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THINK TWICE—OR THRICE.

The present critical period in the history of our country is no time for people to talk at random, or to use a common, every-day expression, to "go off half cocked." Think twice—or thrice—before you speak. And if you are in doubt, after careful thought, as to the patriotism or wisdom of what you have in mind, keep silent. Ill-advised speech or utterance to-day is unpatriotic, dangerous, bordering on disloyalty to our government.

We have in mind an article that appears in this week's issue of The Courier, from the pen of one of our good women—one, we feel sure, who has let some inconvenience that has come to her warp her mental vision and prompt her to voice sentiments not normally hers. In these times no right-thinking person should consider for one moment the throwing in of personal convenience or ease or comfort to try to balance the scale against the just sacrifices that must be made to meet the needs of our armies in the field, the armies of our allies, and the welfare of the civil populations. We thought twice before we decided to print this letter—teeming with unpatriotic thought, bristling throughout with rebelliousness, saturated with venom for each of the worthy causes fostered by our government and by our people at large. Our first impulse was to consign this letter to the waste basket; second thought prompted us to put it before a discerning public like that of Oconee, and let the people see in cold type a fair sample of some of the unpatriotic thought that is being voiced in some sections. It is such talk as this that, last year when men and women were canvassing our county to plead with the farmers to plant more foodstuffs, made some timid and fearful that their government, after it had raised the stuff, would step in and take it from them. It is such talk as this, unrebuked, that is creating dissension and dissatisfaction in certain quarters, resulting in failure on the part of otherwise good and loyal people to rise to the occasion and exert every energy to the doing of those things which, deep down in their hearts, they feel and know it is their duty to do. Such speech or writing as this letter to which we refer, and to which we direct attention, with the appeal that it be considered as a thing to be shunned and spurned, is calculated to confuse and bewilder some who depend largely upon others to formulate their beliefs and lay the base for their actions.

When one comes to you, personally or in print, with the proposition that our government has "allowed" any of its citizens to starve, or "allowed" men to suffer after being robbed, ask that one to cite a case, and, failing to do so, brand the statement then as false, unpatriotic, unworthy a citizen of this free country.

That there may be waste at camps is doubtless a statement of more or less truth. When the statement is made as justifying refusal to do your part, ask the complaining one to undertake the feeding of 2,000,000 men in a dozen or more military camps without waste. The problem would stun the "croaker" instantly, and were he or she to undertake the job, there would be instant brainstorm.

When the grumbler comes to you with complaints of unjust taxes, ask him or her to point where the injustice comes in. Neither he nor she can do it. The taxes are uniform; there are no direct taxes, save the income taxes, and only the rich pay those, or at least those sufficiently well off to justify paying on incomes that preclude a condition of penury or inability to pay.

When the fault-finder comes to you with the story that the poor man's sons are not, ask that one to go to the military camps and there see the sons of millionaires drilling and working side by side with the sons of men of meagre means—the tenant farmer, the mill operative, the lawyer, the doctor, the banker—young men from every walk in life. "The rich man's war and the poor man's fight" is an old cry, worn threadbare—a never-ending source of supply for the croaker who, wishing to escape personal duty, seeks to obscure facts by distorted fancies.

We have no quarrel to make on the score of the "weak-kneed voter." They are among the men of our country, and from criticism of them we have no desire to dissent. The criticism is merited. But to our critical women stop to think that each woman has the molding of at least one voter sooner or later? A good woman can, nine times out of ten, make of her husband a right-thinking, right-voting citizen if she will. The tenth one possibly can't be remade, and isn't worth the trouble it would take to try it.

In time of war, the beneficent work and influence of these noble organizations cannot extend as fully as in times of peace—spurn that statement as unworthy a citizen of this great liberty-loving and charitable country of ours. Dig down into the innermost recesses of the conscience of the one thus talking and you will find that the cry against these organizations comes from a desire to hold fast that which he has while posing as the champion of "clarity at home."

When one talks as our correspondent talks, that one is doing an injustice to our government, our great institutions of charity, the very fundamental principles of our national life. Thoughtlessly, we believe, it is done, or in plique, or on the spur of the moment when some call for help has come and has been rejected. Let us learn to "think twice before we speak," and often no words will be uttered. And such words as our correspondent uses should never have been written, and they would have found repose in the waste basket in our office but for the fact that we know something of the force, here and there, of the argument that "I sent my piece to the paper, but they refused to publish it." When that can be said by a mal-content, then added weight is given to perverted sentiments when expounded to friends and others who so far forget themselves as to listen.

In the whole article which appears on the third page of this issue, under the caption "One Dissenting Voice," even including the appended verses, we find "neither rhyme nor reason." We want every reader of The Courier to read the article referred to, and when that has been done, don't stop until you have read the article appearing first on the same page. There you will find reason, patriotism, self-abnegation—American patriotism in a nutshell—something worthy of a citizen of a country like the Great American Republic.

