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OBTAINING U. S. AID FOR ROADS

All of the funds which a county or any local subdivision receives either from the state or federal government to aid in the building of post roads as provided for under the Federal Aid Road Law, comes to it from the state treasury. The county or district never deals directly with the federal government.

Any county, local subdivision thereof, or person interested may have preliminary plans, surveys and estimates of a proposed public rural post road made and submit these to the State Highway Commission. The engineer of the commission passes upon the proposed road, and, if he reports satisfactorily, the plans are sent to the Secretary of Agriculture of the United States. The bureau in the Department of Agriculture which has charge of roads examines the plans and decides whether federal aid shall be given the project. Then, if this bureau finds the plans satisfactory, and finds the state or county or local subdivision has its 50 per cent of the money ready, the money is paid to the state treasurer. When the state finds that the work on the road is progressing according to original plans and estimates, it pays the money over to the county or district building the road.

The county, to build a road, first has to raise 50 per cent of the estimated cost of the road. This it does either by levying the road tax of 25 cents on the \$100 or, since this rarely gives enough to pay half the cost, by voting bonds or benefit assessment. In the case of bonds, the county must also levy the tax, for the state law says that no federal aid shall be given until the maximum road tax has been levied. Local districts have to raise the money by local assessment or taxation.

Up to the present time, only two counties in Missouri have claimed federal aid. For the present no harm is done by not claiming this money, since it merely accrues, awaiting payment of what is due since the passage of the measure. But after three years from the time of passage of the federal bill, the state forfeits any money it has failed to take advantage of and from that time on receives only the amount set aside for the last two years of the five. If Missouri is to obtain the federal aid appropriated for her, it is up to the counties to take immediate action, to wake up and decide they are going to rebuild those old worn-out roads and to raise the money to work with.

GOD SPEED THE CONSCRIPT

The conscript will soon be ready for service. He is being trained in the profession of war, and for a time all other trades, all other interests must be thrown aside for the call of country.

There are those, perhaps, who have not honored the conscript as they have honored his brother volunteer. The name which he bears has had to them a shameful sound. They have sometimes argued that he has been forced into service, and they have said that he would not make much of a soldier after all. That is because they do not know the calibre of this conscript person. They have not read the banners he has borne with him from Boone County. They have not seen his eager, virile face as the train bearing him to training has left Columbia. The truth is, they do not know him at all.

Instead of trying out for high places in an officers' training camp, he has voluntarily accepted a place in the ranks to serve his country in whatever way the country shall deem it best. He has left a wife, perhaps, and children—or a mother. Almost always he has left a sweetheart behind, and for these dear ones he will fight. Their fates go with him into training. They will go with him into battle.

The conscript is being made ready. Soon he will go to France, and then we shall see the mettle of which he is made. God speed the conscript!

IT'S PAPA TIME

It's papaw time in Missouri. The brown of the October wood not only reminds the school boy, but the grown-ups, too, that it is not only nutting time, but also papaw time.

Many of us in our childhood days saw that our Saturday afternoons were not wasted when this banana-like fruit was in the ripening. If

possible to use the terms in this connection, we can say that while nutting was our "vocation," papaw hunting was our "avocation." Our folks were not at all sorry for our week-end trips in the woods, for a dish of papaws always looked appetizing and was welcomed as an alternate for squash, turnip and other "common" vegetables.

Papaws are generally classed as a tropical fruit, but certain species grow as far west as Kansas and as far north as Michigan and New York. As a garden vegetable papaw is a favorite, especially in southern United States. It is not an unpopular fruit with Missouri folk, where it is commonly eaten raw.

The species common to Missouri bears a fruit from two to six inches long, which is dark brown and highly aromatic. It's papaw time.

THE VALUE OF PUBLICITY

"Every Government Department in Berlin to Have Its Press Bureau," says the caption of a recent newspaper story. The officially established organs are designed to bring about closer collaboration between the government and the newspapers of the empire, according to the article, and, notwithstanding the new scheme for the public enlightenment, the press is still to maintain its right of free judgment, which, it is declared, will be far greater in the new Germany than it is today.

It is to be hoped that the message containing this information has come from authentic German sources and is not merely so-called "peace propaganda," for the establishment of newspapers of this kind to "give more publicity" would have a significant effect upon the German people and the Imperial government.

