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# Men are never so good or so bad as their opinions.—Mackintosh.

No one is allowed to enter or leave Germany after today unless in case of absolute necessity. This rule is supposed to apply to the Allied armies as well as to ordinary travelers.

No opinion ever delivered by Mr. tion than that of last night. We surmise that it will be sustained by the Supreme Court, namely, the American electorate.

The Legalistas, says a report from Mexico, insist that Carranza's power is fast ebbing, basing part of their claims even on the builfight in Juarez. Is "bullfight" the courteous Mexican way of referring to note interchanges?

Infantile paralysis in Philadelphia is not so disproportionate as to cause hysteria, but there is plenty of reason for precaution and care. The city has which official holds office at the pleasure had ample warning in the scourge of of the Mayor. It is not seriously denied. New York. Not to profit by it would be criminal.

In discussing the munitions phase of the war a writer says that no blame should be attached to dead Kitchener, England, he says, realized that it was way to clear himself before the comnot a one-man war and gave the job to Lloyd George. Thereby confirming the lay opinion that Lloyd George is at least a syndicate.

was not responsible for the escape of Villa after raiding the town, as War Department investigators find, who was destruction which follows his raids as an act of God?

Motor car accidents in Philadel phia since the beginning of the year are responsible for the deaths of 76 persons, nearly three-quarters of the number killed on the Lusitapia. It would have been a monstrous thing, but better for Philadelphia, if the whole number had been killed in one accident, in one slaughter of the innocents, so that the city might be inflamed against the guilty. As it is, each man thanks his stars that he has not been affected and goes on uncoascious of a great wrong.

A gain of nine will make the Sen ate Republican after next March. Chairman Woods, of the Republican Congressional Committee, says that it is reasonably certain that ten and possibly eleven Republicans will be elected to displace Democrats. The terms of seventeen Democrats expire on March 3. The ten tection of legitimate American indus-States in which the Republican chances vary from probable to certain victory www.are Indiana, Maine, Maryland, Missouri, the jud Montana, Nebraska, New Jersey, New McFausiYork, Chio and West Virginia.

While New York has put on her statute books a law which is denounced as militaristic, for training in schools. Philadelphia has found a way to achieve most of the professed objects of the law by a more simple means. Physical training is hereafter to be a regular study, required and credited in promotion. Per haps the chief benefit of this will be to minimize specialization in collegiate athletics on the part of those who go on. Compulsory swimming is already part of the curriculum in one eastern college. Extension of the idea, carefully planned to avoid injustice, must start with the lower schools.

The death of three troopers on the border is the earliest casualty reported since Philadelphia's interest in Mexico became personal. That bandits should have come close to Fort Stockton and reasons for keeping the Guard at the European war has brought the nation border line. But keeping it there is a into contempt abroad. necessary evil, and the Administration which would emphasize the necessity must eventually take cognizance of the ovil itself. Councillor Polk is, therefore, justified in insisting that Mexican in ternal affairs must be considered at the approaching conference as fully as the retetions with this Government. They offer, in fact, the only basis for our relations.

The international conference of Socialists, now in session at The Hague. frets itself unnecessarily about its part in peace terms. In a marked way the world has passed Socialism by, and its efforts new are to assure a maximum stands for woman suffrage. He regards of democratic control over the forces of diplomacy. The agitation of half a one of moral obligation. He stands for century in favor of pacifism and internationalism did nothing for Europe, and Socialists of each country chaved to their swar. The spirit of nationalism | ing sentences, in which he declared for

war. When the war is over the task will be to preserve that spirit and to cut from It the excrescences of linguism. But the scalpel is not in the hands of internationalists and cannot be.

#### POLICE, NOT GRAND JURIES, MUST MAINTAIN ORDER

TOUCH the underworld and your hand is on the pulse of the System, In the habitat of the level, the desperate, the degenerate and the victous flow the currents of corruption which men of keener minds, in slik hats and white shirts, direct to their own advantage, organize and capitalize as a political instrument and use to blunt the enthusinum of high civic endeavor and defeat the purposes of those who love Philadelphia and yearn to scourge corruption from its veins.

