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DUMDUM bullets are barbarous. So is war.

THOSE European armies appear to be automobilized, also.

"All dressed up and nowhere to go" seems to be the plight of American trade.

ROME evidently thinks it has done its share toward making and unmaking the map of Europe.

FARMERS are busy getting ready for frost and candidates are also getting ready for election.

EUROPEAN nations should use less steel for big guns and more for railroads and threshing machines, passenger cars, plow shares and pruning hooks generally.

MAYBE Uncle Sam, as high peace commissioner can shove the Philippines off on the contending nations when he writes the peace agreement. The contenders will be too weary to watch closely.

FROM a friend who has just returned from England we learn that the tight little isle is subsisting on tea and lamb and marmalade, there being little of the "roast beef of old England" in the markets. Maybe Ram.

Silo Building in Kentucky.

The number of silos in Kentucky is increasing rapidly. A few years ago a silo was something of a curiosity in this part of the world. Now there are hundreds of them and the activity in construction indicates that in the near future there will be thousands.

A vigorous silo-building campaign is being carried on by the Kentucky Agricultural Experiment Station. Both the Federal and State Departments of Agriculture are encouraging the building of silos in every way. The farmer who wants to build a silo may secure all the necessary drawings from the Experiment Station. If he so desires he may secure forms for building a concrete silo at a small rental. Furthermore the station will send an expert to supervise the erection of the silo.

The officials of the Experiment Station recommend that silos should be built of concrete and the reasons they advance for the use of this material being that the concrete silo may be built by the farmer with his regular help, using stone and gravel obtainable, perhaps, on his own farm; that the concrete silo is the strongest and most durable and is not subject to decay; that it does not blow down; that it does not need painting or repairs; that it is fireproof, rustproof and verminproof and that it is not unduly expensive. Most of the concrete silos built in Kentucky, it is stated, have cost little more than other kinds and in many instances they have been built for considerably less.

Some instances of the cost of concrete silos are given by the Experiment Station officials. A farmer in Harrison county built one at a total cost of \$123, but he secured the stone from his own farm and did the work himself with the assistance of his farm help. A concrete silo twelve by thirty-two feet was erected under the supervision of the Experiment Station on a farm near Lebanon at a total cost of \$150. Another silo fourteen by thirty-three cost \$250. One sixteen by thirty cost \$300, including foundation, roof and all materials and labor. An average of a large number of silos constructed in Kentucky

WILHELM II., LORD OF WAR.

By HARRY M. DEAN.

O Lord of War, unsheath thy sword,
Long hast thou dreamed of this grim day;
When thou couldst loose thy mighty horde,
And swing thy legions to the fray.
With God's name ever on thy lips,
O king by chance, not right divine;
What reckons He of battleships,
And soldiers in a far-flung line?
We know not of the right or wrong
Of Allied armies, in the field;
But this we know: Their strength is strong,
And to thy sword they will not yield.
If "traitor friend and traitor foe"
Have lifted steel to meet thy steel;
Who broke the peace, who struck the blow,
That made the world with horror reel?
Thy dreams of empire swept thee on—
To keep the peace was given thee;
To stay red war and not be drawn
Into a grim conspiracy.
But when thy hand was raised on high,
A keen-edged sword flashed in the light;
No prayer for peace, but battle-cry—
Thy legions sweeping to the fight.
O Lord of War, thy blood-red hate
Shall yet consume thee, for the hour
Draws nigh when grim, relentless Fate
Shall strip thee of thy dream of power.
And in the end what is the gain
From fields clean-swept by shotted guns,
But years of black despair, and pain,
And mothers weeping for their sons?

The Kings at the Judgement Bar.

By WASHINGTON GLADDEN.

I doubt not this war will bring to the world at large some great gains—gains not sought by any of these combatants—gains not desired by most of them—gains won in spite of them all. It will bring, in the first place, such a demonstration, not only of the horrors of war, but of its futility, its stupidity as the arbiter of international relationships, that there will be a mighty revulsion against war, and that we shall soon realize that we have seen the beginning of the end of it. It will bring home to us, also, in the sufferings which we shall undergo through the rupture of all these industrial relations, and the interruption of human progress, and the dislocation of so much of the order of the world on which we have learned to depend, the truth that for this world industry and world commerce and world finance and world friendship we must have a world peace. It will bring the kings of this world and their ministers and their chancellors—those of them especially who are most responsible for this outbreak—to the bar of the world's judgement. It will convict them of the most stupendous blunder and the most ghastly crime of history. It will demand of them very pointedly what reason they have to offer why they should not have their power considerably restricted. It may not insist upon discarding them, but it is pretty sure to give them notice that they have come into a new world order, where nations are not plunders of one another, or overlords one of another, but members one of another—in which

