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THE ROADS OF 1917.

It will be but a short time now until the rigors and storms of winter will be past and the problems of a new year will be before us for solution.

One of the most important of these problems will be, "What of our country roads in 1917?"

The year 1916 witnessed the greatest impetus to road building that has ever been known in our history. Government, state, county and municipality all awoke and attacked the problem with vigor, and the results in many instances were most gratifying.

But there was, the past year, another element in the solution of the good road problem that heretofore had been lacking—that of community co-operation. In many parts of the country the importunities of the good roads advocates had their effect, and the PEOPLE awoke to the live fact that the roads were THEIR roads, and that THEY were individually responsible for their maintenance. And this was just the added force needed to give to the movement an impetus that nothing could stop.

It is this feature of community co-operation that must be fostered if our roads are to be made what we would have them. Each and every citizen must be fully aroused to HIS responsibility—not merely to pay his taxes and give his few days of work each year, but to shoulder his full share of responsibility and never let up until every road in his community is a GOOD road.

Many communities have worked up a sentiment that each and every citizen shall give one day out of each month to voluntary labor on the roads. This is an auxiliary to all other road working facilities. And the plan as carried out in these communities has worked splendid results in the improvement of the highways.

If all communities will organize on this plan, work it up to a maximum of efficiency, and keep the enthusiasm at white heat, it will be only a short while until they awake to the fact that their road problem has been solved.

WANTED—PRODUCERS.

We have become so accustomed to the cry that the prevailing high prices of living are the result of our increased exports of food stuffs that it comes as somewhat of a shock to learn from official figures that during the past year our exports of food supplies were in reality something like \$100,000,000 less than the previous year. And it is stated on the same authority that never before has the visible supply been so low.

The food speculators have been yelling that Europe was making such a tremendous demand for our food supplies that the enormous shipments in themselves were the cause of sky high prices. That too, appears to be a mixture of financial wind and hot air.

Congress is "investigating" the price boosting combines. But did you ever hear of the politicians of either party doing anything more than to "investigate?" Did you ever hear of a conviction? More wind—political wind.

There are two distinct causes for the prevailing high prices. We lack producers, and we are cursed with a set of food speculators who would starve a baby to death for a penny.

Our production is not keeping pace with the demand, because our farmers are leaving their acres and turning their faces to the allurements of the town and city. And there are none to take their places on the farms. As Mr. Cleveland so tersely put it, "this is a condition and not a theory."

Food speculators know this and are buying and hoarding the supply and doling it out in dribbles at their own prices.

Foreign demand? Bunk!

Wholesale robbery? Yes!

When we get rid of four-fifths of the middle men, and jail the speculating price boosters, and keep the men on the farms and put more of them there, then we will have ample supplies at reasonable prices, and not until then.

And in the meantime congress will keep right on periodically "investigating" and making an ass generally of itself, as it has always done and always will do, irrespective of party.

We need more producers and fewer robbers.

AS THE EDITOR SEES IT.

Life is short at best and the one who fills it with scraps and grows has only half a life to spend.

When laughing at the other fellow just remember that he may have quite as much fun at your expense another day.

Life is just one ahem after another, but we have yet to find one who is in a hurry to let loose.

A dollar spent on subscription brings ten in wisdom. Be wise!

The merchant who advertises never counts the flies on the wall. "There's a reason."

We want to know the name of the most beautiful woman in this town, and if claimants will hand in their names we will cheerfully devote three columns of space to the publication of a list of same.

Politics is just politicking along.

Why should any one kick at life in this town? It is full of good peo-

ple—of wise people—of energetic people—of persistent people—of people who would be a credit to any town. When you kick this town you kick yourself, for you are helping to make it just what it is.

Those German submarines are getting entirely too frisky. It is quite inconsiderate of them to come snooping around chasing icebergs up and down our official spine. Besides, it is bad for our digestion, disastrous to our dignity, and a general nuisance all around. Go back and get under.

The belligerent nations want us to feed them, and they all want to kick us, and that's about all we can expect from them and it's quite all we will get from them.

We note, with tears, that the high cost of living still remains the high cost of living.

