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If there is a real need to conserve fuel, why not go after the joyriders? There's a fertile field for conservation, Doc.

Perhaps Hindenburg was merely springing a premature April Fool's joke when he fixed April 1 as the date he would occupy Paris.

The one redeeming feature of the Russian muddle is that, when the daily papers are short of "feature" news, they can always find "another crisis in the Russian situation."

The Indianapolis Star says: "When we get to heaven we shall understand the Russian situation and probably not until then." We don't believe any of that Russian mix-up originated up there.

In olden times there was a saying that "when thieves fall out, honest men get their due." Now, instead of falling out they divide the "territory" and honest men don't stand the ghost of a chance.

Germany says President Wilson is slandering that country. He would have to acquire some yet unknown language before he could do that. The English language is woefully inadequate for the task.

Chancellor Von Hertling says that Germany must be thoroughly whipped before she will agree to the terms on which a just and lasting peace can be secured. For once the Chancellor is thoroughly in accord with his foes.

The Washington Post would have Dr. Garfield withhold fuel from Congress when next those hot debates are pulled off, on the ground that the Capitol is already sufficiently heated by hot air. But hot air is their food, not their fuel.

Between the task of keeping the outside world ignorant of the true situation of Germany, and keeping the German people ignorant of the true situation in the outside world, the kaiser is about as busy as a man with a basket of eels.

Senator Jim Ham Lewis of Illinois intimates that he could tell many things about the outcome of the war, but will not. If he will just give us a little dope on the Russian riddle we will enter his name with those of the major prophets.

The American flag is at half mast for the brave boys who went down with the Tuscania. But American anger is at white heat and American courage at one hundred per cent efficiency, and when the day of reckoning comes the full price will be exacted.

An Illinois soldier whipped twenty-five men in order to get the man who called him a liar. That soldier is right in line for the scrap over in France where the Allies expect to whip five million men in order to get the man who keeps calling them liars—Kaiser Bill.

In a speech to his soldiers the kaiser is quoted as saying: "The gigantic battles which raged from spring to fall on Belgium and French soil were decided in favor of your glorious arms." He is evidently of the same school as the general who characterized his retreat as a "masterly advance to the rear."

It was the irony of fate that while Chamberlain, Hitchcock, Wadsworth and other Senators were telling the Senate how poorly prepared our soldiers were, the boys "over there" were sailing into the Germans in true American fashion and winning warm praises from the Allies.

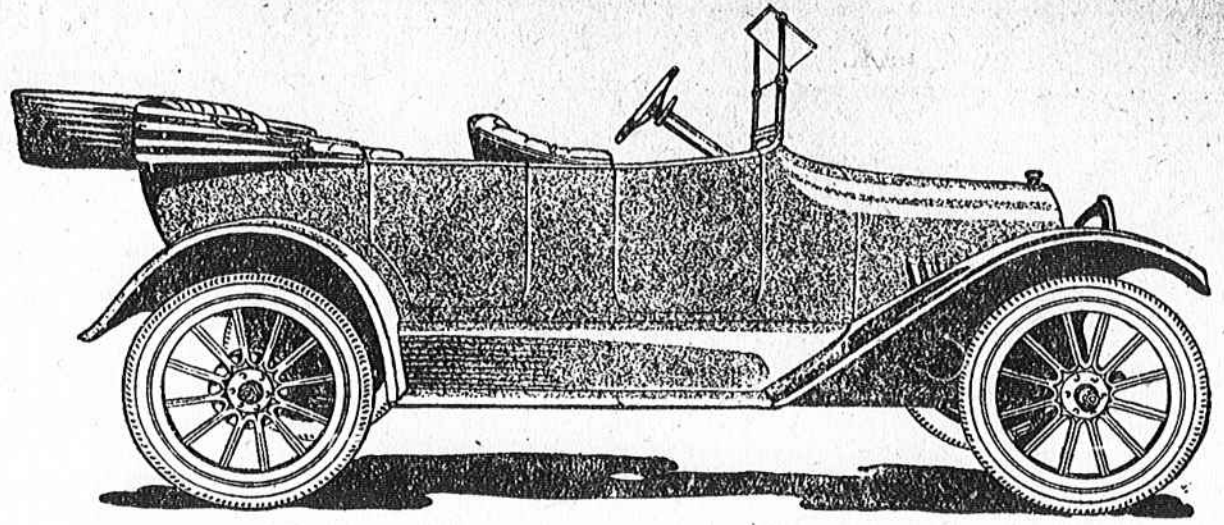
CUT OUT POLITICS

Conservative citizens everywhere will deplore the attempt on the part of some of our misguided statesmen to reopen the party fights that have been our custom in years past. Nothing at this time could be worse for the country than a bitter political fight throughout the land. Every interest of the country demands unity of sentiment and action. Republican politicians could not hope for advantage except at the expense of great harm to their country, and such action on the part of Democrats could be nothing but suicidal.

