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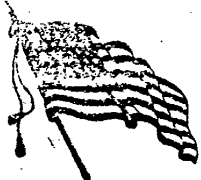
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"There is not a Way, Cut a Way."

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What's the matter with living on "garden sass" for a while?

J. Spratt and wife should have no trouble in dividing the meat rations these days.

What has become of the statesman who sneered at the silver dollar as "cheap money"?

Russia may have let that German army into Riga merely as an experiment in cold storage.

It is suspected that Gen. Haig is seeking to make each of his "offensives" true to the word.

Was there, or was there not a man named Villa who cut some ice in Mexico some years ago?

After this war is ended the title "Colonel" will no longer stamp a man as necessarily from Kentucky.

Many a boy who was pronounced the "picture of his dad" has been known to overcome that handicap.

It isn't Russia's unwillingness to fight that distresses the Allies. It's her inability to distinguish between friends and foes.

Many people are beginning to wonder if the government price-fixing commission has lost sight of the consumer's point of view.

It is stated that the Russian soldiers receive only one cent a day for their services. And yet we wonder at their lack of enthusiasm.

Many a man will advance a little recently acquired knowledge to the mule as an excuse why he should be drafted for the agricultural brigade.

If the government really wants shoes for its soldiers, it might investigate that report of 1,500,000 hides in storage awaiting higher prices.

We are told the Russians are the most remarkable linguists in the world, and after listening to their lingo for a short time we believe every word of it.

Meanwhile, Uncle Sam pleasantly but firmly insists that Holland must keep her back door closed if she expects us to pass anything in at the front door.

The coal operators, after concluding that coal can be sold at the established prices, seemed inclined to put it up to Mr. Garfield to demonstrate that it can be mined at those prices.

If the faithful old farm horse could express his views of the war it would likely contain a strong protest against the amateur drivers that have been wished on him lately.

Just how is the politician to solicit the soldier vote when it is on the other side? Will he go over there to electioneer? That would be a good solution of the candidate question in a good many instances.

ASSEMBLY SITUATION

In a democratic form of government, such as the United States, we choose men for public office to represent us, to work for our best interests and do the things that will help the people who send them. They are not sent to office to play party politics with a gang of crooked machine politicians and thus curry favor with them to their own personal gain; always looking with eyes single to their own political advancement, their hands extended outward, palms upward, always ready to catch the crumbs from their master's table.

It has always been a source of wonder to the writer why it was that an Assembly District, like that of Allegany County, composed almost entirely of farmers, was not more often represented at Albany by men from that calling in life. But the "powers that be," the men in the inner political circles, cannot seem to see it that way. For the last sixteen years Allegany County has been represented by farmers in the State Assembly but two years, and the politicians saw to it that the representative these years was a man whom they could handle.

The farmers in Allegany County have not been represented at Albany as they should be since A. L. Litchard's time. He "got his" at the hand of the Republican politicians in Allegany County because he represented the farmer's interests. It is time the farmers were looking out for themselves.

Most of the time since then we have been represented by lawyers. As a class they have always been failures as law-makers, because they insist upon tangling up rather than ironing out the laws so an ordinary person could understand them. They seem to take pains to put laws in such shape that the public must pay them a fat fee to have the laws interpreted.

What we need at Albany is fewer laws, and the laws that we do have made so plain that a man in common life may not err therein.

And this is just what we will get if we send good, honest, clear-minded farmers to Albany to make our laws for us.

Allegany County this year is extremely fortunate in that we have in the person of Forrest M. Carpenter, of Belmont, a candidate that will fully measure up to all requirements. He is the Democratic nominee for Member of Assembly, and is perfectly sure of election if the farmers of this county are alive to their own best interests. He is a man who rings true in every place you put him. He is a hard worker for the things which interest the farmers of Allegany County the most. He has always been found lined up on the right side of every proposition that has been before the people and would make a much more representative assemblyman for this county than any candidate that has been before the voters in nearly a quarter of a century.

Farmers, it is not often you are granted such an opportunity to vote for one of your own occupation for Member of Assembly. Now it is for you to show your appreciation that a good, square farmer has been named as a candidate.

In another column we print a halftone of Mr. Carpenter. Look him in the face and you will readily see that he is just such a man as Allegany County needs as a representative at Albany, frank, square, manly and true, with a firmness of character that no politician will ever be able to control against his better judgment. He is a man with the farmer's viewpoint, and his election will mean much to Allegany County farmers.

Vote for Forrest M. Carpenter, of Belmont, Democratic candidate for Member of Assembly this fall and be represented by a gentleman who will work for the interests of the farmers of the county, and not for the monied speculators of Wall Street.

Mr. Carpenter never betrayed a trust reposed in him, which is much more than some others we know of can say.

ANCIENT DICTATORS

A perpetual source of wonder and astonishment to the people of the Old World is the immense power lodged in the hands of the President of the United States.

The central powers endeavor to use it as an argument against the sincerity of our declarations as to the objects of this country in the world struggle. They point out that our President is more of a dictator than any Hohenzollern or Hapsburg. Even our friends, the British, seem unable to reconcile his great powers with our proud boast of personal liberty.

