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AT THE TOMB OF NAPOLEON.

A little while ago I stood by the grave of the old Napoleon, a magnificent tomb of gilt and gold, fit almost for a deity dead—and gazed upon the sarcophagus of rare and nameless marble, where rest at last the ashes of that restless man. I leaned over the balustrade and thought about the career of the greatest soldier of the modern world.

I saw him walking upon the banks of the Seine contemplating suicide. I saw him at Toulon. I saw him putting down the mob in the streets of Paris. I saw him at the head of the army in Italy. I saw him crossing the bridge at Lodi with the tri-colors in his hand. I saw him in Egypt, in the shadows of the pyramids. I saw him conquer the Alps and mingle the eagles of France with the eagles of the Crags. I saw him at Marengo, at Ulm, and at Austerlitz. I saw him in Russia when the infantry of the snow and cavalry of the wild blast scattered his legions like winter's withered leaves. I saw him at Leipzig in defeat and disaster—driven by a million bayonets back upon Paris, clutched like a wild beast, banished to Elba. I saw him escape and retake an empire by the force of his genius. I saw him upon the frightful field of Waterloo where chance and fate combined to wreck their former king. And I saw him at St. Helena, with his hands crossed behind him, gazing out upon the sad and solemn sea. And I thought of the widows and orphans he had made and of the tears that had been shed for his glory, and of the only woman that ever loved him pushed from his heart by the cold iron hand of ambition.

And I said I would rather have been a French peasant and worn wooden shoes; I would rather have lived in a hut with vines growing over the amorous kisses of the autumn sun, yes, I would rather have been that poor peasant, with my wife by my side knitting as the day died out of the sky, with my children upon my knees and their arms about me; I would rather have been this poor man and have gone down to the tongueless silence of the dreamless dust, than to have been that imperial personification of force and murder, that drenched Europe with blood, known as Napoleon the Great.—Robert G. Ingersoll.

The Guilty One.

During the intense unrest and consequent disturbance of the past few weeks, the most persistent question has been, "Who is to be blamed?" And about as often as the question was asked, some one came forward with his answer, naming some individual or class (or possible some condition), who, as he saw it, was mainly responsible for all our present troubles.

But it has remained for a financial expert of New York to come the nearest to the mark, as we see it, in locating the cause. He says he has carefully studied this question and his investigations led to the conclusion that "the increase in prices, which have little connection with costs, are due to just one cause—greed of the banker for excessive discount, of the investor for excessive interest on dividends, and of the trader for excessive profits. These classes are scuttling our social ship from the inside, and they must be quickly stopped or we shall perish."

Now we move to amend by adding one other cause, which, we believe, about makes the indictment complete, namely, general extravagance—thus placing a measure of responsibility upon everybody, where it undoubtedly lies.—Mt Olive Tribune.

SOME BITS OF STATE AND FOREIGN NEWS

Brief Items of Interest As Told By The Dispatches From All Parts of the State and Nation.

Practically all the striking engineers, conductors, brakemen and switchmen who have been out on a strike in Washington are reported to have gone back to work again and matters are assuming normal proportions.

Dr. Clarence Poe, editor of the Progressive Farmer, has been elected president of the North Carolina Farmers' Convention, which held one of the most profitable sessions in the history of the organization at Raleigh last week.

Increases of 100 per cent in the pay of the President, vice-President and cabinet officers is proposed in a bill drawn up by Admiral Cowie, former navy paymaster. Cowie says that all the salaries of government officers should be increased immediately.

Hon. Robert N. Paige is out in a very forceful announcement concerning his candidacy for the Governorship of North Carolina. Thus far, it will be seen there are three candidates in the field for this high office and it will doubtless be a lively scramble between Paige, Morrison and Gardner.

Mrs. J. M. Franklyn, twenty eight years old, a graduate of the Bellevue Hospital Training School for Nurses, has won a prize of \$2,000 by walking across the continent from Seattle, Wash., to New York. She was not permitted to accept a ride unless asked twice. It is said the trip only cost her \$28.00.

