

the splendid efforts of the central mmittee, the captains and their sams, the Red Cross workers and all other organizations that put their shoulders to the wheel and made such brilliant success possible. We would mark make unstinted acknowledgement, also, to the banks of Asheville and this district, institutions which bore most of the expense in this campaign. Not only did the banks subscribe generously themselves, but they and their officers spent money generously in 1916 newspaper and other advertising in order to further the success of the Liberty loan. Indeed, taking all in all, the Liberty loan workers and the banks of the United States deserve the paim of merit in as great a degree as the people themselves who invested their money in a most profitable field. While it is true that many who bought

## Simon Wolf, one of the foremost aders of American Jewry and whom onds throughout the country were the poorer classes where purchases mean a certain amount of sacrifice

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## The Scissors Route

Who Opposes the Draft. (New York World.) Complaint against the selective raft continues in many places, and

as a new levy approaches it will inwhich need for systematic saving, may hang . Aside from the very few conscript-America's victory or downfall in the ed nien who have manifested their unwillingness to serve, opposition does not proceed from those of military age. Testimony from all of the Na-

will end in a few months should not tional army camps is to the same cause us to underestimate the value of fect, that the men chosen are in the main enthusiastic for service and that food conservation at this time. There such as have been found unfitted have is nothing certain about war; the pe-tion. If the young men called for duty

war of the present type, is something which cannot be discussed along the complains and resists? First, there Une of facts. But it is generally ac-cepted that the armies that are best fed and best equipped have all the Germany. Then we have the inter-chances of success in their favor. At the present time it is believed that their dear brethren in the fatherland

have done nothing to promote. After them come the politicians who adhere to the Prussian belief that the Ger-

selected are first and last for the United States. Practically all who discourage them and disapprove of the

methods by which they were chosen are against the United States. The kaiser has no more dependable re-

The Kentucky Mule.

(Louisville Courier-Journal.) One pair of mules sold at \$575 in a sale at Franklin, and two pair at \$550. Others brought prices which made an verage of \$210 for \$5 mules. The Kentucky mule, in war and in peace, always has been an animal of standing. Always in prosperous times he has sold well. It is evident that mule power is not losing ground be-cause of the introduction of the traction engine in agriculture and in

warfare. When mules and feed were lower than they are now, a mule was the typical democratic power for the famvehicle. Nowadays a touring car be bought for less than a pair of can mules, to say nothing of a vehicle and harness. It can be maintained for no more than it costs to feed a pair of mules.

In Spain the royal carriages still are drawn by mules. The appedrance of the children of Alfonso going for an afternoon drive behind four stalwart mules is awaited by the idlers about the gates of the great modern palace at Madrid, or the old Alcazar n Seville. The king and queen, upon their return to Madrid as bride and bridegroom, were driving a mule drawn carriage when the bomb

hrowers attempted their assassina-ion. Alfonso is fond of driving his More than 100 lives lost in the wreck of the Anchor Line steamship Roumania off the racing car, without a chauffeur steamship Roums coast of Portugal. any other attendant, when taking recreation informally in the environs of St. Sebastian and Bairditz, but Announcement was made of the mules still are the accepted tractors betrothal of Princess Maud of Wales and Prince Carl of Denupon occasions of dignity and of state. If they are Kentucky mules, and sometimes they are, the fact is boasted. The Kentucky mule's repu-

"The King Alfred, the largest cruiser in the world to date, was launched in England. THE WAR: Turkey entered the war by sending fleet to bombard Rus-

sian Black Sea ports. French cabinet re-organized with Aristide Briand as premier. qualities of mules produced in Ken--British merchant steamer Ma-rina sunk by submarine off Irish coast.

