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FOR JANUARY WAS 115,777 Philadelphia, Tuesday, February 27, 1917.

Uncle Sam has learned to make Roquefort cheese, but a lot of his nephows have not yet learned how to eat it.

The order from the State Departmt that no information be made public erning the clearance of vessels from this port and New York is censorship of news at the source, to which no patriotic American interested in the safety of ships at sea will seriously object.

The success of the State Constabulary in bringing an end to the robberies in and about Penllyn calls attention to is to suppress rioting strikers, but as a matter of fact it is engaged all the time in protecting the people of the State from all sorts of lawbreakers.

An 80,000-ton warship, with eightcen-inch guns, which the Navy Departent says is the biggest that can now be passed through the Panama Canal, would chantmen to sea surrounded with conmake Balbon, who first crossed the isthmus, sit up and take notice. Indeed, if the late Admiral Mahan, who said that 10,000-ton ships were the maximum desirable, knows of the progress which has been made in building big ships he will be almost as greatly surprised as Balboa,

If the police have at last decided enforce the ordinance against "hitching on" to vehicles in the street, the number of fatal accidents ought to be reduced. Mr. Cattell could doubtless tell year by jumping from a wagon on which strong and weak points of our defense. they were stealing a ride. In the past The President, in this trying position. have paid no attention to and the boys have been in the habit of trust him with large enough powers to hitching on in sight of an officer on the sidewalk. Now the officers are ordered the situation may take, as well as less to arrest all such for their own protec-

The colleagues of Representative Woodward who would not take seriously his plan to pay a bounty for rats did not reciate the ravages of these rodents. It is capable of proof that rats destroy as much as the birds save. Yet it is seri ously proposed that cats be taxed in order to reduce their number and save the birds which eat noxious insects and the seeds of pestiferous plants. Japan prior to her war with Russia paid a bounty for rats in order to wipe out the bubonic plague, and with unusual . foresight saved the ekins and made earmuffs of them for her soldlers who fought the Russians in northern Korea. Food here would be a little cheaper if the rats were extermi-

It is among the possibilities that Germany is attempting to provoke Holland to resist interference with her shipping in order to give the German troops an opportunity to make war upon the Netherlands. German statesmen have said for years that Germany without Holland is like a house without a front door. German ambition has long looked in the direction of this country through which the Rhine finds its way to the North Sea The sinking of seven Dutch merchant ships bound for Holland ports is without any excuse. Germany has made a show apologizing, but the apologies do not the ships and only increase the inmation of the Dutch. Are we to have a new peace plan on the basis of the war map with Holland made another Belgium?

The plan of the city to buy prons and sell them at cost has been de in response to an undoubted demand. is admittedly a temporary measure et an emergency. No one exts it to solve the high-cost-of-living em. It is expected, however, to ers that may have been formed. No corner could survive twenty-four with the city buying in the open et and selling food at cut prices. It sible to get potatoes and apples on irm and bring them to the city and m without profit at much less d case the pressure upon the of food in the country are distrib-

retailers took advantage of the crisis and in an intelligent spirit of self-interest offered to co-operate with the city in the work, either by lending some of their nachinery of distribution or by cutting out the middleman themselves and making their stores a medium for getting the food directly from the producer to the consumer.

CONGRESS MUST SHARE RESPONSIBILITY

MR. WILSON'S guarded statements to Congress accurately represent what has seemed in the last three weeks to be the state of mind of the people in Eleven make glass eyes. There is one each at least one respect-namely, that the in New York, London and Venice, Of the majority of them are not disposed to pro- other nine, four are in Germany and five voke Germany to open war by a hasty in Paris. Among these there is a man and bellicose demonstration of force. He finds that no overt act has been com- makes artificial eyes of crystal and enamel mitted. He finds only increasing evidence that Germany has been trying out a distance of twelve feet from a patient, our patience with pin-pricks that seem provided the living eye is immobile, it is to make certain there is no intention on the part of the German Government to retreat from its position. That position, if maintained, may mean war, unless we are to surrender our right to trade with Europe. And it must be admitted that Congress and the country have not met that issue with sufficient firmness and unity to warrant the President in taking steps that might amount to making war.