Humiliating as it must be to all good citizens to have the city's vice paraded about, the fact remains that a thorough cleansing program could be of enormous value to the city eventually. Could the traffickers in vice, the mysterious influences in the background, be brought into the open and their activity exposed, we after pleasure. Stop, look and listen: take it that a reorganization of some sort would be necessary in more than one would not be so apparent in campaigns

Mr. Rotan declares that he has never had so golden an opportunity. That is true. It is the reason why the public is watching the proceedings of the Grand Jury so closely and is prepared to reach conclusions of its own if there is any Hughes carried more weight and convict hitch or any plan to Catlinize the investigation. Back of the Grand Jury is Mr. Rotan. It is up to him to produce the goods, and the only kind of goods worth producing in the circumstances is the men higher up. They are the ones to be exposed, for in them immunity for vice nestles. A minor scapegoat or two is not what the public wants.

Yet it may be doubted if any Grand Jury action could be more than palliative. The key to the problem is in the pocket of the Director of Public Safety, we believe, that for three months or more the city was wide open. Either it was open with the connivance of the Mayor or Director Wilson disobeyed orders. If the latter is true, the Mayor has but one munity, and that is to fire Mr. Wilson. whether the Vares like it or not. Vice mongers are like mushrooms; they spring up overnight, under favoring conditions. If Colonel Slocum, commanding the Were a Grand Jury to drain the district Thirteenth Cavalry, at Columbus, N. M., white within a week it would be again black as the nether regions under a police force that was acquiescent. Superinresponsible? Must we regard Villa as tendent Robinson avers that he had heard a flood or a whirlwind and classify the rumors about some men taking graft. That means nothing, but the one big fact that does stand out and that does mean trict was wide open, and it could not have been that way one night without the connivance of the police. The police could not have been derelict one night without the knowledge of Director Wilson. Nor is it written in the record of human events that vice, in defiance of law, waves its flaunting banners without paying for the privilege in one form or another.

Director Wilson may have been able to explain to the satisfaction of the Mayor the situation which existed, but he has not explained it to the satisfaction of the public. The Administration calls itself Republican. The kind of Protection the Republican party stands for is the protries, not the protection of vice. It might do the Mayor good to let that thought the official in whose department there seems to have been but a faint realization

The Director under whom vice has thriven is not a director under whom it would hereafter wither,

#### "AMERICA FIRST AND AMERICA EFFICIENT"

No MORE scathing arraignment of Democratic incompetence has been made in recent years than was made by Justice Hughes in his speech of acceptance last night. When the Administration has used strong and wise words it has failed to follow them up with decisive action and when it has acted it has blundered irretrievably. It has not been of the same mind for many months at a time on the Mexican question, national preparedness or the tariff, and its course on all these matters has been humiliating have ventured on an attack are sufficient to America. Further, its course in the

> More important than his arraignment of the Democracy is his program of pos itive policies. He declares in most unmistakable terms for a restoration of the protective tariff framed under the advice of trade experts for the purpose of safeguarding American economic independence and preventing the American workman from suffering "in the competitive struggie that is about to come." He believes in adequate praparedness on both land and sea. He demands the development of the merchant marine and opposes compelling our ship-owners to compete with Government-owned vessels. our attitude toward the Philippines as civil service referm and for a national budget system. The keynote of the whole

address was contained in one of the open-

# Tom Daly's Column

IF YOU heard a noise this morning like a herd of boys splashing around in the old swimmin' hole it was probably made by a prominent person in Washington chuckling over his second saucerful of coffee while he read, in the paper propped up against the silver-plated caster, things like this:

From many parts of the hall rose the cry familiar from the days in Chicago immediately preceding the Republican Convention, "We want

OVATION ALSO FOR HUGHES The appearance of Mr. Hughes on the platform about 15 minutes later was the signal for a new demonstra-tion, which both in length and in-tensity equaled, but did not surpass, that bestowed on the Colonel.

#### Inconsistency

Unless his eggs are fresh Bill Gunn Will find a lot of fault; But always, when he's served with one, He covers it with salt. -Rody McPhee, in Springfield Union. More silly traits to Bill belong. Here's one of which we'd speak:

Unless a cup of coffee's strong

He'll holler for a week.

