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The Democratic papers are still contending that Mr. Hughes' campaign is a frost. Maybe so; but he seems to be making it warm enough for Mr. Wilson.

All the happy families on the state payroll are pulling down their monthly stipends regularly, but some of the state institutions are forced to go to the hock shop for funds.

The usefulness of the Missouri Democracy as a governing party is so impaired that it has been costing the people more than it is worth. Put a new hand on the job.

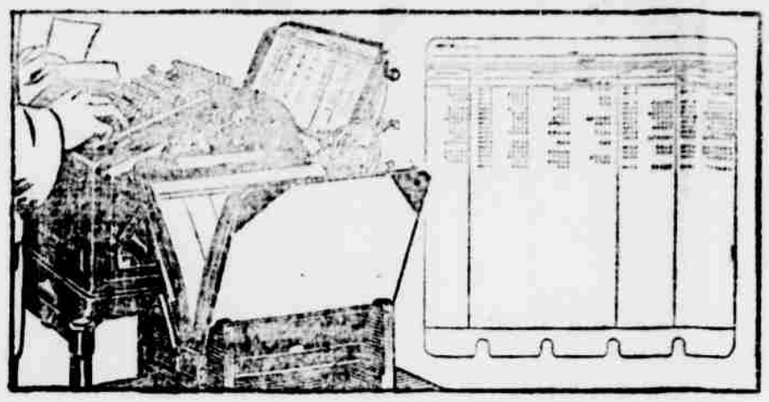
Never lose sight of this fact, no matter what Republican opponents may say: Mr. Wilson's supreme service has been in keeping this country out of war. —Fredericktown Democratic News.

Never believe it. Mr. Wilson got the country into war on two or three occasions, and then backed out after the other fellow began to show fight.

There are some recorded facts in the history of our country that do not make good reading for anyone who feels a pride in the record of the country, but there is nothing that has been written of the past that can parallel in shamefulness with the record we are making now, we are grinding great wealth from death and sorrowing humanity on Europe. In our greed for profit, [illegible] and even regardless of [illegible] power in the world [illegible] making and selling [illegible] for Europe's satisfaction [illegible] while we are posing as the champion of "the higher law of humanity." The coming generations of American people will read this record only to blush with shame that [illegible] of this age and day, who were supposed to be an enlightened, intelligent people, were yet satisfied and even rejoiced in the opportunity to line their pockets with blood money.

Judge Lamm is right in his mandamus suit against the state at Kirksville the other day, that if the Missouri treasury contains a balance of $1,000,000 as claimed by State Auditor Gordon, state officials should show the money by the paying of the state's pressing obligations. If the money is in the treasury, why is it being withheld from our schools and other institutions, that have had to borrow money from private sources in order to keep going. We are told that only four and a half million dollars lies in the treasury, but the fact that almost every cent of this money is set aside by law for specific purposes is kept from the public. The people should make a demand on our state officials for the exact truth as to the condition of the state's finances and why it is, if the treasury is so plethoric with funds, that some of our public institutions are compelled to carry on their work with borrowed money.

To put Col. Gardner's land bank scheme in operation it will first be necessary to find some way to raise the operating capital, $1,000,000, as the bill submitted to the people requires. The state having no idle funds on hand, nor any immediate prospect of realizing surplus funds from the present revenues, the land bank's capital will have to be obtained by taxation. Therefore, if you vote for the adoption of this law you vote your proportionate share of this million dollar tax upon yourself. The farmer who has no need to borrow money, the merchants who must still go to private banks for accommodations, the wage earner who may have no recourse to this bank for money to enable him own his own home, the stockholders in all private banks, in competition with which the land bank would come, all must be taxed to inaugurate a scheme whose scope is to benefit only the farmer pressed for money, providing him with loans on easier terms than any other class of the people, just as worthy and deserving, [illegible] to be purchased for [illegible] a quarter, and [illegible] tight [illegible] today. The actual demonstration of the different sized packages [illegible] Farmer's Home News.



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[illegible] metropolitan dailies are growing restive under the constant rise in the cost of living under the pressure of the demand for food products and necessities from Europe, where war has reduced production of these essentials of life to the lowest minimum. These papers are beginning to protest against making the American people stand this increasing cost of the necessities of life because Europe's requirements must be the price and contend that America's first duty is to feed Americans at a normal cost. No one but the profit grabbers will deny the correctness of this contention. Under the pressure of necessity, the governments of the warring nations of Europe have undertaken [illegible] and under the pressure of the growing cost of living here, it would seem [illegible] duty of our government to [illegible] outflow of our food [illegible] life, and to [illegible] cost to that [illegible] cannot maintain [illegible] without recourse to the resources of this country, starvation to the American people, then by all that is right and just, it is time for us to take steps in self defense, and if our government has no further view than the interests of the profit grabbers it is recreant to its duty to the nation, and a change cannot be made too soon. Let Europe furnish for herself, and if she cannot make war and furnish, too, then let her top the war.

President Wilson continues to utter words wholly at variance with his conduct as president. For instance, in his speech at Omaha the other day he said: "We want always to hold the house with his samples of beans, bacon and sugar. He quoted the plank of the Democratic platform of 1912, denouncing the Republicans for the high cost of living, and their promise to reduce it. Then he pulled from his assortment two strips of bacon—the Taft size and the Wilson size. The crowd howled. The fellows to the rear of the hall shouted that they could hardly see the Wilson strip. He told his hearers that the Underwood bill originally placed sugar on the free list saying that they would make it almost free. Then he held up a package of tariff sugar

A Practical Demonstration.

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