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If you have the price it's not stomach ache but appendicitis.

The aviator may not be greedy and yet want the earth.

When luck and skill clash—well, the former becomes unlucky.

No, Trusting Thelms, the Huns are not honeys.

Senator LaFollette is an objector to everything, but we can't believe he is a conscientious objector.

For some people, of course, Herbert Hoover's action is going against the grain.

Sure, America is ready for peace, but it is going to continue to prepare for war.

The heel of oppression often comes in the shape of such a dainty little affair on a slipper.

In the race for veracity we are pulling for James W. Gerard and not for Kaiser Bill.

This is not time for monarchs, but the King in the Senate seems to be all right.

Of course, it is not precisely right not to trust any man, but, at that, the cash business is a good thing.

It's a cinch, however, that neither America nor the Allies are going to mark time in view of the new peace proposals. They must be shown first.

It does not show that a man's a good horseman if he knows how to bridle his tongue. It does show, however, that he has horse sense.

If it be so that a man is as old as he feels, the chap on the morning after the night before must feel about one hundred and ten.

Game for today, tomorrow and then some more: Hoover vs. Food Speculator. In other words, Food Chief vs. Food Thief.

America and the Allies are willing for peace, but Germany wants it. The only question is how badly Germany wants it and for how long?

One thing about Liberia getting in a scrap, the world will never be able to tell whether she has been given a black eye.

If Senator Penrose approves the present war tax bill we begin to feel that the House measure was the right one.

Germany denies the Gerard story, but a country that would kill women and children wouldn't hesitate to prevaricate.

The Raleigh News and Observer is sending out marked copies of its controversy with Leader Kitchin. Making him a marked man, in other words.

We wish it had been Colonel Roosevelt's word instead of Mr. Gerard's that Germany disputed. Then there would have been an end of the war much quicker. The Kurnel would have "et" 'em alive.

It may be that Von Mackensen has been so successful in his present drive because his men realize that by going in that direction they are getting further away from the French and British.

Of course, some of the dyspeptic will at once suspect that the Japanese mission will soon throw off its disguise and single-handedly capture Washington and New York City.

The Pope Proposes Peace

What effect the proposals of Pope Benedict to the belligerent nations for peace will have remains to be seen. It is difficult to even conjecture, as the war has advanced to such stage that the end depends upon many things; chief among which is discontinuance of German militarism.

Pope Benedict, according to dispatches now in hand, proposes the restoration of Belgium, Serbia and Rumania, with a peaceful solution of the problems of Alsace-Lorraine, Trent, Trieste and Poland. The fate of Montenegro is not mentioned, nor that of Turkey in Europe—that is so far as present dispatches reveal. These are important and were hardly overlooked by the Pontiff, we take it. The entente could not conclude a peace unless the Montenegrins were protected. It is doubtful whether peace should be concluded with the barbaric Turk in power in Europe, and left in possession of the Dardanelles. Such terms as the Pope proposes, providing restoration does not mean simply a yielding of land, but reparation for the damage done, plus restoration of Montenegro, would place the odds very much against Germany, as it is also proposed to settle the problems of Alsace-Lorraine and other sections, which on the face

of it carries the idea that Germany and Austria-Hungary would have to yield territory they possessed before the war broke.

Both the Dual-Monarchy and the Fatherland may be prepared to make such concessions, as the alternative of being badly beaten in the end and having to yield more, but more important than all these is physical guarantee that Germany will not continue her rule of militarism and prepare for another outbreak. The world has been started by disclosures brought by the present war. It has beheld the depth of Germany's machination, the stealth and extensiveness of its preparedness for war and its relentlessness in pursuing war. Undoubtedly therefore peace will not be concluded until there is a wall reared against such in future; there could only be a temporary peace at best if this is not part of the compact. The existence of Turkish rule in Europe is also another menace to peace, being barbaric and oppressive to Christianity.

