order to wriggle into Berlin society. As personal adjutant of the crown prince, I was, of course, one of the principal guests, and I suspected that she was angling for a card of invitation to the next ball at the Marmor palace.

Frau Breitenbach was lunching with sixteen guests at one big, round table, her daughter Elise, a very smartly dressed girl of sixteen, seated opposite to her. It was a merry party, including, as it did, some of the most renowned persons in the empire, among them being the imperial chancellor, Bethmann-Hollweg, and that grand seigneur, who was a favorite at court, the multimillionaire serene highness, Prince Maximilian Egon zu Fuenstenberg. Of the latter it may be said that no man rivaled his influence with the emperor. What he said was law in Germany.

Fuenstenberg was head of the famous "prince's trust," now dissolved, but at that time, with its capital of \$500,000,000, it was a great force in the German commercial world. Indeed, such a boon companion was he of the kaiser's that an august but purely decorative and ceremonial place was actually invented for him as colonel marshal of the Prussian court, an excuse to wear a gay uniform and gorgeous decorations, as befitted a man who, possessing a hundred millions, was an important asset to the emperor in his deep-laid scheme for world power.

## Young Man Across the Room

That merry luncheon party was the prologue of a very curious drama. As we chatted I noticed that far across the crowded room, at a table set in a window, there sat alone a dark-haired, sallow, good-looking young civilian, who was eating his lunch in a rather bored manner, yet his eyes were fixed straight upon Elise Breitenbach, as though she exercised over him some strange fascination.

Half a dozen times I glanced across, and on each occasion saw that the young man had no eyes for the notables around the table, his gaze being fixed upon the daughter of the great financier.

Somehow I felt a distinct belief that the young civilian's face was familiar to me. It was not the first time I had seen him, yet I could not recall the circumstances in which we had met.

Two nights later I dined with the Breitenbachs at their fine house in the Alsenstrasse. The only guest besides myself was the Countess von Bassewitz, and after dinner Frau Breitenbach took the countess aside to the willow-bordered garden. Her daughter, I noticed, was sitting at the table.

Most astute, she observed, and in the emperor's favor, he had the assistance of some of the best scientific brains of our empire in his investigations and analyses. In-terest is with me from

I reflected a moment. Then I said: "I do not think that will be very difficult. I will see what can be done. But I hope that if I am successful you will accompany your mother."

When I looked in at the court marshal's room in the palace next morning, I scribbled down the name of mother and daughter for cards.

A week later the crown prince and princess gave a grand ball at the Marmor palace at Potsdam, and the emperor himself attended.

Frau Breitenbach, gorgeously attired, made her bow before the all-highest, and her daughter did the same.

I spoke with Elise, and afterward, when I danced with her, I saw how impressed she was by the glitter and glamour of the Potsdam court circle, and by the fact that she was in the presence of the all-highest one. From words she let drop that night as she hung upon my arm, I wondered whether she was really as ingenious as she pretended. She was, I found, an extremely discreet and clever little person, a fact which further increased my official interest in her.

## Questioned by the Emperor.

One night about two months later I had an appointment with Max Reinhardt at the Deutsches theater, in Berlin, to arrange a royal visit there, and after the performance I went back to the palace, prior to retiring to my rooms in the Krausenstrasse. The guards saluted as I crossed the dark courtyard, and having passed through the corridors to the private apartments, I entered with my key the crown prince's locked study.

To my surprise, I found "Willie" seated there with the emperor in earnest discussion.

With apology, I bowed instantly and withdrew, whereupon the kaiser exclaimed:

"Come in, Heltzendorff; I want you."

Then he cast a quick glance at the young man, who had thrown himself in a lazy attitude into a long cane lounge chair. It was as though his majesty was hesitating to speak with me, or asking his son's permission to do so.

"Tell me, Heltzendorff," exclaimed his majesty suddenly, "do you know this person?" and he placed before my gaze a cabinet photograph of the pretty Elise.

"Yes," I answered frankly. "It is Fraulein Breitenbach."

"And what do you know of her?" inquired his majesty. "You introduced her and her mother to court, I believe."

I saw that the emperor had discovered something which annoyed him. What could it be?

At once I was compelled to admit that I had set down their names for invitation, and, further, I explained all that I knew about them.

"You are certain you know nothing more?" asked the emperor. "Understand that no blame attaches to you."

I assured him that I had revealed all that I knew concerning them.

"Hold no further communication with either mother or daughter," his majesty said. "Leave for Paris by the eight o'clock train tomorrow morning, and go to Baron von Steinmetz, the chief of our confidential service in France."

Then, turning to the crown prince, he said: "You have his address."

"Yes," said the younger man. "He is passing as Monsieur Felix Reumont, and is living at 114 bis, Avenue de Neuilly, close to the Pont."