President Wilson left Washington City one day last week for a speech-making tour in a number of the principal cities of the United States in the interest of the League of Nations and peace treaty. Almost simultaneously the Republican Senators perfected their plans for sending out opposition speakers on President Wilson's trail.

Tennessee has been in the throes of considerable excitement since last Saturday night when it was learned that Robin J. Cooper, prominent newspaper man and lawyer, had been enticed from his home in the very heart of Nashville and had been murdered and thrown into a near-by creek. Cooper, it will be remembered, shot and killed Senator Garmack, with whom he had political differences in the year 1908.

A strike among the street car drivers and employes in Charlotte caused a small-size war between the former operatives and new men employed to take their places. For several days the city was in a state of terror caused by disturbances. The State militia was called out and many special policemen were called into service to protect lives and property of the street car company. Three deaths and fourteen persons injured, among whom were several policemen occurred during the rioting before things assumed a normal state.

The Best Advertisement.

The best advertisement any merchant can have is a satisfied customer. No greater recommendation can be given an article than the following by E. B. Milburn, Prop., Guion Drug Store, Guion, Ark. "We have sold Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for years and have always found that it gives perfect satisfaction."

SAVE THE GRAPES.

Now that the luscious scuppernon and muscadine grapes are ripening, all provident housekeepers are looking toward saving the surplus grapes from their arbors or nearby woods. Even if sugar is scarce, the juice can be extracted by the following method and put away as grape juice, or simply prepared as for jelly making and sealed air tight in bottles or jars. Then when sugar is more plentiful and the weather cooler, jelly may be made with more comfort. The pulp and hulls should also be saved. After running them through a sieve or colander, they should be canned by putting in jars, placed in a water bath and boiled for an hour, sealed, and put away.

Grape Juice: Wash and pick stems from sound ripe grapes. Run these through a cider mill, or crush with a potato masher, squeezing out the juice by twisting in a sack. Strain juice through a thin cloth, then through a flannel jelly bag. Place juice in bottles or large fruit jars, set in a canner or large boiler, and bring the juice in the bottles to 185 degrees Fahrenheit, or until the juice steams—do not let it boil. Remove the jars or bottles from the canner, seal them tightly, and set away. If a sweeter juice is preferred, add one cup of sugar to every twelve cups of juice just before heating.

ALLIE STRIBLING,
Home Demonstration Agent.

Scuppernon Jelly.

Grapes should not be fully ripe. Wash and place in vessel both the grape and the hull. It is best to pop the grape from the hull before cooking. Cook until soft, pour into a bag, let drip, measure 1 pint of juice to 1 level pint of sugar, and proceed as in apple jelly. Scuppernon jelly made without the hulls is of light amber color and quite flat and insipid. When the hulls are added a beautiful red color and a delicious acid flavor is obtained.

To prevent cream of tartar crystals forming in scuppernon or any other grape jelly, can the boiled juice in jars and leave until the crystals form and deposit. The juice can then be poured off and used as given in the recipe.

It is hoped that North Carolina will make a specialty of its scuppernon jelly, and that the club girls will take great pains in putting out a fine product.

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HERE ARE A FEW OF THE MAIN REASONS

And There Are Many Others Which Contribute Largely in Diminishing Your Bank Account.

The following taken from the Philadelphia Public Ledger is a summary of the reason for the High Cost of Living:

1. Under-production of the world's standard commodities. Millions of men were taken out of industrial pursuits during the war period and production was reduced on a huge scale.
2. Unprecedented Demand for Goods. America has been called on to furnish such a large acre nage of the world's needs.
3. Profiteering. The big and the little dealers have been taking unwarranted profits.
4. Hoarding. Government had to have supplies and this necessitated laying up for the future needs of the army and navy.
5. Waste. The most glaring waste ever known in history was carried on by government contractors during the great rush in getting ready for the war.
6. Inflation of Currency. The per capita circulation, increased from \$46.10 on October 1, 1917, to \$53.82 on October 1, 1918.
7. Taxation. The great cost of war meant greatly increased taxation.
8. Extravagant Modes of Living. High Wages and the desire to live and dress better led to extravagance.
9. Shifting of Population Centers. Cities have gained a third more in population in ten years, and this means less production and greater consumption.
10. Fight Between Capital and Labor. Unrest, discontent and lack of co-operation has had a baneful effect on the economic world.