If German militarism and German autocracy can be banished, the former to no longer menace the world's peace, and the latter to give the German people a fair chance, peace will be a great blessing.

TAKING THE PUBLIC IN PARTNERSHIP.

Herbert Hoover, food administrator of the United States, is not losing time in working upon the big assignment which the American people have given him, and it must be borne in mind that, after all, the commission comes from the American people. Congress undoubtedly reflects public opinion. It's true that President Wilson acted as chief spokesman for this opinion and there were numerous Congressional leaders who did valiant work, but the success of the bill would not have been brought about, under the peculiar circumstances involved, but for public opinion, which came to the front and demanded of the people's representatives that they pass the food bills.

While Mr. Hoover is placed in the position of a public protector he appreciates the fact that he cannot succeed unless he takes the public into his confidence and obtains its co-operation. That recognition attests to his sound judgment and to an understanding of what factors are necessary to fight evil procedure and a loose system. It is simply intelligent organization and it is in organization especially that Mr. Hoover is efficient.

To enlighten the public and obtain its hearty support he appeals to the press. He intends to be frank with the people and appreciates the fact that in order to disseminate the truth he is dependent upon the press. So he has addressed a personal letter to the editors of a number of papers, and The Dispatch is in receipt of one, which, among other things, says:

The world as a whole is faced with a definite and growing food shortage, which will have a most important bearing on our national life, not only as affecting our task of supporting our Allies in the war, but in its ultimate reactions upon our entire range of food industries and the life of our people. I recognize that to an intelligent people it is necessary to prove the case that such a shortage exists and will increase, and that this proof must be furnished as a basis for creating the dominant idea in the national mind that we must enlarge our food service to the world, not only as a war measure, but as a measure of humanity itself. If we can secure the emplacement of this idea in the minds of the people, the sequent suggestions of constructive order which we may make will fall not only on a receptive mind but upon a convinced intelligence.

Aside from the necessity of increasing our production and reducing our waste and unnecessary consumption, we can substitute certain commodities which we have in excess for those which, by virtue of their concentrated form, may be shipped abroad in this time of diminished shipping. Furthermore, we have to contend with a large disturbance of our economic system by virtue of the suction of this food vacuum upon our resources, and a sequence of measures will be taken to improve our national handling of foodstuffs and to hold in check the forces of speculation and avariciousness. We are imbued with a desire, not only new but in the long run as supporting the very essence of democracy, that all of the above measures shall be accomplished to the last degree by voluntary effort among the people themselves, and our greatest service will be to direct such voluntary organization and to stimulate it to action. If this can be accomplished, we shall have demonstrated the ability of democracy to defend itself through its own instinct of organization, for if it cannot rise to this situation, it will have proved itself a faith which cannot endure in competition with the forces of autocracy.

It can be seen from the foregoing that Mr. Hoover intends to deal candidly with the public. That is what the public desires. The public has a double responsibility. It must give

all moral support necessary in elimination, or punishment, if such is necessary, of food speculators, and also middlemen, who would extort a pound of flesh, and it must recognize whatever shortcomings it possesses, in the way of waste and lack of industry, and remedy them. Mr. Hoover will point out these things, as he sees them through eyes of experience and by authority to investigate.

THE GERARD DISCLOSURES.

There are two very vital things about the disclosures being made by James W. Gerard, former Ambassador to Germany. The first is that Germany has not possessed love for the United States and that this prejudice was created because Germany desired America to be unneutral, to break the obligations which Germany had assumed along with America at the same time, and, the second, is that President Wilson had been kept informed of Germany's conduct and evident intention, therefore being in position to understand the seriousness of the situation better than the general public.

