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### PRICE REGULATION.

THE break in wheat is simply a forerunner of what will happen when the government gets around to the central control of all commodities. The only men opposed to this movement are the speculators and they are going to be hurt pretty badly, and justly so, for they have thrived off the flesh and blood of the country for the past two years. They have no grievance to redress and there will be no tears shed over their losses. They are the gentlemen who neither reap nor sow, but gather the profits in the lion's share. Government control does not imply low prices in the primary markets for that would be unjust and unprofitable, as it would remove the only remaining incentive for the farmer to increase his acreage and enlarge his production. A fair price for the consumer as well as the producer is all the world asks. An excellent illustration of this motto is found in the sacrifice made by the allied governments in relinquishing vast contracts for the future delivery of wheat at much lower prices than what obtain today in the leading markets of the country. The belligerent governments have been steady buyers in the primary markets and also have been fortifying themselves against the contingency of a shortage in the crops of 1917 by buying futures against deliveries later in the year before the new crops will be ready for market. By throwing these contracts on the market the foreign powers which are allied with the United States voluntarily contributed millions of profits to the people of this country as the first token of their good will. At the same time they served notice on the speculative element that all foodstuffs were likely to be commandeered as a military necessity and the traders in Chicago and other centers of the west were quick to realize what they were up against. Great Britain did it in Canada by placing an embargo on every bushel of grain raised in the vast northwest and, by so doing, held down the speculative value on the other side of the line which separates that country from the United States. The food control movement is a sensible measure and one that will stand the closest scrutiny since it is devised in the interest of both buyer and seller. There cannot be any hardship about such an arrangement and, even providing that the crops of the United States should exceed all others, this does not mean that prices must decline with a rush. The control is a sort of gyroscopic arrangement by which the parity of values is preserved throughout the world free from any violent disturbance or capricious fluctuation.

### PRAYING FOR PEACE.

ON THIS date the entire world in sympathy with The Hague conference, will pause in the rush of business for a very few moments to offer up a heartfelt prayer for the dawn of a better day when the angels of white winged peace will hover over the universe and when men will greet and meet each others as brothers in Christ. The league for the promotion of peace is not founded on the organization of an Utopia where all men will dwell together in a spirit of brotherly love. They keystone of the edifice which the promoters propose to erect is chiseled by force and cemented by the knowledge that any violation of the fundamental principles advanced for the betterment of mankind will call forth a militant and moral opposition of irresistible strength which no power on earth would care to antagonize. The peace advocates would have all international disputes submitted to a world court of arbitration whose decision would be final. To defy the verdict of this body would be to invoke a world-wide police force which would assume the right of enforcing the decree of the court. The plan is feasible and possible. It contemplates the procurement of peace by compulsion and not by moral suasion. The principles would be applied roughly in the following manner. Assuming the world were restored to normal conditions and a dispute of magnitude arose regarding the creation and maintenance of an army or navy of inordinate size, or two nations claimed the same territorial rights. Instead of declaring war and rushing to arms to determine the question by physical force, the parties to the controversy would state their case to the world-wide court composed of representatives of every civilized nation. The dictum of this body would be final and binding on the disputants. Should either one or both refuse to be bound by the ruling the tribunal would enforce its verdict by aligning every member nation against the recalcitrant. In other words, a world-wide boycott would be instituted and this would be enforced by final appeal to arms in which the hostile nation would find itself antagonized by the massed armies and navies of the universe. No power could withstand or defy such an array of strength and peace would be preserved without spilling a drop of blood. Reduced to narrower limits the peace movement carries with it the power of a state or municipality to protect itself from bandits or outlaws by organizing to hunt down and destroy the lawbreaker. At the conclusion of hostilities in Europe the world will be ripe for just such a movement by which all independent treaty rights and racial alliances will be subordinated for the welfare of mankind.

### FRUITS OF SUPPRESSION.

UNSAVORY reflections are aroused by reading the report of the secret session of the United States senate wherein certain weighty propositions in the form of war contracts were discussed and dissected in a way that caused many people to believe the greater publicity given these proceedings the better it will be for the country eventually. Enough was said to start a train of thought, which, if followed to a logical conclusion, would not be flattering to the men entrusted with administering the affairs of the country in the present crisis. The Republican element in both houses has shown its patriotism in numerous ways by refraining from factious opposition to the administration program. From the first the leaders of the Republican party in both houses have done all that could be done by human beings to help the administration along by counselling hostile members of their own party not to engage in any discussion calculated to frustrate the good intentions of Mr. Wilson and his cabinet. In spite of this friendly action it appears that the Democrats have chosen to treat vital measures strictly from the standpoint of party management and thus have delayed the passage of necessary legislation urgently demanded by the council of defence. It is apparent that the administration is no wiser than it

ever has been and is no less partisan. The pork barrel still remains the emblem of the southern statesmen, who cannot see anything beneficial or commendable in measures designed for the good of the whole country unless the old south got its rake off in the distribution. The administration party in congress is displaying little enthusiasm for the essentials demanded by warfare and is doing little to stimulate patriotic legislation from its own partisans. Republicans are receiving no more consideration now than they ever had from the Democrats and the chief desire of the administration seems to be centered upon creating new boards with a majority of deserving Democrats on these boards. Then these boards are clothed with unheard of powers and authority and trusted with unheard of amounts of money to disburse without recourse to specified congressional authority. In short there is nothing yet to show that President Wilson and his party will behave any differently in war than they have behaved in times of peace; and the so-called "spy bill", with its drastic provisions against the freedom of expression in the press indicates that there is no immediate intention of a change of program on their part. The editor of the Bonanza thinks therefore, that it is his duty as a patriot and Republican, to call public attention to the defects of the administrative program in preparing the country for war and in any other direction which affects the national welfare.

