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## JUSTICE FOR OUR SOLDIERS

It is reported that President Harding was much impressed by the suggestions for legislation in behalf of disabled soldiers that were made to him by Commander Galbraith of the American Legion. As has been announced, the administration is preparing to institute a general reorganization of the executive departments to do away with duplication of activities, abolishing some bureaus and agencies, consolidating others, and so on, but the realization of this plan will take some time.

Ever since the ending of the war the American Legion has been urging the grouping of all government relief agencies for soldiers into one bureau. Much hardship has been caused by the present haphazard arrangement. Disabled veterans with legitimate claims for assistance find themselves sent from one bureau to another until energy and patience are exhausted. Intermittent delays have occurred in the administration of relief simply because of the multiplicity of machinery. The previous appeals of the American Legion for reform of this intolerable situation have had little effect, but now there is prospect of some action. A new proposal that veterans receiving vocational training be given sufficient compensation for the support of themselves and their families seems to be a matter of common justice.

Whoever has been responsible, and the officials most concerned have been quite active in passing the blame around, the failure to deal generously and promptly with its wounded and disabled soldiers, who fought in its defense is a disgrace to the country. The American Legion is right in this insistence on more adequate provisions for veterans and it will find in President Harding a sympathetic and powerful friend.

## THE FAMINE IN CHINA

Whatever mystery may surround political happenings in China, one piece of news stands out stark enough. The famine spells misery and extinction to armies of impoverished Chinese, and its end is not anticipated for several months.

It is difficult to visualize, at this distance, the extent of the disaster, but as the facts become available there is revealed not only a colossal misfortune but a simply astounding lack of machinery to cope with it.

It is harder still to comprehend the endless selfishness of the political struggle into which China's leaders pour every available coin they can lay their hands on, while this country of potential wealth is not permitted to encourage the human life in it.

Here are those starving people with wasted crops, suffering not because of their own idleness or ineptitude but simply from ungovernable misfortune; at the mercy of profiteers among themselves who hold back supplies for a rising price at the same time foreign philanthropy is striving to transport a modicum of food to nourish a trifling percentage of the sufferers. The food sent to them from relief agencies rolls up expenses as it travels, eating up the funds. No administrator takes the war-trained route labor and builds a light railway; if it was built there is no one to run it; if there was someone to run it, he would run the gauntlet of the official pilferers all along the route.

## VITAMINES

Now what in the world is a vitamin?

We have known there were such things for a month or more, ever since, in fact, the yeast-eating craze made itself manifest, but although we have conducted an exhaustive search, looked the word up in the dictionary and written to several correspondence schools, we have not yet got a real good, satisfying definition.

Now, when we thought we just about had a vitamin cornered, and were about to shake a pitchfork at it and demand to know what it was, along comes the department of agriculture with a bulletin and gaily, cheerfully, nonchalantly says that no one really knows just what a vitamin is.

Vitamins are absolutely essential to food, says the bulletin, and they have been classified in three groups. The first kind is found in seeds, in

green plants, in certain bulbs and fleshy roots and fruits, and in milk and eggs. The second group is to be found in butter, eggs and milk, and in the heart, liver and kidneys of edible animals. The third group is in grapefruit, lemons, oranges, tomatoes, spinach and lettuce, and in eggs and raw milk.

Eggs and milk—all three kinds of vitamins are in them. They are, according to dietitians, the perfect foods. That his very consoling. We guess we'll just go along having two fried eggs for breakfast and drinking a glass of milk at every meal. Then, although we don't know what vitamins are, we'll be sure to have plenty of them.

## THE PUBLIC BUSINESS

The necessity that has arisen for "putting the screws on Germany" emphasizes the responsibility of the United States government with regard to international affairs. The new administration has taken up the problems of establishing peace at home and abroad, and the new congress—especially the senate, has a man-size job on hand.

The federal budget system, which is opposed by no one, but which the same "no one" seems unable to figure out to the satisfaction of all concerned, is one of the big problems in the public business, since associated with and growing out of the budget legislation will come reorganization of the federal departments and other executive establishments.

## TRYING TO FORCE FOOD COSTS DOWN

(By Associated Press)  
LISBON, March 22.—The Portuguese are attempting to follow the example of the Americans and force a decline in the excessive prices of food and clothing by refusing to purchase. The people are indignant at the continued advance of the cost of the necessities of living, particularly the price of codfish, which is the chief article of food for the poorer families.

## OBSERVATIONS

Clothes may not make the man, but a woman's clothes sometimes break him.

One test of good control is to be able to keep your feet while paying taxes.

Anyhow, the public has the satisfaction of seeing the profiteers put on a lean streak.

Former Secretary Lansing has demonstrated that there is more than one way to "slam" a man.

It is not long to wait for the day when the ladies, wearing furs, herald the return of summer.

It costs something these days for a man to work up enough courage to go home and smash the furniture.

It is not always easy to convince the neighbors that a man gets a political job because he deserves it.

It is a good thing to encourage music, but everybody should join in putting a ban on the knocker's chorus.

## CONCERTS TO TAKE PLACE OF MOVIES

(By Associated Press)  
HONOLULU, T. H. March 22.—Residents of the Mollili district of Honolulu have petitioned Mayor J. H. Wilson to have the city band give concerts in that neighborhood as an antidote to what are described as "cheap and harmful" motion picture theatres. It is understood an attempt will be made by the mayor to grant the request.

## BEWARE THE CHINCH BUG

(By Associated Press)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 22.—"Ware the chinch bug, the agriculture department advised wheat farmers in a recent bulletin, adding: "One chinch bug destroyed now may prevent the production of hundreds to infest your wheat field later."

## THREE MILLION WAR ORPHANS IN GERMANY

(By Associated Press)  
BERLIN, March 22.—There are 3,000,000 war orphans in Germany, according to official figures. They are being given state and local care, but it is said they form a large percentage of more than 1,000,000 children in Germany being given aid by foreign relief workers.

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