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TOP O' THE MORNING.

And all shall count; the mingled joy From the crude ores in trial's furnace smelted The image of the perfect life is

If you want to see the might of America, just look at her boys in uni-

Yes, honey, you may count on having a bitter experience if it gets so that you can't get sugar and candy.

Some men vehemently insist that they have their own opinion, whereas the thing that ails them is that they are obsessed of a mere idea.

New York decided at the election to give the ballot to women, the idea being that it was "doing something" for woman. It seems more likely, however, that it was doing something to John Barleycorn.

Romeo will no longer be able to take much candy to Juliette, but the philosophical Juliette, that is if she is philosophical, can pass it all up with the consolation that candy is not good for her teeth, anyhow.

While it is right to fight for humanity, recent events teach Americans that it is not a good idea to put faith in foreign humanity without knowing the psychology of the crowd before it is safe to trust them with kaleseed.

A Chicago woman who claimed that you are right and then go ahead."

Charity and Children remarks: Thomas F. Ryan married a second wife 12 days after the death of his first. This was indecent, but Ryan has a barrel of money. That makes a difference." Of course, it's none of our business, but one flitting thought does not have to wait two seconds for

Lenine may never find it out, but particle of standing with us. Bolsheimpossibility of stability. Therefore, mon sense and patriotism.' get to the top and slide right back to ports every day.

In his address before the American Federation of Labor at Buffalo on Monday, President Wilson declared that he wanted peace just as much as any of the pacifists want it, but he said so in these words: "I want peace, but I know how to get it and they don't."

America also wants peace but i wants it just like President Wilson wants it and knows how to get it. No other kind of peace would assure peace very long for either this country or any of the balance of the world. That is what the good pacifists do not

What President Wilson told the merican Federation of Labor at Buffalo expresses the temper and sentiment of America as a whole. President Wilson knows better than to make peace when Germany wants it and in the way she wants it. The President in his Flag Day speech in Washington last June declared that the peace proposals made just about that time by Germany meant that she wanted peace for the reason that Germany up to that time could and would

regard herself as conqueror. Quite naturally, therefore, President Wilson is opposed to peace at this time, and so declared himself, because it would be the very thing that would suit Germany. Neither this country nor the Allies could afford to make terms with Germany under the cir- ENGLAND DEPENDS ON HER GREAT cumstances of her apparent triumph and in her present state of mind, because she could logically regard herself as conqueror and unconquerablethe worst thing possible for the world

under the circumstances.

President Wilson knows how to get the kind of peace that will last, and America had better trust him to get it his way so it will be real and lasting peace. He wants to give Germany enough of war to last her. He wants to fight her into the attitude that her state of mind will not be the state of mind of the Junkers and Pan-Germanists. Otherwise, the peace that would be yielded now would leave Germany in the state of mind of dominant Junkerdom. It is, therefore, the other kind of peace that America and the world wants. They cannot take on the world's terms and be glad to possibly overcome the navies of Great thing of the same fateful atmosphere ly till dooms day.

The American Federation of Labor declared its loyalty and pledged its support to its country as a matter of course. Nobody expected anything else, and no one could doubt for a minute the true Americanism of the working men of America. It is a good thing for the Nation that labor at this time was so organized that it could be mobilized for the American cause, but the Federation's demand for representation at the world peace conference, when one is held, is entirely out of place. Doubtless, the labor leaders will see it that way before the time for a world peace agreement arrives. It will be world peace-not labor peace.

The fact is, peace will be arranged by America through its constituted authority, representing all the people, not alone for labor here or elsewhere but for every class in America and all the world. Peace arrangements will not be a class matter but a national matter. The capitalists might as well demand representation at the peace conference that must sooner or later be held. The American delegates will represent America and not capital or labor. There may be labor and capital in the delegation but not as such, for they will represent all the people and not part of the people. They will represent America and not any one class of Americans.

America does not want German peace, nor labor peace, nor capitalistic peace, nor class peace, but national peace. Indeed, the need will be for world peace for all peoples and all classes. Labor rung true at Buffalo and that is Americanism enough for the whole nation, of which labor is the

PRICES HERE AND PRICES THERE.

ought to prove quite interesting and beneficial to householders and others her husband kissed her under the be- who will read the market reports daily however, the navy would pull them lief that she was apour woman, took in order to keep posted on the price him to court and had him fined \$200. situation. It was announced some time This shows what is liable to happen ago that prices have fallen considerato any bonehead who fails to be guid- bly in Chicago, New York and many sd by Davy Crockett's rule. "Be sure other big cities, but in many small cities all over the country they do not seem to have found it out. Consumers who are almost desperate because of high prices have seen them increased instead of lowered, but they may find some comfort in this price reference from the Philadelphia Record:

"With pork and bacon reduced in price at Chicago, flour selling at \$11.50 which comes to us is that in matrimo- a barrel against \$13.25 a month ago, nial cases like this "money talks" and sugar pegged at a reasonable figure, despite the admitted shortage, and some other staples held in check, Food Administrator Hoover seems to be making good, notwithstanding the enormous difficulties of his task. He from the very start he has not had a never will be able to satisfy everybody -a feat impossible to the food controlviki people and others of the radical ler even in submissive Germany—but either one, a woman might "give in" that railroads are not quite sincere and he is undoubtedly doing better than for a confectionery or a millinery confamily lack wisdom and can not main- any other man in the United States tain any sort of mental equilibrium could do. Mr. Hoover is an entirely very long at one sitting. This indipates a total lack of efficiency and the assured that they are based upon com-