Only in the light of publicity can the people judge the beneficence or viciousness of proposed legislation and act intelligently thereon. Secret diplomacy, a muzzled press and an ambitious dynasty might be given as the fundamental causes of the great conflict which has drawn practically every country in the world into the vortex of war.

The penetrating rays of an enlightened press would dispell the shadows and light the way for the German people to a sincere and lasting peace and a better and greater nation. It would be an important step toward internationalism—the imperative of world peace, justice and understanding which must follow the war.

A German airplane was brought down within the British lines. The next day another German airman hovered over the spot and maneuvered for position. When attacked he dropped something overboard and flew away. British soldiers found a beautiful wreath nearly three feet in diameter, to which was pinned a note: "The officer you buried was my brother. I spent six happy years working in a London bank. I know you honor the dead. Please do this little service for me." The wreath was placed on the grave of the dead enemy.

The Bald-Head Club of America has set a shining example by offering its services in the second Liberty Loan campaign. For those who doubt the existence of such an organization, the secretary may be addressed at Hartford, Conn. The club is open to all who have a bald spot "not less than three inches in diameter." The membership fee is one dollar.

The Scientific Journal gives American women this war advice: "Do not stuff your husbands, but husband your stuff."

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By Associated Press
LIMA, Ohio, Oct. 9.—The first "Liberty Motor Truck," the product of the greatest motor truck distributors of the country, with parts manufactured by sixty-two automobile factories in this country, was completed here yesterday.

An order for 35,000 of these trucks has been placed by the Government for delivery as soon as possible. It is said the truck represents the perfection of automobile truck construction. Its power is obtained from the new Liberty Motor recently designed by War Department experts.

The first Liberty truck was built in the greatest secrecy. There were no windows in the factory in which it was constructed, and guards around the building day and night kept all strangers away from the grounds. As a second precaution, there was assembled in an Eastern city an exact duplicate of the truck built here, duplicate parts being sent to a Northern New York city as rapidly as they were made use of on the original truck.

The smaller parts were sent by parcel post and the larger ones by express and freight. In this way also the sixty-two factories supplying parts for the truck were unable to attempt a duplication of it.

CIGARETTES COST MORE NOW

War Tax Causes Local Dealers to Raise Price.

The price of cigarettes went up in Columbia yesterday. Although not all the dealers of the city have advanced the price they will in the course of the week. The advance comes as the result of the tobacco section of the tax put into effect by Congress, on liquor, tobacco and other commodities.

The dealers who raised the price of cigarettes yesterday said that they have been selling them at a loss for the last few days. The tax on a thousand cigarettes is 80 cents, providing the carton weights less than six pounds to the thousand, and if over this weight they are subject to a tax of \$1.20 a thousand.

Inventory blanks will be sent to dealers throughout the country in a



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few days from the various district revenue collectors. These must be returned filled out properly, indicating the tobacco stock on hand. This is done that the revenue department may know in what measure a dealer is liable for tax. All goods in stock received since October 4 and all those in transit at the present time are subject to the new tax.

The schedule of the advance in prices is as follows: 5 cent cigarettes up to 8 cents, 10 to 15, 15 to 20 and 20 to 25. Dealers said today that cigars will be advanced in a short time.

FOOD PRICES DOUBLE THERE

Three Main Causes of Advance in Great Britain.

By Associated Press
LONDON, Oct. 9.—The retail cost of food in the United Kingdom has more than doubled since the beginning of the war. Some of the causes of this increase are given as follows:

The high prices charged in countries from which imports of foods are obtained, owing in a large measure to either exceptional demand or general shortage in supply. These high prices are outside the control of home government.

The rise in price due to inflation, which may occur either directly through the additional extent to which credit is increased, when loans are raised, and the government which borrows is a large spender.

The high freight rates on the Atlantic routes, the great increase in war-risk insurance, and the difference in rates of exchange.

Dairy Club to Meet

The Dairy Club will meet at 7:15 o'clock tonight in Room 3 of the Dairy Building to organize for the year. Prof. C. H. Eckles will make a short talk on "Opportunities in Dairying."

and W. W. Swett, instructor in dairy husbandry, will talk on "The Importance of the Judging Team." The Dairy Club is composed of students specializing in dairy husbandry, and any student interested in dairying is eligible for membership.

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