If sending our ships to sea armed or otherwise protected is tantamount to making war, as would seem to be the view of the German Government, it is proper that Congress, which alone has a the feath of his father some years ago he abandoned eye surgery to take up the succession. Doctor Coulomb does not and making war, as would seem to be the responsibility for actions which it would necessarily have to inderse later. It would be sheer moral cowardice to put the whole burden on Mr. Wilson. He seems, in fact, to imply that he would have taken steps to protect American ships sooner if there had not been so much irresolution among Congressmen and other citizens. He says:

No doubt I already possess that authority without special warrant of law, by the plain implication of my consti-tutional duties and powers; but I prefer, in the present circumstances, not to in the present circumstances, not to act upon general implication.

Those "present circumstances" are peace-at-any-price speeches and propaganda and the remarkable inconsistency in speeches in the Senate censurins the President, in effect, for not protecting in the first face so presentable, inconsistency in speeches in the Senate censuring the face so presentable, inconsistency in speeches in the Senate censuring the face so presentable, inconsistency in speeches in the Senate censuring the face so presentable, inconsistency in speeches in the Senate censuring the face so presentable, and the face so presentable, and the face so presentable, and the face so presentable inconsistency in speeches in the Senate censuring the face so presentable inconsistency in speeches in the Senate censuring the face so presentable inconsistency in speeches in the Senate censuring the face so presentable inconsistency in speeches in the Senate censuring the face so presentable. our ships and at the same time protesting against giving him authority to do so effectually.

It will depend very largely, then, upon

the tenor of the reply of Congress to one of the most important functions of the President to what extent protection this unrivaled body of men. There is an shall be afforded to our shipping. Mr. impression abroad that its chief function | Wilson leaves no doubt as to the main fact, that "we must defend our commerce and the lives of our people. . . . Only the method and the extent remain to be chosen." Congress can thus limit grafted blank receding over an inch within the "extent" to putting one gan on each merchant ship-a most inadequate defense-or it can put in the hands of the President full authority to send our mervoying warcraft as the other extreme. Of course, the decision is not so simple as that choice. The course the President will take may mean either an immediate state of war or it may mean the adoption of a method of armed neutrality which will be satisfactory for many months. perhaps until the end of the European war. He cannot tell. No one can tell. The best method must be found, and when it is found it must be a military secret, to a large extent, as having broken off relations with Germany if offhand how many boys are killed each is not our place to point out to her the

meet any sudden swerve toward open war serious emergencies. No one doubts that the country really trusts him to use discretion. Criticism of him has been that he erred on the side of discretion and not on that of impulse. Criticism has even been heard since his address of yesterday that still he does not go far enough, that he does not say how soon he desires to take steps to protect American ships and lives. But what criticism of that sort comes from Congress, Congress can readily silence by taking action in the five days left to it for action.

A SURFEIT OF HORRORS

THE sinking by a German submarine of the Cunard liner Laconia is as indefensible as the sinking of the Lusitania, She was a passenger ship, carrying 270 men and women besides the crew. If this were the first example of German submarine frightfulness the world would be shocked beyond measure. But the unlawful, intolerable course of Germany has brought about a surfeit of horrors, and we say that this is only another instance of that invasion of the freedom of the seas which has become common in a war avowedly fought to insure their freedom to the commerce of all nations.

Yet in spite of the multiplicity of such horrors there still remains enough of the sense of justice and humanity to be shocked at the action of a nation in sinking without warning a great ocean liner loaded with passengers. No excuse can be found for it in the principles of conduct of any civilized power.

LET THE FARCE GO ON

WHEN reduced to its lowest terms, the Governor's veto of the Sproul resolution means that if he is to be investigated he wishes to be investigated by his friends and not by his enemies.

