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PATRIOTISM AND PASTRY

What's that line about "the maid that binds the warrior's sash", etc.—but never mind, it's no great matter anyway.

For although we don't wish to be captious, our idea was that while it might not have been so poetical, the chances are it would have been a good deal more practical, if she'd darned his socks.

The point is, that if the war lasts long everyone in his sphere, howsoever narrow it may be, is going to have a chance to show his patriotism in the only way that we may always be sure "rings true"—self-denial. And no matter how humble one's station or work, ways may be found to contribute to the "sinews of war."

What we need is more of the spirit of the women of old Carthage who, history says, gave their hair to be made into bowstrings, to further her internecine struggle against the Roman Empire.

In time of national calamity the Jews had a practice of giving themselves to fasting and prayer. The former, in case it comes to the worst, and we are brought face to face with famine, might become as much of an act of devotion as the latter.

War means the shifting of multitudes from the productive, to that of the exclusively consuming class. There are two ways in which that economic liability is to be liquidated; let those who are not called upon for military service produce more and consume less.

Many ought to be eligible for duty along the line of the latter. For according to the majority of the doctors most of us, especially after a certain age, are wont to make regular Berkshire swine of ourselves. In that case, it would be a good time for us to put to test the virtue of abstemiousness, in the matter of diet, and at the same time show that we can rise to a sufficient height of heroism to place patriotism above pastry.—O. N. P.

What About The Future?

(By Rev. G. R. Mente, Ph. D.)

There is no doubt in my mind but that a diversity of opinion will always prevail among men as far as the affairs of nations are concerned, for the mind of man has not yet reached a state of uniformity in matters of this kind. Hence, it seems to me the prerogative of every free American citizen to ask himself the question at this moment: Will war with European nations be a benefit to humanity?

It matters not what our individual ideas may be in this trying time; it matters not whether America is going to reap a rich after harvest; but the only real point of vital interest is this: Believing as we do in equal rights of all peoples, will our entering the strife on the side of the Allies help to establish the true principles of democracy, for which our fathers sacrificed so much.

Our national life is so intricately interwoven with Germany, that I tremble at the very thought of the carnage now seemingly unavoidable.

America has always been the envy and admiration of the world, because she was looked upon as the advance agent of the coming era of universal peace. Are we now to relinquish our claim to this title? God forbid. Let the prayers of America's patriots ascend to the Divine Father of all, that in some way the sword may not be drawn from its scabbard, to invade a land across the sea.

As before our vision looms the phantom of a long cruel war, we must face the difficulties as men who believe that the great cause of humanity will reap the benefit. If this is clearly settled in our minds, well and good; forth to the fray; otherwise, our children will denounce us as mercenaries of the deepest dye.

Do not misunderstand me: If my country, whose flag is sacred to me, should be drawn into a war needful to protect our shores, our national honor or constitutional liberties; should an enemy assault or threaten our family life, our fireside, I shall be one of the first to come to the front, with the assurance that my all is on the altar of patriotic devotion. But if asked if I favor the sending of America's youth to European battlefields, I dare not answer in a haphazard way, lest I stand condemned in years to come. I must weigh the evidence, pro and con, for upon this alone can a righteous and unbiased judgment be based.

The head of our nation has shown excellent qualities thus far; he has been trying to solve problems admittedly of great importance; he has shown clearness of vision unexcelled by any man living or dead; he is confronted with difficulties almost un-

searchable by common mortal. Are we going to uphold his hands?

I am aware of the fearful responsibility resting upon any one who ventures to write for public consumption articles bearing upon the great crisis of the world. Still, as long as our constitutional rights are not revoked, we dare to speak freely and openly about the things that concern America. We are now at war with Germany, Austria-Hungary and her allies; our ships have been destroyed upon the high seas; our citizens have been ruthlessly assassinated while engaged in lawful pursuits. In return our merchantmen have been converted into auxiliary cruisers, armed with the very best guns, manned by picked men from the ranks of the navy. If reports are true, some of our enemies' submarines have been sent to the bottom of the sea by these American ships. America is strictly within her rights when she defends her merchant marine in lawful commerce. Thus far no blame rests upon us.

But now a commission from the entente powers has come to our land, asking us to equip an army, not needed for home defense, but for the avowed purpose of entering the trenches of European battlefields. The thing not clear to my mind is this: If the success of our common cause depends upon our sacrificing of America's best youth upon European battlefields, would it not be the best way out of the dilemma to send an army of volunteer soldiers, under the leadership of trained men? Colonel Roosevelt of Spanish American war fame stands ready to raise an army of this kind, and I doubt not his ability as an organizer, or as leader; while congress is wasting precious time in arguing, the volunteer army might be solving the question for us.

If the war lasts another year, we will have to defend our shores from the assaults of German submarines. If the sending to Europe at this time means the speedy ending of the dreadful carnage, why delay? They tell us we are facing the greatest crisis of our nation's existence. What are we doing to bring glory to our banners and peace to all the world? I am a firm believer in destiny, and thus I am persuaded that the hand of the German despot will be stayed in due season, praying at the same time that this may be accomplished without shedding of American blood upon European battlefields. I believe that God has shown again and again that His justice comes to the rescue of downtrodden humanity in its dire need. You can not deny this when you read the history of Rome,

proud mistress of the world. Her standards were carried to every part of the known world, the steps of her cohorts resounding from every land, her bugles sounding from shore to shore. There is no doubt in my mind that, again and again, Rome challenged the world by her declaration that her "Kultur" must be accepted, tho it had to be done with the sword.