For the crazy ones on the mad rush "Lightly speeds my boat along, my garments fluttering in the gentle breeze · · · I grudge the slowness of the ward and the trickery which has marked dawning day. From afar I descry my gang election campaigns in the past old home and joyfully press onward in my haste. The servants rush out to meet me; my children cluster at the gate. There is the old pine tree and my chrysanthemums. Wine is brought in full bottles and I pour it out in brimming cups. I gaze out at my favorite branches. I loll against the cushlons in my new found freedom. I look at and love again the sweet children on my knee. I lean on my staff and wander about. I sit down to rest. I take pleasure in my gar den. Clouds rise unwilling from the bot tom of the hills; the weary bird seeks its nest again. Shadows vanish, yet still I linger by my lonely pine. Home once more. In the pure enjoyment of the family circle I will pass my days. I will take pleasure in my garden, cheering my idle hours with lute and book, my spirit

> Sounds like a weary pleasure seeke getting back home from his vacation, doesn't it? Well, it was Tao Yuan Ming who said that in the year of our Lord 365

free from care."

HANDFUL OF WOMEN'S FINE SILK

'I used to laugh," says W. S. H., "at the wheeze about a woman carrying her bath-ing suit in a handbag, but I guess I'm old-fashioned. What is a handful, anyway?"

but an unhappliy married man once told us that any one woman is a handful.

My aunt is rich and a miser, miser and very old; nd when the lady dies, her Dear kin will get her gold.

Now some are poor and lonesome And some have beaps of gain. But poor-but-rich I own so

We laid her on the hill Then gathered to contest her

For, when the case untangled.

My tale is sad and dolesome My kin are poor again; But I, I still control some Fair castles built in Spain

HUPMOBILE KNOCKS

LUMBER PILE

-Headline in Stroudeburg Times. This is correct from any angle. Before call timber "lumber," the word meant "Old or refuse household stuff: things cumbrous, or bulky and useless, or of small value." And before that, according to Trench, a lumber room was the room where the Lombard pawnbroker stored his pledges.

## How 'Bout It, Mr. Mayor?

Sir-If you want to enjoy about zero in amusement, do a hard day's work this broiling weather, drag your wear feet down the stove-lid sidewalk, and with your mind on a tall one with mint sticking out, run into a blast from one of these sidewalk gridirons. Now that the lid is being put on again, why not apply it to these inventions of one devil? M.

Mrs. Breitenuff Says:

Mr. Oscar Endicott, driver of the Oceanthe house and called Dr. Allen, after which he soon recovered consciousness. It being a very suitry day he might have been overne by the heat.-Port Republic corre spondent in Atlantic City Press.

SHOES HALF SOLID WHILE YOU WAIT IN FIRST CLASS ORDER.

ANOTHER NOTE That "conscience doth us cowards make We quote with new reliance-For he who "kept us out of war" Is master of con science.

Can One Be Too Polite? Might suggest that Conductor 903 on toute 18 go out to corner to greet each incoming lady. Might even furnish her an umbrella and rubbers when it rains. Really won't that hat tipping and smirking ever wear out? But it gives us amusement and a laugh is worth a lot R. F. P.

So many contribs have called our atention to "Russia taking Brody" that we've decided to say nothing at all about



DIGGING

# McTAVISH. BATHING SUITS NOW \$2.50. —Department Store Ad.

Sir-In your column "The Voice of the

day (am a straphanger), and I cannot say that "Pennsylvanian" is right in condemn-ing all of the male population of this city.

give a lady his place in the car.

But the thing that has impressed m

nest is the fact that when they are given

these seats very few have either thanked the giver by word of mouth or in any other

get up and when he does they flop down without even so much as looking at the

person who gave them the seat, much less thanking them. Last night while "straphanging" I sav

gentleman get up and give a lady a seat in

the machine, never even thanked me for my trouble and drove off, leaving me to say to myself, "Well, I'll be

A person does not mind helping out or aiding some one if his act is going to be appreciated. Men who have worked all

day are mentally and physically tired, too,

believe almost any other man would do

In the section of the United States which

AMERICA TO EUROPE

They take it that a man ought to

it is a common occurrence to see a man

the cars while ladies stand.

chance to get it.

Personally we are incompetent to answer.

#### Rich Man-Poor Man

Fair castles built in Spain. . . . . . The lady died, God rest her!

The lawyers got the cash

WILL LOU.

