

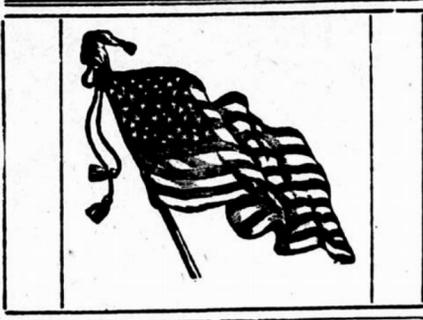
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## WAR GARDENS FOR 1918

Within a few months a great spring drive will be launched throughout the length and breadth of North Dakota. The army "putting across" this drive will be a volunteer army of patriotic men, women and children. The implements of warfare will be plows, spades, hoes and rakes. The object will be to subdue Mother Earth and harness her in cooperation with the air, rain and sunshine for the purpose of producing many times the amount of vegetables that were ever grown in the state of North Dakota. These vegetables will replace millions of pounds of wheat, meat and other food which we can ship to our soldiers and allies. Furthermore, these vegetables represent the saving of our spare minutes which when invested in war gardens are on a par in value to our country, with the nickels and dimes with which we buy war savings stamps.

Now is the time to begin preparations for this spring drive. A plan of the garden should be made. This should provide for a continuous supply of a variety of vegetables throughout the entire summer and a surplus for canning and winter storing. As garden seed will be scarce this year any good seed that has been carried over should be used, but before deciding to use old seed, make a germination test by placing a sample between two moist blotters. After the garden plot has been made and the old seed tested, the entire seed order should be made out and sent in so to assure prompt receipt, which will be impossible if ordered during the early spring.

If not enough ground is available for a good garden right on your lots, look around for a good piece of ground and arrange to rent it so you will be ready when spring comes. Also start your early vegetable plants in a few weeks or arrange to have them grown for you by a gardener or greenhouseman.

Everyone should join this movement to produce food.—Kenmare Journal.

## G-R-A-P-H-I-C

### LINCOLN-WILSON PARALLEL

"With malice toward none and charity for all," given to the world over half a century ago by Abraham Lincoln, is strikingly set forth in "Make the world safe for democracy," recently enunciated by Woodrow Wilson. Both of these war presidents in their work of driving the war from the earth did not hesitate to continue a war that meant the eradication of the pernicious influences which were striving to enslave the world. When Lincoln thrilled the world with his determination to drive slavery from the land, he was assailed by the copperheads, Knights of the Golden Circle, and the pacifists of the sixties, who demanded peace at any price. He remained steadfast in his purpose and today the world is better for his having persevered in a course that was unpopular. Today the president is assailed on every side by peace councils, German propagandists, I. W. W.'s and those who want to see peace come without regard to whether the objects of the war are attained or left undone. As the people of the north backed Lincoln in his finish fight with slavery, so are the people of the United States standing back of Wilson in his fight against autocracy and Kultur. And as the natal day of the Immortal Lincoln will be celebrated in schools and business houses wherever the Stars and Stripes wave, let those who are doing homage to him, at the close of February 12, solemnly dedicate themselves to stand shoulder to shoulder with the president of the United States and bring to as speedy and successful conclusion as possible, the war on German Kultur and German autocracy. If Lincoln could speak today, he would counsel the waging of this war until civilization is set free from the horrible condition into which it has been driven by Kaiser Wilhelm.

## G-R-A-P-H-I-C

### OBEY ORDERS

An important factor in winning the world war will be cheerful acquiescence to the orders of the food and fuel administrators. The orders issued would not be sent forth to the public if necessity did not compel such action. Food must be supplied to the allies as well as to our own men. Fuel must be supplied to the foundries in order that the demands of the government for steel may be met. Ships must be built and into each of these must go hundreds and thousands of tons of steel, copper and iron which to become available must pass thru the furnaces. Trains must travel upon the rails delivering this fuel and for every train coal must be burned to produce the motive power. Coal production is to be speeded up and coal saving must be practised wherever opportunity offers. One hundred million more tons of coal will be needed this year than during the past twelve-months. This enormous quantity must be transported from the mines to places where it can be used. This will require two and one half million cars to deliver. An army of men will be needed in the transport service thus drawing away from the productive end of business and agriculture. Producers will be asked to speed up production and wherever possible increase the per capita production of food stuffs. Everywhere the people will be asked to do a part in helping conserve the food supply until the next crop comes in. Reports indicate a majority is living up to the wishes of the administration. That is patriotism. But there are many others who are not complying with

