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THURSDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 1
But then the equinoctial aprinkles of the past fow day are no doubt "showers of blessing" in disguis
A concrete ship is the latest invention of the shipbuilder's craft. It ought to be particularly suited for submarine purposes-a good sinker.
Swimming contributes to woman's grace and bearty, according to Miss Kellerman. A great many women are beautiful, who never took swimming, but all who are
thus endowod by kind Nature's touch, can get in the swim when they so desire.
It the bakurs' conventions persist in pushing the price of bread up, there will pe nothing left for the poor con sumer to do but call into service "Ma/s old oven." An the bread "Mother used
bakers' variety, anyhow.

The prospective brides of the Northweat, who are re-
celving threatening notos promising death if their wedding ceromonies are not called off, may be having a pre nuptial test of their fidiity. At any rate they are no
running much risk from the cranks, who are teasing them.

After all. we believe the outcome of the Texas campaign, in which a direet Aght was made on the nationa administration and particularly the Mexican policy
President Wilson, is a fur safer "barometer" thah is th Maine result, where party contended with party and Maine resuit, where party contended with party and
tional tssues were subordinated to local questions.

Present bank elearings, money paid through the win are all saild to be record cireulation hereabouts than ever before. One Kinston bank on one day this woek paid out approximatoly th deposits for the same day kept close pace. An "moncy makes the mare go."

A Chatham county farmer has gone his fellows on bettor, and is transponting his tobaceo to market by a ment that a load of nearly a thousand pounds was re cently brought by this enterpnising planter to the Du
ham market. When good roads shall be provided these parts and the way is made easy for the plantera all over this section to make quick trips
such experiences may be looked for.

A special session of Congress to pass a national woman's suffrage amendment, the advice of Miss Paul, suffrage leader, is absurd. The idea of a President of the
United States "playing politics" to such an extent in th United States "playing polities" to such an extent in the
hope of securing the votes of any special class is ridicu-
son drive away from his party in November if he re
sorted to such tactics? To be sure, the opposition would have an issue then that wo

There is a prospect of having Ex-Presidents Taft an Coosevelt, whose relations have been colranged for the the same platform, according to Hughes' press notes. The same platform, according to Hughes' press notes. The idea of two former Presidents of a great nation
passing each other by without so much as a look of regnition, was never to be considered a very good examle. In fact the refusal of one person to speak to an-
ther is generally evidence of smallness, and is senselese and useless, certainly. School boy tactics ought not to practiced by men of prominence.

## the sacredness of marriage.

The account of a Now York couple, who wished of matrimony by the contract route, a method happily not very generally used in this country, only emphasizes the ack of the bighest appreciation of the sacredness of the marriage relation. In the eyes of the law, the ceremony erformed by a civil officer is as binding as that of the ordained minister of the Goapel. The contract plan,
whereby the parties enter into a formal agreement be ore a proper official, as would be done if they were sell. ing a parcel of land or forming a commerciat
Marriages are made by a court higher than any earth constituted authority, and without the religious service, lose much of their beautiful significance. The Free ress deprecates the tendency to strip the saored hast he of he standard of a commercial contract. Such tendencies cannot possibly be condueive to higher ideals for the
home thus created, and any lowering of the home stanhome thus created, and any lowere
dards is dangerous in the extreme
Let's hald tant to in the extreme
Let's hold fast to the old order of things and discour ge the "contract marriage" and any other new-fangle ial ties.

## WHAT OTHERS SAY

he law of the fire.
Biblical Recorder: "The law of the fire of the Campfire Girls is a good law for other girls-and for boys as well. It is as follows: "Seek Beauty. Give Service, Pur-
Knowledge. Be Trustworthy, Hold on to Health Glorify Work. Be Happy.
how to form farm loan association. Progressive Farmer: "Every farmer interested Progressive Farmer: "Every farmer interpsted in tak-
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etter warning against fake promoters. These circulars and bulletins are free for the asking, and if you are inshould got them and then study them."
CRISP DAYS AGAIN.
Columbia State: "The nights of drenching dew an they days of ciop almophere are win us again. Truly with summor, weary of the wilted-collar regime surd foitod for a bit of fresh atimulating sharpness in the morning ir. The "good old summer time" is indeed good, but Hree months is sufficient and we are ready to realize our eat advantage over the lands of eternal summer, where but can gather frufts of the earth all the year round,
but where they grow too layy, too sluggish to achieve great things. Variety boing the spice of life, we have in this grood land of ours variety at the very foundations cenie conditions as well that inclose our lives. Not for as eternal summer nor eternal winter nor either of these such extreme degree as to overwhlm, but just the varitham one to the other needed to stimulate and de light us. As autumn ripens we
go at our work with fresh vim",

## LIACKUIST AND LIKE MEASURES SHOULDNT

 WORRY AMERICA, SAYS By johi m. hearley, (United Press Stafl Correspondent) Rome, Sept. $14-$-British black-ists and other economic and Jidusrial measures needn't worry the American business man," said Clarnce W, Moomaw, European investizator of markots for the U, s, De-
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An attempt is being made to e the United States and Italy. As the estublishment of American bank ing faciities. The National Onty
Eank of New York already has taken steps in this direction in Milan and Genon.
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