## FORD CAR INTO A

folks in these United States began to

My man doesn't worry me any until he

## What Did Ail Oscar?

ville baker wagon, was found in front of Mrs. Bates' house on Monday in an uncon-scious state. Kind friends carried him in

E. F. S. reports this sign on Ninth street

We have no hesitancy whatever in asserting that our August Sale of Furniture, Metal Beds and Bedding, to begin on Tues-day, etc. —Department store ad. The metal beds and bedding, I suppose,

> The great mass of American opinion can be won only by proof that Europe is domi-nated by liberalis. An arrangement with Tories and chauvinists and imperialists Tories and chauvinists and imperialists is unthinkable, and Americans are watching with some misgiving the internal politics of Britain and Germany. They would take no responsibility for the peace of Europe if policy is to be dictated by men like Carron, Northcliffe and Curzon. The news which has come to us in the last few months has been a serious setback to the propaganda for an abandonment of isolation. Among the most important items of such news are these:

these:

The proposal of a war after the war by means of tariffs, boycotts and what not. If this is attempted it will drive us into isotation. If successful it will ultimately push us into the arms of Germany.

The muddle of Ireland, which has made America question the liberation of Britain and the sincerity of her talk about small nationalities or the good faith of her interest in Poles, Dance and Aleutians.

teous Than "Pennsylvanian" Found the Men-Some Remarks About Thinking This department is free to all readers who wish to express their opinions on subjects of current interest. It is an open forum, and the Evening Ledger axisimes no responsibility for the views of its correspondents.

comfortably, while up here the ladles seem to be without approviation entirely.

I may be wrong in my judgment, but I ride about the city in street cars a great

SOUTHERNER.

# the views of its correspondents. ride about the city in street cars a great deal, and I have seen numerous cases of ladles being given seats by men, but in mighty few has there been any acknowl-edgment on the part of the lady.

THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

"Southerner" Finds the Philadelphia Women are More Discour-

reople" in today's Issue of your paper I read with interest a letter from "A Penn-sylvanian" on "Male Discourtesy" in which Philadelphia, July 29. FROM A MAN WHO "THINKS" the writer calls attention to the fact that the men, especially the young men, Philadelphia are discourteous to ladies To the Editor of Evening Ledger: Sir-Treasonable frothings may go as the real stuff in Philadelphia, where the street cars, in that they remain seated in najority allows some one else to do its thinking. Even the EVENING LEDGER gives up the exercise of thought and al-The city of Philadelphia has been my nome but a short time, and I ride in street cars a great deal and the elevated every

ows partisanship to destroy all decent re Does the Evening Lenger know that election laws are made by the State Legis-latures, not by the national, and hence this matter of the soldier vote was very properly removed from an appropriation measured

I shall paste your "know-nothing" editorial on my November calendar sheet for comparison. JOHN H. EVANS. comparison. JOHN H. EVANS.
"Furious" to beat Wilson!
Philadelphia, July 31.

## PROTEST AGAINST ANARCHY

To the Editor of the Evening Ledger: Sir-Now that the world was made to the elevated She was accompanied by a healthy looking youngster of about 14 years. Not long after she had taken her seat (and I don't remember her thanking pen its eyes by force and made to admit that anarchist members would be none too gentle and would employ any extreme means in gaining their end, as was shown the donor), the person sitting next to her got up to get off at a station, and even though there were several ladies standing last Saturday in San Francis persons were killed, I thought that it would be a wise movement on the part of Philain the car she proceeded to put the boy in the place before any of the ladies had delphia to begin to employ means to pre-vent such an outburst from occurring here. How could they have better shown their strength than to have given warning a chance to get it.

A few days ago I was passing along a street where two elderly ladies were trying to crank a Ford. They were having diffito all newspapers that it would suit the senders in having all the advocates of preparedness in line to prove they were ulty in retting it started, so I crossed the street and after working at it for about five minutes succeeded in getting it started. It was one of those days when no cowards and face a likely death, as was the case, and signed by "the determined exiles from militaristic Governments—Italy. the "Bermuda High" was here and it was work and I perspired a good deal and put myself out to help them. They got into Germany and Russia."

What is going to prevent their timing a bomb at one of our celebrations, such as a prepardedness meeting, parade or, in fact, any affair not in accordance with the anarchist consent and opinion? Would that be impossible? Has it not already appeared in San Francisco? Enga Cold. happened in San Francisco? Emma Gold-man, who had been lecturing the whole of the fore week, has that deed attributed to her throat. As later explained by one arrested, "This is nothing." Maybe he is right. Who can tell? So, my City of Brotherly Love, let us employ some proj-ects to east fear into the hearts of those whose solie amplifors will terminal. and if, when they arose to give a lady in the street car a seat, they were thanked for discomforting themselves there might be more chivalry on the part of the man.