I scribbled the name and address upon the back of an envelope, whereupon his majesty said:

"Carry my verbal orders to Steinmetz, and tell him to act upon the orders I sent him by courier yesterday. And you will assist him. He will explain matters fully when you arrive."

Then, crossing to the crown prince's writing table, his majesty took a large envelope, into which he placed the photograph with several papers, and sealed them with the crown prince's seal.

"Give this to Von Steinmetz from me," his majesty said.

I bowed as I took it from his majesty's hand, my curiosity naturally excited regarding Frau Breitenbach and her daughter. What, I wondered, was in the wind?

"And, Heltzendorff, please report to me," remarked the heir, still lounging lazily in the chair.

Bowing, I took leave of my imperial master, and next morning at eight o'clock, set out upon my mission.

Baron von Steinmetz, I found the Baron von Steinmetz living in the Avenue de Neuilly, in the bridge.

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## A LETTER FROM THE CROWN PRINCE'S PERSONAL ADJUTANT TO WILLIAM LEQUEUX, POSSESSOR OF THE SECRETS OF EUROPE.

Veneux Nadon,  
par Moret-sur-Loing,  
Seine-et-Marne,  
February 10th, 1917.

My dear Lequeux:

I have just finished reading the proofs of your articles describing my life as an official at the imperial court at Potsdam, and the two or three small errors you made I have duly corrected.

The gross scandals and wily intrigues which I have related to you were many of them known to yourself, for as the intimate friend of Luisa, the ex-crown princess of Saxony, you were, before the war, closely associated with many of those at court whose names appear in these articles.

The revelations which I have made, and which you have recorded here, are but a tithe of the disclosures which I could make, and if the world desires more, I shall be pleased to furnish you with other and even more startling details, which you may also put into print.

My services as personal adjutant to the German crown prince is, happily, at an end, and now, with the treachery of Germany against civilization glaringly revealed, I feel, in my retirement, no compunction in exposing all I know concerning the secrets of the kaiser and his son.

With most cordial greetings from  
Your sincere friend,

(Signed) ERNST VON HELTZENDORFF.

"Why, I don't understand. But his majesty told me that you would explain. The young lady and her mother are friends of mine."

"Exactly. That's just it!" he exclaimed. "You apparently know but little of them—eh?—or you would not call them your friends!"

These words surprised me, but I was the more astounded when he continued:

"You of course know of those disgraceful anonymous letters which have been continually arriving at court—the emperor's fury concerning them."

I replied in the affirmative, for, as a matter of fact, for the past three months the whole court had been flooded with most abusive and disgraceful correspondence concerning the camrilla that had again sprung up around the kaiser. The emperor, the empress, the crown prince and princess, Prince Eitel, Sophie Caroline, Prince Henry of Prussia and others had received letters, most of them in typewriting, containing the most intimate details of scandals concerning men and women around the emperor.

Fully a dozen of these letters addressed to the crown prince he had handed to me—letters denouncing in some cases perfectly innocent people, destroying the reputations of honest men and women, and abusing the heir to the throne in an outrageous manner.

On at least three occasions "Willie" had shown me letters addressed to the kaiser himself, and intercepted by the kaiserin, who, in consequence of this flood of anonymous epistles that had produced such a terrible sensation at Potsdam, had ordered that all such letters found in the imperial postbag should be handed at once to her.

"The identity of the writer is the point that is engaging my attention," the baron said, as he opened a drawer and drew forth a bundle of quite a hundred letters, adding: "All these that you see here have been addressed either to the emperor or the empress," and he handed me one, which on scanning I saw contained some outrageous statements, allegations which would make the hair of the all-highest bristle with rage.

"Well," I exclaimed, "that certainly is a very interesting specimen of anonymous correspondence."

"Yes, it is!" exclaimed the baron. "In Berlin every inquiry has been made to trace its author. Schunke (head of the detective police) was charged by the emperor to investigate. He did so, and both he and Klewitz failed utterly. Now it has been given into my hands."

A Typical German Investigation.

Presently, when I sat with the baron at his table, he switched on an intense electric light and then spread out some of the letters above a small, square mirror.

"You see they are on various kinds of note paper, bearing all kinds of watermarks, of French, English and German manufacture. Some we have here are upon English paper, because it is heavy and thick. Again, three different makes of typewriter have been used—one a newly invented importation from America. The written letters are, you will see, mostly in a man's hand."

"Yes, I see all that," I said. "But what have you discovered concerning their author? The letter I received bore a French stamp and the postmark of Angers."

He placed before me quite a dozen envelopes addressed to the emperor and empress, all bearing the postmark of that town in the Maine-et-Loire. Others had been posted in Leipzig, Wilhelmshaven, Tours, Antwerp, Berlin, Wilmersdorf and other places.

