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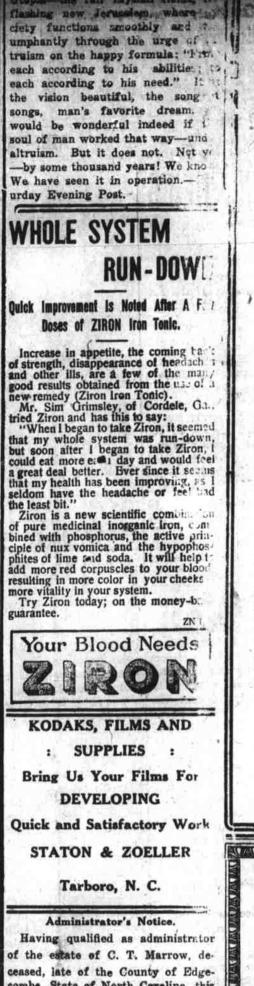
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Saturday, April 10, 1920.

THE COST-PLUS ERA In the midst of much still unresolved darkness it is worth while chronicling the first faint rosy fingers of the dawn of a new and better time. For there are now obvious signs that we are passing out of the cost-plus or heads-I-win-tails-you lose era into the sweeter light of a better day. For three years we have known this cost-plus system not only as an economic fact but as a general state of mind-and a very general one. We have all seen it in its operations-you in your little corner and I mine-in particular specific fragrant cases told by local gossip. So we all know it now.

There were the shipyard scandals -millions and tens of millions of dollars; the military barracks and hospitals; the work that nobody thought to stop when the war was done. You know these things-everybody knows them. They were not criminal necessarily-or even vicious in all cases. They were first of all the natural native products of the cost-plus, heads-I-win-tails-the-government-that is, everybody else-loses frame of mind.

There were those-and are stillwho dreamed that this thing was go- ment. ing on forever. There was a terri- This the 25th day of March, 1920. ble temptation in it to frail human



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of the estate of C. T. Marrow, deceased, late of the County of Edgecombe, State of North Carelina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Tarboro, N. C., on or before the 25th day of March, 1921, or this not :e will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate pay-



More than a quarter of a century ago the kitchen cabinet idea was originated by C. P. MCDOUGALL, founder of the MCDOUGALL COMPANY.' It was briefly, to bulid a combined cupboard and work-table for the housewife, in which would be assembled all the materials and utensils needed in the preparation of a meal. From that basic idea and the first MC-DOUGALL Kitchen Cabinet which evolved from it has grown the whole great kitchen cabinet industry.

The MCDOUGALL was the leader Twenty-five years ago. It led the procession then for a host of early imitators, and it still leads in all that goes to make a kitchen cabinet better.

The MCDOUGALL is not an ordinary kitchen cabinet-it is a veritable method of bester kitchen management. This method extends to every working unit in the kitchen, but its primary purpose is to save time and labor, as well as a better utilization of food. etc. One hundred per cent efficiency and thrif are its inevitable accompaniments when introduced in a home.

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The set of the set We Enjoy Serving our **Boy and Girl Members**

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Start them off with a Savings Account.

Tarboro Building & Loan Ass'n THOS. B. JACOCKS, Secretary and Treasurer. New Series Open April 3, 1920



Public notice is hereby given that The Tarboro Motor Bus Co. has applied to the Board of Commissioners of the town for a franchise to eperate on the streets of the town a passenger motor bus line running on a regular schedule.

If any citizen objects to the town granting this franchise they will have to file complaint with the Board before April the 20th, 1920, as said tranchise will be considered at the

nature, and it is greatly creditable to the American people that there are signs that we understand the thing and are turning against it.

Take, for example, the recent railroad bill returning the roads to private ownership. Here for two years had been in operation the cost-plus system on its grandest scale. Here to both elements immediately conserned there was every urge of the heads-I-win-tails-you-lose impulse of human nature to throw the whole thing into government ownership; to do a thing in fact much easier than that-merely to arrange to let it stay where it was.

For one party at interest this meant assured and doubtless larger wages; for the other guaranty of investment in a much-troubled financial time. Theoretically it might have seemed certain that these two special interests would unite, and, in the usual default of general opposition, load their burden on the government and slip happily away. That this did not happen, that the whole campaign in that direction was overwhelmingly defeated in Congress is a striking monument to the traditions and horse sense and courage of the American people.

But also it is, before this, a monument to another thing-the widespread almost universal observation in this country of the actual operation of human nature in the individual working for the government; of what might be called the soul of man under socialism.

It was not under actual socialism -no. But it lacked, in its work for the general mass of men, for its government, no altruistic impulse which socialism in practice would afford. It had in fact the unusual and muchstressed stimulus of the call to service of history's most heroic age. We know, we saw, just how the soul of man functioned under that impulse in practice in our own industries.

This spectacle has cost us billions of dollars. It was no doubt worth that. For we have seen now, as closely as we ever need to, the soul of man under socialism; not as Oscar Wilde saw it in his beautiful and wonderfully presented vision of some dream-made soul, but the common, or garden, soul of man as it actually goes to its work day after day under the vague general impulse of altruism

It was worth it-yes-all that it cost us! Hereafter no on can swing along the fancy of this generation, in the United States at least, with the ald recurrent rhapsodic prophecy of