If Lemine can stay on deck any length of The difference between retail prices time without being thrown overboard and wholesale prices in the basic mar-Like the dregs of a boiling pot com- profits, while the difference between again when ebuilition ceases, so also it buyers can learn something to their is with men who bob up serenely and advantage by reading the market re- self in a hole.

all grades from \$13.25 to \$17.60 per has seen its day,

THE PRESIDENT WANTS PEACE. | hundred pounds, on the hoof, in caroad lots, freight paid to Chicago. This means for prime cornfed hogs, with prices lower for hogs of various classes. Hogs, of course, sell according to grade, after they reach the stockyards, but shippers to Chicago stockyards from a considerable distance may get a fair idea of the prices per pound they might get, less about two cents a pound freight which shippers have to pay on hogs to Chicago. The weight and condition of either hogs or cattle or sheep declines in transit, so shippers have to take

The difference between the stock yard price for porkers and the retail however, John Bull in the person of a price of pork is a far cry, something officers argued in vain. John Bull said like one hundred per cent, which is he couldn't land. He had no passport. certainly a big margin for freight "Orders is orders." After four hours charges, commissions and profits. The hoof prices for beef cattle and the re- sighing, "Well, if I can't land, I guess tail price for beef is all the more as- the only thing to do is to go back to tonishing. Chicago stockyards are France." "But you can't leave the paying \$5.85 to \$16.80 per hundred pounds, according to the grade of cat- friend. "You haven't got a passport," tle on the hoof, so that the range in hoof price down to retail is greater than the range for pork.

Food Administrator Hoover can not very well keep his eye on the prime markets and the thousands of retail do so he would be astonished at the profiteering going on in this country.

It has been quite apparent to close observers ever since the world war began that Great Britain's main strategic aim all along has been to conserve her navy for the last eventualities of this war. Her main dependence is on her predominant navy, and back of England absolute confidence in the final result of the war is her powerful navy. Those who have many times asked why England did not use her navy togreater purpose, ought to know now. She is conserving it for the last. That's

The central powers, perchance, might whip all Europe on land but they could never conquer England till her matchless navy was overcome-a possibility which nobody in Great Britain would knitting face is some face, believe me admit for a minute. Certainly the central powers never could deceive themselves into believing that they could two great nations that are not going

to come out second best in this war. At a recent meeting at Sheffield, Admiral Sir John Jellicoe as good as navy would take care of the situation on the last great day. Several distinguished speakers addressed the work- as she would have been seated in the ing men and the people generally at Sheffield. As is customary with audito know the truth about things. Consequently they searchingly quizzed all the speakers. That made their speeches all the more interesting, because they had to talk about the things that the average man is anxious to hear

The London Times' report of the Sheffield speeches states that Admiral Sir John Jellicoe, who was received with a great outburst of cheering, war. He said that only 52 of Britain's merchant ships had been sunk by enemy raiders during the three years, as compared with 1,045 merchant ships sunk by the French in the two years Mittens and muffler; before Trafalgar. The losses from submarines, however, had been very duction in these losses in recent Democracies shaking. months, but he did not want to build The blood of our manhood up too many hopes on that reduction. The figures for September were very good. The figures for October would not be quite so good, but he did not say Drudgingly living. that they would not get back to the September figures before long..

However, he assured the people that there should be no reason for anxiety as to the results of the submarine campaign, always provided the nation | What does it matter? practiced the strictest economy. Personally he would like to see everybody on three-quarters rations. It This work of our fingers, would be good for their figures and for Yet we keep knitting. a possible time when they might have to tighten their belts. He believed, through. The navy would do its best, but the people would put the navy in a better position to do it by doing

It should be emphasized that this is exactly the thing that should be kept in mind in North Carolina and the and abbreviated train service, it might whole of America.

The Russian women's "Death Batthat the women soldiers fought for emeute does violence to our long

### By The Wayside

Passing from one belligerent country to another these days is probably a more strenuous undertaking than all the labors of Hercules rolled into one. A Wilmington sailorman, in an officer's berth aboardship, reached France, where their cargo was discharged and where for some reason the crew, unexpectedly, was transferred. The Wilmington man had counted on returnchances on that when they ship a long had no passport. His friends had theirs, ing to New York on the ship, and so were all Britishers, in fact, and they managed to get him to London. There, stolid official, stopped him. The other of wrangling and arguing, pleading and bullying, the Wilmingtonian said, country, you can't go back," said John 'Why?" gasped our American was the reply. That knocked the sailorman silly.