He charges that the proposed inquiry was for the purpose of "putting him in nock the bottom out of any speculative a hole." The kind of an investigation which he would like would be one that would put him on a pinnacle.

The veto rings the curtain down on one act of the farce which both factions have been playing. It remains to be seen whether, when the curtain goes up again, it will show the factionalists fall revalling retail prices. We can ing on one another's necks in a moving nan's profit tempo- reconciliation scene while there sticks out of the pockets of each a contract for a serate means until the division of the spoils of office in which the rights of the people are ignored.

Neither faction is anxious for an investigation, for each "has the goods" on other. A conspiracy of addition, division and silence which seems to be

REMAKING FACES MARRED BY WAR

Dr. Coulomb Fashions Eyes Eyelids, Cheeks and Foreheads for French Soldiers. An Example of His Work

By HENRI BAZIN Special Correspondent of the Evening Ledger in France.

PARIS, Jan. 30. In ALL the world there are just an even dozen manufacturers of artificial eyes. apart, an artist, Dr. Robert Coulomb, who so startlingly like the living orbit that at absolutely impossible to distinguish which can see the light of the sun. Since his demobilisation as an army surgeon, his entire time could be devoted to a pro-fersion that found its clientele suddenly increased by several thousand per cent. Dec-tor Coulomb has also performed extraordi-nary work in artificially rendering face-mutilated soldiers of France much like their unharmed countrymen at more than passing glance.

Doctor Coulomb is a professor of oph-Poeter Coulomb is a professor of opportunitie surgery, a graduate of the University of Paris, and an occulat of renown who wears the Crors de Guerre for bravery at the front. Previous to the war, he had been the recipient of honors from the French before also has not for some time performed any oc-ulo-frontal, coulo-mand, or oculo-symatle surgery. He receives only such soldiers as patients as have been discharged from the nospital with a missing eye or healthy healed upper face wound.

"A Little German Pleasantry"

When I entered his office in the Rue Vignon, he presented me to another man in uniform, about thirty years of age, with stripes upon one arm indicating rank as stripes upon one arm indicating rais as first lientenant of infantry, and upon the other, two years' service against Garmany. This officer, whose name I will not mention, were spectacles, and as I grasped his band I saw the left eye as prificial and that a scar ran in irregular elliptical form aroun circling the eye. As I looked and mentally "You would be very amiable, Lieutenant, if you would undress your face for Monsieur, whom I expressly desired you should meet."

With the request, the Lleutenant removed his speciacles. With them, because attached, came the artificial eye and, all in one piece, the syclids, part of the lower forehead and check. Refere my vision was the wickelest cicalrics I have ever looked upon, and I've seen a few since I have been in France. For the minute before the annt replaced the part of his face

"A little German pleasantry, Monsieur," said the Lieutenant.

"An explosive builet," added Doctor Coulomb, "the Germans have used and are still using in this war a rifle bullet that breaks in explosion within a wound if perchance it strikes a resisting bone. That M. le Lieutenant is alive is due to God's providence and the good surgery in our base hospitals. That even among the many mutilated he is not stared at as he walks the streets of Parls is due to my work Since nothing existed to support an artifiial eye, we have molded a counterpart in rubber of what the German bullet exploded paint to match skin and contour, attached the artificial eye and speciacies thereto. The whole can be placed in position and removed as quickly as you have seen. M. le Lieutenant has two sets. At his pleasure. he can change a portion of his face as you would change your collar."

An Artist at Work

Doctor Coulomb has produced a great umber of like artificial face portions, in one instance not only eye and eyebrows, but most of a check. In the case of but a missing eye his method is far from selecting a glass eye in stock. Class is not employed, but an opaque crystal of pure quarts combined with silicate of lead for reproducing the so-called "white" of the eye. This white varies in individuals and races to a great degree of varied time, having bluish, grayish, brownish, greenish and reddish hues no infinitesimal that only attention called thereto would detect them. Through the medium of metallic exides, as exide of cobalt for blue, or exide of iron he of cohalt for blue, or exide of iron gray, the exact shade of white is se-