"The investigation is exceedingly difficult, I can assure you," he said. "I have had the assistance of some of the best scientific brains of our empire in his investigations and analyses. In-terest is with me from

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vented amazing additions, and in secret sown it broadcast.

His hand would have left no trace if he had not been so indiscreet as to buy his paper from that one shop close to the Rue de Provence, where he had rooms.

## The Arrest of General von Trautmann.

On the third night following I stood in the emperor's private room at Potsdam and made my report, explaining all that I knew and what I had witnessed in Paris.

"That man knows a very great deal—but how does he know?" snapped the emperor. "See Schunke early tomorrow," he ordered, "and tell him to discover the link between this young blackguard and your friends the Breitenbachs, and report to me."

Next morning I sat with the astute Schunke at the headquarters of the detective police in Berlin, and there discussed the affair fully, explaining the result of my journey to Paris and what I had seen, and giving him the order from the kaiser.

"But, count, if this woman Breitenbach and her daughter are your friends, you will be able to visit them and glean something," he said.

"I have distinct orders from the emperor not to visit them while the inquiry is in progress," I replied.

Later that same morning I returned to the Marmor palace to report to the crown prince, but found that his highness was absent upon an official visit of inspection at Stuttgart.

In the meantime I several times saw the great detective, Schunke, and found that he was in constant communication with Baron Steinmetz in Paris. The pair were evidently leaving no stone unturned to elucidate the mystery of those annoying letters, which were still falling as so many bombs into the center of the kaiser's court.

Suddenly, one Sunday night, all Berlin was electrified at the news that General von Trautmann, captain general of the palace guard—whom, truth to tell, the crown prince had long secretly hated because he had once dared to utter some word of reproach—had been arrested and sent to a fortress at the emperor's order.

An hour after the arrest his majesty's personal adjutant commanded me by telephone to attend at the Berlin Schloss. When we were alone, the kaiser turned to me and said:

"Count von Heltzendorff, you will say nothing of your recent visit to Paris, or of the authorship of those anonymous letters—you understand? You know absolutely nothing."

Then, being summarily dismissed by a wave of the imperial hand, I retired, more mystified than ever. Why should my mouth be thus closed?

When I returned to my rooms that evening Schunke rang me up on the telephone with the news that my friends the Breitenbachs had closed their house and left early that morning for Brussels.

"Where is Seeliger?" I inquired.

"In Brussels. The Breitenbachs have gone there to join him, now that the truth is out, and his father is under arrest."

The emperor's fury knew no bounds. His mind-poisoned against the poor old general, he had fixed upon him as the person responsible for that disgraceful correspondence which for so many weeks had kept the court in constant turmoil and anxiety. Though his majesty was aware of the actual writer of the letters, he would not listen to reason, and openly declared that he would make an example of the silver-haired old captain general of the guard, who, after all, was perfectly innocent of the deeds committed by his vagabond son.

A prosecution was ordered, and three weeks later it took place in camera, the baron, Schunke and a number of detectives being ordered to give evidence. So damning, indeed, was their testimony that the judge passed the extreme sentence of twenty years' imprisonment.

And I, who knew and held proofs of the truth, dared not protest.

Elise Breitenbach.

Where was the general's son—the real culprit and author of the letters? I made inquiry of Schunke, of the baron, and of others who had, at the order of the all-highest, conspired to ruin poor Von Trautmann. All, however, declared ignorance, and yet, curiously enough, the fine house of the Breitenbachs in the Alsenstrasse still remained empty.

About six months after the secret trial of the unfortunate general I had accompanied the crown prince on a visit to the Quirinal, and one afternoon while strolling along the Corso, in Rome, suddenly came face to face with Fraulein Elise Breitenbach.

In delight I took her into Ronzi's, the noted confectioner's at the corner of the Piazza Colonna, and there, at one of the little tables, she explained to me how she and her mother, having become acquainted with Franz Seeliger—not knowing him to be the general's son—they suddenly fell under the suspicion of the Berlin secret police, and, though much puzzled, did not come to court.

Two weeks later mother and daughter came to be in Paris, and one day they were in Seeliger's rooms in the Rue de Provence, where he was out.

They, however, were shown into his room to wait, and there saw upon his table an abusive and scurrilous typewritten letter in German addressed to the emperor. Then it suddenly dawned upon them that the affable young man might be the actual author of those infamous letters, about which all Berlin knew and was talking. It was this visit which, no doubt, revealed to the baron the young man's hiding place. Both mother and daughter, however, kept their own counsel, met Seeliger next day, and watched, subsequently learning to their surprise, that he was the son of General von Trautmann, and, further, that he had as a friend one of the personal valets of the emperor, from whom, no doubt, he obtained his inside information about persons at court.