You say I can't land, and then you say I can't go back-what am I to do?" This brought matters to such an absurd climax that stolid John Bull began to laugh. The ludicrousness of centres of the country, but if he could the man's plight seized on them and they both laughed. "There's nothing left for me to do but jump overboard," said the American, wiping the tears out of his eyes. The upshot of it was that, though "orders wuz orders," the young man was allowed to land. Then he began to go from one war office to another, shuttled back and forth, trying to get his status fixed so he could sail for home. He called at one office and was directed to another, where he was sent back again, and directed to another office. The very policemen on the streets got to know him and began laughing whenever they saw him. 'How you coming on?" they asked. After days of this, he finally got his clearance papers and sailed. Hereafter he will have a passport, even if he goes no farther from New York than

The face of a woman knitting is enough to give you pause, even if you might be in a hurry. With lips compressed, eyes wholly intent on the growing stitches-set up four, purl three, balance all and swing pahdners -the ensemble of features as inscrutable as Mona Lisa or the Sphinx, the Having heard of the ladies who sat near the guillotine of the French revolution and clicked off lives with their stitches, one is persuaded that somepersists today in the picture of a woes like a machine. I saw a lady of sad and gay and everything! A field .niddle age in comfy house furnish- of scrub oaks scarlet, ground of dead told a vast audience that whatever ings, sitting on her piazza the other grass color, with a background of livmight happen on land in this war, the day, in ten feet of a street vibrant with middle of the Gobi desert. Her spectacles were on the end of her nose ences in England, the people wanted teeth. I don't think she was batting an eye. Nothing moved but her fin gers and they were flying. I imagined was making him socks or wristlets or tently occupied with her thoughts of back alive, and if so, what would he be like after passing through hell? But it was only imagination. The inscrutable look was akin to something elemental. It was like a headland gazing out at sea, immovable, or a loft; peak looking across a eagues of mountains.

In connection therewith is the fol

Spilling and spilling. Sorrow and sacrifice, Fatherless children.

Thinking and thinking.

Wanton destruction That centuries builded; Killing and killing Passions unbridled. just and despoiling There is no tomorrow

Into the mesh of them

about such and such railway officials their part and exercising economy in big bugs, of course, must pack along a lot of things in their travels and doubtthe transaction of their business, but in an era of retrenchment and economy be possible for a railroad big bug to do his official traveling without a car. It ought to be as easy for him to deny himself a whole car as it is for Thomas, talion" defended the winter palage at Richard and Harry to ride a hundred St. Petersburg, and the allegation is miles in a crowded train without once having the chance of sitting down. The cry has increased to a roar from railfour hours and then had to surrender roads all over the country that they are to the Bolsheviki. All we've got to losing money, are crowded to death, must cut off this train and that train and so forth, and the public is willing enough as a matter of patriotism to prevalent conviction that, in addition lose conveniences and trains and be deto the "Old Guard," woman "never sur- layed hours; but as long as an official renders." Perhaps, or peradventure, can hook a whole car on to a train to sideration, but those who conjure with moment for profiteering. If two train make suggestions the public can rest in that mysterious light which hevers war measure, then an official ought over Brown Mountain in the "Land of not to be allowed peace-time private

O, you city folks-have you been The world insists that Napoleon was "out" and seen November on parade? he can have our last summer's lid. ket centres shows a wide range of great, but it is our recollection that You who plan street parades and paghis greatness did not do a thing for eants and you who "turn out" to view ing to the top while the boiling is the retail price prevailing in different him but land him on St. Helena to die in their scarlet uniforms, and the lads going on, only to settle to their level cities is astonishing. Both sellers and in exile. When a man tyles to be too and lassies of this and that with their great he is more than apt to get him! banners and their flags-have you seen November on parade? This pageant beats them all! Miles out in the silent the base when they haven't got the On Monday, Chicago quoted hogs of This is a day of service. Talk only November pass, Autumn is lined up with gorgeous banners. He who plan-

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A newspaper man in one of the amps says that there are thousands leliverable in the camp postoffice, each one bearing the address:

"John Doe, Co. C. 314th Infantry, The Charlotte postoffice at Camp Greene employes 15 men and handles to death that it was not. It is all the will be allowed.—Lumberton Robert to 15 tons of mall daily, running as more astonishing that these things nian.

### CURRENT COMMENT

and the crowds that attended each day exceeded expectations. Manager especially objectionable features. W. O. Thompson labored hard to make it a success and he is to be congratulated. The exhibits of poultry, livestock, canned goods, corn and other farm products would have done credit | that attended every day, but per to any fair, and the baby contest, the community booths-there were decidtime since the postoffice department edly too few booths-and other fea- helped materially in making the fi tures of the fair were excelent. If the be no reason to add a "but" to the foregoing. As was to have been expected, the gambling schemes that carnival features. were allowed to run full blast, unmolested and unafraid, on the midway than any help a carnival can give brought forth severe criticism. They drawing crowds. It is worth while should never have been allowed. No doubt the carnival people themselves fair solely on its merits as a compe were surprised. They no doubt pulled tive exhibit of farm products livest those things on a venture merely, ex- etc., without ringing in a carni pecting that part of the midway to be The Robesonian believes it can be d closed; and of course they were tickled and hopes that next year no carnit

cided success. The exhibits were fine a thing be allowed. Aside from gambling devices the carnival had county fair. It is no doubt true

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