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Events of Interest From the Seat
 of Government by the News
 Special Correspondent, J. E.
 Jones.

DEMOCRACY'S TASK

Washington, D. C., April 28.—
 The millions fought and millions
 bled and died; but when you
 asked them for what, they pucker-
 ed up their faces and scorned
 the "ignorance" that prompted
 the question.
 Then President Wilson dis-
 covered a happy phrase when he
 declared that the war is being
 fought for democracy. It was
 just like finding your collar-but-
 ton under the dresser, for these
 Europeans. They rushed pellmell
 and embraced democracy, and
 they swayed their poor tired head
 and shouted new hallelujahs in
 the name of Uncle Sam and de-
 mocracy.

And so it has come to pass that
 the great nations of the world are
 in a league to make democracy
 safe and triumphant.

Prussianism is the hateful word
 that best describes people who
 have forgotten civilization, who
 have abandoned their honor and
 manhood, and who have lost re-
 spect for womanhood.

Prussianism has unloosed hell
 on earth. Democracy has enlisted
 for the purpose of rounding up
 and impounding in a corral this
 nest that has been running
 amuck.

And the civilized nations are
 delighted to find that they are
 fighting with democracy, and
 they have accepted the phrases of
 the United States, and have de-
 clared that in the end this war
 must finish Prussianism for all
 time.

The new copartnership of civi-
 lization has been cemented on
 real democratic soil; and Balfour,
 Joffre, Viviani, and their parties
 from England and France, have
 accepted the help of the world's
 greatest democratic government.

"Our billions stand—pledged
 henceforth for democracy, for
 liberty and for civilization. Uncle
 Sam has written a blank check
 and has handed it to his new
 European partners. Meanwhile
 cruel Prussianism has battered its
 fool head against a stone wall—
 and it is doomed.

Democracy has taken up a big
 contract, and she must see it out
 to the finish. Then the fight of
 democracy must continue through
 the long ages following its
 triumph over the present foe.

Strange doctrines come to Amer-
 ica these days, and dangers lurk
 in the new theories about which
 cling the interests that would pro-
 mote money wars, control the
 press and give us conscription.
 The pity of it is that in such try-
 ing times sober judgment yields
 frequently to hysteria and ex-
 citement.

Democracy must be kept safe
 against hate, greed, arrogance,
 and the baser passions that seek
 always to sway and control small
 groups that are placed in power.
 In cases like the present the peo-
 ple give carte blanche to their
 higher officials whenever a crisis
 occurs.

Democracy has pulled its gun,
 and has declared that it wants
 peace, and that in order to get
 it the war must be knocked out
 of Prussianism. Democracy is no
 longer a national affair with us
 Americans; but it has become a
 world organization. It promises
 much for the future, and the
 people of the United States will
 do well at all stages of the pro-
 ceedings to look well to democ-

ocracy, and to direct that she keep
 her eagle eye peeled lest a new
 Prussianism should spring up
 right here in our own household.
 There must be no false faces worn
 by this democracy that the world
 is fighting for.
 And if Democracy comes out
 of the trenches, out of the cess-
 pools of liquid fire, out of the
 savagery of the submarine; if
 she rights the wrongs of enslav-
 ing the persecuted Belgians; if
 she meets the vandalism in
 France—if she conquers these
 things expressed in these meek
 words, and still remains true to
 herself, then democracy and the
 spirit of brotherly love will be
 ready to go into partnership and
 declare regular daily dividends
 through all eternity.

Americans can well afford to
 remember the injunction of Gen-
 eral Washington, who in present-
 ing his sword to his nephews,
 said that they were "not to un-
 sheath them for the purpose of
 shedding blood, except it be in
 self-defense or defense of their
 country and its rights, and in
 the latter case to keep them un-
 sheathed and prefer falling with
 them in their hands rather than
 the relinquishment thereof."

Democracy promises to provide
 lasting peace by the sword.
The Food Crisis
 The Europeans frankly admit
 that they have not food enough
 to eat.

Not only is the food supply, as
 based on the 1916 crop, insuffi-
 cient for our own domestic needs
 but it is apparent that every
 pound of food that goes abroad
 tightens the conditions at home.

The overcrowded cities are al-
 ways filled with misery and pov-
 erty, and the people who receive
 common wages for common labor
 are unable right now to buy suf-
 ficient quantities of food and

clothing, at the present high
 prices for themselves and families.
 The Government, in taking a
 hand in affairs, does not expect
 that there will be any rush of
 patriotic men and women, volun-
 teering to turn themselves into
 farmers. But Uncle Sam does
 expect to be able to plug up a
 lot of leaks responsible for the
 wastage of food.

The Government will likely
 establish a food commission, the
 principle purpose of which will be
 aimed at protecting the public
 against the unnecessary boosting
 of prices. The Government will
 also take a hand in promoting
 many means and methods intend-
 ed to result in an increased acre-
 age of crops.

There is a good deal of com-
 fort felt in the fact that the
 Government itself will in effect
 take charge of the market situa-
 tion at home, and in supplying
 food for England and France.
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 greater inducements than farm-
 ing.

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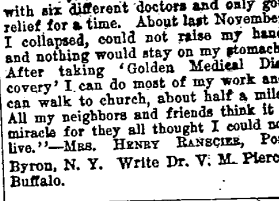
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 could not do my work
 for two years, al-
 though I was ailing
 for several years.
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 of medicine, doctored
 with six different doctors and only got
 relief for a time. About last November
 I collapsed, could not raise my head
 and nothing would stay on my stomach.
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 covery' I can do most of my work and
 can walk to church, about half a mile.
 All my neighbors and friends think it a
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