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Luck to the German strikers!

Unfortunately common sense is not common.

How 'bout a revival of "Come into the garden, Maude?"

The British hit the Germans and the Germans hit the Brit.

The war news these days is mostly "words, words, words".

We trust the selective draft bill will get by with nothing more than a Dent.

If this thing keeps up a man may have to join the army to get something to eat.

What Germany needs now are more strikers in France and less in Germany.

The joint war commission means less war omission in fighting the Teutons.

The vaunted Hindenburg line is turning out to be merely the Hindenburg lyn!

In its last analysis why Turkey is going to present a case of the gobler being gobbled-up.

No man likes to be sat upon—Ahem! unless it is in a dimly-lit parlor on a sofa built for one.

If the government can't regulate food prices will it please devise a way to regulate man's appetite?

The man who can handle a plow and the woman who can handle a sewing machine are lucky mortals.

Colonel Bryan is coming South to preach the doctrine of raising more foodstuff. Ah, that's the stuff!

Up North the war seems to be accomplishing what neither Leap Year nor a tax on bachelors could.

The only consolation one finds in the advance in the price of butter is that the buckwheat season is over.

Remember, that this country must raise foodstuff in order that her armies can raze the devil at the front.

Nebraska is to be "bone dry", but that will hardly make Mr. Bryan stay away from his home State any more.

We suppose Secretary Daniels is clad in his proverbial linen suit during these days of great confabs and hot weather.

Colonel Bryan is coming South and he will be given a warm welcome—other than from an atmospherical standpoint.

No, William, there is no evidence that the German army is composed of clerks because Berlin repeatedly records counter attacks.

We are rather in favor of the new style of woman's hat ornamented with the Stars and Stripes, because Old Glory should always be ahead.

Dame Fashion could help in these times of high cost of living by patriotically declining to insist on women wearing new style gowns.

The United States, of course, accepts with thanks the congratulations of Rumania, but we can't say that Rumania can be used as an example to follow.

Billy Sunday is at least making New Yorkers sit up and take notice, and when one can do that he is bound to accomplish something. All Christianity needs to fasten itself in the hearts of people is for the people to take notice.

NOW THE FRENCH COMMISSION.

The State Department this morning announced the arrival of the important French commission on American soil. Just at what point the commissioners arrived and the course they travelled to reach America are not stated, and should not be. They are not vital save in keeping such from the ears of the enemy. The important part to the public, the real news, is the announcement of their arrival.

The French commission augments the strong British commission that reached American soil Saturday and the two bodies, when combined with the American, will present the greatest combination of world leaders ever assembled. There have been just as great European leaders gathered together, but the new world was not represented. The present group represents a meeting of the old and the new, and its object is to spread democracy. It is the most momentous body, due to the stakes involved, that has ever assembled, and what it does will be history making; will be a big factor in changing the course of the government of the world. And it is gratifying to realize that the outcome, whatever it is, will move the rest of the world nearer the position of the United States; that in the great questions to be presented and the problems to be solved America will not have to recede from its principles of democracy, but that the old world will be willing, will be eager to embrace the ideas that were fought for by the American Colonists and have been sustained in such glorious way by the American Republic.

The gathering of the French and British commissioners with the Americans on soil of this free republic will thus benefit the entire world and as its aim will be to put down autocracy and strengthen democracy it will prove a blessing to generations yet unborn and will save them the blight of a great war, as the spread of democracy means lessening the likelihood of war. Specifically, while the entente will profit from the conference in strength given its arms on the battlefield, America, now that it is in the war, will be able to benefit by advice brought by countries that have been through the crucible and that have learned by experience.

The French commission, headed by General Joffre, will receive an especially warm welcome in America, which has everlasting tender and grateful recollection of the French people and which is now stirred in admiration for the one of its kind across the Atlantic.

STATING THE CASE.