Every man, woman and child in this country who wants to serve the country can serve it, and serve it in a very simple and effective way. Secretary McAdoo says. That service is to lend your money to the government. Every 25 cents loaned to the government is a help at this time, and practically every man, woman and child, by making some trifling sacrifice, some denial of a pleasure, or giving up some indulgence, can render the government that support. The Thrift Stamps and War Saving Stamps provide the means for this small yet patriotic service. Buy Thrift Stamps, buy War Saving Stamps! They are "Baby Bonds" of different ages. Maybe you can't own a government bond; you can certainly own Thrift Stamps and War Saving Stamps and eventually a War Savings Certificate. But you'll never own them if you don't make a start. "Do it now"—don't "let John do it!"

STEAMER WRECKED ON ROCKS.

136 on Board—Figures Show Death List to Be Large.

St. Johns, N. F., Feb. 24.—The Red Cross liner Florizel, from St. Johns for New York by way of Halifax, with 140 persons aboard, including 78 passengers, piled upon the ledges near Cape Race during a blizzard to-day, and it is believed that all on board were lost.

Naval gunners sent on a special train from this city, shot a line across the bow of the partly submerged ship to-night, but waited in vain for it to be hauled aboard. Just before darkness blotted the wreck from view, five men driven from the forecabin by the giant seas, were seen to climb the forward rigging signalling feebly for help. But when they failed to make fast the line it was feared they had succumbed to the cold and exposure. These five were the only ones visible on board several hours after the ship struck.

Ninety-Two Were Drowned.

New York, Feb. 25.—Seventeen passengers and 27 members of the crew of the Red Cross line steamship Florizel, wrecked near Cape Race, have been taken off by rescue ships. They are the sole survivors out of the 136 on board when the ship struck the rocks. The Florizel carried 77 passengers and a crew of 59, according to official advices received by the agents of the line. If these figures are correct the death list would stand at 92.

South Union News.

South Union, Feb. 25.—Special: Miss Etta Maret, of Columbia, has returned to her home, after a several weeks' visit to relatives near here.

GENERAL SESSIONS COURT.

Grand and Petit Jurors Drawn—The Spring Term to Convene March 4.

The spring term of the Court of General Session for Oconee county, will convene at Walhalla on the first Monday in March (4th), at 10 a. m. The following grand and petit jurors have been drawn to serve:

- Grand Jurors.**
J. M. Abbott, Seneca.
A. M. Alexander, Westminster.
A. M. Brown, Mt. Rest.
*Otto Burries, Westminster.
*J. S. Cantrell, Salem.
R. S. Childress, Salem.
J. S. Cromer, Seneca.
W. M. Dillard, Westminster.
W. E. Giles, Towaville.
J. Eustace Hopkins, Seneca.
S. H. Knox, Seneca.
*J. C. Mulkey, Westminster.
R. A. McLees, Walhalla.
*R. A. Nichols, Walhalla.
*W. H. Simmons, Seneca.
H. G. Sims, Mt. Rest.
*W. L. Thomas, Westminster.
J. A. White, West Union.

* Hold-over jurors; drawn from 1917 panel.

- Petit Jurors.**
J. S. Abbott, Walhalla.
T. W. Allen, Westminster.
Jesse W. Allen, Westminster.
J. T. Bryant, Westminster.
J. A. Brown, Westminster.
J. A. Callahan, Seneca.
O. E. Cashin, Westminster.
B. P. Chapman, Salem.
H. T. Crenshaw, Walhalla.
J. T. Davis, Madison.
C. M. Deal, Walhalla.
F. B. Fowler, West Union.
Burton Galloway, Walhalla.
W. E. Gillespie, Walhalla.
P. P. Haley, Westminster.
J. D. Hamby, Mt. Rest.
H. P. Holloman, Seneca.
J. Fulton Hunnicutt, West Union.
Dock Kelley, Walhalla.
W. J. Knox, Westminster.
J. P. Land, Seneca.
C. W. Lyle, Westminster.
H. O. Morris, Seneca.
J. S. Moore, Seneca.
H. E. Neal, West Union.
E. E. Nix, West Union.
H. A. O'Kelley, Newry.
P. P. Owens, Westminster.
J. E. Pearson, Walhalla.
Glenn Shirley, Seneca.
W. M. Sloan, Salem.
M. B. Spearman, Westminster.
W. O. Tannery, Westminster.
W. L. Wiggins, Fair Play.
Ed. Woodbright, Townville.
J. L. Woodall, Long Creek.

Westminster Local Notes.

Westminster, Feb. 25.—Special: Mrs. J. F. Geer and children, of Anderson, are visiting relatives in town.

Miss Lillian Moore, of Seneca, spent several days last week at the home of her aunt, Mrs. H. J. Reeder, in Cleland, of Madison, was over Friday to see her brother, who is in the Oconee Hospital.

John Holt, of Charlotte, was in town Sunday.

Misses Laura Brown and Anna Maret were recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Brown, of Royston, Georgia.

Miss Carrie Howell, one of the teachers at Homea Path, spent the past week-end with her sister, Miss Millie Howell.

Mrs. W. R. McMillan went to Anderson Friday to see her daughter, Miss Ruby, who is in school there.

