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The war has certainly been a God-send to the Democratic party. The demand for almost everything has increased greatly and put quite a few of the idle millions at work again. The conditions are thoroughly understood by the people, however.

Owing to the foreign war it has been found necessary to raise the subscription price of the STAR AND HERALD from \$1.50 a year to \$5.00. Of course there is no sense in this, but just as much as there is in the raise of prices of many things. The office will be closed to avoid the rush so just push your money under the door or throw it over the transom.

The loyalty of the Germans in the United States, who have adopted this country and became citizens, have exemplified their loyalty by the following resolutions adopted by a large meeting in Chicago: "We, American citizens by birth or adoption, can take no active part in the situation. Our allegiance now, as at all times, belongs to the United States, for which now, as in the past, we are ready to sacrifice our possessions and our lives. Come what may, we are loyal Americans, now and forever."

There is some criticism of the conduct of this paper on account of being fair with everyone. The editor of this paper believes in using everyone alike, providing they are honest in their belief. He also believes that there is no justice or fairness in doing or being any other way. Very fortunately we are not all of the same belief, morally, mentally, politically or otherwise, but we are pretty good American citizens, and when one becomes so narrow and small that they cannot be fair with our brothers, it's time to quit. We believe the thing to do is to be fair and recognize the rights of all our people, and the sooner we do that the better and greater community we will have.

The fight on high prices is the one to enlist with. Many of the whole-

sale dealers with stocks on hand think they can use the war to boost the prices without reason or fairness. They force the country merchants to raise prices or lose money. The very best way is for the general public to change diet, and so inform the country merchant, so he can protect himself. It is all foolishness to think that we cannot get along without this or that. There are plenty of good substitutes for high priced meats, also for almost everything the wholesale merchants sell. It is a fact that the local merchants are fair with their customers, and the patrons should be fair with them. Why wouldn't it be a good plan to form a society for the prevention of high prices and so inform the local merchant that they will cut out for a month or more those things which are too high, and inform the home merchant what to substitute.

The Home Coming Week in Dwight has proven a grand success. Its announcement stirred up many of those who left here as long as twenty, thirty and forty years ago. The visitors were very much surprised to find such a transformation—from a small country village to an up-to-date city. Many left here when there was a small station builded in the fifties, but now one of the best on the line meets their gaze. Others left here before and others, when the Leslie E. Keeley Co. had just started and now developed into probably the greatest curative establishments in the world. Others left here when Hi. Cornell and L. J. Trunnell ran hotels and now find the Livingston, one of the finest houses in the country, and also other well equipped hotels. Paving, waterworks, electric lighting were never dreamed of before many left here. Most of the residences were small when many came and went, and now the corporation includes many elegant homes costing from one or two thousand up to \$25,000 and \$50,000. Great changes have taken place in everything and our people were proud to show the visitors one of the finest, most beautiful and ably conducted growing cities in Illinois. Cordial welcome was extended to all and the best wishes of the visitors for the residents were given and vice versa.

#### KINDEL LEAVES THE PARTY.

Congressman George Kindel, of the First District of Colorado, has formally left the Democratic party and will oppose the Wilson administration. Mr. Kindel is one Congressman from the Northwest, who has recognized the absolute disregard the present administration and Democratic majority in Congress has shown for the interests and industries of the

section which he, in part, represents. Mr. Kindel has had the courage to declare his independence. He will seek re-election, probably as an Independent, for two reasons: first, the neglect by the Democratic party for all that there is in the Northwest, and second, his evident belief that few Democrats will be elected from the Northwest in the coming campaign.

Of President Wilson he says, "the President may know all about the syntax of Greek verbs, but he does not know anything about the practical questions that are confronting the American people. \* \* \* I think the President has done a few good things and I shall support him in those, but, as a general thing, I disagree with his methods and politics."

#### TURN TO REPUBLICANS.

In the face of the greatest financial panic the country has ever known, the Democratic party in Congress had to turn back to the Republican currency law to avert financial disaster. Never, perhaps, did a great party in complete control of all the branches of government ever eat such humble pie as did the Democrats when they asked the Congress to use the terms of the Vreeland-Aldrich Currency Bill to save the country from a panic.

For five years the Vreeland-Aldrich Currency Bill has been the favorite source of criticism by the Democrats. They attacked it from every side. Yet when they came to pass their own Glass-Owen Currency Bill for the purpose of preventing panics, they embodied therein the essential features of the very measure which they had attacked. The situation was critical. Their eight months' old currency bill could not do the business. The president and his secretary of the treasury knew it. They were grasping for a relief measure. The fact was forced upon them, that the old Republican Vreeland-Aldrich measure was their only salvation. So, with bitter reluctance, they asked Congress to use its provisions to save the country. Congress did and the panic was averted.

#### "NELLIE, THE BEAUTIFUL CLOAK MODEL."

Most of our statesmen are too serious, but Representative Kahn, born in Kuppenheim, Germany, is one Congressman who sees the humorous side of political life. On a recent hot afternoon in the House of Representatives, Mr. Kahn said:

"The Democratic party has constantly assured the manufacturers and business men of this country that there was nothing to fear from the legislation proposed by the members of that party. No doubt the manu-

facturers and producers for a time believed the statements that emanated from the lips of the distinguished gentleman who heads the executive department of the Government. They have had an awakening.