"When his father was arrested we knew that the young man was living in Brussels, and at once went there in order to induce him to come forward, make confession, and so save the general from disgrace," said the pretty girl seated before me. "On arrival we saw him alone, and told him what we had discovered in the Rue de Provence, whereupon he admitted to us that he had written all the letters, and announced that he intended to return to Berlin next day and give himself up to the police in order to secure his father's release."

"And why did he not do so?" I asked.

"Because next morning he was found dead in his bed in the hotel."

Fearing the emperor's wrath, the Breitenbachs, like myself, dared not reveal what they knew—the truth, which is here set down for the first time—and, alas! poor General von Trautmann died in prison at Mulheim last year.

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**BUILT FOR KING'S DAUGHTER**

Famous French Road Constructed by Louis XV to Render Travel More Easy.

The high road running along the edge of the plateau of Craonne, France, frequently mentioned in the official communications during the second battle of the Aisne, and which is going down to history under the name of the "Chemin des Dames," (the ladies' way), dates from the time of Louis XV.

This road, beginning at the Paris-Mauberge road, about ten miles northeast of Soissons, crosses the plateau of Craonne, a distance of about twelve miles, then descends into the valley of the Ailette to cross the Vauclerc woods to the domain of the ancient chateau of Dove, near Bouconville, where the Princess Adelaide, Sophie and Victoire, daughters of Louis XV, visited one of their ladies of honor, Mme. de Narbonne, every summer.

The roads of the region were detestable. Out of consideration for the princesses a new paved road was built along the crest of the plateau and from that fact it derives the name of the "Chemin des Dames."

She Used Her Voice.

The Waldorf-Astoria hotel in New York has a maid with a voice. She can yell louder than any Comanche on the warpath. Recently she let loose her voice and bellhops and porters rushed to her from all over the big hostelry. In answer to her cries she pointed to one of the rooms. "There's the Leuprochauns in there," she cried, "fifteen devil men, with bald heads and whiskers, leaping over the bed in yonder room." "Leuprochauns," cried a porter, also from the Emerald Isle, and he devoutly crossed himself. "Leuprochauns, indeed," whimpered the maid. "There they are in there. I went in, and bless my soul, if these little devils did not go leaping about lookin' for all the world like Paddy McFadden's two undies over in Ballyshanon. Sure, I won't go in there again, job or no job." With compressed lips and doughty manners, the little party of men went into the room and then, after a suppressed gasp, they laughed. For gambling about were two tiny marmosets. "Pets, are they?" repeated the maid. "Well, may be they're all right, but they look like devils just the same, and I'll have none of them."

Sudden Change of Mind.

"Why in the world don't they give up their automobile and try to pay some of their debts?" asked the lady who was always worrying about the troubles of other people had.

"Probably," her husband replied, "for the same reason that we don't move into an apartment we can afford, instead of keeping up this place and wondering how long we can avoid going to smash."

"Oh, but I despise a man who is willing to let the world see that he's a failure, instead of being brave enough to keep up appearances, at least."—Judge.

Not Knocking at All.

"I wanted to talk to you yesterday."

"Why didn't you call me on the telephone?"

"It wasn't important enough to go to all that trouble."

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"No, indeed. He just takes the tickets. That's why I think he's a natural-born showman."

**He Had the Habit.**  
"Now I've done it!" means the absent-minded editor.  
"Done what?" asks the interested friend.  
My best girl sent me a box of cigars for Christmas, and as I already had received five boxes I sent them back to her with a note of regret saying that they were not returned for lack of merit, but because we were already supplied with plenty of such material."

**He Reckoned.**  
Visitor—When did your boy Josh pass his examinations?  
Farmer—I dunno exactly, but I reckon it must have been when nobody was lookin'.

**Father Was Wise.**  
Son—Dad, the fish are biting like anything down the river.  
Father—Well, son, keep on hoeing and they won't bite you.

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**LOMAX INJUNCTION NOT PERPETUATED**

JUDGE GRAVES SUSTAINS DEMURRER OF DEFENDANT REGENTS OF UNIVERSITY.

**CONTROVERSY IS REVIEWED**

Court Says He Cannot Disregard Inconvenience of Further Restrictions of Board's Deliberations.

Austin.—Judge Ireland Graves of the Twenty-sixth district court has overruled all pleas of relator and sustained the general demurrer of the defendants in the case of John A. Lomax vs. G. S. McReynolds et al.

This means that the plaintiff, Lomax, has lost in his suit for injunction to restrain McReynolds and three other members of the board of regents of the university of Texas from removing President Vinson and several members of the faculty.