Prof. Wells, of Clemson College, spent Sunday in town.

HEAD OF GREAT FIRM DOUBLES HIS WORK

GARLICK AMONG NEW YORKERS DOING GREAT THINGS.

WAS "ALL RUN DOWN," Widely Known Business Man Tells Story that Will Encourage Hundreds.

In the list of the men of New York who have done big things is the name of Morris Garlick. This man is Secretary of the Down Town Taxpayers' Association of Brooklyn, representing \$10,000,000 in realty holdings alone in the heart of the great business district. He was largely responsible for Brooklyn's noted Flatbush extension, the great traffic artery from the new Manhattan bridge. He is head of M. Garlick & Co., of 181 Gold street.

Prominent in the real uplift work of the world's greatest city, he holds the deep respect of thousands with whom he comes in contact in business, political, church and fraternal affairs. Since boyhood, and for 45 years, he has labored. He is now 57 years old. It is only natural that, with all his activities, the strain should begin to tell.

"Maybe I have overworked," said Mr. Garlick, "but, at any rate, I began to suffer from broken rest, loss of appetite, failure to assimilate the nourishment I needed, and nervousness," he explained. "It is what the average man calls 'all run down,' and there are a lot of us in every city. I felt as if I needed something to build me up—something that would bring back the strength I was losing; something that would help take away the worries, give me a real appetite, tone up my stomach and whole system and quiet my nerves. Through friends I heard of a new medicine, Tanlac, and decided that if it could help others, it ought to help me, too, so I tried Tanlac. And now," he continued—"for work is his big thought in life—"I can do twice as much work as I could before. My nerves are quiet, I rest well, I enjoy meals, because my stomach digests my food, I am stronger and feel wonderfully better."

When men like Morris Garlick endorse a medicine, there can be no further proof asked. He felt it was his duty to tell of Tanlac to help others. No other medicine ever has won such support. Because Tanlac is the reconstructive, system purifier and stomach tonic, supreme for weak, ailing men and women who need more strength, better digestion and revitalization of the nervous system, it receives endorsements like this.

Tanlac, the master medicine, is sold exclusively by Bell's Drug Store, Walhalla; J. C. Cain, Oakway; Salem Drug Co., Salem; Seneca Pharmacy; Seneca; Stonecypher Drug Co., Westminster; Hughs & Dandy, Richland.—Adv.

Plot Against Spain Discovered.

Paris, Feb. 26.—Close relations between the German embassy at Madrid and the most notorious anarchists in Spain have been brought to light, according to The Matin. The newspaper El Sol has published documents to prove that Dr. von Stohrer, second secretary of the German embassy at Madrid, sent money to anarchist agitators and committed the imprudence of writing to them. The propaganda thus financed, adds this paper, was directed not only against public order, but even against the person of the King. The revelations have had a deep effect in Madrid.

EXECUTOR'S SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.

By agreement with the legatees of Mrs. L. E. Cain, deceased, I will offer for sale, for cash, to the highest bidder, at the residence of the late Moses Cain, near Oakway, the Personal Property belonging to the estate of Mrs. L. E. Cain, consisting of One lot of Corn, one lot of Tops and Fodder, one lot of meat and Household and Kitchen Furniture, etc.

Sale to commence at 10 o'clock a. m., on TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 1918.

C. A. MOORE, Executor of the Estate of Mrs. L. E. Cain, deceased.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT AND DISCHARGE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will make application to V. F. Martin, Judge of Probate for Oconee County, in the State of South Carolina, at his office at Walhalla Court House, on Friday, March 29, 1918, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, or as soon thereafter as said application can be heard, for leave to make final settlement of the estates of Robert Wales Lowery, Thomas Marshall Lowery, Louie Emma Lowery, Minors, and obtain final discharge as Guardian of said estates.

THOMAS M. LOWERY, Sr., Guardian of Estates of Above Named Minors.

RED OAK TIES

Beginning March 1st, I will buy hewn or sawn

Red, Black, Spanish, Scarlet, Pin or Turkey Oak Ties.

Will buy them off Wagons at my yards at Pickens or Walhalla where I keep inspectors, or in carload lots elsewhere.

Price First-Class, 50 cents.
" Second " 40 "
" Third " 30 "
All Ties to be 8½ feet long.
First-Class, to be 7 in. x 8 in.
Second " " " 7 in. x 7 in.
Third " " " 6 in. x 7 in.

Standard White, Post and Chestnut Oak. Price, First-Class 60c., and Second-Class, 45c.

A. B. Taylor, Easley, S. C.

Building Material.

We have anticipated and stocked up on Doors, - Windows, - Locks, Hinges, - Nails, Roofing, Etc.

You, no doubt, will be doing some building soon. We have the goods and the price and will be glad to figure with you on your bill. Good stock of Paints, Oils, etc. Now is the time to paint and preserve the building for the winter time.

Ballenger Hdw & Furn Co., Seneca, S. C.

P. S.—Don't forget that we are headquarters for Stoves, Ranges and Furniture.

HIGH GRADE FERTILIZERS.

Complete Stock of GENERAL MERCHANDISE

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