Who is to blame for the high cost of living. The government, or capital, or labor, or the profiteers? All these and yet more. The great cause back of it all is WAR. How may the cost of living be reduced? This is the question heard every day. It will not down so long as the H. C. L. hovers in the skies. The paper quoted above suggests some ways to reduce these high prices.

1. Work. Concentration or the problem of production.
2. Economy. Conservation of resources, elimination of waste. Substitute saving for reckless expenditure.
3. Justice. "Punish the profiteer, compel the hoarder to disgorge, and bring the ruthless waste to account."
4. Co-operation. A realization of the responsibility of all classes to a prompt adjustment of the differences in the interests of humanity.
5. Vision. "Patient vision to look beyond the storm of today into the races of men through all the past have held their heads above the post-war periods of distress and surged forward to the comforting reward of peace."

Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy in Michigan.

Mrs. A. H. Hall, Caseville, Mich., says, "I wish to thank you for your grand good medicine, Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy. We are never without it in the house, and I am sure it saved our baby's life this summer."

Mrs. Mary Carrington, Caseville Mich., says, "I have used Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy for years and it has always given prompt relief."

The Power Of Money.

Some people have too great a reverence for the power of money. They think that money is everthing in the world and that it—and it alone—can lead to fame, honor, prominence and distinction.

Did you ever hear of John Van Cleave?

It's doubtful where one per cent of readers of this article can answer that question in the affirmative.

And yet, John Cleave, during the past year, has amassed a fortune of \$50,000,000 as the result of the discovery of oil upon his land. His wealth is still being increased at the rate of \$1,000,000 a month.

There's nothing interesting about Van Cleave; the country cares nothing about him. I'll wager that if someone should ask you next week whether you had ever heard the name of Van Cleave you would answer in the negative.

Did you ever hear of Uncle Walt Mason?

It is doubtful whether one per cent of the readers of this article can answer that question in the negative.

Uncle Walt Mason is known from one coast to another and his writings are read by millions daily. He is doing something to make the world bright and happier. He is admired, respected and loved. And yet, Uncle Walt is only "comfortably fixed."

Wealth doesn't lead to prominence. It may lead to notoriety, but the notoriety will be of a disgusting kind. The only thing that will shove a man into the limelight and keep him there is for him to do something that will help his fellow men and make their lives more pleasant.

Increase Production and Economize.

No matter what we do and no matter what we say certain natural laws govern all relations, and the President in his Labor Day address covered the situation when he advised to increase production and economize in consumption. To increase production increases the material available for distribution among all. To decrease production lessens it. If there is little to divide we get little for our money. If we produce much we have much to divide.

If we buy imprudently we get little for our money. If we economize we make our money go much further in getting the things we need. What we all want in this world is a plenty of every good thing. The only way we can get a plenty is by plentiful production. Small production makes plenty impossible. Large production and intelligent distribution makes plenty easy.

Mr. Plumb in his intemperate style declares that if a strike is the final outcome of the railroad situation the issue would extend beyond the field of wage adjustment into the field of economic reconstruction. No one doubts that a strike on a large scale would go beyond the bounds desired. But how much different is the advice of the President to get together in dispassionate and sincere effort to dig out the basic truths involved and adjust matters in harmony with what is unearthen than to plunge into a turbulent warfare of industrial powers. The end attained in all these things is the same, because there is but one right end, but the methods of arriving are different, and it is clear to any one who will think that with the amount of intelligence we possess in this country we ought to be able to settle our difficulties now with the help of discussion and fair consideration of every viewpoint rather than by a resort to force. Mr. Wilson has a better idea than Mr. Plumb.—News and Observer.

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