The following questions were involved in the suit, Judge Graves said in his decision:

"Is this a suit against the state? Does the venue lie in Travis county? Is E. J. Mathews, the registrar of the university of Texas, a proper party to the suit? Does the plaintiff's bill disclose a cause of action for injunctive relief? Having in mind the rules governing the action of a court of equity in a preliminary proceeding, does the evidence present a probable cause for relief?"

**Not Suit Against State.**  
It is held that neither this suit nor the supposed case would be a suit against the state; that the district court of Travis county has jurisdiction. It is held that E. J. Mathews is a proper party to the suit. Coming to the general demurrer, Judge Graves made the following ruling: "With the lights that were before me, I still think it was my duty to grant the temporary restraining order, yet I can not now disregard the inconvenience that will result to the board from further restrictions upon their deliberations."

**Rains Cover Large Portion of Texas.**  
Dallas.—Dallas county and contiguous territory formed the center for a series of rains and showers that covered practically all of Texas, as well as the greater portion of the territory of the United States west of the Mississippi river Wednesday, according to reports received and data given out by the United States weather bureau station here. It was also said that throughout the section visited all crops were immeasurably benefited. The rainfall at Dallas was 1.31 inches. There was an average of over an inch of rain throughout the region known as Dallas territory.

**Arrest for Arson Follows Denton Fire.**  
Denton.—Fire almost completely destroyed the Williams dry goods store on the court square here, causing a loss of \$40,000 to the building and stock. The fire for a time threatened a dangerous conflagration in the business section. The loss is almost covered by insurance. An arrest was made, the complaint charging arson.

**Board of Education Buys Bonds.**  
Austin.—Bonds aggregating \$231,550, of which \$189,550 were school bonds, \$37,000 road bonds and \$5,000 city hall bonds, were purchased at a called meeting of the state board of education. An issue of \$200,000 school bonds of the city of Port Arthur was ordered, but the board did not purchase them, postponing action until further investigation has been made.

**Sugar Mill at Harlingen Burns.**  
Harlingen.—The Hill sugar mill, valued at \$250,000, was destroyed by fire Sunday morning. The fire, when discovered, encircled the entire structure, which was aflame. Nothing was saved. The fire was confined to the mill alone. There was no insurance.

**Col. J. H. Paramore Dies at Abilene.**  
Abilene.—Col. J. H. Paramore, millionaire cattleman and philanthropist, and a member of Terry's Texas rangers in the war between the states, died at his home here. Colonel Paramore was born in Early county, Georgia, August 13, 1840.

**Contract for Cotton Palace Coliseum.**  
Waco.—The contract for the erection of the new Cotton Palace coliseum, which is to be ready for the 1917 exposition, has been awarded. The price, it was said, is slightly in excess of \$50,000.

**Mayor of Houston Dies Suddenly.**  
Houston.—Mayor Joseph J. Pasoriza of Houston died suddenly at his home just ten minutes after he had reached the house from the city hall, where he had complained of feeling slightly indisposed. His death in this sudden manner came about one week after he had casually remarked to Fire Commissioner H. Halverson in the mayor's office when his time came to go suddenly.

**Auto Registration Fees About \$100,000.**  
Austin.—The state highway mission is preparing plans for construction of approximately 100 miles of good roads according to the plan of the state highway commission.

**ABILENE CLAIMS WON A. & M.**

Strong Opposition Is Voiced to Re-convening of Location Commission.

Abilene.—"If we were to agree to a reopening of the West Texas Agricultural and Mechanical college location, it would be deliberately putting the lie to Gov. James E. Ferguson. W. E. Thomason, secretary of the board, and Lieut. Gov. W. P. Hobby, all of whom have said Abilene did receive three votes on the second ballot, declared Col. K. K. Leggett, former chairman of the board of regents of the A. & M. college. The statement was made at a meeting of representative Abilene business men held here. The meeting was under the auspices of the local West Texas A. & M. committee.

The kindest feeling was expressed toward other competing towns in West Texas for the school. It was declared that Abilene realized the co-operation of other West Texas towns is necessary to the success of the college and said Abilene business men hoped to obtain it.

**COUNCIL OF DEFENSE MEETS.**

\$1,000 Appropriated to Defray Expense of Texas Guard Recruiting Campaign.

San Antonio.—Steps to place Texas in the front rank of national service during the war were taken here by the Texas state council of defense. The members worked rapidly, concluding in a single day a program that had been arranged for a two days' session. The next session of the council will be held in Galveston.

Following is the gist of what the council did at the session:

Created an auxiliary committee in every county in the state.

Inaugurated a campaign for conservation of the food supply through the housewives of Texas.

Appropriated \$1,000 to defray expenses in a campaign to recruit the Texas national guard.