Germany will, of course, deny Mr. Gerard's statements. It could not do otherwise; any more so than the man accused of murder, and, who had pleaded not guilty, could admit the evidence and contention of the prosecution. While it may be brazen enough to confess to certain things, yet for the sake of general appearance and to keep alive the German propaganda in this country, subtly conducted, it could not confess to the Gerard allegations. There will be some people in this country who will cast doubt upon the declarations—but why? Should not Mr. Gerard, an American, who has not bowed and scraped to the Kaiser, be believed in preference to the Kaiser? And remember that declarations that appear in the Berlin papers are Kaiser made, as the papers of Germany are edited by the bayonet; those that dare attempt to deviate are suppressed, as per the fate of Maximilian Harden's publication. If it narrows down to a question of veracity between Mr. Gerard and the Kaiser, which will Americans believe? Their own countryman, with a record of distinguished service and with patriotism not to be influenced, even innately, by surroundings, or the Kaiser, who has a history of broken promises and iron autocratic rule? But there are ample circumstances that support the Gerard allegations, even if the two men stood before public opinion equal in character and motive.

Mr. Gerard's disclosures plainly evince that President Wilson has always been in close touch with the situation and that he knew things he could not divulge, for diplomatic reasons. They also plainly show that Germany was resentful because America had conformed to International law as to neutrality and that it really intended to attack America should her enemies be conquered. This latter is enough justification for any Americans seeking to know why we are in the war and sufficient reason for the United States to win. Though the war scenes are off American soil it is, after all, a war of self defense on the part of this country.

The entire country will rejoice at the news that the condition of former President William H. Taft shows improvement, and the nation must wish a speedy return to health of this citizen, one of its ablest and finest.

Dr. Florence E. Richardson, professor psychology in Drake University, and said to be the only woman head of a department in an American university, has obtained a year's leave of absence to help her mother manage a big sheep ranch at Scott's Bluff, Neb.

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Winston-Salem-Morehead City-Beaufort Pullman Sleeping Car Line Becomes Winston-Salem-Goldsboro Sleeping Car Line.

Southern Railway System announces effective with last cars into and out of Beaufort Sunday, Aug. 12th, the Winston-Salem-Morehead City-Beaufort Sleeping Car line will be shortened to Winston-Salem-Goldsboro Line. Car will continue to be handled on trains Nos. 232-112 and 111-237. For further details ask Southern Railway System Agents, or address, J. O. Jones, Traveling Passenger Agent, Raleigh, N. C.

SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

In Effect Saturday, June 9, 1917. WEEK DAYS Lv. "Center" 6:15 A. M. Lv. Beach 5:05 A. M. 6:55 A. M. 7:10 A. M. 7:25 A. M. 7:40 A. M. 8:00 A. M. 8:15 A. M. and every half hour thereafter until 5:30 P. M. 6:10 P. M. 6:30 P. M. and every half hour thereafter until 11:00 P. M. 12:10 P. M. Local Trains stopping at all stations (on request) may be expected to leave the Center and Lumina at the times indicated. \*The 6:10 express leaves daily except Saturdays and Sundays, stopping at 3rd, 5th and 9th streets, Wilmington, Winter Park Gardens, Sea Gate, Wrightsville and all stations on Beach.

Freight. Lv. Wilmington. 5:30 A. M. Lv. Beach 7:05 A. M. 9:30 A. M. 12:15 P. M. 3:30 P. M. 6:15 P. M. 7:00 P. M. 8:15 P. M. Freight Depot open daily, except Sunday, from 8:00 A. M. until 1:00 P. M.; and from 2:00 P. M. until 7:00 P. M. Freight Depot Telephone No. 96.

SUNDAYS Lv. "Center" 7:00 A. M. Lv. Beach 6:40 A. M. 8:30 A. M. 7:45 A. M. and every half hour thereafter until 11:00 P. M. 12:10 A. M. 11:45 P. M. Local Trains stopping at all stations (on request) may be expected to leave the Center and Lumina at the times indicated.

Freight. Lv. Wilmington. 11:00 A. M. Lv. Beach 12:15 P. M. Freight Depot open 10 to 11 A. M. Freight Depot Telephone No. 96. Sunday Afternoons and During Other Periods of Heavy Travel, Express Trains will be Operated Between Wilmington and Lumina Stopping only at 5th, 7th and 9th streets, Wilmington, and all Stations on the Beach.