Doubtless there have been mistakes made and blunders committed—what administration has been free from them? But these mistakes have not been such as to call for a political upheaval. We are not ready to admit to our enemy that our leaders are unequal to the task required of them. If the malcontents will lay aside personal ambitions and put their shoulders to the wheel in an honest endeavor to achieve the great task before us, they will find their ambitions much surer of attainment than by instigating a fight that could have no other effect than to embarrass the administration.

If Republican leaders will take Ex-Secretary Root's advice and forget that they have any political bias, and if the administration will remember that the patriotism of the Republicans is just as deep and fervid as their own, we will win through to a glorious victory.

Nothing could give our enemy more comfort at this time than for Americans to revive old political contests and reopen old political sores.



Chevrolet Price Advances!

In order to maintain the High Quality of the Chevrolet Model 4-90, it was necessary to advance the price \$50.00. If you contemplate owning a Chevrolet, buy it NOW, as the government is taking over much automobile material.

Model 4-90 gets from 25 to 28 miles per gallon gasoline.

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DAVIS X ROADS.

The following is the honor roll for the Davis X Roads School:
Primary—Clifton Brunson, John Elliott Rowe.
Second Grade—Mary Esther McKnight, Irene Billups, William Brunson, Clare Marguerite Rowe.
Third Grade—Olin Rowe.
Fifth Grade—Claud Rowe.
Sixth Grade—Carl Rowe.
Eighth Grade—Willie Rowe.
(Miss) Dale Boyce, Teacher.

On Friday afternoon Mesdames J. M. and W. B. Davis delightfully entertained the Fancy Work Club from three o'clock until five-thirty. Music was furnished during the afternoon on the Victrola, while the members engaged in fancy work and knitting. A salad course with hot chocolate and nabiscoes were served by Mesdames W. B. Davis, Stuckey and Cockrey.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Rowe and Eddie Rowe spent Sunday in Turbeville.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Smith and little daughter Marjorie are visiting in Bishopville, S. C.

Miss Dale Boyce spent last weekend in Sumter, S. C., the guest of Miss Tiny Rogan.

W. B. Davis of the Naval Reserve, stationed at Charleston, spent Saturday and Sunday with home folks.

Private T. S. Rogan, of Camp Jackson, was a visitor for a few hours at the X Roads Sunday.

Mr. Clifton Lettingham of Bishopville was a recent visitor at the Cross Roads.

Mrs. I. M. Bounds of Bennettsville, S. C. is visiting her daughter, Mrs. A. W. Billups.

"Violet."

BILLIONS FOR DEFENSE

Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo will offer for subscription every two weeks between now and the opening of the next Liberty Loan Treasury Certificates of Indebtedness in amounts of five hundred million dollars or more. If all the banks of the country do their share, and it is contemplated that they will, three billion dollars of the certificates will be taken by them between now and the flotation of the next Liberty Loan.

The raising of five hundred million dollars every two weeks seems a tremendous task, yet in relation to the banking resources of the United States it seems easy of accomplishment.

The resources of the National banks of the United States on November 20 last were more than eighteen and a half billion dollars and trust companies on June 20, 1917 were practically twenty-one billion.

The resources of both have increased since the dates named when the latest reports were made. The three billion expected by the Secretary of the Treasury is less than 10 per cent of the banking resources of the Nation.

The banking power of the world in 1890 was estimated at fifteen and a half billion dollars; the banking power of the United States is now two and a half times as great as the banking power of the world as late as that year.

The United States is just beginning to demonstrate its unexampled power and might. It is called upon to defend the liberty of the world, to preserve civilization and humanity. It is answering in a way to demonstrate that it is equal to the task in courage, in genius, in men and in money.

For Indigestion, Constipation or Biliousness

Just try one 50-cent bottle of LAX-FOS WITH PEPSIN. A Liquid Digestive Laxative pleasant to take. Made and recommended to the public by Paris Medicine Co., manufacturers of Laxative Bromo Quinine and Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic.

AMERICAN RED CROSS TO ENROLL 24,000,000 SCHOOL CHILDREN IN JUNIOR AUXILIARIES

To the School Children of the United States:

A Proclamation

The President of the United States is also President of the American Red Cross. It is from these offices joined in one that I write you a word of greeting at this time when so many of you are beginning the school year.

The American Red Cross has just prepared a Junior Membership with School Activities in which every pupil in the United States can find a chance to serve our country. The school is the natural center of your life. Through it you can best work in the great cause of freedom to which we have all pledged ourselves.

Our Junior Red Cross will bring to you opportunities of service to your community and to other communities all over the world and guide your service with high and religious ideals. It will teach you how to save in order that suffering children elsewhere may have the chance to live. It will teach you how to prepare some of the supplies which wounded soldiers and homeless families lack. It will send to you through the Red Cross Bulletins the thrilling stories of relief and rescue. And best of all, more perfectly than through any of your other school lessons, you will learn by doing those kind things under your teacher's direction to be the future good citizens of this great country which we all love.