Failing in his efforts to get rid of General Pershing, First Chief Caranza announces his determination to put an end to bull fighting.

ALLIES REPLY TO THE PRESIDENT

Will Differentiate Between Peace Among Present Belligerents and Future Arrangements Against War.

FINAL DRAFT NOW BEING STUDIED BY ENTENTE CABINET

If No Hitch Occurs Document May Be Handed Ambassador Sharp at Paris.

London, Jan. 2.—The final draft of the reply of the Entente to President Wilson's peace note, which already has been approved by France and Great Britain, has been forwarded to Italy and Russia. As no changes have been suggested from those quarters, it is not improbable the note will be delivered to the American ambassador in Paris, William G. Sharp, within a short time. It is understood here the note may possibly be handed to Mr. Shary tomorrow.

However, Belgium made her request at the last moment that the statement of her case be added to the reply to the Central Powers, and similar additions or delays may occur in the case of the note to President Wilson.

The reply is about the same length as the note to the Central Powers, and has the same characteristics of general and guarded language. One of the most important points is a differentiation between peace among the present belligerents and such future arrangements as may be made for permanent peace, the purpose being to show neutral upholders of a permanent peace how that is attainable.

This is attainable not alone by first concluding the present war, but also by concluding the kind of a peace which will pave the way for a permanent peace.

While the original draft, like the reply to the Central Powers, was written largely in France, Foreign Secretary Balfour also has had a considerable part in it, particularly in regard to phrases seeking to elucidate the situation for the benefit of public opinion in neutral countries.

Now Before Cabinet.

Paris, Jan. 2.—The Allies' reply to President Wilson's note will not, it is understood, be published until the end of the week. The next has been completed and is now being considered by the different cabinets.

SAYS MOUNTAIN BOYS OF 6 DRINK WHISKEY

Washington, Jan. 1.—Describing conditions among the mountaineers of the United States as defying description, Miss Virginia Trimble, president of the Association for the Relief and Educational Work of Poor Mountain White, has launched a comprehensive campaign here for their alleviation. Members of congress have pledged their support.

It was the original intention of Miss Trimble, who is the daughter of Judge N. W. Trimble, of Alabama, and her co-workers to secure a bill providing constructive work among the southern mountain states only, but conditions have been found to be so bad in other sections that the campaign has been made national in scope.

"This is a phase of national preparedness which patriotic Americans certainly should not overlook," declared Miss Trimble today. "I am glad that this country has been able to give assistance was so badly needed, but here we have horrible conditions right at our doors.

"In many of the mountain regions the people have no education, no thoughts of sanitation, and they are poverty-stricken beyond description. Boys of five and six years of age use tobacco, drink whiskey and swear horribly.

"These people are or pure Anglo-Saxon stock and no one can tell to what heights they might rise if they were given a fair chance. I do not think any patriotic American citizen can fail to see what is our duty to these submerged people."

Alcohol as a Cleaner.

Alcohol seems to possess an especial gift at banishing grease. I keep a bottle of denatured alcohol on my kitchen shelf for this particular purpose.

When grease has been spilled or splattered on the floor and has penetrated into the pores of the wood, alcohol removes it better than anything else I have ever tried. A wad of soft paper dampener with alcohol will quickly remove grease from the stove or sink or a greasy cooking utensil, and if the paper is then burned the disagreeable task is quickly over.

Alcohol satisfactorily renews the soiled collar of storm coats, and is better to remove spots from black goods than gasoline.

Alcohol is pleasant to use as a cleanser since it quickly evaporates, leaving neither odor nor stain. It is also perfectly safe.—Orange Judd Southern Farming.

HARVIN NEWS.

Harvin, Dec. 28.—The Yuletide festivities have passed without unusual incident.

Hon. A. D. McFaddin of Columbia after spending several days with his relatives at his old home here at Harvin has returned to Columbia.

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Miss Lillian Eudora Brogden of Winthrop and Mr. Sam John Brogden of Clemson are spending the Christmas holidays at home.