Each Christian nation shall take upon her
The law of the Christian man is vast:
The crown of the getter shall fall to the donor,
And last shall be first, while first shall be last
And to love best shall still be to reign unsurpassed.

shows that the cost in the neighborhood of \$2.75 per ton capacity, though some have been built at a much smaller cost. The uses of the silo are more generally understood by the Kentucky farmers. The livestock industry is much more profitable through the use of ensilage and the interest in silo construction foreshadows a material increase in cattle growing. —Courier-Journal.

Kentucky Crop Report.

A month of reasonable weather has made a vast change in the crop outlook for the State of Kentucky. Just as we issued report as of August 1st general rains began falling throughout the State. These rains have been seasonable for the last month and not excessive. It is difficult to believe that such a change in conditions could be made within thirty days. The farmers and live stock men of the State are rejoicing over the improved conditions, and a comparison of this month's report with that of last month is made to show what a great change has taken place throughout the State within the last month. The report of September 1st shows the condition of corn, burley tobacco, dark tobacco, cow peas, soy beans, blue grass, alfalfa, and clover improved more than 20 per cent. as compared with August 1st. Even fruit has been greatly improved by the rains. Live stock is given as being in better condition than a month ago. Garden conditions have also increased. No one is surprised at the outcome of tobacco as a result of the rains. Tobacco is a weed and can give indications of almost a complete failure, and with seasonable weather make a fine crop. It must not be forgotten, however, that the acreage of tobacco is greatly reduced and the stand

imperfect. The greatest surprise is the improvement made in corn. Kentucky will have an average crop of corn, although a month ago it looked like it would be a very short crop. As one report says: "the rains have made good ears of corn out of rubbins."

In this connection it seems advisable to call the attention of the farmers of the State to the fact that every indication points to a high price for food stuffs for next year. The United States Government authorities, the railroads and commercial bodies of the country are encouraging the sowing of a large acreage for winter wheat. The European war will undoubtedly cause the grains and live stock produced in America to bring good prices during the next few months, if not for several years.

We, therefore, urge all farmers to increase their wheat acreage, and to use bone meal or acid phosphate on their wheat lands. There are but few acres in Kentucky that are not short in their supply of phosphoric acid; 200 to 300 lbs. of bone meal or acid phosphate per acre for wheat will usually prove a profitable investment. Rye, barley and winter oats will save corn, and should be sown as quickly as possible. All roughness possible should be saved and well cared for in order to save the feed bill for corn.

The State has not been so free of hog cholera for several years. Farmers will do well to keep their brood sows and to increase their number of sheep. Pork and mutton prices will unquestionably be high. If the war continues any length of time, wool will be much higher next year than this. The agents for European governments are busy buying horses

and mules at the present time. Prices have not materially advanced, but with the war lasting for a few months, it is reasonable to expect cavalry and artillery horses, as well as mules, to very materially advance in price.

The tobacco grower will rejoice over the determination of the Federal Reserve Board to accept notes secured by warehouse receipts on tobacco to the extent of 75 per cent. of the value of the crop from banks, members of the Federal Reserve Association. Taken as a whole, the Kentucky farmer has every reason for looking to the future with a hopeful feeling. Every indication is that peace and prosperity are in prospect for him.

Very truly yours,
J. W. Newman,
Commissioner of Agriculture.

Division Teachers Meeting.

The teachers of Division 1 met at Central Point School Sept. 12 for their second monthly meeting. At roll call all but four teachers of the division answered. The following teachers were very welcome visitors: C. C. Hayden, Supt. of Greenville High School and Graded School; Will Colley, Principal of Depoy School; Will Young, of Pleasant Hill, and Miss Nell Shutt, of Greenville. The room was brightened and sweetened by a box of lovely roses sent out by Mrs. Jennie E. Roark, of Greenville.

The meeting was opened by Supervisor Young's reading 1 Cor. 13, and by repeating the Lord's Prayer. With J. W. Corzine in the chair, Miss Jeffers at desk, the discussion opened upon the Reading Circle books. Supervisor Young spoke of the wholesome benefit of directed play upon the school grounds and advised the teachers to attend specially to the reading circle book that deals with play and recreation.

