

THE PRINCETON UNION

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"Our Country! In her intercourse with foreign nations may she always be in the right; but our Country, right or wrong."

They are knitting, knitting—some socks and some their brows.

If Van Lear is not very, very careful he will find himself dehorned and trampled on.

The employees of the kaiser in this country must go. Out with these anarchistic sneaks!

Some people are so absentminded that they even applaud the heroine in the moving picture show.

Frank Day advises his readers "never to take hold of a loose wire." The teaching of experience, Frank?

The latest art is camouflage. It is purely a war art and means the rendering invisible of men, forts, guns, etc.

There is said to be one editor in heaven. Hard to believe, but if true, he evidently "put one over" on St. Peter at the pearly gates.

It wouldn't be a bad idea to intern that so-called "people's council" within an electrically-charged barbed wire inclosure somewhere near New Ulm.

Kaiser Bill has decorated the notorious Count Von Bernstorff with the iron cross. In the United States he was also decorated—with the double cross.

Here is an odious comparison which is particularly pertinent from the St. Paul Dispatch: "In Germany spies are shot. In America a spy is almost as safe as a footpad in Minneapolis."

Brown county, according to the Redwood Gazette, is not altogether hopeless. The paper gives the names of three patriots living in that country. Glory be! This is indeed a good showing.

The great style experts of the country are denouncing the "extravagant use of dress material by fashion models." Would it be possible for these young ladies to wear less and escape arrest?

Those American girls who fear that the French girls may captivate their soldier beaux may console themselves with the knowledge that there are none of these vivacious mam'selles in the trenches.

Sweden has decided to stop exports of fish to Germany. If the Swedish government had been looking after its own interests instead of those of the kaiser it would have come to this conclusion long ago.

A gang of Irish rowdies attacked American sailors in the streets of Cork the other day. Those Irish Sin Feiners are on a par with our American I. W. W's. The British government is too lenient in its treatment of the cowardly Irish rebels. Every mother's son of them ought to stretch hemp.

McMillan, the arctic explorer, who recently returned to civilization, says that Doc Cook did not reach the north pole—that the farthest point made by him was many days' journey distant. As McMillan is a man of veracity, we hereby denounce Cook as a lying humbug, but we are compelled to admit that there was a time he succeeded in "putting one over" on us.

South Dakota has organized a Farmers' union, the aim of which is to fight for control of the rural vote at future elections. It is really an organization to challenge the nonpartisan league in its machinations, and its incorporators feel confident that they can "tear the first-named association to shreds." So far as we can see neither of them have any reason for existence.

Albert Pfander, the New Ulm attorney who made speeches at anti-draft meetings, will have an opportunity to tell his story before the ethics committee of the Minnesota Bar association at a public hearing on September 14, when charges will be brought against him to determine whether he shall be disbarred from practice. Whosoever preaches disloyalty to the government should receive severe punishment.

At this particular time the people's council" is in the same boat as the I. W. W.—it has great difficulty finding ground whereon to pitch its tent. Let us keep both hordes of these treason-impregnated agitators on the move.

Wilson has ordered that a cut of half a cent a pound be made on print paper used for publishing the government's daily official bulletin. This will bring it down to two and a half cents per pound. Why not make this order national in its scope, Mr. President? Remember that the newspaper boys are now at the mercy of a combination of robbers—the print paper trust.

Up at Chisholm the public has been notified by the school board that no aliens will hereafter be employed as teachers in that city. From this it is to be concluded that heretofore aliens have been engaged to teach pupils in the public schools. Why this practice was permitted we do not know, but it is poor policy at any time, whether or not we are at war. There are plenty of American teachers in the country, and they only should be employed.

It is to be regretted that the government has not established a strict censorship over the letters purporting to come from the German front from press correspondents. There is ample evidence that these fellows, or many of them, are in the employ of the kaiser—that they are working hand in glove with the despot and disseminating stories in the United States through the daily papers dictated by the brute's agents.

The reichstag has given the kaiser four weeks' time to institute reforms which it enumerates, and if the demand is not complied with the majority party will take steps to enforce it. It would appear that Germany is on the brink of serious internal disturbances, and unless the kaiser mends his ways he is liable to find himself dethroned and imprisoned in a fortress. This would prove the best thing that ever happened for the common people of Germany.

A German newspaper says that the kaiser carries a steel-armored bible in his inside pocket directly over his heart. In the first place it has been our impression that the kaiser does not possess a heart, and in the second that he never approaches the battlefield so closely that there is ever any danger of an enemy being able to "draw a bead" on him. Now, if Bill Hohenzollern is such a chum of the Lord as he pretends to be, why is it necessary for him to encase his bible in armor?

The food administration committee has fixed a price of \$2.20 per bushel for No. 1 northern wheat at Chicago. The price at St. Paul, Minneapolis and Duluth will be three cents less. Differentials between grades and classes of wheat and between primary markets have also been specified. From the prices set forth in the commission's schedule it is to be deducted the cost of transportation and storage. It is expected that the action of the commission will have the effect of reducing the price of bread. But this remains to be seen.