Miss Mae Hodge of Winthrop, Mrs. Judea McLeod, Miss Alma McLeod, Messrs. Ben Evin and Newman McLeod of Georgetown are spending some time with Hon. E. D. Hodge.

Master George Legare Harvin, Miss Katie Francis Harvin and Mr. Sam John Brogden attended on Wednesday the house party given by Master W. T. Lesesne, Jr., and Miss Sara Lesesne. B. H. H.

Remarkable Feat of Great Railroad

Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 2.—The Pennsylvania railroad system in 1916 carried 196,294,146 passengers on its lines east and west of Pittsburg without the loss of a single life in a train accident, according to statistics

made public by the company today. It was a record-breaking year in the handling of both passengers and freight traffic.

No passengers have been killed on any lines of the Pennsylvania system in a train accident, the statement says, for three years, during which time 553,890,064 persons were transported approximately 15,000,000,000 miles. More than 9,000,000 freight and passenger trains were operated over the company's 12,000 miles of railroad lines in the three-year period.

Creecy-Smith. Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Smith announce the marriage of their daughter Rowley to Mr. Julian Creecy the 28th of December, 1916, Monticello Arkansas.

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Christmas Royal Tart—Make a very rich pie crust, cover the bottom of a pie tin with it and bake; now make a thick, rich cornstarch, and, while hot, pour upon the pie crust; garnish with candied cherries and angelica, and set away in a very cold place to become stiff.

Baked Onions—Peel small, silver skinned onions, and cook in salted boiling water for fifteen minutes. Drain and lay them on a towel to dry. Then put them in a baking pan with a few spoonfuls of stock gravy, sprinkle with sugar and bake until soft. The sugar will glaze the onions.

Nut Cake—One and one-half cupfuls sugar, one-half cupful butter, our eggs, one-third cupful milk, two and one-half cupfuls of flour, one teaspoonful cream of tartar, one-half teaspoonful soda; add hickorynut, butternut or walnut meats (as much in quantity as you use flour is a good rule, but some cooks prefer less); bake in a moderate oven.

Apple Pudding—Generously butter a large pan and arrange around the sides of it upright strips of bread in such a way that they will overlap each other; fill the center with slices of apple and with seeded raisins; add nutmeg, cinnamon and sugar to taste, considerable sugar being required; fit a circular piece of bread to the top of pan, put into the oven and steam one hour; unmoild and send to the table garnished with sauce, with a few candied cherries stuck in.

Fruit Cake—One pound of butter, one pound sugar, one pound flour, ten eggs, two nutmegs (grated), juice and grated rind of one lemon, one teaspoonful each of cinnamon and mace, one-half teaspoonful each of allspice and ginger, four pounds raisins, four pounds of currants, two pounds of citron, one-half pound each of sweet and bitter almonds, blanched and eaten to a paste with a little rose-water; bake eight hours in a moderate oven. This will keep for months.

Chestnut Croquettes—Boil a pint of chestnuts to a pulp, removing the shells first; add two tablespoonfuls of butter and season with pepper and salt; beat two eggs well, stir in and

whip all until very light, roll in beaten crumbs, then again in bread crumbs; fry in fat until a golden brown, hot mashed potatoes; let the dish stand one; arrange the center of the garnish with parsley table very hot.

Christmas Pudding—quart stale bread without crusts, and pour over the bread sweet milk and let it add three beaten eggful currants, plum or melted, one cupful of half cupful strained syrup, one-half cupful or butter, one pound pound currants and spoonful each of cin grated peel and va two teaspoonfuls var other spices; mix together and bake in a dish for three hours cream or pudding sa

Roast Goose with ing—The cooking for preparing a goose are rather apt to get ment in the breasts house-keepers, enve method is certainly as it removes mucous fat, and, in the flavor of this directions are as follows: young goose, singe well in soap and thoroughly in clean inside and out with the stuffing, cook full on finely choppe tablespoonfuls of but sage meat, stri twelve finely chop one cupful of Heat the mixture of fresh bread whole chestnuts (boiled and skinned to taste, a lump half teaspoonful Cool the stuffing ing it. Baste the is cooking, and ro until well done. Serve on a

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