Notable Birthdays

October 28.

resident Roosevelt once declared to Children's Stories one of the best citizens of the United States, celebrates his \$1st birthday anniversary today at his home in Washington, D. O. Mr. Wolf is a na-

# ABOUT PREPAREDNESS.

SAVOYARD'SVIEWS

In an impassioned speech at mass meeting in New York some da ago Col. Theodore Rooseveit told " mass meeting in New York some days ago Col. Theodore Roosevelt told "all the world and the rest of mankind" the sort of mankind" the sort of peace that must be made at the conclusion of the great war and then volunteered this advice to the American people: "There is but one permanent meth-

d of securing safety for this nation and that is by training our strength in time of peace, by preparedness and the only effective preparedness must rest on a system of universal obligatory military training for all our young men; a training which is against war, for it will render most unlikely that there will ever be war." Col. Roosevelt has a cordial and healthy hatred of Prussia, a country which Napoleon Bonaparte asserted was hatched from a cannon ball. But here comes Col. Roosevelt and urges

that our country adopt the Prussian system if we would avoid trouble and be safe. It did not make Prussia safe. has enguifed all Germany in a mael Ger-erous strom that threatens ruin. Had Prus-and sia been content with the English llege military system, she would be in a heap better fix today than she is. It is now known of all men that her dream of world empire is dispelled. Foday she is on the defensive, and hat condition is fatal to a conqueror I she restores the status quo ante she

may call herself fortunate indeed. America's action after the war is over will depend on the conduct of "the powers" Either there will be inversal disarmament, or universal irmament. Never again America's action after the war

armament. Never again will the world be caught in the fix it was in August 1, 1914. Germany, armed to the teeth, was ready for the shaughter. and she was the only power that was ready. Here is a story that illustrates Germany's preparedness: The day af-ter the war began, 4,000 French reservists in Spain applied for passports to go home to fight. Not one single to go home to fight. Not one single German reservist applied. All the Germans had already gone home where they had earlier been summoned to be, and a month before the war there were more German reservists in Spain

than French. And yet, notwithstanding that state of perfect preparedness, Germany is today the under dog in the fight. It was her preparedness that made the war, and if after the war any big naon "prepares," as Col. Roosevelt pro oses, there will be another war, po-ibly more bloody than this.

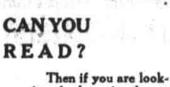
England has not been "prepared

for any war she has engaged in since Oliver Cromwell's protectorate, and yet she has emerged victor from ever; one she fought where the English scople were united in support of their inisitry. Someone may say that the Seven Years' War" is an exception, or England was prepared for that: out there was a prelude to that war, that was actually a part of it, begun during the ministry of Sir Robert Waipole, and that prelude was ex-ceedingly disastrous to English arms. or Charles III of Sweden was always "prepared." He had the best army in Europe, and though a madman, he was endowed with a wonderful genius for war, and on many a bloody field he was victor. On the other hand, Russia, though Peter the Great was czar, was wretchedly unprepared for tation is far reaching. The duke of Mariborough, when he came to New ar; but ultimately Russia destroyed the Swedish scourge, and sent him scampering to Turkey for refuge. York to marry an heiress, came to Kentucky to buy a few choice mules for carriage service. Spaniards are not alone in their appreciation of the

And during the Napoleonic wars France was best prepared of all the nations, yet Waterloo was a French defeat and Napoleon died at St. Hel

At present prices a pair of sound Men who read the history of wars mules of the right size stand half way between the definition of an aswho takes a hand in the affairs of this world. Prussia scorned Eng-land's "contemptible little army," but that army saved Calais from the clutch of the kaiser. Had one told the German general staff in July 1914 set and an estate. They never were less democratic; never more suitable as carriage animals for royalty. They are serenely secure from mechanical competition in their peculiar field. For both cornfield and battlefield good German general staff in July, 1914 that little Belgium would stay the Germany army till France gather her legions for the slaughter of the Marne. he would have been looked upon as a lunatic; but Belgium did that very thing, and there be those who hold

had the great work at heart. Her solicitude for the Cause was not con-fined to the altar and services of her beloved church, but expanded and inthat the heroic defense made by Bel-glum is the determining factor of the war. But for Belgium Paris would have fallen and the German army



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worker, every bank and all other agencies that contributed to the success of the loan gave freely of their time and money-and from these there will be no return beyond the lasting appreciation of a grateful na-

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enlal.