The report of the commission to inquire into the reasons for increase in the price of gasoline—and to fix the blame therefor, if any blame there be—has been made to the government, and provides not only interesting reading, but something upon which the courts can act, or if they have not the power a reason why the lawmakers should get busy. The commission holds the Standard Oil Company responsible for the big increase in the price of gasoline and advises that something be done, so that a monopoly in effect, if not in name, may not prevail. The report does not fail to give specifications, and therein is its strength. It is shown that an increase in the price was inevitable, as the production had decreased 7 per cent, while the demand had increased 33 per cent. This would virtually mean a demand of 45 per cent more in 1915 (the year for which the figures are given in the report) over the previous year. Necessarily there would be an increase in the price, but at that it must be remembered that such increase would only come from the old law of supply and demand and might still yield an abnormal profit. The question of reasonable profit, even under the law of supply and demand, is not always the justification of the principle, but the size of the profit and comparison with that previously obtained. This is always the determining factor. A reasonable profit might have been made under the previous year's supply and demand situation and the cost of production may not have been less. Again, the cost of production may have been greater in 1915, while in 1914 the profit may not have been adequate and thereby, under this old rule of supply and demand, the producers were entitled to take advantage of a more than reasonable profit to recompense for the years of inadequate profits.

But in addition to the increase to keep step with the decrease in production and the raise in demand, there was an increase in the wholesale and retail price of anywhere from thirty-five to forty-five per cent, making an increase in the wholesale price of from seventy-five to eighty-five per cent, and the retail price, the commission reports, "kept close behind them."

This latter statement, however, would seem to absolve the retailers from the charge of adding on more than the increased cost. This is not always the case, however, in the sale of commodities, the retailers often taking advantage of the situation to make extra profit. The raise in the wholesale price often acts as a guise for the retailer to raise the price of the commodity even beyond the increase to him.

The commission makes certain recommendations as to curbing a rise in gasoline prices, but just how the suggestion, if placed into effect, will work, is difficult to see, as several suggestions acted upon in such behalf appear to have failed. Constant failure, however, in such directions—not alone as to gasoline—tends to strengthen the advocacy of governmental price fixing, especially as to foodstuffs in time of stress. The price of foodstuffs would, of course, have to be predicated upon a reasonable profit to producer, based upon the cost of production of the particular foodcrop during the particular year, and therefore would not mulct the producer. More, it should not discourage him.

MUST REALIZE IN TIME.

If the North Carolina farmers—in fact, everybody in North Carolina of age sufficient to understand simple propositions—do not rise to the occasion and plant foodstuffs it will not be through any delinquency on the part of the Governor of North Carolina and a number of leaders he has associated with him in the special work of carrying the message to every part of the State and endeavoring to stir interest. The message is one of necessity. Yet it is only dire in that it may not be appreciated in time. If the message is accepted and the advice followed, the pending gloom will be quickly dispelled. If it is not, then the gloom will increase and the storm will break. That a remedy can be applied in time is the happy thought in connection with the great need for more foodstuff at this time, but through fear that it may not be why the Governor of the State and many agricultural leaders are devoting so much time to the cause.

Narrowed down to bedrock, the South, of which North Carolina is a part, faces a serious situation. Yearly the South sends away over half billion dollars for food. This year it will not only be difficult to obtain this foodstuff from away, but if obtained the prices will be increased. The probability is that it will be largely impossible to buy foodstuffs, as all raised in the west will be demanded to supply the armies in the field, and a demand, too, that must be met, as the United States is now a partner in the great war. The South must depend upon home production for feeding itself. This presents a serious situation on account of the brevity of the time, and yet it is not a situation that cannot be met. The truth of the matter is that the South should not be in its present plight. It has the resources and it has had chance to feed itself. It should be doing so today. However, it has taken the war to impress this fact upon the South.

With rich soil, in many parts capable of raising crops the year round (this is so in Eastern North Carolina) and with ample grazing land (former Secretary of Agriculture Wilson declared the South has the greatest opportunity for cattle raising) the South can feed itself. It can raise cotton as its money crop and food and feedstuffs to sustain it. The necessity of doing this is now presented and the farmers of the South must realize it in time. No farmer must delude himself with the idea that his neighbor will do so and therefore he need not, but, instead, can gobble up a big pile of money from raising cotton. If this rule is followed every farmer will be found shirking his duty and general chaos and specific suffering will follow.