Finally, retribution came, and the scourge of God; Attila, with his Huns, laid low the pride of ancient Rome. Thus we see that sad lessons have been recorded by historians and thru them all the law of Almighty God stands forth in all its significance: Thou shalt not covet.

Does France teach no lessons from the life's history of the Corsican, the "Little Corporal," the Alexander of the 19th century? How proudly French eagles displayed the flags of nations; how humiliated Germany, Austria and Italy must have been when, at the command of Bonaparte, the soldiers of central Europe became hirelings of the conqueror. Moscow was the retribution of God; Elba and St. Helena tell the story of the man who outraged human and divine law, whose only ambition was to rule the world.

Thus, in studying the past, I am confident that the Prussianism, founded by Frederick the Great and exemplified by Wilhelm of Germany, will meet its Waterloo; and out of the ashes of its fallen splendor shall rise a new Europe, a new Germany, whose foundations shall be imbedded upon the immovable rock "Democracy," pure and simple.

RAISE MORE HOGS FOR MEAT AND MONEY

No branch of live-stock farming is more productive of satisfactory results than the raising of well-bred swine, if conducted with reasonable care, according to the specialists of the Bureau of Animal Husbandry, United States Department of Agriculture. Hogs fit into the modern scheme of farming on nearly every farm, and are one of the most important animals to raise both for meat and for money. They require less labor, less equipment, and less capital, make greater gains per hundred pounds of concentrated feed, reproduce themselves fast and in greater numbers, and give a quicker "turnover" of money than any other animal except poultry. Farmers of the South and West particularly have awakened to the merits of the hog and are rapidly increasing their output of pork and their bank accounts.

The hog has no rival as a consumer of by-products and numerous unmarketable materials which but for him might be wasted. Kitchen refuse, not only from farms but also from hotels and restaurants, when cooked before being used makes an excellent feed.

The value of skim milk as a hog feed is known on every farm, though not always fully appreciated. In the neighborhood of many large dairies pork production is a very prominent and lucrative supplement to the dairy industry.

To prevent tuberculosis, all milk and milk products should be cooked before being fed to hogs. To control hog cholera, use sanitary precautions and anti-hog-cholera serum treatment.

Give your hog every chance to become meat.

The hog is also a large factor in cheapening the production of beef. Hogs are placed in the cattle feed lots to utilize the corn and other feeds the cattle have failed to digest and which otherwise would be wasted. Hogs following steers in many cases have increased the profit per steer by from \$6 to \$9. Hogs should not be allowed to follow dairy cattle unless the cattle are tuberculin tested.

SOUTH WESTFIELD

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Mills and little daughter of Rittman, visited at the Allen Aulsebrook home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Knapp and daughter of Lodi were here Sunday and took Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds auto riding.

Mr. Rook of Barberton was at the home of his daughter, Mrs. R. Strook Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Reynolds and little May visited Sunday at the home of Mrs. Reynold's parents in Lafayette.

Miss Clea Knepper was in Youngstown from Friday until Sunday evening visiting friends.

REASONS FOR CULTIVATION

One of the essentials to success in gardening is thorough cultivation, according to R. B. Cruickshank of the College of Agriculture. Cultivation breaks up surface crusts and pulverizes the soil, making a dust mulch which decreases evaporation. It destroys weeds which sap the soil of its moisture and steal plant food from the vegetable crops. It aerates the soil. This is an important point often overlooked. Air is necessary to the plant roots and assists in the chemical and bacterial developments in the soil that are essential to plant life and growth. All this means that cultivation tools must be kept going in the garden, as soon as the plants are above the ground and every few days throughout the season until the proper maturity of the crop is assured. The wheel hoe enables the gardener to do a large amount of cultivation easily and quickly. The hand hoe and garden rake are also useful tools.

SHERIFF'S SALE

The State of Ohio, Medina County, Court of Common Pleas, in Medina, Charles A. Stebbins, et al.

vs. Joseph F. Haury, et al. No. 4524

Notice is hereby given that on Friday, the 15th day of June A. D., 1917, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., I will offer for sale at public auction at the door of the Court House, in Medina, Ohio, the following real estate, to-wit: Situate in the township of York, county of Medina, and state of Ohio, and known as being the south half of Lot No. 19 in Tract No. 5, and bounded as follows: Commencing at the northwest corner of said lot No. 19; thence running south 16 rods; thence east 20 rods; thence north 16 rods; thence west 20 rods to the place of beginning, containing two acres of land, excepting from the above described premises about one-fourth of an acre of land deeded to Joseph Fiest, out of the southwest corner of the above described premises.

Appraised at Two Thousand Dollars, (\$2000.00) and cannot sell for less than two-thirds of said appraisement.

Said premises to be sold as the property of Joseph F. Haury to satisfy a judgment in favor of John C. Lehman on an order of sale issued from the Common Pleas Court of Medina county, Ohio, and to me directed as Sheriff of said county.

Terms of Sale: Cash. Given under my hand this 16th day of May, 1917.

R. L. GEHEMAN, Sheriff of Medina County, Ohio, 33-5
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