"But there is glory enough for all." No man or woman need feel in any degree slighted, or that there exists anywhere a lack of appreciation of his or her efforts in the light of the great outstanding fact that last night there was flashed over the world the news that the people of the United States had heard their country's call

and had answered as one man. They served notice on the kaiser of Germany, and on Germany's deluded people, that the nation of "dollar thasers"-as the kalserites at Berlin have dubbed us-is ready now, and will be ready again to pile up its wealth without question behind the aplendid army of American manhood land, 20 years old today. that is fighting democracy's battle on

foreign soil. Eight billions of dollars -grasp that amount if you can-the Art thou a neighbor? American people have pledged in sup-port of their government and its With glance averted The door of one armies, and they have many billions more to give when occasion arises. Let Berlin derive as much comfort as she Made by those whose lot may from the study of facts and conditions that speak for themselves.

### Patriotism and Food

That Asheville citizens will respond warmly to popular movements has May ease the constant pain. been convincingly established by their With interest pure, unselfish, great over-subscription to the second May turn the current of discs Liberty loan; and now comes a second Into a calm and healthful channel. opportunity for the loyal people of the Go not to the altar rail city to prove their patriotism in their response to the nation's call for a more strict conservation of food, toward which the naming of this week as Food Conservation Week has been Standing aside, it may be an important country-wide step. The women of the city are already organizing to direct the new fight against

the wasting and extravagant use of foodstuffs—and the women have prov-Who wait the coming of its kingdom— Look well, that in the keeping of the hind a movement, they cannot fail. It is probable that in this new cam-paign for the saving of foodstuffs the chief need, as in the Liberty loan campaign, will be for educative work. For the people of all types and classes have moven their willingness to make

Rhenish Bavaria, but has re sided in American since his early youth. A lawyer by profession, he long ago became recognized as foremost among his people by his man deeds of philanthropy. His long caree began as a Douglas democrat before the civil war, when he became a re-publican. He has known personally every president since Abraham Lin-

coln, and was consul-general to Egypt under President Grant. He has serv ed as recorder for the District of Columbia, in addition to two terms as school trustee, and for six years he was president of the board of chil-dren's guardians. He has lectured all over the United States and has written a number of books. He is recognized a number of books. He is recognized as having been a leader in consideration of every problem which has con-fronted Jews in America and in many

Alexander Zaimis, former premier of Greece, 62 years old today. Joseph W. Folk, former governor of Missouri, 48 years old today John Mason, celebrated American actor, 60 years old today.

Francis Gordon Caffey, U. S. district attorney for the southern dis trict of New York, 49 years old today Richard Folson Cleveland , only son of the late President Grover Cleve

ART THOU?

Less fortunate is than thine? Or does indifference Control thy faculties, That should be tuned

To helpfulness and large compassion? It may be that thy voice, If so be it is kind, inherently, Will soothe the wearled brain

With tears and sighs Bespeaking true contrition For deeds of service left undone. When thy neighbor lies Within thy reach, denied The comfort thou couldst bring: Because conventi es not censure One for duties unfulfilled. If social law or code Remains, inviolate.

Thou dost not quite forget

Asheville, N. C.

Once upon a time Mr. and Mrs. White Rat lived with their three little ones in a hen coop. It was a nice home until one day some hens came o live there and began picking at he little ones. Mr. Rat thought they

THE WHITE RATS.

mules are in high demand.

had better go at once. First came Mr. Rat, then Mrs. Rat and close beside them, ran the little ones. Down the street they came. ones. Down the street they came. Mr. Rat looking from side to side to see if he could find a place for a new home. It was getting dark and still home. It was getting dark and still they hadn't found a new home and

Mrs. Rat and the children were geting very tired. All at once Mr. Rat spled a house. et's go in there. I am sure that ill make a fine new home and we

the door that looked snug and warm and as they came nearer they thought it was a nice little nest open at one end. In Mr. Rat walked followed by Mrs. Rat and the children.