And I commend to all school teachers in the country the simple plan which the American Red Cross has worked out to provide for your co-operation, knowing as I do that school children will give their best service under the direct guidance and instruction of their teachers. Is not this perhaps the chance for which you have been looking to give your time and efforts in some measure to meet our national needs?

(Signed) WOODROW WILSON, President

September 15, 1917.

Of the Junior Membership of the Red Cross, Mr. Henry P. Davison, Chairman of the War Council of the American Red Cross, said:

"I believe a program has been made out here which is the most important single movement that was ever started in America for the protection of the American public and the future of the people.

"When I was talking with the President about the program I then said that I believed that nothing in the Red Cross was as important as the Junior Membership work, and that alone from the standpoint of our own people."

Red Cross To Enter New Field Of Service In Army Camps Of America

At the suggestion of Secretary of War Baker, the American Red Cross is about to enter a new field of service in the army camps of the United States, a field in which they are already working in France, the Bureau of Communication between the men in the hospital and their families at home. This will necessitate building a Red Cross house in every army camp in the country and securing for each house a man who will keep in personal touch with every man who is admitted to the camp hospital, as well as a sufficient stenographic force to handle the letters dictated by these men and to keep their families constantly informed as to their condition and progress.

Col. William Lawson Peel, General manager of the Southern division, has just received letters from W. R. Castle, Jr., director of the Bureau of Communications, and from Harry B. Wallace, assistant director-general of military relief, explaining Secretary Ba-

ker's plan and asking for suggestions as to men in this division who are qualified for the positions of responsibility at the camps. Colonel Peel announced Thursday at a meeting of his bureau directors that the Southern division would co-operate in every way with the national organization and that work would be begun at once to assist in carrying out Secretary Baker's plans.

The directors of the work in the Red Cross houses will be under the authority of the Red Cross Field Directors in the various camps, who in turn are under the supervision of Z. Bennett Phelps, director of military relief for the Southern division.

Secretary Baker says in his letter: "Since the American Red Cross has already established in France, in accordance with an army order, a service to keep families in America in personal touch with their boys, ill or wounded in the field, it is suggested that this service be extended to the camps in the United States. American Red Cross representatives at the camps, here, as in France, would have access to daily lists of admissions and evacuations from the hospitals, and, so far as it is in accord with necessary medical rules, would be allowed to talk with sick men. They would be expected to keep families constantly informed as to the condition and progress of the men in the hospitals, to write letters for men unable to

write themselves, and in general to fulfill that clause of the Red Cross charter which designated the society as "a medium of communication between troops in the field and their families at home."

BIG CORN CROP IS NOW MOVING

More Than 3,000 Million Bushels Raised in 1917—Gives Big Surplus.

SAVES WORLD FOOD SITUATION

America Beginning Greatest Corn Consumption in History, Using Cereal in Many Delicious Dishes.

Corn, America's greatest cereal crop, is now moving rapidly to market.

More than 3,000 million bushels—80 bushels for every man, woman and child in America—were raised in 1917. It was a mighty crop. The actual increase is about 500 million bushels. And this extra store of grain is coming on to the market in the nick of time, since the American wheat surplus has been sent to help feed famine threatened Europe.

Just as it happened in the Colonial days, the War of the Revolution, and the Civil War, corn has actually become the nation's mainstay.

In the entire list of America's food commodities there is no item that is better than corn. In puddings, bread, corn pone, and as hominy combined with meat or eggs, corn is without a peer. Housewives are fast learning the large number of delicious dishes that may be made with corn and their families are benefiting by an increased use of the cereal. Corn, more than any other cereal, contains all of the elements essential to maintaining life and health.

In order that the fighting men abroad and in the army camps at home may be fed, and in order that actual famine may be kept from the nations associated with America in the war, the citizens of America are finding corn products delicious and palatable on "wheatless days" and glory in the fact that "wheatless days" here mean more wheat for the war worn allied nations in Europe.

England, France and Italy must be fed from America's great storehouse. They will get some corn—especially Italy—but most of their grain shipments must be wheat. Their ability to use corn is small compared to the facilities they have for using wheat. And it is the opinion of officials in Washington that the present is no time to try and change the eating habits of Europe.

America's greatest use of corn will be in the form of corn bread and corn meal, mixed with wheat in the making of leavened bread.

Mixed with 80 per cent. wheat flour, corn meal can be used in bread making, producing a loaf more nutritious than bread baked with wheat alone. It is a fact corn millers will verify that dozens of the large American bakers have been successfully using a corn flour in bread making for several years.

Hominy grits, served at breakfast with a poached egg, or eaten at any other meal with meats or gravy, is another use of corn that will become unusually popular during the war.

Corn syrup to sweeten corn cakes, and corn oil for use in all kinds of cooking, are two more products that are already welcomed in thousands of American homes.

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