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We quote from a recent bulletin edited by our largest bank, the National City Bank of N. Y., the following striking comment: "The correct method of financing this war is by having individual citizens accumulate bank credit and transfer this credit to the government, the latter in turn transferring it in payment of its purchases. The transfers are simple enough, the problem is in getting the individual citizens to understand that they must create by saving the means to supply the government's needs."

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Montpelier set a good pace for the remainder of the state with a \$1,000 subscription to the relief of Halifax.

Having 98 pounds of sugar hoarded, a Brattleboro woman went out to complete the 100-pound reserve. She got what she deserved—nothing.

John McCormack, the famous Irish tenor, proposes to earn \$100,000 for the Red Cross, paying his own expenses while doing it. There is a tip for Fritz Kreisler.

A man in Northfield sends word they are ready to put the kaiser in cold storage if someone will send the critter over. Willing hands are ready, sir, but there is a slight hitch in the program.

"We are not frightened by his (Wilson's) declaration of war," says an Austrian newspaper. President Wilson didn't declare war, someone ought to tell the writer of that statement. It was the American people that declared war on Austria.

The sharp business acumen of the Japanese might have been expected to insist that the goods shipped from Japan to Russia be paid for before they were moved into the troubled nation; and so it turns out that the Japanese business keenness has caused that nation to send troops to Vladivostok to guard the huge consignment of goods from Japan until such time as the pay is assured. If the Bolsheviks were counting on laying their hands on this vast store they reckoned without knowledge of the activity of the Japanese mind in commerce and in war. Stored also at Vladivostok is a huge shipment from the United States, and the American government finds itself in the same predicament as Japan. Here is a chance where the two nations can work in unison, for they have a common purpose.

KEEP AWAY FROM HALIFAX.

It is a timely suggestion from the authorities at Halifax, N. S., for people to keep away from that city during the time while it is recovering from the shock of the catastrophe. There are several hundred thousand people in the United States and Canada who have the lump of curiosity developed to such an extent that they want to go to Halifax and witness the ruins of the disaster, to come in touch with the suffering incident thereto; and some thousands of them have the means and the leisure which enable them to gratify their desire in this respect. So they were flocking toward Halifax, guided by nothing except curiosity and expecting to do nothing after arriving there except to stand around and gaze with awe on the scene of desolation, meanwhile eating of the scanty supply of provisions which the stricken city has and sleeping wherever they can find accommodation. Those curiosity-driven people would be depriving the suffering people of Halifax of the food and shelter which they ought to have. They would be entirely out of place. They are not wanted. So the request, almost an order, from the authorities should prove an effective barrier toward further rush to the city. Let the

curiosity seekers stay at home, where they belong, until Halifax recovers somewhat from the shock of the terrible disaster.

THE APPORTIONED WAR BURDEN.

The extent to which Vermont is being hit by the war is indicated by the statement that as many as 200 or 300 families have left Brattleboro during the past two or three years. There is not a single community in the state which has not contributed some of its population either for actual war service or for industries, located outside of the state, for the preparation of materials to be used in the war. Probably Brattleboro has not suffered any more than several other of the larger centers of population, and the aggregate loss to the state has been very large. And yet when the apportionment of the war burdens is being made up in Washington or in the headquarters of war organizations in other places, Vermont's quota is based not on the actual population of the present time, nor on the basis of the 1910 census but on an estimated population which is placed considerably above the official population of the last census, or grounded on a suppositional increase as shown by the gain from 1900 to 1910. As a matter of fact, Vermont's population is not so large today as it was in 1910, for the normal increase, slow as it is, has been more than wiped out by the call to service in army work or in factory work incident to the war. It would be a much fairer basis of apportionment of the burdens of the war were the census of 1910 to be taken instead of an estimate of 1917 population which is known to be excessive.

STERN TASK REALIZED.

The most recent weekly letter on the war given to the public by Secretary of War Baker reveals that the United States holds no delusions about the magnitude of the task which lies just ahead, the task of making good for the defection of Russia in the great war. Indeed, there is just a hint to prepare the American people for possible reverses of lesser nature because of the fact that the defection of Russia has enabled Germany to transfer some two millions of troops from the eastern to the western front, the place where the death struggle will be fought, providing the war is ended by force of arms rather than by industrial collapse of one side or the other. Secretary Baker points to the rebound of the German army at Cambrai after its defeat by the British as showing that the strength of the German military arm is still at a high point and is by no means on the down grade, as some writers on the war situation have seen fit to assert. There are said to be 4,500,000 German soldiers now massed on the western front, to say nothing of the Austrian forces at present engaged against Italy. When a nation is able to muster over four millions of trained soldiers it cannot be said that that nation is on the decline from a purely military standpoint. To offset the preponderance of Teutonic arms on the western front it will be necessary for the United States to furnish from half a million to one million men; and as yet that number is not anywhere near being ready for the service although it has been nine months since the formal declaration of war by this country against Germany. It must be inferred, therefore, that the most that can be expected of the entente allies at the present time is to hold the positions which they now occupy—not to make any advances into territory held by the enemy. Russia's collapse has halted the allies' offensive just at a time when it appeared to be on the point of driving the Hindenburg line back toward Germany. It will take a year for the allies to get back into the position in which they found themselves before the Bolsheviks assumed control of Petrograd. Yet it is possible and it will be done. All Great Britain, France and Italy have to do is to hold fast.

MABEL SYRUP'S COLYUM

"To have a lively and not a stolid countenance."—Truth of Intercourse.