Passed resolutions asking Texas congressmen to have the Burnett immigration law suspended for 60 days so as to admit Mexican laborers for work on the railroads.

Passed resolutions urging the war department to provide guards for Texas wharves, docks and railroad bridges.

Passed resolutions protesting the fixing of cotton prices by the government.

**Urge Women to Join Service League**  
Dallas.—Simultaneously with the ushering in of women's registration day July 10th for the purpose of getting all women in Texas to sign the Hoover food conservation pledge a service league campaign was also inaugurated with Mrs. J. C. Muse as chairman of the second district of Texas. There are 13 counties in Mrs. Muse's district and she has already started a movement to organize these counties to get every woman living within their bounds to join the national league for women's service. The campaign will continue for two weeks, though the registration is expected to be completed by July 15. The opportunities for service in the two branches of the league—household economics and agriculture—will be presented to the women in the light of an opportunity for patriotic service, and in this light they will be asked to join.

**Charge on Shingle Roof Raised to 25c**  
Austin.—As a result of efforts of the Texas Fire Insurance commission handling rate matters, the commission has raised the charge on combustible shingle roofing, effective July 15. The commission is of the opinion that the immense conflagration losses are due largely to combustible shingle roofs. The present charge of 15c in Texas for shingle roofs as applied to dwellings, apartment houses and flats, churches, schools, colleges, convents and public libraries is raised to 25c.

**Value of Intangible Assets of R. R.**  
Austin.—Final figures on valuations of intangible assets of railroads and ferry and bridge companies in Texas, announced by State Tax Commissioner Bagby show a total of \$152,240,633, exclusive of the International & Great Northern Railway company, which recently had been fixed at \$8,608,018, making a grand total of the intangible valuations of \$160,848,651, an increase of \$4,408,852 over last year.

**\$4,700,000 Utilities Co. Chartered.**  
Austin.—The state department has approved and filed the charter of the San Antonio Public Service company of San Antonio, capital stock \$4,700,000, with headquarters in San Antonio.

**FARM MORE LAND**

Cultivate for the Soldier at the Front.

This question of conservation of food has become so agitated by those who have a knowledge of what it means in the preservation of life, who have made a study of the food conditions, and the requirements of the country, that it is beginning to arouse the entire nation. The economist whose duty it is to study the output and compare it with the consumption, sees a rapidly creeping up of one on the other, and, when the appetite of consumption gets a headway on the output, where will the nation be? It is time the people were aroused, for there is danger ahead unless the intelligence of the people is awakened to the facts. The crop of 1917 will be less than an average one, and see the work it has to perform. It has to feed the man producing it, and be of less efficiency today than a year ago. His strength has been reduced by the drawing away of the thousands from the farms, who are now in the ranks of the consumer instead of in that of the producer. There is an inverse ratio here that can only be understood when confronted with the appalling figures presented by those in charge of the conservation work. The army has to be fed, dependents cared for, the navy has to have provisions, and we cannot sit idly by and see the women and children of the countries across the sea starve. There is such a great call for active participation in the matter of providing food, that those who are left at home in charge of this work have a responsibility placed upon them fully as great as has the man at the front who has gone out to protect the homes, the sanctity and the honor of those who are left behind. The producer should think only of this; there should be economy, not only of labor. Every acre of available land should be producing. Advantage should be taken of every daylight hour. It must not be a case of "fight" with those who have gone overseas, but in our way, fight to win the war. Where that spirit pervades will be found the spirit of the patriotic American. There is no difficulty in securing land in any of the states. It may be rented on easy terms or purchased at low prices, and there should be little difficulty arranging with bankers to get the necessary funds to carry on operations. Should you not be able to get what you want in your own state, Western Canada offers an immense wide field for operations at the lowest possible cost, and Americans are welcomed with open arms. Homesteads of 160 acres each may be had on easy conditions, and other lands may be purchased at low prices on easy terms. The yields of all kinds of small grains are heavy. The prospects for a 1917 crop are excellent, and it looks today as if there would be as good a return as at any time in the past, and when it is realized that there have been yields of forty and forty-five bushels of wheat over large areas this should be encouraging. Now that the two countries are allies and the cause is a common one there should be no hesitation in accepting whatever offer seems to be the best in order to increase the production so necessary, and which should it not be met, will prove a serious menace. Particulars as to Canadian lands, whether for purchase or homestead, may be had on application to any Canadian Government Agent—Advertisement.

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**Horrors of War.**  
Mrs. Peck—They are going to arrest all suspicious persons.  
Mr. Peck—Maybe they won't, Maria, so long as you are suspicious only of me.—Judge.