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From Goldsboro, N. C. SOUTHERN RAILWAY SYSTEM \$9.50, Black Mountain and Ridgecrest, N. C., account various conferences on sale July 19, 20, 27, 30, Aug. 1, 6, 10, 14, 17, limited 17 days. \$29.05, CLEVELAND, OHIO, account I. B. P. O. E., Colored, on sale August 25, 26 and 27th, final limit Sept. 5th. \$10.80 LAKE JUNALUSKA AND WAYNESVILLE, account various conferences. On sale July 15, 16, 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25th and August 2, 3, 4 and 5th, 10, 11, 12, and 13th and 17, 18 and 19th. Limit 17 days. \$19.50, MONTEAGLE AND SEWANEE, TENN., account various conferences. On sale July 13th and 21st and August 3, 6, 9, 16, 17 and 23rd. Final limit Sept. 5th. \$20.35, NASHVILLE, TENN., Peabody College Summer School, on sale July 20th, 21st and 26th, limited 13 days. Tickets may be extended until Sept. 5th, by payment of fee \$1.00 and depositing ticket at Nashville. \$32.55, ST. LOUIS, MO. Supreme Lodge and Military Encampment Knights of Pythias, Colored, Dates of sale August 17, 18 and 19th. Final limit August 29th. For further information call on ticket agents or address, J. O. Jones, Traveling Passenger Agent, Raleigh, N. C. "The Southern Serves The South."

ATLANTIC COAST LINE

The Standard Railroad of The South. Bulletin of Reduced Round Trip Fares From Wilmington, N. C. Subject to corrections and changes to conform to legally filed tariffs. The first dates shown are dates upon which tickets will be sold at these fares and upon which journey must begin. The "final limit" is last date, prior to midnight of which, Wilmington must be reached on the return trip.

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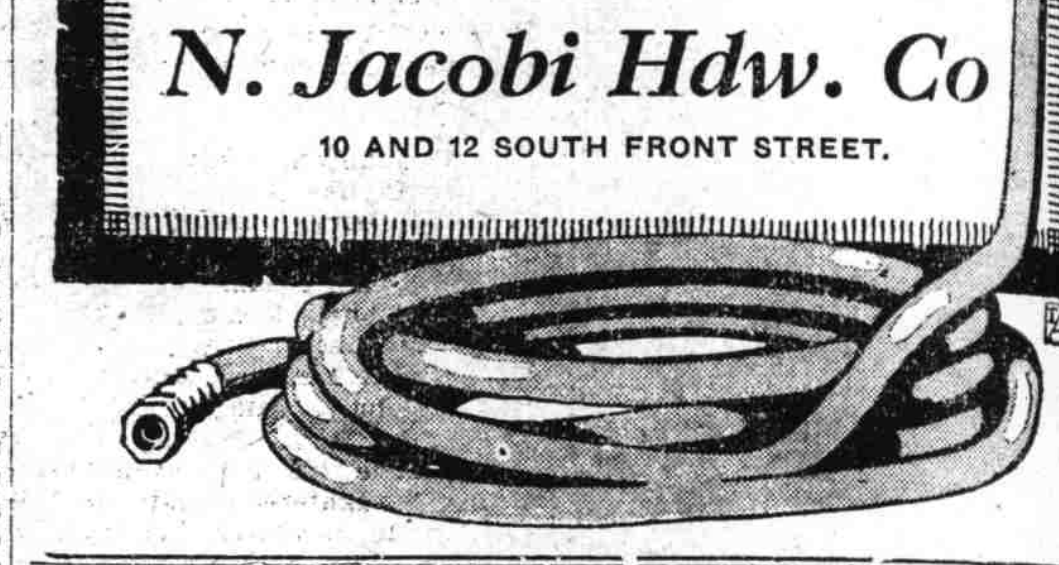
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