Hollweg's sidestepping has been turned into a hesitation waltz.

## BASEBALL GAMES

### PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE

Standing of the Clubs	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
San Francisco	26	16	.610
Salt Lake	24	16	.600
Oakland	21	20	.512
Portland	18	20	.474
Los Angeles	16	23	.410
Vernon	16	26	.381

#### Yesterday's Games

At Oakland	R.	H.	E.
Portland	2	6	1
San Francisco	3	6	1

Batteries: Hefferick, Houck and Sepulveda; Oldham and Baker.

At Salt Lake	R.	H.	E.
Oakland	5	14	1
Salt Lake	5	9	2

Batteries: Krause and Roche; Huff Hughes and Hannah.

At Los Angeles	R.	H.	E.
Los Angeles	7	14	1
Vernon	9	2	2

Batteries: Standridge and Bassler; Decannier, Arrelanes and Simon.

### AMERICAN LEAGUE

Standing of the Clubs	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Boston	17	8	.680
New York	16	9	.640
Chicago	20	12	.625
Cleveland	16	15	.516
St. Louis	14	15	.487
Washington	11	16	.407
Detroit	10	17	.390
Philadelphia	7	18	.280

(By Associated Press.) ST. LOUIS, May 18.—Kooch was hit hard yesterday and received poor support, and New York won the fourth straight from St. Louis, 7 to 3. Baker stole four bases.

(By Associated Press.) CLEVELAND, May 18.—Cleveland and Boston broke even in the series, Cleveland winning yesterday 7 to 1. Sensational catches by Gardner, Lewis and Walsh and wild base running kept the Cleveland score down.

(By Associated Press.) CHICAGO, May 18.—Chicago made a clean sweep of its series with Philadelphia yesterday, 7 to 1. It was Chicago's sixth straight victory. Cotte was too much for the visitors.

(By Associated Press.) DETROIT, May 18.—Washington defeated Detroit 4 to 2 yesterday by scoring three in the eighth on Smith's two-base hit with two men on bases and an error by Spencer, who dropped a throw to the plate.

### OMNIBUS STRIKE SETTLED

(By Associated Press.) LONDON, May 17.—The London omnibus strike, which has been going on for some days has been settled as a result of intervention by the government.

### NATIONAL LEAGUE

Standing of the Clubs	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Chicago	22	9	.709
New York	14	7	.666
Philadelphia	13	10	.565
St. Louis	14	11	.560
Pittsburg	9	13	.409
Cincinnati	12	18	.400
Boston	8	15	.389
Brooklyn	7	14	.333

(By Associated Press.) PHILADELPHIA, May 18.—Both Philadelphia and Pittsburg bunched hits in yesterday's game and the former won, 8 to 6.

(By Associated Press.) BOSTON, May 18.—Tom Seaton outpitched Allen yesterday and Chicago cleaned up the four-game series with Boston, winning 2 to 1. This was Chicago's tenth consecutive victory. In the four games here Boston batters were held to a total of 15 hits and scored only two runs.

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, May 18.—New York hammered three St. Louis pitchers hard here yesterday and easily won, 10 to 2. The batting of Kauff, who made two doubles and two singles in four times up was the feature.

(By Associated Press.) BROOKLYN, May 18.—Cincinnati lost a wild game 3 to 10 yesterday. Cincinnati knocked Smith out of the box in the fifth and then hammered Cheney for a lead of seven runs. Coombs went in in the sixth and stopped the scoring after one run. Perry was not effective and Brooklyn had made five runs up to the eighth, when three hits filled the bases. A pass forced in a run and Eller went to the rescue. A pass by Eller and a scratch hit let in two more runs and Schneider went in. Stengel hit the first ball pitched by Schneider for two bases, driving in three runs.

### COVERING UP RETREAT

#### BU BURNING TOWNS

(By Associated Press.) PARIS, May 18.—The numbers of fires in villages behind the German front both north and south of St. Quentin has greatly increased. St. Quentin itself, which has been gradually burning for the last few weeks is now overhung with heavy smoke clouds. These facts are considered indications of a retreat.

### ITALIANS CAPTURE TOWN

#### ON GULF OF TRIESTE

(By Associated Press.) PARIS, May 18.—A dispatch to La Liberté, from Turin, reports that the Italian troops have captured the town of Duino. Duino is on the Gulf of Trieste, about 12 miles northwest of Trieste, Austria's principal seaport.

## WHALE STEAKS MAY BECOME POPULAR

(By Associated Press.) SEATTLE, Wash., May 18.—A large quantity of whale meat has lately been placed on sale at retail markets here at 9 and 10 cents a pound. The meat is taken from the loin of the whale, and in color and general appearance resembles beef. Whale meat is said to be eaten in all countries where whales are caught, except in North America.

The canoe Indians of the Washington coast have always regarded whale meat as a delicacy. This new food is endorsed by the United States bureau of fisheries and Secretary of Commerce Redfield as wholesome. At present most of the whale meat is manufactured into fertilizer, the fish being a by-product and the oil the principal product. Whaling is an important industry off the coast of Washington and in Alaska. Modern whaling is done with power boats, and the harpoon is fired by a gun. Only a few vessels go into the Arctic ocean after the sperm whale.

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