Nouse opened and out ran a little boy. When he saw the white rats he cried

As He Learned It.

et me keep them" pleaded the boy! Well you can have them but do keep them out of the house for they are the commons were always petition-just as horrid to me as their little ing the sovereign to marry; a thing brown cousins." said his mother. Now they would not have dreamt of doing they are very happy little mice in their in the time of Henry the Eighth."-Galveston News.

He-I should really like to see my-Mrs. Fremont in her sketch of the life of her father, Senator Benton, told the following of a French bishop

at St. Louis: It was a point of honor among the older French not to learn English; but the bishop needed it, and for familiar practice he secluded himself with the family of an American farm-er, where he would hear no French.

new home.

Soon he had gained enough to an-nounce a sermon in English. Senator Benton was present; and his feelings can be imagined when the polished and refined bishop said: "My friends, I' right down glad to

see such a smart chance of folks here today."-Christian Register.

war. But for scheduler army have fallen and the German army ish was especial many of its older members will recan many of

apparently happily overcome. It was fitting, that, when the end came, her mortal remains should be brought to and the beloved services for the dead should be held in the temple How powerless man is in the grasp f fate! Had England stood by Denof fate! mark, in 1864, as she now stands by Belgium; had France gone to the aid of Austria in 1866; had Russia joined Beigum; and France gone to the ald of Austria in 1866; had Russia joined with France in 1870, this war would not have been. It looks to me as though for some inscrutable purpose the Almighty allowed Bismarck to should be held in the temple and sur ounded by the friends she so much

oved. It will not be a trespass upon the to sanctity of the home to tender some this tribute to her unusual domestic vir-tues. She illuminated her home circle work his unscrupulous will that this war might come for the ultimate bene-

It it becomes the part of wisdom for our country to accept the advice of Col. Roosevelt and put it in prac-tice, it follows that time has in stor-

will be safe. So they crept very care-fully toward the house, making as little noise as possible. As they drew near Mrs. Rat spied something near the door that looked snug and warm another and a bloodier and more de-another and a bloodier and more de-ber numerous friends and kindred, ber numerous friends and kindred. and as they came nearer they thought it was a nice little nest open at one end. In Mr. Rat walked followed by Mrs. Rat and the children. After they had been sleeping for some time Mrs. Rat woke up very hungry, but it was to late, and so trange abe knew it was useles to with a nation arms as Germany was hungry but it was useles to with a nation arms as Germany was hungry but it was useles to with a nation arms as Germany was hungry but it was useles to with a nation arms as Germany was hungry but it was useles to with a nation arms as Germany was hungry but it was useles to with a nation arms as Germany was hungry but it was useles to with a nation arms as Germany was hungry but it was useles to with a nation arms as Germany was

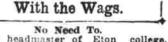
strange, she knew it was useless to try and find anything to eat. Then she remembered she had seen a dish of water in the corner, and she jump-will be the burning question, and the ed up to go and get a drink. As she moved toward the dish she brushed against something and she heard a snap. Mrs. Itat had never lived in any other place than the hen house so, she drank the water and went back to sleep. The next morning have

were awake, Mr. Rat hopped up and looked about, dear me, the whole family were shut up in a big care

outside of a big house. What should he do? Just then the door of the

out: "Come and see what's in my old squirrel cage." When the boy's mother saw them she said: "What shall we do with them?" "Oh please

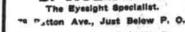
parliament during the time of the Tudors." Answer: "In the reign of Elizabeth



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Ida Roberts Troy, wife of William Balfour Troy, Esq., and daughter of the late Capt. Goodson M. Roberts and Frances Ray Roberts, was born Outpher 15, 1957 October 15, 1856, on the French Broad river near Asheville, on the plantatio known as "Riverside:" was married in Asheville July 4, 1882; died in Atlanta, WHEN YOU SEE A FURNITURE AD THINK OF Georgia, October 16, 1917 and was buried in Riverside Cemetery October GREEN BROS.

Her husband, one daughter, Mrs. Though 200 miles from any rail-road, Yakutsk, in extreme northern Siberia, is electrically lighted the year (around.

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