"The time has come to conquer or submit. For us there is but one choice. We have made it."—President Wilson.

Mr. Sacks Makes Himself Clear.

I want to inform the people of Morrisville and vicinity that I AM AN AMERICAN CITIZEN! My name is on the draft list and I expect to be called to the service of my country. I am not a slacker or pro-German, as some malicious people state. I consider myself a subject of the United States—the best nation in the world. I am a member of the Red Cross, have purchased Liberty bonds and contributed to the Y. M. C. A. army fund. Anybody who says I am not for the U. S. tells a d—d lie. Isaac Sacks.

Green Mountain Echoes.

We are getting pretty sour for lack of sugar.—East Plainfield, N. H. item.
 Who is going to break out the roads in Salem? Harold Robinson says he may be counted out as a candidate for the job.—Salem item.
 The heavy fall of snow didn't cover up a single high price.—Cristy district item.
 Arthur Howe, who went to Newport News, Va., to work in the shipbuilding yard, does not like the country there and will return here. He says the wind blows all the time and the air is filled with dust, which makes it very disagreeable.—South Windham item.
 George McAllister and James Parkhurst are knitting for the Red Cross and North Hyde Park should be proud of them. I believe this town is the first to report gentlemen knitters.—North Hyde Park item.
 Morris Matthews is home with a bad throat contracted after the measles. He had a good job in Springfield, Mass., but home is the place if you don't feel well.—Felcherville item.
 Sam Hill says he is going to Washington to ask Hoover why corn costs more than wheat.—Cristy district item.
 A young man attracted some attention last week in wandering around with a buck saw. We did not know but that he was one of the kaiser's bodyguard, but he proved to be a deaf-and-dumb son of Mr. Hinds of Lowell, who had wandered away from home.—Felcherville item.

The Inspired Composer and the Well Meaning Mortician.

Fall of a Nation, Bradford, Dec. 13. I wish to take this means of letting the public know that, as a licensed embalmer of Vermont, I am ready to do undertaking business. Will answer either night or day calls.—East Corinth item.

"Personally," specifies the Burlington News.

"Personally," specifies the Burlington News, "we would rather face the fiercest regiment in the German army than get tangled up with a regiment of Barre quarymen."

Perhaps the News man has made the mistake of calling upper Graniteville by its local name.

Remember Eve and Let Well Enough Alone.

Mr. Mower of Eden says he grew an 85-lb. pumpkin by feeding it milk. We do not doubt the size of the mammoth pie producer for it is on exhibition in the kitchen of Mrs. W. J. Atwell. But when Mr. Mower says he has another one twice as large, we suspect hot air as food—not milk.—Eden item.

From a South Barre contrib. we have received a five-foot snake of verse.

We shall print two stanzas and then let our readers decide whether others should follow.
 Mabel Syrup, as you all know,
 Is a girl without a foe.
 If her jabs should raise your fur
 Do not blame it all on her.
 For some onery cuss may have a grudge
 And for poor Mabel raise a smudge.

When the German empire's reduced to ashes

And America has shown her will,
 Joined by all the allied masses—
 What place in hell will the kaiser fill?
 H. B. A.
 (To be continued.)

O Floridan Tantalus!

"If it were not too tantalizing I would tell you of the fine June weather, with a nice cool breeze, we are having. Everything is green, the flowers are beginning to bloom for the winter, and wraps are superfluous, while summer clothes are a necessity. As we shall be here all winter I will write you more of Miami and the life here, as there is much of interest in



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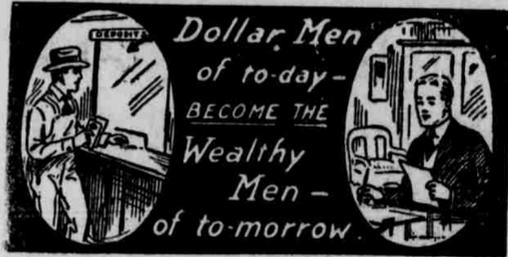
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Rogers' Walk-Over Boot Shop

this active, cordial new city of the lower coast east of Florida. Cordially, Harry E. Parker.—Bradford opinion.

"Come in and browse around" beckons Joselyn, the jeweler of Randolph. We accept, and if browse we must we choose the tender shoots of the military brushes.

News from Cote House Sq.

The December term of Lamoille county court will open at Hyde Park Tuesday with Judge Stanton presiding, assisted by Judges Leach and Jackson. Sheriff Town will be in his box with a coterie of good-looking and substantial deputies at his beck and call. County Clerk Waite will swear—the jury, and State's Atty. Maurice will look after the state's interests.—Hyde Park item.

In Re Food Pledges.

When it comes to Thanksgiving Mr. and Mrs. George Sawyer do not believe in Hooverizing, and demonstrated the fact with two Thanksgiving dinners. George explains it this way. He says he

mistook Wednesday for Thursday, and his genial host and hostess, realizing his mistake, did not let on until dinner was laid. No other guests appearing, George began to smell something besides dinner and after inquiring the day of the week, he and "Mother" wanted to go right home, and he never felt so mortified in all his life. Now, George has lived most 80 years, so you can imagine how badly his feelings were lacerated. He was persuaded to stay, and the demonstration was such that he could not let the second dinner pass and with a pleasant company, the governor's Thanksgiving, coupled with the wishes of his friends that he and his wife might be spared to make the same error next year.—Newbury item.

THIS IS NOT ANY CAMOUFLAGE.

This is the real thing, bath robes.—Ludlow advertiser.
 Bosh! The first camouflage was the first bath robe.
 M. S.

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