Viewed from an Old World point of view, we must confess the problem is a knotty one. From the viewpoint of democracy, however, the solution is very simple. And the one great outstanding principle that governs the situation is that of human volition.

Kingly powers are matters of inheritance. Not one of the millions of the Kaiser's subjects had the least voice in clothing him with the power he wields over them. These powers were conferred first by might on his remote ancestors and passed on by might to their present possessor. The question of fitness to exercise those powers has never entered into the situation. His power for evil is as absolute and unlimited as his power for good. Neither does the question of ability count, as witness the pitiful spectacle of imbecile rulers who have in the past dominated many of the old countries. As a matter of fact, mediocrity of intellect and a paucity of moral fibre has characterized the majority of European rulers as far back as his-

tended to mitigate the evils of the system.

Widely different from this is the condition in this country. Here the principle of human volition and individual freedom of choice has full and free expression. Every President of this country has been in the fullest sense of the word the choice of the people. Primarily, he has not one iota of power not enjoyed by the humblest citizen of the republic. His power is a delegated power, and that only for a season and an emergency. At the end of the season or emergency, his power is stripped from him, and he resumes his place as merely one of the millions.

In the matter of personal fitness, too, the Presidents of the United States have in every instance measured up to the highest standard. Not one has ever proven recreant to the high trust reposed in him. All, without exception, have been men of probity and high ideals. As a matter of fact, the manner of their choosing guarantees this unless the people themselves were decadent.

From all of which it can be seen that European dictatorships are one man dictatorships, while the American brand—if it can be so called—is a dictatorship of the masses—in fact, one hundred million strong.

The Kaiser should worry about the reward for an American soldier. We'll miss our guess if they are not plentiful on the streets of Berlin before many months have passed.

Some Congressmen are planning for a trip to the battle front this fall, and doubtless there are many among their constituents who would prefer for them to stay there.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES TO YOU

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

15 October, 1917

May I not express to you my very deep interest in the campaign in New York for the adoption of woman suffrage, and may I not say that I hope that no voter will be influenced in his decision with regard to this great matter by anything the so-called pickets may have done here in Washington? However justly they may have laid themselves open to serious criticism, their action represents, I am sure, so small a fraction of the women of the country who are urging the adoption of woman suffrage that it would be most unfair and argue a very narrow view to allow their actions to prejudice the cause itself. I am very anxious to see the great State of New York set a great example in this matter.

MEN of New York, you are as fair-minded as the President. You know that the 1,012,994 women of New York who ask the vote are women of every locality, of every representative type—your mothers, wives and daughters.

You know that two years ago the vote for Woman Suffrage in this State was the largest ever cast in favor of a constitutional amendment. You know that victory was all but won. You know that if one man out of nine has changed his mind and votes for this year, Woman Suffrage will be a fact.

Since 1915 the war has shown what Woman's service to the State can mean. The military Census counted women and men alike in estimating the resources of New York. Enlist the State's full strength by voting for

Woman Suffrage Amendment No. 1 November 6th

NEW YORK WOMAN SUFFRAGE PARTY

363 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK



The Burrows

TABLE, JUNE 10, 1917

WEST	
Due	Mails Close
7-11:16 a. m.	10:50 a. m.
5:41-6:33 p. m.	6:20 p. m.

EAST	
Due	Mails Close
26-1:47 p. m.	1:30 p. m.
8-8:52 p. m.	8:00 p. m.

cept Tuesdays and Fridays
7:30 p. m.
R.F.D. mails close at 8:45 a. m.



Mrs. D. M. Green has been in the past two weeks.

Henry Ford has bought 1,000 worth of Liberty Bonds.

Allegany County hunters must hunt without the aid of ferris wheels this season.

Miss Lucy Martin and C. G. Davis, both of Wellsville, were married last week.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward E. Evelyn, Oct. 19th.

Frank B. Manieski, a draftsman who failed to report, was sent to prison in Rochester.

Miss Elsie Mae Corbin and Robert A. Windus, of Belmont, were united in marriage Oct. 1.

Henry G. Higgins, of Wellsville, died Oct. 19th. The body was taken to Friendship for burial.

Elmer Bixby has moved from First Street to David Hill, where he will work the rest of the year.

Perry LaFountain died at home in Richburg, Oct. 1. He was born at Lockport in 1834.

Mrs. Loel Fanton of Wellsville, was thrown from a wagon last week at their farm, breaking her arm.

Bob Fitz Simmons, champion prize-fighter, received his last blow when death came after five days illness at his home in Belmont.

A fountain has been placed in the park in Belmont in tribute to the memory of the late Mrs. Harriett Ayres Willett and her children.

Buy a Liberty Bond. It is very little for you, but it is very much for the boys who are doing the water aerobics.

R. C. White has been working on an operation performed by a specialist from Buffalo, for the removal of a growth from his neck.

We were not present at the sugar fair, so the editor is drinking coffee without, because many of his neighbors had left from fifty to one hundred dollars each. We don't play.