

# New Arrival Ladies Neckwear

Nothing is of more value in a woman's wardrobe than a good collection of neckwear. With this many dresses no longer new may be freshened and distinction given, which could be obtained in no other way. Newest things in collar and cuff sets, p. k. organdies, georgette crepe, plain and embroidered linens. New roll collars, scarf effect, in bright colored satins and crepe de chine, just the thing to brighten the sombre street costume or give just the touch of color needed to an all white dress. Come in and see how very attractive they are and you will be surprised to find how reasonable they are priced. May Standard Patterns arrived. Always welcome at *The Family Store*.

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that we want them to in their present conditions?

How many of our fathers and mothers have visited and inspected our school buildings? If you haven't been out, please, please, take a day off and go, then get in line and let's raise the money and construct a high school building that will be in keeping with the other improvements in our city.

A community is judged by its churches and school houses. Our churches are all right, but our school buildings are a disgrace.

We cannot be short-sighted and niggardly enough to refuse to give this our prayerful consideration. We need to take stock of ourselves.—L. G. L.

## Crop Census.

To the Editor of The Journal:—In compliance with an urgent request from the Agricultural Extension Service the county commissioners have arranged to take a crop acreage census of the county. This is being done all over the state, and is for the sole purpose of getting a line upon the production of food and feed crops. Farmers will be asked to give information as follows: Acreage planted to cotton, corn, and sorghum cane. Acreage to grain to be threshed, oats, wheat and rye. Legume crops for seed, peanuts, cowpeas, soybeans, and velvet beans. All crops cut for hay, this to include oats, rye, cowpeas, soybeans, sorghum, clovers, grasses, etc., that are to be used for forage purposes. Irish and sweet potatoes.

These two crops to be expressed in tenths of an acre. Fruits, number of apple, peach, and pecan trees over four years old, and all other fruit trees over four years old to be included under one head. Number of chickens over one month of age. Number colonies of bees. Number of acres of clean land that will lay idle. Total acreage to all crops. Number of acres in farm. This information is asked for the years 1917 and 1918.

Each farm of over three acres only to be listed, including wooded lands. These are to be given by the owner or his representative, and not by tenants.

Each farm owner is requested to make a note of the acreage of the above named crops grown on his land last year, and the acreage to be grown this year and thus be prepared to give the information, without loss of time, to the list taker or his assistant.

All farmers should appreciate that this information has no relation to taxes. Certainly the acreage of anything could not be taxed without a valuation. These figures are quite essential, not only as an aid to preparedness through intelligence, but that a firm basis be established of our production. Also that the nation, state and county may definitely be enabled to meet their present needs.

T. J. W. BROOM.

## The Usen Hands Stretched Out to Your Table

The right to be idle, an economic parasite; the right to waste; the right to run one's body by dissipation; the accused so-called "right" of a parent to let his child grow up in ignorance—all these things the present war should put as far behind us as the Civil War put the right of one man to own the body of another man.

Every issue, as we have said, from a dog tax to human morals, is freshly illumined by this new conception of human relations. Before the war, for example, if a man wished to set an extravagant table, or if he wished to support two, three, five or six worthless curs on his place, whose business was it? Nobody's but his own, he declared. If he cared to stand the expense of food-waste, nobody else had a right to complain.

Today we see things differently. Across the seas there come the bitter cries of men and women starving for bread, and cries not only of men and women but of little children and helpless infants. "In some parts of Europe," it is reported, "nearly all children under four years old have disappeared"—because little children must have sufficient nourishing food or surrender to weakness and disease. They cannot survive the hardships and privations which strong-bodied grown people may live through—the sufferings of even the adults being terrible enough, in all conscience.

In this situation, hard-hearted indeed is the man who can look on any with indifference. Blind of soul is he indeed if he does not see when he sits down at his own table the stretched-out hands of mothers with pinched faces asking for their divine self-forgetfulness, only the crumbs for pale-faced little ones; he has in him no bowels of mercy if he does not hear the cries of half-starved men, fighting the battle of human freedom, and yet half-famished while we in America first consume too much and then waste shamelessly in addition.—The Progressive Farmer.