"May those be damned who talk of a cessation of hostilities at this time." Those were among the words spoken by Premier Kerensky of Russia at the Moscow conference a few days ago. Strong language but it had its desired effect upon the gathering of representatives of all classes of people. They cheered Kerensky and declared that an overwhelming majority is deeply democratic and prepared to make sacrifices for liberty and the defense of the country. Under Kerensky Russia is pulling herself together and will doubtless redeem herself within a short time.

It is an actual fact, says a Copenhagen dispatch, that Norway and Sweden are on the verge of starvation. These countries are now suffering from a lack of foresight. When they possessed food in plenty they sold it to Germany, and now that they have nothing left to sell the Germans are helping themselves to the cargoes which Norway and Sweden attempt to ship in. In fact the Germans are doing worse than this—after seizing the cargoes they are torpedoing the neutrals' ships. It is nefarious treatment, but the neutral nations have no relief in the premises.

So Mollycoddle Van Lear, son of the socialist mayor of Minneapolis, and Mollycoddle Morrill, son of the psalm-singing "Go-Lightly," who claimed exemption from draft—one because he is a socialist and the other for the reason that he is necessary to his father's church—have been certified to the adjutant general. This will make very pleasant reading for the parents of those brave boys who, without an attempt at evasion, said "Good bye, father; good bye, mother; we have enlisted and are now going forth to assist our country in fighting its battles."

The county fair is the fair which should interest the farmer. The state fair is merely a scheme to attract the country people to the big cities, there to blow in their money on the "bargain" counters of the department stores for something they could buy at home for a fourth of the price.

The Commercial Men's association, a health and accident insurance association, has ordered Albert Steinhauser and L. A. Fritsche of New Ulm and A. J. Alwin of Mound to either resign their offices in the organization or a meeting will be called to remove them. Thus do traitorous personages receive their just punishment.

"There will be no exemption of farmers as a class from the draft," declares President Wilson; "I feel that a class exemption would lead to many difficulties and to many heartburnings, much as I should personally like to see all genuine farmers left at their indispensable labors." The president says, however, that no farmers will be called to camp until this season's harvest is over. This is the only ruling Mr. Wilson could justly make in the matter.

"What does Wilson's reply to the Pope mean?" is asked by many a person. The view generally entertained by British diplomats is that it means a fight to a finish, while French, Italian and American officials are of a similar opinion. Well, a fight to a finish is the only way by which Prussian militarism and kaiserlic autocracy can be crushed, whether it takes three months or three years to accomplish it. So let us fight to a finish regardless of the recommendation of pacifists.

It seems that Kingdon Gould, millionaire, married on July 2 to evade the draft and claims exemption upon that ground. Gould belongs to that class known as the cowardly rich. He is an individual who owes much to his country but who is putting forth an effort to evade paying any part of the debt in that country. It would be unjust to grant him exemption. The cowardly pup should be compelled to either serve in the army or be consigned to the rock pile in some penitentiary.

Under plans which have been formulated by the war department, British and French army officers—specialists in trench warfare—will be assigned to training camps in the United States. These experts will not come into direct contact with the American troops, but will act in the capacity of consulting boards for the American officers. A group of eight or ten European military men will be stationed at each training camp. The idea is a good one, as the troops will thus be able to become familiar with trench work before being transported to France.

Constituents of Lundeen, the anti-draft congressman, have drawn up resolutions and forwarded them to the representative—or misrepresentative—declaring him to be "unfaithful to his country" and demanding his resignation forthwith so that the district can "purge itself of the stain which is now upon it." Congressman Thos. D. Schall, Senator W. A. Campbell, State Auditor J. O. Preus and Representative Asher W. Howard delivered addresses at the mass meeting which denounced Lundeen. It would be our advice to Lundeen to obey the demand of his constituents and resign lest means be resorted to which will culminate in his being ousted.

Farley A. Dare is dead and there is scarcely a newspaperman in Minnesota who will not miss him and his pointed paragraphs in the Walker Pilot, a journal which he edited for 12 years. As a state representative for over three years from the Fifty-second district he did his duty to his constituents, and did that duty well. As a man he was the embodiment of loyalty, honor and good nature—he was every inch a patriotic American citizen. Farley Dare was a comparatively young man—40 years of age—and it is to be regretted that he was cut down in the days of his greatest usefulness both to the state of Minnesota and the country which he loved. It is a pity that Farley Dare has left us.

Viscount Ishii, chief of the Japanese commission to this country, in his address to the United States senate, eloquently and logically covered the grounds of the friendly relationship existing between Japan and the United States. He also dilated on the war issue—followed it throughout its ramifications—and demonstrated that he is a man of great learning. We merely quote one small passage from his speech: "Blind loyalty without rational consciousness of the responsibility of self is but another name for slavery, while a right of liberty ill conceived, ignoring the mutual human affection and respect for the rights of every man which from the essence of true loyalty, must be tantamount to anarchy."

Why do the dailies persist in calling the national guards "militiamen" when they have been transferred to the regular army? Cut this stuff out, you ignoramuses. It is grating on the nerves of the boys who will likely make the best soldiers of them all.