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THE NEWS OF SEVEN DAYS IN ALL LANDS

**War News.**  
The enemy penetrated the British position in Belgium on a front of 1,400 yards to a depth of 600 yards, says a statement issued by the British war office. In the advance the Germans reached the right bank of the Yser, near the sea. The attack followed a twenty-four-hour bombardment, on which the defenses in the dunes sector near the coast were leveled. The sector was isolated by destruction of bridges over the Yser.

An air raid on the enemy fleet off Constantinople was announced in a statement of the British war office. Bombs were dropped on the Turkish cruiser Sultan Selim, formerly the German cruiser Goeben. The extent of the damage to the vessel is not given.

Halicz, the strategic key to Lemberg, capital of Galicia, has been captured by the Russians, says a dispatch from Reuter's Petrograd correspondent. Halicz, eighty-three miles southeast of Lemberg on the Dniester river, is an important railroad junction and the most important key to the Galician capital.

A late official statement issued by the French war office reads: West of Froidmont Farm an enemy surprise attack on one of our small posts was repulsed. The artillery was quite active in the region of Moronvilliers and the sector of Hill 304—Le Mort Homme.

Northwest of Stanislaw, in Galicia, the first defense positions of the Austrians have been occupied by the Russians after two days of violent fighting, says an official statement from Austro-Hungarian general headquarters.

There has been considerable patrol activities on the entire front, says an official statement from the Italian war office. Successful encounters with small enemy parties are reported by our reconnoitering detachments.

The Germans launched another violent attack on the Aisne front, and, as in the case of their recent attempt to recapture important positions along the Chemin-Des-Dames, met with determined resistance by the French and suffered very heavy losses. The attack was delivered in four sectors. The official report says they were driven back.

In a renewal of their attack at Stanislaw, south of Halicz, the key to Lemberg, Russian troops have gained ground. This is announced in a supplementary statement issued from German headquarters.

**Washington.**  
With a population of 6,504,185, New York City leads its nearest competitor, Chicago, by nearly 3 million, according to a new census estimate just completed by the government. It is virtually the first federal estimate for seven years and was made necessary by the Draft Law.

President Wilson has appealed to the country's business interests to put aside every selfish consideration and to give their aid to the nation as freely as those who go out to offer their lives on the battlefield. In a statement addressed to the coal operators and manufacturers he gave assurances that just prices will be paid by the government and the public during the war but warned that no attempt to extort unusual profits will be tolerated.

A senate agreement to vote on President Wilson's Food Control bill July 21—five weeks after its submission to Congress as an urgent war measure—was followed by issuance from the White House of a detailed report by Herbert Hoover declaring that both the farmers and the public are threatened with serious losses unless food control authority is given quickly to the federal government.

**Domestic.**  
Five men were killed and thirty-one injured in an explosion which wrecked two storehouses at the Mare Island navy yard, according to the commandant's report. Many houses were demolished.

Fear of embarrassing the Justice Department's presentation of certain paper manufacturing trusts to the trade commission, the federal trade commission has delayed its resolution of the case. The commission is expected to compel the trusts to discontinue their business.

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"Huh?"  
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**Respect for the Song.**  
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"I do," replied Senator Sorghum.  
"Then why don't you join in the chorus?"  
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 ests—America Must Apply Every  
 Resource to Meet World's Demand  
 for Food—Labor Saving Machines  
 and Man Power on the Farms Vital  
 Factors in Economic Crisis—Appeal  
 for Government Action.

Government action ensuring the  
 farmers of America ample supplies of  
 farm implements and competent farm  
 labor is virtually necessary to this  
 country's future participation in the  
 war, declare the manufacturers of  
 farming tools and machinery in the  
 United States. This action must be im-  
 mediate and radical, they say, or in  
 1918 the United States will fail to pro-  
 duce foodstuffs necessary to feed the  
 civil population of our allies and to  
 keep the allied armies in fighting trim.

This declaration is made in a public  
 statement by the National Implement  
 and Vehicle Association, whose mem-  
 bers manufacture most of the farming  
 implements used in and exported from  
 the United States. It is the Associa-  
 tion's answer to an anxious inquiry  
 about reports of a prospective imple-  
 ment shortage addressed to it in behalf  
 of the country's farming interests by  
 ex-Governor W. D. Hoard of Wiscon-  
 sin, one of the leaders of American agri-  
 culture and publisher of Hoard's  
 Dairyman. The statement, which is  
 signed by Charles S. Brantingham,  
 Chairman of the Association's Execu-  
 tive Committee, says:

Unless prompt action is taken by  
 the Government, our country will make  
 the same mistakes that have result-  
 ed in compelling our allies to ap-  
 peal to us to save them from famine.  
 Unless we protect the production of  
 labor-saving farm machinery and the  
 supply of skilled farm labor we, too,  
 must soon face a shrinkage of food  
 supplies.