Very few men will remain seated when
an old lady gets into the car, and I have
myself given my seat to old gentlemen, and whose sole ambitions will terminate in the destruction of American lives, ideals, puroses and undertakings. Will our authorities foolishly sit back with a watchful ex-pectancy of a like occurrence or will they get down to business, casting off a "can't happen here" expression and decide on a scheme for preventing it? Who can tell? is my home, a man when he gives his seat to a lady, a smile and "I thank you very much" comes from the recipient of his kind-ness. The ladies appreciate when they are given the seat that the man giving it is putting himself out that she may ride more ABE MEYERS.

Brownsburg, Pa., July 25.

The activity of Japan and Russia in The publication of a blacklist. This is regarded by most Americans as a disruption of the world's commerce, not as a military measure against Germany. With Germany and all the adjoining neutrals blockaded America sees no sense in the measure and regards it as an attempt to destroy Germany, not as an effort to conquer her mili-tary power. It is regarded by Americans as insulting and as an invasion of their

rights.
We do not believ, that these measures represent the will of liberal England. They represent the reaction of wartime.—The

## UNIQUE

One big cartridge company in Canada has returned to the Government \$750,000, the profits on orders for war supplies. The Minister of Finance in acknowledging the gift says the donor showed 'high patriotic sentiment.' But the example does not seem

# What Do You Know?

eries of general interest will be answered its column. Ten questions, the answers to h every well-informed person should know, asked daily.

QUIZ 1. Where does castor oil get its name? How did the ludies dress their hair when they were a cataract or waterfall?

3. Who was Sir Thomas Ramsey?
4. Why is macadam payement so called?

5. How many ex-Presidents are still alive? 6. Who introduced the spells system into American national politics?

7. About how old is the Eric Canal? 8. Who is the American Ambussador to China? 9. What is the Congressional Club?

## 10. Where did the original Chestant Street Theatre stand?

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz Hilo is the second town in size in the wallan Islands and the best seapor

2. The Lacture Medal, made of gold, is pre-sented on Lacture or Mid-Lent Sunday by the University of Notre Dame to a Roman Catholic layman for distinguished services to religion or education.

A joist is one of the parallel timbers laid from wall to wall of a building for sup-porting the floors.

4. Captain Fryatt was the commander of the lightish steamer Brussels, who has been shot by the Germans for trying to ram a submarine. 5. Infantile paralysis is anterior poliomyel-

6. The Leeward Islands are a small group southeast of Porto Rico. It was in Sarajeve that the heir to the Austrian throne was assassinated on June 28, 1914.

9. Eleven States have constitutional prohibi-

Editor of "What Do You Know"-Can ou tell me whether any submarines crossed the ocean from this side under their own

power since the war began?
TELEPHONE. All information concerning the move-ments of belligerent vessels is subject to scrutiny, but as far as we can find out there is no reason to doubt the following facts: A flottill of submarines did leave from some Canadian port about a year ago and proceeded under their own power to a friendly nort, projubly in Cases. to a friendly port, probably in Great Bri tain, possibly further on The ultimate destination of some of these submarines The ultimate was the Dardanelles. We cannot whether the submarines stopped en route. But they unquestionably went. Consult the Evenino Ledger for July 11, 1916.

## How to Get London Papers

Editor of "What Do You Know"-Please advise me how I may obtain copies of some prominent London (Eng.) newspap

for the name of the engineer who managed

Copies of London papers may be obtained Copies or London papers may be obtained through the American News Company, New York, or direct from the publishing offices in London. The leading papers of London are the Times, the Daily Mail, the Telegraph, the Post and the Chronicle.

Editor of "What Do You Know"—In the Evening Lebour of June 25 there appeared an article on Masonry by John Elfreth Walkins, entitled "The Disappearance of James Morgan." Can you tell me and book on this same subject has if an old book on this same subject has any value? The book was printed in 1827 and bears on the title page the following:

lilustrations of Masonry by one of the Fraternity who has devoted to years to the subject, with an account of the kidnapping of the Author. Printed for the Author in New York

The name of the author is "Morgan," If you cannot give me the information de-sired, perhaps you can refer me to some authority who can. MARY S. WINDLE. authority who can mark? S. WINDLE.

Probably the value of the book could be determined by consulting some authority on books or reputable buyer and seller of rare volumes. It is not possible to give trade advice of this sert in this column, but it is quite possible that private individuals not in trade, would be interested in the book you describe and might volume.