the demands of the food administrator. They are letting their appetites control their actions and instead of patriotic self-denial they are doing their utmost to prolong the war. Such action is reprehensible. The real truth should be brought home to these people so forcibly that they will be glad to comply with the requirements of the government or its officers. And if you cannot join the army, work in the transportation service or become a member of the force that is to crush militarism and wipe it from the earth, you can do your part by bringing home to those people who do not obey the food or fuel conservation orders the necessity of obedience. You may state this is not a great work, but it is—in fact it is one of the greatest for it will enable the government to maintain its fighting forces at the highest state of efficiency.

## G-R-A-P-H-I-C

### SERVICE AND SAVING

In spite of the horrors and hardships, the war will bring to the American people benefits hitherto not considered. Some of these benefits we have already recognized and others remain to be made plain. One of the most important is the habit of saving which is being inculcated by the investment in Liberty Bonds and to the War Saving Certificates. Many of us will frankly admit we have had a general respect for the man or woman who had a savings account or had invested some of their money in interest paying securities. Now when by a little exertion on our part we may enter that circle which we have envied in the past, we do not hesitate to join the group of people who are in every neighborhood called thrifty or of a saving turn.

We have entered that favored class thru the entrance into the world war by the United States. Uncle Sam in his work of carrying on and financing the war, has brought the Savings Bank right to our doors, and blind, indeed, is the man or woman who has not grasped the opportunity of investing a certain portion of the savings of years into United States bonds. These savings represent a small portion of the reserve wealth of the country. When invested in small bonds or Thrift Stamps, they serve the purpose of bringing into circulation money from hoards that hitherto have not been fluid and thereby help to carry on the war with little hardship to the investor, as well as to make it unnecessary to raise all this money by the slower and more laborious way, taxation.

The government's expense for the war in the aggregate will be a stupendous amount, but not an overwhelming sum when the resources of the nation are considered. It can proceed to collect this sum by taxation, but it has taken the better way of securing the necessary funds to finance its program. Likewise it has given the man of small means an easy and equitable way of doing his part in remaking the world's history, thru the Savings stamps. These little stamps cost 25 cents each and when twenty have been secured really apply on the purchase price of a \$5.00 government bond. Beside this advantage, they bring together millions of dollars which the government will need in its work between the periods of floating Liberty Bonds. Verily the best result of this war is the habit of thrift which it will develop in millions of small investors.

## G-R-A-P-H-I-C

### ABRAHAM LINCOLN

Studied from any angle, the life and personality of Abraham Lincoln stand out pre-eminently as the greatest that the world ever produced. Biographers are unanimous in proclaiming him as a model in kindness, gentleness, staunchness, truth, and forgiveness, yet firm as the mountains in carrying out a purpose once formed. Lenient to the sinning, to such a degree that his co-workers censured him. Forgiving the weaknesses in others so often that his generals in the civil war trembled lest insubordination should become rampant in the army. A mother's tears and pleadings and promises of a new start if her boy were given his liberty, proved greater in his eyes than the findings of the court martial. Diplomatic in overlooking the mistakes and plottings of his cabinet members. When he had formed a purpose, selected his man, or men, to execute his plans, no power of oratory, pleading or urging could make him change. Sternly just in the condemnation of those, who, when the nations life was at stake, attempted for petty honors or monetary gain to undermine the government or make its work nugatory. All admit these things. And equally certain are they, that under the load of responsibility which he bore uncomplainingly, his greatest virtue was the love of home. Home to Lincoln meant more than a place in which to eat his meals and spend his sleeping hours. There, Lincoln the man, the husband, the father, showed at his best. There his great heart found rest. There fell from his shoulders the cares of the world, and he became the center of, and the life of the family circle. It was in his home, he confessed, that he received the inspiration to meet the responsibilities of the great events, then shaping the destiny of the western world.

