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THE LIBERTY LOAN AND THE FARMER

It is every citizen's duty to purchase a Liberty bond if he is in a position to do so. Every patriot will regard it as a privilege to participate in the Liberty loan. D. F. HOUSTON, Secretary of Agriculture.

HIGH PRICES AND COMMUNITY CO-OPERATION

We are inclined to view the present era of high prices as conducting entirely to the benefit of the farmer, and to regard him as a very fortunate individual. True he is more fortunate than he has been in times past, but while he has been relieved of some burdens he has been saddled with others. Not all the high prices have benefitted him.

We are too apt to view the farmer as living entirely on the farm and off its products. In one sense this is true but in another sense not. While his means come from the farm, much of those means must be exchanged for commodities that do not come from the farm.

The farmer must wear clothes, and these must come from the manufacturers and the merchants. He must have farm implements, and these he cannot make. He must have wagons and buggies, and if he is to enjoy life as his city brother, automobiles, and the prices of these articles are soaring in company with the products of his farm.

But what we started out to remark was that the farmers can in large measure meet and overcome the effects of the high prices of farm implements by a well-planned system of co-operation. And it looks now as though this plan will have to be adopted. The demand for war supplies has diverted the energies of many large factories, and a shortage of farm implements is freely predicted.

In this event co-operation in the purchase and use of the more costly of farm tools will prove not only practicable but profitable. There are many tools used on the farm, where one implement may be made to do the work of several farms. Every farmer knows what they are, and it is unnecessary to enumerate them. We merely would impress

the fact that wherever these can be owned co-operatively, it is not only economy to do so, but it is also of real benefit to the country in this crisis. Every ounce of energy that can be diverted from the manufacture of farm supplies can be devoted to the manufacture of government supplies.

Every community in our country should give this matter serious consideration this fall, while planning for that record crop that will be needed next year.

THE MONROE DOCTRINE
Every now and then we are met by the criticism that in entering the European war we are running counter to the Monroe Doctrine.

These same critics would have us believe that this country has entered the conflict for the purpose of punishing one set of belligerents and avenging another set.

The country should get right on this matter and forever silence the tongues of those who by these arguments would clog the wheels of progress at this time.

Taking the latter count first, this country has no intention of punishing any nation, nor of avenging any. It has, however, a firm determination that the atrocities visited upon Belgium and other invaded countries shall have no chance of a duplication here.

German apologists seem to forget that this country had ample cause for war before war was declared—cause consisting of Germany's aggressions on this country and on its citizens. Many innocent American lives had been sacrificed to her unlawful and outrageous methods, and many indignities suffered, before this country decided to put a stop to them by force of arms.

The wiley plea that we are going to avenge the wrongs of other peoples will not avail. Could that be established it would really place us in an unenviable light. It would place us in the attitude of overriding a principle of action that for more than a century has been a veritable beacon star by which we have steered our national course

in 7 days; 1 3-year-old heifer; 1 2-year-old heifer; 1 4-year-old cow; 1 12-year-old cow; 1 4-year-old cow; 1 8-year-old Hereford cow, well bred; 1 3-year-old herd bull, Toronto strain, sired by Lee Dinwiddie's Toronto bull of the Hood farm, dam an eligible to advance register, cow testing 7% per cent, butter fat; 1 2-year-old Shorthorn heifer; 4 yearling heifers, sired by bull listed; 6 spring heifers, sired by same bull; 1 6-weeks-old calf, out of the 11-pound Swiss cow.

These cows are all excellent milkers, average test last winter was 5 per cent. They carry their flow of milk well up to calving. All cows not related, bred to herd bull. Any cow sold at my sale that is or has been fresh, is guaranteed to give 7 pounds butter in a 7-day test, 20 to 40 days after freshening. Some will do better.

President Wilson has stated the matter clearly—the EARTH must be made safe for democracy. It most certainly is not so now.

EDITORIAL PARAGRAPHS

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

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 day for their services. And yet we wonder at their lack of enthusiasm.

Many a man will advance a little recently acquired knowledge of a 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 the report of 1,500,000 hides in storage awaiting higher prices.

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.

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.

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

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

The kaiser should worry about that 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.

The government is threatening to put a stop to the slaughter of young lambs. Similar action in the case of calves would be of benefit. The same might be said of the frying chicken, but it is doubtful if the people would stand for that, and then the farmer is not worrying over dollar-a-dozen eggs, anyway.

The undersigned will offer at public sale at his residence, 10 1/2 miles directly north of Rensselaer, 3 1/2 miles south and 1/2 mile west of Kniman, commencing at 10 a.m., on

MONDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1917.
3 Head of Horses—Consisting of 1 dark brown gelding, 5 years old, sound, wt. 1500; 1 grey mare, 12 years old, in foal, an extra good brood mare, wt. 1500; 1 yearling mare colt, a good one, wt. 900.

14 Head of Cattle—Consisting of 1 dark red cow, 7 years old; 1 red cow, 4 years old; 1 red red cow, 10 years old; 1 red cow, 7 years old, all giving a good flow of milk; 1 black cow, 6 years old, fresh

soon; 1 red cow, 4 years old, fresh November 25; 3 yearling heifers; 3 yearling steers; 2 spring calves, one steer, one heifer.

5 Head of Hogs—Consisting of shots, weighing about 100 pounds each.

Implements, Wagons, Etc.—Consisting of 1 Champion binder, 7-ft. cut; 1 Buckeye mower; 1 hay rake; 1 triple-bed Ottawa wagon; 1 3-in. tire wagon; 1 single buggy; 1 carriage; 1 10-foot Cutaway disc; 1 Tower gopher; 2 cultivators, 1 with gopher attachment; 1 corn planter with 80 rods of wire; 2 3-section flexible harrows; 1 walking plow; 1 1-horse garden plow; 1 sulky plow; 1 set gravel boards; 1 DeLaval cream separator; 1 churn; 1 15-gallon jar; 2 sets work harness; 1 set driving harness; 1 single harness; 1 large kettle, and other articles too numerous to mention.

Terms—A credit of 10 months will be given on sums over \$10 with 6 per cent interest if paid when due, if not paid at maturity 8 per cent interest from date; 2 per cent off for cash when entitled to credit.

H. DAVISON, JOE NORMAN, Col. W. A. McCurtain, Auctioneer, E. P. Lane, clerk.

Hot lunch on ground.

As I am going to quit farming and move to Remington, I will sell at public auction at my residence, 1 1/2 miles south and 3 miles west of Remington, 1 1/2 miles south and 4 miles east of Goodland, commencing at 1 o'clock sharp on

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L. H. TYLER, Harvey Williams, auctioneer.

Ellis Jones, clerk.

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