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**EXPLAINS WHY HE IS UN-  
ABLE TO SUBSCRIBE**

A merchant, who was asked for  
a subscription in a recent drive,  
wrote the following letter in re-  
ply:

"Gentlemen: For the following  
reasons I am unable to send you  
the check requested:

"I have been held up, held down  
sand-bagged, walked on, sat on,  
flattened out, and squeezed. First  
by the United States Government  
for Federal War Tax, Income Tax,  
Excess Profit Tax, Capital Stock  
Tax, Sur Tax, Merchants license  
and Auto Tax, and by every So-  
ciety and organization that the  
ingenious mind of man can invent  
to extract what I may or may not  
possess.

"From the Society of John the  
Baptist, the G. A. R., the Woman's  
Relief, the Navy League, the Red  
Cross, the Purple Cross, the Dou-  
ble Cross, the Children's Home,  
the Dorcas Society, the Y. M. C. A.,  
the Y. W. C. A., the Salvation  
Army, the Boy Scouts, the Jewish  
Relief, the Belgian Relief, the  
Knights of Columbus, and every  
Hospital in town

"The Government has govern-  
ed my business so that I don't  
know who owns it. I am inspected,  
suspected, examined, cross-exam-  
ined, and re-examined, informed,  
required and commanded so that I  
don't know who I am, where I am,  
or why I am here. All I know is  
I am supposed to have an inex-  
haustible supply of money for

every known need, desire, or hope  
of the human race, and because I  
will not sell all I have, and go out  
and beg, borrow, or steal money  
to give away, I have been cursed,  
discussed, boycotted, talked to,  
talked about, lied to, lied about,  
held up, hung up, robbed, and  
nearly ruined, and the only reason  
I am clinging to life is to see what  
in the hell is coming next, and to  
vote the Democratic ticket next  
fall."

**BAD ROADS GETTING WORSE**

This country probably has the  
worst roads of any of the great  
nations of the earth.

Americans traveling in Europe  
tell us of the wonderful system  
of roads in those countries—"just  
like a house floor."

Our returned soldiers are em-  
phatic in their comparisons be-  
tween our roads and those of the  
old countries, and the comparisons  
are not flattering to us.

Just now our roads are suffering  
because of the cost of materials  
and labor. Public officials do not  
feel warranted in going to the en-  
ormous expense entailed in good  
road construction.

Under normal conditions it costs  
a lot of money to construct a  
first-class road. Under present con-  
ditions the cost is simply prohibi-  
tive.

Unquestionably our roads will  
become more dilapidated than they  
are now. This must be expected.

But there's no law against cus-  
ing the roads, as usual—if you  
feel like it.

It's a big relief at times to let  
off steam—and the roads can't  
retaliate.

**David's Salve**

for Eczema,  
Cuts, Poisons,  
Tetter,  
Wringworms,  
Itch and all  
Sores.



Children like it for their sores,  
does not hurt. Try it, then tell  
your friends of it. We sell on a  
positive refund guarantee. Now  
on sale by E. T. Whitehead Co.  
and North End Drug Store. David  
Chemical Co., Henderson, N. C.

**WHY IT SUCCEEDS**

Because It's For One Thing Only, and  
Scotland Neck People Appreciate  
This.

Nothing can be good for every-  
thing.

Doing one thing well brings suc-  
cess.

Doan's Kidney Pills are for one  
thing only.

For weak or disordered kidneys.

Here is Scotland Neck evidence to  
prove their worth.

Jere Bunch, carpenter, says: "I  
used Doan's Kidney Pills about six  
months ago. My back was so bad I  
couldn't bend over and I was in mis-  
ery. My kidneys didn't act properly  
and I felt tired and languid all the  
time. Finally I got Doan's Kidney  
Pills at Whitehead Co.'s Drug Store  
and they brought me wonderful re-  
lief."

Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't  
simply ask for a kidney remedy—get  
Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that  
Mr. Bunch had Foster-McBurn Co.,  
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No reasonable offer refused.  
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We also have some good  
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It will be to your interest  
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Ask those who have dealt  
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Hobgood, — — N. C.

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you want at 27 cents per pound,  
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A Claim**

TO SELL THE BEST MEAT  
AT THE FAIREST PRICES IS  
QUITE A SECURE PROMISE  
THAT YOU WILL RECEIVE  
THE MAIN ISSUE OF A  
GOOD MEAL OVER THE  
BUTCHER BLOCK.

PROVE THE CLAIM YOUR-  
SELF BY EATING A STEAK  
SOLD AT OUR OWN GUAR-  
ANTEE.

TENDERLOINS, STEAKS,  
CHOPS AND ROASTS THAT  
HAVE THE TASTE AND  
FRESHNESS OF PERFECT  
STOCK IN THE GRAVY  
WHICH COMES FROM THE  
HEART OF THEIR GOOD-  
NESS IS THE BEST OFFER  
ANY MEAT MAN MAY  
MAKE.

**Allsbrook And  
Kitchin**  
SCOTLAND NECK, N. C.

**War Is Declared**

ON HIGH PRICES

OUR FIRST ATTACK WILL BE MADE ON FRIDAY  
AUGUST 13TH. PRICES ON ALL SUMMER GOODS  
WILL BE CUT TO THE BONE.

WE HAVE SOME RARE BARGAINS IN STORE FOR  
THOSE WHO VISIT US FOR THE NEXT TEN DAYS.  
WE WILL MENTION A FEW OF THE MANY BAR-  
GAINS THAT WE WILL HAVE TO OFFER. HOW-  
ARD & FOSTER OXFARDS \$10.00 VALUES AT \$3.14  
TO \$4.68. MEN'S LEATHER OXFORDS \$1.76 AND UP.  
TENNIS OXFORDS 40 CENTS. ALL SUMMER SUITS  
ARE OFFERED AT REAL BARGAINS.

LADIES', MISSES AND CHILDREN OXFORDS ARE  
OFFERED AT PRICES THAT WILL ASTONISH YOU.  
DRESSES, SHIRT WAISTS AND IN FACT ALL THE  
SUMMER GOODS IN BOTH LADIES' AND MEN'S  
DEPARTMENT WILL BE INCLUDED IN THIS SALE.

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maker

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Sunday rest.

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the weight of a wrist watch or see the outline of nose in your  
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Groceries

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