All that was mortal of Lincoln was laid to rest fifty-three years ago. His spirit, his worth, his strength live with us today and is lighting myriads of men to the highest goal in life. His great soul is guiding and shaping the destinies of millions and is making possible a union of the greatest nations of earth to combat that which threatens the common people or the democracies of the world. When we pause this coming week, to lay tributes at his feet, let us lift silently to the most High, a prayer of thanksgiving that the people of the United States had, have and will forever have, so long as justice reigns, Abraham Lincoln.

## G-R-A-P-H-I-C

### THRIFT WILL PAY THE BILLS

However great the expenses of the war, Thrift will bear the burden. The Business Bourse has compiled statistics covering a period of years, and until 1917 the actual amount of money needed for absolute necessities was \$400 per family of five persons, and the average income per family of five persons was \$1,300, thus showing that in the United States the per capita expenditure for things not absolutely necessary to health and life, was \$180, or for the family unit of five \$900. These figures show that practically what has been spent annually for luxuries will take care of the war during the year and leave a neat surplus in the hands of the people. Give Thrift a chance and she will do what at first glance appears almost herculean. The people of this country have previously to this war, hardly had a speaking acquaintance with the Dame, but now when tremendous mobilizations of industry, money, materials and men are needed, they are becoming friends and this argues well for the future welfare of the people of the United States as well as for the world.

## G-R-A-P-H-I-C

Not one but four North Dakota boys are listed with the wounded from over there. The Kaiser will wonder if his secret agents' reports have any worth when he really finds that American "Pigdogs" are on the fighting line.

## Weekly Health Letter

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### COURAGE

Every doctor is continually finding patients with serious ailments which have been neglected until the possibilities of cure are greatly reduced or entirely lost.

Want of courage and not the lack of knowledge that there is something radically wrong with them, has in the majority of instances kept those patients from seeking a physician's aid.

This is but one of many examples which might be cited to show how essential courage is to health. It is usually want of moral courage which leads a man to continue to drink when he is perfectly aware that alcoholic stimulants are breaking him down physically and mentally.

Then again, every physician meets in his practice men and women who

go into blue funk over the most trivial ailments. Often enough these people worry themselves until they arrive at that state of mental and physical depression which makes them ready prey for disease.

Unquestionably, there are many dangers to health which we must meet every day of our lives. It is well to know of these things in order that we may form the habit of avoiding as many of them as possible but to be ever fearful, thinking of and cringing from danger, will not aid us to avoid it.

The brave man is he who, knowing his enemy's strength, is watchful, vigilant, but not fearful.

"Cowards die many times before their deaths;

The valiant never tastes of death but once."

### LIBRARY NOTES

The January statistics make an interesting showing. The adult readers are slowly discovering that the library has offered two books of fiction on one card, which saves extra trips to the library during the cold weather. The offer holds good for all kinds of weather, however.

Two thousand and fifteen books went out in the January circulation, almost equally divided between children and adults. Sixty-one books in the class which includes the European war experiences and discussions show where much of the interest in serious reading is centered. Out of the total circulation five hundred and twenty-six books were non-fiction, or about twenty-five per cent.

The Story Hour has had a total attendance of two hundred sixty-nine for the month, and thanks is due to the Mother's Club and the individual story-tellers for the successful way in which the Story Hour has been carried on.

Two groups of High School classes, mostly Freshmen, have been taking instruction in the use of the catalogue and magazine indexes, the classification and arrangement of the books on the shelves and the way to make themselves independent reference workers. One more group is yet to have this presented.

Consultation with the workers sent out from the Agricultural College in the interests of the Food Administration has given a more definite idea of what the library will find it most

worth while to push. Both Miss Newton and Miss Ratzlaff speak of the three pamphlets on "How to Select Foods" as the best material put out in the government pamphlets. Have you read them? They include Cereal Foods, Foods Rich in Protein and What the Body Needs.

### Knife Superstitions.

The various knife superstitions are easily explained. It is unlucky to give a knife to a friend, because knives sever things, and might sever friendship; but if he gives you a halfpenny in return the danger is avoided, for his gift is a token of continued affection. It is unlucky to place one's knife and fork crosswise on an empty plate, because it invites crosses and misfortune, also recalling the Christian symbol of suffering.

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