## Manned by Dead Men, Airship Sailed On.

Perry Robinson says an extraordinary incident occurred to one of our airplanes a short time ago. It was a two-seater and gave battle to an enemy machine which was shot down and crushed. After the battle, which took place just over the lines near Arras, our airplane was seen going off southwards, apparently only partially under control, and disappeared. Where it went thereafter will never be known, but more than two hours later the same machine crashed to earth 20 miles behind our lines.

The petrol tank was empty and both occupants had been dead some time, killed by the same bullet. The opinion of experts is that the machine had flown by at itself for at least two hours with two dead men in it until the petrol was exhausted, having swung off in a great circle over unknown lands back behind its starting place, as boats have been known to sail with the sheets made fast and a dead man's hand on the tiller.

According to a dispatch from Geneva Princess Marie Antonette, mother of Empress Zita of Austria, has been notified to leave Austria within 24 hours. It is stated that she was responsible for the letter of Emperor Charles in which peace overtures were made to France.

## One of the Many Big Attractions of Chautauqua Week



CROATIAN TAMBURICA ORCHESTRA.

The Tamburica, native musical instrument of Croatia, will be a feature of the grand concert given by the Croatian Orchestra on the opening afternoon of the Redpath Seven-Day Chautauqua here. On Tamburicas the six members of the orchestra in their bright and novel native costumes will play Balkan melodies, selections from the operas and American songs.

Similar to the mandolin, banjo and

guitar, the Tamburica is different from all. Its tones are full of life and sweetness and its range and volume, as compared to the usual stringed instruments, is little short of phenomenal.

Before coming to America the Croats appeared in Paris and other important cities of the old world.

During the program of the orchestra Peter Savich, the manager, tells something of the people of Croatia and also their odd musical instruments.

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## Time For Us To Take Stock of Ourselves.

To the Editor of The Journal:—There is but one question before the minds of our people just now—the winning of the war, Liberty Bonds, etc.

But let us stop long enough to get our bearings and take stock of ourselves. We know that the flower of our young manhood have gone to lay down their lives for the cause of liberty and the freedom of the world; we know that business is beginning to suffer because of this deficit, that women are being called to take the places of these men, that at no time in the past history of the world has efficiency been at such a premium as at the present time.

And what of the future? What kind of boys and girls are going to fill the places of those whose lives will be sacrificed in this great war? How are we preparing those left in our care for future citizenship?

Prof. Allen, who has done so much to build up our schools here, says he and his teachers are handicapped because they haven't the equipment with which to work. This alone should be sufficient argument for the improvements which must be made in our school buildings.

Our city is a laughing stock, when it comes to public school facilities. Think of trying to teach boys and girls from nice homes in the old "poor house," which is still reeking with the odors of long ago.

New school buildings are being constructed in other towns constantly, while we are so poor and short-sighted that we can't go down into our pockets for the most crying needs of the time. The high school at Wingate would put to shame our buildings here, and instead of setting an example to our sister towns we should turn to them for direction. Have we grown so big that we have lost our way?

Prof. Claxton, commissioner of education, says it will be twenty years after the war before we can think of new buildings here unless we get them before reconstruction days.

Scientists who have made child-culture a life study, tell us that environment does play an all-important part in the development of the young. Psychologists know that every item in a child's surroundings has a weakening or strengthening influence on his mind, according to the kind of "suggestions" it radiates to him.

Also they know that a child's mind is subtly affected for good or for ill by the direct effect exercised on his body by the physical conditions under which he works.

Let him work in a school room that is dusty, badly ventilated, poorly lighted, and of nerve-straining disorderliness, and his general mental power is sure to deteriorate. It will deteriorate if for no other reason than that by being obliged constantly to inhale impure, germ-laden air, the blood supply to his brain becomes impoverished and poisoned. This means a lessening of the brain's functioning power, and consequently of the child's thinking power.

Now, if these things are true, and we know they are, how can our children develop into the men and women both physically and mentally