#### SHOCK OF WAR ON AUGUST 1

A Day All in Melancholy Gray Tones, When the Great War Was Only Shown in Symbols

TF ANY ONE doubts the accuracy of the description given in this place yesterday, let him turn to the files of the daily papers before August 1, 1914, Let he for brevity, consult the Literary Digest for August 2 of that year, dealing with events up to the end of July. All the papers quoted deal with the Austro-Serbian struggle, with only faint indications of a wider war, of Entente and Alliance. Editorially, there is mention of the menace. In the news there is next to nothing.

So we come to the first day of August, the day on which Germany and Russia found themselves at war, when France was mobilizing, while it made desperate efforts to treat with Germany. It was the day on which Austria made its first break over Serbian soll, when American tourists began to suffer the lesser rigora of militarism. But of all these things we knew nothing. The first of August was a Saturday, and we went to the shore or joined our families at a mountain resort with only an unwonted perplexity in our minds. It wasn't war that bothered us, but a strange threat, a cloud, not a thunderbolt. Our vision was obscured, but we were not blinded.

That Saturday morning was all in gray. Every measure was precautionary, every event was scanned for a hidden and disastrous meaning. Our banker friends had known for 24 hours what we learned: that the stock exchanges of the whole world had closed their doors simultaneously for the first time in history, We aren't all economists, but we all knew that something serious had happened. "Those boys in Wall street know everything," we figured. "It means bad." We saw that fast enough.

#### Uncertainty the Word

But why did the Hamburg-American Line cancel the sailings of the Vaterland Amerika, Imperator? Was England coming in? We turned to our reports from England and were as much at sea as the English fleet. The Goodwood races, the Cowes regatta and week-ends occupied British minds. Occasionally a question was asked, so naively as to make us smile today. It was, Can the British fleet protect England from isolation?

Uncertainty was the word. There was a near-panic in wheat, there was the threat of a world strike, there was trouble with our currency. But in the midst of these a terrible thing happened, one which never was given its proper consideration. It was the assassination of Jean Juares. We who know now that Liebknecht was powerless may speculate on what Juares would have tried to do in France. But he was taken off, and two years later we are treated to the choice idea that France had him put out of the way to avoid trouble. At the moment the assassination affected us like a thunderstorm when we are in the midst of an unhappy family quarrel. It was an omen.

Remember that all this was before the days of Efficiency and Frightfulness, be fore our orientation in the war set our hearts so close to the Entente and our faces so firm against Germany. We were appalled, not by human will, but by human folly; we saw only the inevitable. It was too early for moral judgments, too soon for us to blame or praise. We were conscious of forces dragging sanity and wisdom down, but we did not suspect that all the sanity and wisdom of two generations had prepared those forces and put grappling hooks into their hands. The processes of diplomacy irritated us. In them as practiced by the Teutonic empires we found the first ground for our faith in England and France, for we slowly began to compare facts, to see that virtually every communication from Germany and Austria was an ultimatum, set a definite time, and that not far ahead, for an answer. We know now what the reason was, can even see that the piling up of Russian and French forces was what ruined Germany's bright 10. It is 96 miles from Philadelphia to Baltihope of a quick and victorious war. We see now that the doctrine of military necessity justified the sharp words, the impossible conditions, the snarling of the dogs before they were sent on the chasa. But in those days we did not know the

#### doctrine of necessity at all. Not Anti-German

One thing we do learn from passing back in this way to the summer of two years ago. We learn that America was not anti-German. If this country had really been Anglicized, the results would have shown in the earliest days. There is not a sign. Even the violation of Belgian neutrality did not move the United States so much. It was only in the days when Louvain burned and terror and misery were let loose on Belgian soil that we began to feel what a horrible wrong had been committed. The people of this country had not learned to think in terms of treaties, of diplomatic representations, of national integrity. Wa were—we may be still—the most intenself personal nation in the world. Our press. which was never and never could be subsidized, was surprisingly indifferent to causes and to responsibilities. Archenemies of Germany now were pointing out her difficulties. One paper in New York which has been the black beast of German-Americans actually said, weeks after the war began, that Germany had gone down on her knees to Russia to prevent war. We make no mention of the name out of professional sympathy. because the editor who penned those words has retracted them, or their spirit,

many times since then. No, we were not pro or anti anything then, except for our furious determin tion to keep "steady on." We felt out of it-that it was not our quarrel and that there was no justice in it. It was lone before we realized what the battle means long before we were to see that if there was no justice in the slaughter there was a wild and wanton injustice in its methods. The isolation of America ended 1914, but August I was not the date.