At the instance of the business men of Montevideo the three newspapers of that city—the Leader, the Commercial and the Advertiser—have been merged, and one good strong paper will be issued instead of the three, with Ludwig Roe, formerly associate editor of the Northfield News as editor-in-chief. The change will be appreciated by the business men and subscribers alike. There are too many weak, struggling newspapers that are of no benefit to their publishers or the public. A good, healthy newspaper is a valuable asset to any community—a weakling newspaper is just the reverse.

NO ROADS NO MAIL.

An impassable road caused the post-office department to discontinue a rural free delivery route in Freeborn county. But we will let the Albert Lea Times-Enterprise tell the story:

Last September the road was condemned and the government mail service discontinued. Immediately the road supervisors got busy and put the road in fine shape. But the horse had been stolen. It was too late. Ever since that time the local postmaster has been working to have the route continued and only today has his efforts been rewarded. A message from the department today says it will be continued on September first next.

Now we learn a part of route three, about a mile and one-half southeast of Hayward, has been condemned for the same reason and the service will be discontinued on September first next. Without doubt it will take a year and perhaps longer before the patrons affected along this route will enjoy this modern convenience.

We understand it is to be the policy of the postal authorities hereafter to discontinue all free delivery routes where roads are not properly maintained, and when once a route is discontinued it will not be re-established within a year no matter if the road has been improved in the meantime.

BETTER BIDE A 'WEE.

In another column there appears an article entitled "Prohibition or War?" from that high grade weekly, The Outlook, which expresses our sentiments. No one will accuse The Outlook of being opposed to the cause of temperance, but that sterling magazine does not approve of adding fuel to the fires of discontent and sedition that are smoldering in many sections of the country at this juncture. The government has enough to contend with already without springing another great contentious issue at this crisis. That national prohibition will eventually come is almost a foregone conclusion, but in the opinion of thousands of the true friends of temperance this is not the time to force the issue. The business of the country at present is to win the war. And in the language of The Outlook, we hope that, in the interest of the nation's safety and welfare, the consideration of national prohibition may be postponed until the war has come to an end.

A group of girls who have been doing Red Cross work in district 2 have turned in to Clifton Cravens as a result of their endeavors the sum of \$50.95, derived from the following sources: Ice cream social, \$15; play, \$14.05; corn social, \$21.90. The young ladies are entitled to great praise for the admirable showing made by them.

If you will tell me why some people can tell a story which you will eagerly listen to, and why others always bore you when they try to tell one, I will tell you why everybody who listens to the Edison Diamond Disc exclaims: "That's the best I ever heard." Come in and listen: G. A. Jack Drug Co.

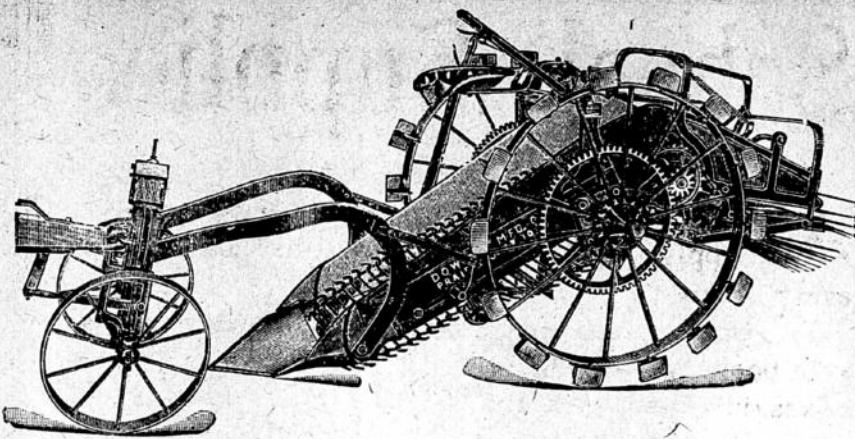
Elmer J. Olson and Agnes R. Swanson, both of Bock, were married at the Methodist parsonage by Rev. Geer yesterday afternoon. The young people proceeded to the twin cities on a bridal tour.

LOCAL MARKET QUOTATIONS.

The quotations hereunder are those prevailing on Thursday morning at the time of going to press:

POTATOES	
All varieties	90c to 95c.
GRAIN, ETC.	
Wheat—No. 1 Northern	\$2.07
Wheat—No. 2 Northern	\$2.04
Wheat—No. 3	\$2.01
Oats	44c @ 49c
Barley	85c @ \$1.04
Flax	\$3.01 @ \$3.16
Rye	\$1.60 @ \$1.68
Beans—hand picked	\$9.00

LIVE STOCK	
Fat Beesves, per lb	5c @ 7c
Calves, per lb	8c @ 9c
Hogs, per cwt	\$17.00
Sheep, per lb	5c @ 8c
Hens, old, per lb	12c @ 14c
Springers, per lb	17c



Dowden Potato Digger

Yes, that is the kind my neighbor has, and it does good work and they cost less for repairs. I am going in to see the

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R. C. DUNN, Princeton, Minnesota

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