Every farmer should see to it that he raises enough food and feedstuff for his own use and some to place on the market, so that in the latter way the entire South can be benefited. There is no reason for the South to suffer. It will not if the farmers, aided by city people with home gardens, will only apply common sense, remembering this is the time of all times to grasp opportunity and that it is also the day of prevention.

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IN BEHALF OF GREATER JUSTICE.

In this State a few days ago a court took a recess in order to allow the farmers to get back to the fields and yesterday in Alabama, Judge Clayton, of the Federal court, postponed all trials save one, on the calendar, so that the farmers might not have to remain away from their work.

This is speeding up justice, rather than impeding it. It's true that so far as the courts are concerned it will delay trials, but it will bring justice quicker to the human family, because it is justice that the farmers should cultivate the ground and all facilities should be afforded them for doing so, in order that they may not suffer. Suffering really causes litigation and promotes law-breaking. From this viewpoint, in endeavoring to prevent hardships, the courts are taking preventive steps against breeches of law.

ONE YEAR AGO TODAY IN WAR. April 24, 1916.—Revolt broke out in Dublin under the direction of the Sinn Fein; British capture Sir Roger Casement in his attempt to land arms in Ireland; Italians took another mountain peak, but lost part of recent conquest on the Corso; severe bombardments followed French gain at Verdun.

DAILY LESSON IN HISTORY. One Hundred Years Ago Today. 1817—Joseph N. Ireland, well known dramatic author, born in New York City. Died at Bridgeport, Conn., Dec. 29, 1898.

Seventy-five Years Ago Today. 1842—Nelson S. Rulison, second Episcopal bishop of Central Pennsylvania, born in Jefferson county, N. Y. Died in Germany, Sept. 1, 1897.

Fifty Years Ago Today. 1867—Preparations were made at Peath for the coronation of the Emperor and Empress of Austria as King and Queen of Hungary.

Twenty-five Years Ago Today. 1892—Fifteen conspirators against the government were arrested in Bulgaria.

DAILY BIRTHDAY PARTY. General Henri Philippe Petain, the French commander at Verdun, born at Couchy-la-Tour, 61 years ago today.

General Joseph Simeon Gallieni, who saved Paris from the Germans and later became French minister of war, born in the Haute Garonne, 68 years ago today.

William Elliott Gonzales, Minister from the United States to Cuba since 1913, born at Charleston, S. C., 51 years ago today.

Cyril Maude, one of the foremost actors of the English-speaking stage, born in London, 55 years ago today.

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State of North Carolina, Lenone H. Jenkins vs. Jasper R. Jenkins. This is an action brought by the plaintiff in the above entitled cause against the defendant above named on the ground of adultery. It being made to appear that Jasper R. Jenkins is a non-resident of the State of North Carolina, and cannot after due diligence be found in this State. This is, therefore, to notify the said defendant to appear at the next term of the Superior Court of New Hanover County and State of North Carolina, to be held on the 1st Monday in May, A. D. 1917, then and there to answer or demur to the plaintiff's complaint, or judgment will be granted according to the facts appearing in the complaint. In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office this 3rd day of April, 1917. W. N. HARRISS, Clerk Superior Court.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, NEW HANOVER COUNTY, In the Superior Court. Before the Clerk. ORDER. New Hanover County, et al. vs. N. A. Currie, et al. This cause coming on to be heard, and the final report of the Board of Viewers having this day been filed with this court, and having been duly examined, it is found to be in due form, and in accordance with the law, and is hereby accepted. This court hereby appoints the 27th day of April 1917, at 12 o'clock noon, as the time when it will further consider and pass upon the said report. It is further ordered by the court that a copy of this order be posted at the Court House door of New Hanover County, and at five conspicuous places within the said Drainage District, and be published in The Wilmington Dispatch, a newspaper of general circulation in the county of New Hanover, for two consecutive weeks, next preceding the 27th day of April, 1917. This April 4, 1917. W. N. HARRISS, Clerk Superior Court.

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