

THE LACLEDE BLADE

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New Swindle

Parents of soldiers in camps are warned by the war department of a swindle which has been successfully operated in various camps.

A telegram is sent informing that the soldier has a furlough, and requesting funds by wire to come home, waiving identification. The rest is a mere matter of detail.

Parents and friends should be warned of this game and of the similar one where the telegraphic request is to mail money to the soldier, care general delivery.

A Disgusting Substitute

In recent discussion in the house of representatives concerning the delayed transmission of mail from the United States to our soldier boys in France, Congressman Gillett, of Massachusetts, said: "The latest complaint of which I have heard was of a boy who wrote home saying that he did not receive any letters, but that the camp was flooded with tons of speeches of the secretary of the treasury, and I can think of nothing that seems to be more like asking for bread and being given a stone than for a soldier boy to ask for letters from home and have the postmaster send him a franked advertisement of his colleague in the cabinet, Secretary McAdoo."

Can't Buy Without Now

On account of the abuse by some consumers of the privilege whereby a purchaser of wheat flour could sign a certificate that he had a certain amount of wheat flour substitutes on hand and was consuming them at the rate of one pound of substitutes for every pound of wheat flour consumed, the Missouri division of the food administration has found it necessary to withdraw this privilege with certain exceptions.

Flour may be sold without substitutes if the purchaser presents to the retailer a certificate from a miller showing that this miller has ground, or exchanged, and delivered to the customer a certain amount of corn into meal. The retailer must indicate on the certificate presented to him that the holder of the certificate has bought a certain amount of wheat flour.

The dealer selling the flour must then endorse the certificate, take it up and on the following Saturday send it to his county food administrator. This certificate is good for only one flour purchase not exceeding the amount the consumer is allowed to buy.

By this method only those who have had their corn ground at a mill can buy flour without substitutes.

Noticeable decreases in nine articles of food from February 2 to March 2 are shown in a recent report of the statistical department of the food administration. Among the important food articles showing a lower price on March 2 than on February 2 are wheat flour, potatoes, beans, onions, canned corn, sugar, pork chops, round steak and eggs. Eggs decreased fourteen cents a dozen. No changes were found in the average prices of wheat bread, prunes, bananas, fish, coffee, bacon, lard and milk.

During a three and one-half-year period, beginning July 1, 1914, the United States exported to the Allies more than 616,000,000 pounds of fresh beef and nearly 203,000,000 pounds of canned beef.

AMERICAN DOLLAR IS BEST WEAPON AGAINST GERMANY

UNCLE SAM FIGHTING TO WIN WAR FOR WORLD'S LIBERTY AND FREEDOM.

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Farmers especially should realize that Uncle Sam is fighting not only to win the war for the Allies but for America. No American citizen should imagine that the United States is in this war for the Allies alone. A victory for Germany would mean slavery for Americans as well as the remainder of the world.

Wake up, freemen of America, and help your government to destroy the ruthless power that has plunged more than half of the world into the bloodiest, most horrible war in history. Farmers now obtain high prices for their products, but if the Kaiser wins the war there will be no \$2 wheat or corn, and hog and cattle raising will become unprofitable, because the markets of the world will be closed to America.

Uncle Sam has been good to the farmers. They have lived in peace and their homes have been secure and the Federal Loan Bureau has provided cheap money with which they could pursue the arts of peace.

Farmers in the last few years have been so well paid for their produce that they now are "on their feet," or more nearly so than ever before.

Any economy they can practice now will give them additional money with which to lend financial aid to the government in its great battle for right and fair dealing.

Uncle Sam is not asking you to donate one cent, but he is pleading that you lend him your money to help make the world safe for democracy. He offers you a Liberty Bond with a high rate of interest. A Liberty Bond is the safest investment in the world.

When a farmer buys a Liberty Bond he not only helps to finance the war, but he becomes a lifesaver for American boys fighting the most heartless, cruel, relentless foe that civilization ever has been called upon to face.

Last year the great cry was conservation. This year it is thrift. The nation last year was urged to conserve the natural resources and the products of the farms and fields and factories. Greater crops were pleaded for, and canning clubs and city gardens were urged.

This year the country is being taught the lesson of spending its money wisely. The government is showing the farmer as well as every other citizen the importance of putting every dollar where it will do the most good.

The fact that the farmer is being told this year to be thrifty does not mean he is not to plant every acre available and till his crops carefully and harvest them when they are ready for the reaper.

But it means he is to invest wisely the money he gets for the splendid crops he has demonstrated he is able to raise.

Conservation and thrift go hand in hand. The farmer, as a rule, can find something for which to spend almost every dollar he receives. There always is something to buy. Machinery is needed, notes must be met, fertilizer purchased, harness, clothing, oil and groceries paid for.

With the high prices he will receive for his products he will have money left after he has met his expenses.

The patriotic citizen will invest this surplus in Liberty Bonds, the safest investment in the world, and one that will not only bring in a fair return but will help to make America a safe place to live in years to come.

Every dollar loaned to the government serves to shorten the war and bring peace to the world.

"The Allies are all in the same boat, a long way from the shore and on limited rations" and Uncle Sam is running the relief ship.

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One bay mare 9 years old; grey mare 9 years old; bay mare 13 years old; bay gelding 3 years old; mare colt.

Three extra good milch cows; 1 heifer fresh soon; 1 steer; 2 calves. One Duroc sow and 9 pigs.

120 hens, 1 hen with young chickens, 6 geese.

150 bushels of corn, 150 bushels oats, several bushels tested seeds corn, 5 tons of hay, sweet corn and other garden seeds.

Farm wagon, spring wagon, cart, buggy, 16-inch sulkey plow, 14-inch walking plow, diamond plow, garden plow, disc, corn planter, endgate seeder, harrow, mower, Avery cultivator, hay rack, roller, cream separator, grindstone, incubator, brooder, chicken coops, hog chute, 60 posts, some lumber, saddle, 2 sets work harness, single harness, spade, shovel, forks, axes, saws, wire stretcher, tank of coal oil. Household and kitchen furniture, chairs, tables, oil stove, rug, couch, dresser, iron kettle, churn, 2 barrels of vinegar, and many other articles. Some cabbage and tomato plants ready to set.

Sale Begins at 10 a. m.

Lunch Served on Grounds

TERMS:—All sums of \$10.00 and under cash; over \$10.00, 7 months time will be given with 6 per cent interest from date; 2 per cent off for cash on sums over \$10.00. Purchaser to give bankable note before property is removed.

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