"The New York Sun published a little item several months ago which exactly pictures the condition of the business world today. It is as follows:

"To the Editor of the Sun.—Sir: The kind words from the administration to the business interests of the country remind me of the thrilling melodrama entitled 'Nellie, the Beautiful Cloak Model.'"

"In the early part of the play the villain pushed Nellie off the Brooklyn Bridge. Later, he threw her overboard from an Atlantic liner. Later still, he thrust her under a descending elevator. The next time they met, he said, 'Nellie, why do you fear me?' "The business interests of the country have grown afraid of the legislation that was threatened and that is being enacted by the Democratic majority."

#### GLORIES OF BASE BALL.

Returning from a game which his representative team in the Three-Eye happened to win, the editor of the Quincy Journal, being in a felicitous mood, sums up his impressions of the national game by saying that there is something in baseball that appeals to all interested by human achievement. It has its own spectacular power. A hard batted ball, a speeding runner, an agile stop, a swift, accurate throw, a sure catch, these are beautiful forms of human skill.

Equally also, it is a battle of organization and mastery of personal force. It is not enough to assemble a group of men who can bat, throw and catch a ball with great speed, strength and accuracy. It is also prearranging the movements of these men so that they fit into each other like the levers of a machine. It is a question of so winning their loyalty that they will not play simply for a salary and their own averages. A man who is quick witted enough to play baseball is apt to be quick to take offense, imaginative, sensitive, morbid. The balance between competing players needs to be held with absolute fairness, based on a competent judgment of their play.

The manager of a professional ball team has the problem of maintaining a balance of justice between the personal interest of his players, so that if any man gets a grouch, it shall be of his own creation. Then there is that indefinable power of creating enthusiasm, which radiates from some men, while others leave their asso-

ciates wholly cold. When one sees a group of players having all these qualities of skill, led with all this enthusiasm and systematic work and quick wit, he sees a product into which there has entered a plentiful supply of brains.

#### THAT REMINDS US—

That some mothers are so fussy and foolish as to name their girl babies from a Pullman car. How pretty they are—the names, we mean.

That Cincinnati is for individual water buckets for their horses, and a paper says that "there will soon be finger bowls for cats."

That it is said the president will make speeches in the "weak democratic districts." A paper says "there are no other kind."

That one man says that women want to wear things because other women wear them. The other man says that his wife wears just a little less.

That the Home Coming was a grand affair and everyone who has an interest in keeping things moving was satisfied.

#### Don't Forget.

During the celebration of Home Coming don't forget that the fly is the worst enemy you have. If you happen to have the "swatting" fever, take it out on the fly, and you will be doing lots of good.

At the same time don't forget that dirty alleys and dirty slop places are breeders of flies and pests.

Attention is called to the ordinance regarding dirty alleys, and remember that it is easier and cheaper to keep premises clean than it is to pay fines, and it is up to you to take your choice, and take it quick. The committees are busy in this good work and they deserve the backing of everyone.

Attention is called to the stock yards again. Representatives of the railroad agreed at a public meeting to take definite action regarding the removal inside of six weeks, and the six weeks are past and gone. They also promised definite action regarding the round house.

Let us all help in the above matters as soon as we get rested from the Home Coming Week.

"Lest We Forget," don't forget that the "fly" has the wheel of fortune beaten a mile when it comes to health and happiness.

Keep swatting!

This old world with its perplexing problems needs your smiles and good wishes.

#### Notice to Contractors.

Sealed bids will be received at the office of George S. Baker, Dwight, Illinois, Town Clerk of Dwight Township, until two o'clock Saturday, August 29th, 1914, for the construction of a new bridge known as Dumbear Creek bridge, between Section 4 of Union Township and Section 33 of Dwight Township, according to plans and specifications furnished by the County Superintendent of Highways of Livingston County. Plans on file at the office of George S. Baker, Dwight, Illinois, or may be had by addressing R. W. Osborn, County Superintendent of Highways, Pontiac, Illinois.—Adv.

JAMES PRICKETT,  
CONRAD SIMANTEL,  
A. B. TERWILLEGAR,  
Commissioners of Dwight Township.  
WM. GASTON,  
FRANK WEBER,  
JOHN DAUGHAM,  
Commissioners of Union Township.

#### Notice to Contractors.

Sealed bids will be received at the office of George S. Baker, Dwight, Illinois, Town Clerk of Dwight Township, until two o'clock Saturday, August 29th, 1914, for the construction of a new super-structure on the old abutment of a bridge on West Mazon Avenue, according to plans and specifications furnished by the County Superintendent of Highways of Livingston County. Plans on file at the office of George S. Baker, Dwight, Illinois, or may be had by addressing R. W. Osborn, County Superintendent of Highways, Pontiac, Illinois.—Adv.

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Sealed bids will be received at the office of George S. Baker, Dwight, Illinois, Town Clerk of Dwight Township, until two o'clock Saturday, August 29th, 1914, for the construction of a new bridge known as Cemetery Bridge about one mile north of Odell, on State Aid route 6, according to plans and specifications furnished by the County Superintendent of Highways of Livingston County. Plans on file at the office of George S. Baker, Dwight, Illinois, or may be had by addressing R. W. Osborn, County Superintendent of Highways, Pontiac, Illinois.—Adv.

TIMOTHY TURNER,  
GEORGE ABBY,  
W. E. RUDDY,  
Commissioners of Nevada Township.

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