After Mr. Young's talk a number of the teachers clubbed together to buy and use reading circle books.

The new speller was next taken up and discussed. Mr. Henry spoke first, expressing the opinion that it would be somewhat hard to use because the teachers do not have time to make the study of it they should.

Hayden opined that when we learn it that we will find this speller the best we have used. He showed the manner of word-building and vocabulary forming from the known to the unknown.

Language was next introduced by Supervisor Young who advised teachers to make an early effort to secure their pictures for Language study.

Trustee Camp of Central Point arose to protest against the waste of time in studying pictures in school. He claimed that pictures were of no use to children after they left school, but that their lives dealt with material things such as potatoes and corn, plowshares and shovels, with soil, the grosser things of life.

Then did Hayden unfold himself in such a speech as those present never heard him make before. One must have heard him to appreciate what he said; the manner is lost in the telling. He dwelt upon the influence of pictures upon our sordid lives. He spoke of how the turmoil is quieted and the restless, discouraged soul finds peace by looking at one of the world's masterpieces. He gave the story of a sad, burdened woman who was led to see the finer, bigger things through Millet's "Gleaners." He said the American nation was going too much to the practical and commercial and losing the finer sensibilities. The character of a nation by its attitude toward these expressions of God through man's hand, and the nation that sees above sordid commercialism is the one that lives, grows and waxes strong.

Following this lunch was announced. Central Point Helper's Club, having some experience in boarding teachers, spread a repast that was good to look at and better to partake of. There was more than enough for even hungry teachers.

After lunch Supervisor Young took the pictures of the Helper's Club and of the Girls Sewing Club, the members of which wore caps and aprons. Upon resuming business the Central Point Girls Sewing Club held a short business session to give them training. Next Miss Sparks told of her Reading Club. Her club started

with her 5th grade, all agreeing to do some reading and to keep account of what was read. The children pay one cent per week, which amount the teacher doubles for each pupil. This money is used in buying supplementary readers and other books. The club meets once a week and one member reports upon what is read. Thus the children are trained into the love of reading for themselves and are guided by a wise teacher into what to read. Miss Sparks has indeed touched the key note in self educating.

Will Young told something of his club work and of the efforts being made to better the public highways. Good roads and good schools go hand in hand and Will's got the idea. Stay with it, Will.

At request of Supervisor Young the Central Point Helpers' Club had a business meeting such as they ordinarily have, the chief item being plans for the sanitary outbuildings they expect to put up.

Mr. Hayden arose to express appreciation of teachers for the cordial welcome and delicious lunch given by the Central Point Helpers' Club.

Three members of Graham Helpers Club were present and gave a cordial invitation for the next teachers' meeting to be held with them. While speaking of other sources of inspiration it would be unfitting to leave out our Supervisor. Such a dynamo of new courage and helpfulness he is. Unassuming, good natured, he makes us feel that we wouldn't be worth while if we don't do our best. Some day we will lay in a claim against him for making us work so hard. But then the trouble is he works harder than any of us, so the claim wouldn't be of any use.

On Thursday afternoon Miss Bogges, the canning expert, visited Central Point School, bringing the canner with her so the three members of her club might do their season's canning. Owing to lack of time the grown folks were not notified, much to their regret. The demonstration will be worth much to those who saw it. The twenty quarts of fruit were things of beauty and the girls have a bigger idea of home life than before Miss Bogges came. Miss Bogges is the one of our queers to note the position, for her sweet Christian character, her love of home life, and her conception of what are the best things of life. Teaching the girls to can is only a small part of her work, and already is seen the influence of what she is teaching and living.

Mr. Leslie Hale now has the distinction of being the owner of the only vacant business house in the city, but he is anxious to get out of the place of honor, and wants a renter.

Mr. Norman Levinson has rented the Chatham building, next to Long's bakery, and is filling it with ladies' and men's ready to wear goods, shoes, furnishings, etc. He will sell for cash, and will make the price that will bring business.

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Mrs. Elizabeth Hope died at her home in Powderly last Thursday, a sufferer from a complication of ailments. Interment was made in Eaves graveyard.

The following was overheard in a local store Monday, the salesperson being asked: "Where can I get buttons to cover myself?"

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