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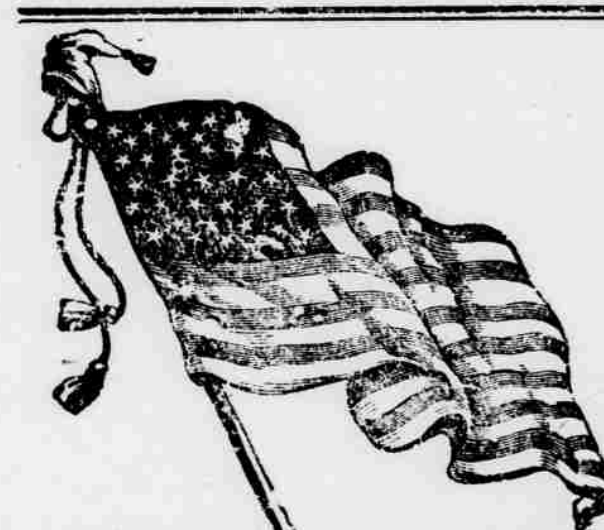
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When the war began the Kaiser was the Man of the Hour. But now new republics in Germany seem to be the Tendency of the Hour.

The United States appears to be receiving Mr. McAdoo's proposal for the reduction of the new tax bill with much cheerfulness and equanimity.

We should judge by recent appearances that many of the hobos who were obliged by war regulations to work had now gone back to their original profession.

Of course when the armistice was signed President Wilson could not join the wild crowds in the street. But if on receiving the news he had relaxed his dignity by a little private song and dance of his own, who could blame him?

A joyous Thanksgiving, this of 1918, yet deeply tintured with the pathos and glory of the white crosses which our nation claims up on the fields and hillsides of France.

What we don't know, we are certain to sometime find out: but it is better to attain the height where we DO know than to forever be steadying the ladder on which we expect to climb. Think so?

Food restrictions have made it necessary for many a stout woman to reduce, greatly to the benefit of her appearance and health. Now that sugar and wheat are easier to obtain, we hope that she will not begin to indulge in them as formerly. If she does she will be sure to lose what she has gained in gaining what she has lost.

HOW ABOUT US?

The premier of Australia has made a rather pertinent observation

He is in favor of peace. He publicly acknowledges it as a blessing. But he remarks officially that he does not want the final terms to be signed without a provision for the pecuniary indemnification of Australia.

Canada probably feels likewise, and as both the dominion and the Commonwealth have strained themselves in the struggle to the crack-

ing point and achieved miracles of valor and sacrifice we can hardly blame them.

And no one should blame us if we followed suit. The subject is conspicuously absent from our official pronouncements just now, and also from expressions of press opinion—probably because our burden has been much lighter than that of some belligerents, and because we have borne it for less than two years. It is also our policy to be magnanimous in our international relationships, and we will no doubt follow that at the conference. But for all families who have lost breadwinners, for all individuals who have undergone serious material deprivations even for all commercial firms that have lost cargoes, ships or anything of value there should be compensation, so far as value can be expressed in money. And it seems reasonable that some other person than Uncle Sam should foot the bill.

If Germany had been victorious the populations of the Central Empires would have been a unit in demanding that we be skinned alive. A few months ago the journals of all their political parties declared that France must be crushed into permanent helplessness.

The Menace of
PATERNALISM
Chapter VII
PATERNALISM

"But how do you reconcile," I may be asked "this statement with what you said a little while ago about the marvelous efficiency of our democratic army?"

My answer is that the efficiency of the army is not a contradiction of, but a confirmation of my thesis because the army in war times is and must be organized and administered upon an autocratic basis. Obedience, discipline, esprit de corps, unquestioning submission to established authority, complete merging of self in the task on hand are its very essence. Promotion is according to merit, selection according to qualifications, political pull and interference are conspicuous by their absence. Were these things not so, the army could achieve little, whatever the bravery of all ranks.

Will any one say that this is a picture of the habitual frame of mind and disposition of our civilian population or of the practices of our Government, Democratic or Republican, in ordinary times?

We all know it is not, and it never will be a life-like picture of us in our normal state. "Never" is a big word, but if the experience of many centuries may be taken as a guide, it may safely be applied to certain essential qualities of human nature, excepting temporary conditions when, under the impulse of a great emergency, the floodgates of what is highest and noblest in man are opened and the mighty current carries us along to regions not ordinarily within our power to attain.

What are the elements which compose our governmental agencies—executive, legislative and administrative—including those instruments of government which of late years have become more and more numerous and important i. e., Commissions and Boards?

Far be it from me to wish to reflect upon the ability, the character and the motives of our public servants in general. Indeed it is my conviction that generally speaking, their standard of capacity, industry, devotion to duty and conscientious effort to seek the right and to promote the people's welfare is deserving of a good deal more than recognition than is usually accorded to it.

But, surely, no candid estimate would claim, that acquaintance with, and experience in, handling large business affairs—let alone international business affairs—are prevalent in normal times among those in executive, legislative and administrative positions in our country.

Another Part tomorrow

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