Without such action as is here sug-  
 gested and urged, the farmers of  
 the United States will not have enough  
 machines or men in 1918 to meet the  
 demands upon them.

"We are now confronted by shortages  
 of raw material and factory labor that  
 will begin to be manifest in shortages  
 of certain lines of farm machinery this  
 fall and will result in serious shortages  
 in many vital lines next year. Stocks  
 on hand in important kinds of tools  
 and machines are smaller than in nor-  
 mal years, because of earlier scarcity  
 of factory labor and a rapidly tighten-  
 ing scarcity of all raw materials.

"Farmers have deferred during the  
 last three years the replacing of old  
 and badly worn tools and machines.  
 Now, confronted by the practical cer-  
 tainty that the war is to continue in-  
 definitely, with attendant assurance of  
 a heavy demand and high prices for all  
 their products, and by an inevitable  
 shortage of farm labor, they cannot put  
 off longer replacements of worn out  
 machines and the additions to equip-  
 ment necessary to increase acreage  
 and production.

"It is also essential in meeting the  
 demand of the farmers for implements  
 that there shall be preference in trans-  
 portation for raw materials to the fac-  
 tories and for finished goods from the  
 factories to the farms.

"For the last ten years farm labor  
 has been more and more difficult to  
 secure, and now with an enormous in-  
 crease in the demand for labor in mun-  
 itions factories, and the withdrawal  
 of many young men from productive  
 occupations, there is bound to be a  
 shortage of farm labor such as this  
 country has never known. In Kansas  
 alone a vast number of fertile acres on  
 which the wheat crop failed will lie  
 idle this summer, chiefly for lack of  
 labor and partly through lack of ma-  
 chines to replant to corn.

"We regard it as vital to keep on the  
 farms the men now there who know  
 the business, especially the men  
 trained in the use of labor-saving ma-  
 chinery. It would be wasteful and  
 foolish to let them go and afterward  
 try to replace them with unskilled men.

"We seek no advantage for our in-  
 dustry over any other, but we realize  
 and we want the public to realize that  
 without this product and without suf-  
 ficient labor the farmers of the United  
 States cannot increase or even main-  
 tain their production of foodstuffs next  
 year. To avert the calamity that such  
 a condition will surely produce, our in-  
 dustry and the farming industry which  
 it chiefly supports must be put upon  
 the same preferred basis as the making  
 of war munitions, even if other less  
 vital industries suffer thereby for ma-  
 terials and men.

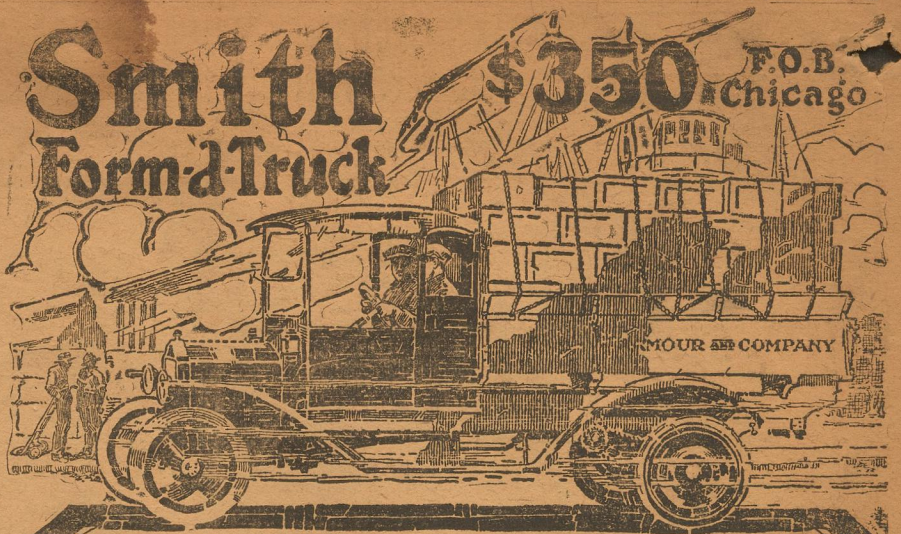
"These are the measures that we de-  
 clare to be vital to the feeding of this  
 nation and its allies next year:

"1. That the manufacture of farm  
 materials be given equal preference  
 with the manufacture of war munitions  
 as regards supplies of necessary  
 raw materials.

"2. That service to the country in  
 farm machinery factories be consid-  
 ered of equal importance with service  
 in munition making plants, Govern-  
 ment or private.

"3. That labor on the farms be con-  
 sidered of equal importance with  
 labor in the manufacture of war munitions.

"4. That materials for farm  
 machinery and the finished goods  
 be given the same preference in trans-  
 portation as war munitions.



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