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The "Cost of High Living"

"If the American people were not so much given to luxuries and luxurious habits," said an Asheville merchant to The Citizen yesterday, "the solution of the problem of living in an era of high prices could be easily solved."

The tidal wave of prosperity which Americans are rolling has created a greater love for luxuries than this country has ever known.

Meanwhile Great Britain launches another huge war loan and plans to enlist a million more men.

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ture depends largely upon her ability to recover her lost foreign markets, and her success in meeting the trade wars of her competitors.

Some there are who believe that labor will be the cheapest thing in the United States when the great struggle ends, because of the influx of war-scarred European workmen and others seeking to escape possible horrors of the future.

It may be argued, of course, and with good reason, that the devastated cities and wasted fields of Europe will have to be rebuilt and restored, and that such conditions will lead to the full employment of the millions of men released from army service.

We confidently expect Raleigh, Greensboro and Charlotte to help the cause of the Australian ballot by staying right on the job.

Can there be any significance in the fact that the Kaiser's peace overtures were coincident with the appearance of the dynamic Lloyd-George as prime minister of England?

Unite Sam will offer no suggestions to the entente governments when forwarding the peace notes from the central powers.

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With the Wags
Explanations.
Isaac—Abraham, Abraham, why did you go and tell my wife that I stole the shilling you lost?

A Long Wait.
Folliceman (stying evidence)—After being ejected from the cinema, he was discovered with a large bouquet in his arms on the doorstep of the back entrance to the picture palace.

What Mike Meant.
In Indianapolis lives a young woman, wealthy and philanthropic inclination who has founded a club of street urchins.

Once Was Enough.
Said six-year-old Agnes to her Presbyterian cousin of the same age: "Come wif me to the 'Piscopal Sunday school, James'."

Children's Stories
THE SKATING PARTY.
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