cated in a darkened room before a shielded draft-driven gas flame, the latter being thus seen in all its intensity. A crystal tube six inches long ending in a bulb of selected white is placed in the flame and a pencil of white enamel forced through and matted thto its center at a heat of 500 degree contigrade. This pencil point to form the artificial eyeball has previously been se lected from a wide range of tone, and is blown to its counterpart's diameter. By a "wide range of tone" I mean that no possible composition in blues, grays, greens and browns is without the range of as-sortment in Doctor Coulomb's establishnent. The tone is intermingled with white flame the personal qualities of the iris, which vary in great degree in each individual. Small blood vessels if existent upon the "white" are reproduced in thy touches on the white enamel. The circular bulb is then cut in half with a plattnum point while within the flame, being comented at the same time upon one edge to an enamel pencil in support of the severed tube which solds the whole in the flame during the still few essential minutes ere it is placed in a small oven to bake and presently allowed to cool gradually. A natural polish exists through the nature of the materials emwatched the artist at the operation

thus superficially described, knowing he was making a replica of my own right eye. do not suppose many men having two good eyes carry a counterpart of one within a tiny leather case in their pockets. Doctor Coulomb tells me he never made an artificial eye before for one possessing two living ones, and that consequently he never made an artificial eye with so much pleasure. The doctor's office is a small museum of re-search. Bookcases contain every work upon his profession that has been printed in any language. Within a frame upon a wall are arranged in sequential order a gold eye from a mummy of an Egyptian noble of the period of Rumeses II, sliver, horn and lead mummy eyes; a sliver pointed eye from an Assyrian tomb; the first type of glass eye made in Venice in 1580; the first French eye made in Nevers in 1710; a Chinese porcelain eye of 1750; an artificial eye of wood from the South Seas; a German celluloid eye of 1800; examples of modern French and German eyes, and finally, a Coulomb crystal and coamel eye of artistic Coulomb crystal and enamel eye of artistic workmanship. From a book by Doctor Coulomb, recognized as an authority upon his profession, I learn the first reference in history to the artificial eye, for the living is found in the Jerusalem Talmud. In this ancient civil and canonical law of the Jews it, is stated. That a maiden limith. ancient civil and canonical law of the Jews it is stated. "That a maiden might be beautified. Habbi Ismael had made for her an eye and a tooth of gold."

Marconi of wireless fame is one of Doctor Coulomb's clients. Gambetta was one of his father's. Many noted personages have worn artificial eyes of divers sorts, among them Callini. Conte, who invented lead peacils! Henri II of France, and the beauting the country of the co

a firm and true understanding of our mutual duties as intelligent and conscientious neutrals in doed as well as in word, we will press forward together and fervently strive with an honest and sincere purpose and with an immeasurably superior THE PEOPLE How We Might Have Bullied effectiveness to bring peace and happiness back into the hearts and homes of all of the eople in Europe. Philadelphia, February 22.

"HERE'S A REAL JOB FOR YOU!"

Speaks ARMED NEUTRALITY WHAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN

THE VOICE OF

truth in what he says.

a note to England asking if

many.

would stop the submarine blockade if England would stop her blockade of Ger-

days and agreed to stop the submarine

blockade under those conditions, as re-quested. England did not answer for over three weeks, and then she answered not so

courtequaly, but rather brusquely, that she

Central Powers.

Now all that President Wilson had said so far was perfectly proper legally and diplomatically. But the whole world was amazed that he left the matter rest there

and nothing further was done to stop the

illegal blockade by England, which pro-hibited us dealing with the Central Pow-

The American Review of Reviews of May, 1916, in an excellent editorial, says:

Now we need not have gone to war wit

Now we need not have gone to war the England to stop her illegal blockade. It would not even have been necessary to write another note to her about it. All that was necessary was for an official of our Administration simply to have whispered

to the English Ambassador that we were in earnest and meant business, and that the illegal blockade must be stopped, and

would have been stopped immediately

England was dependent on us for munitions of war and could not have riske

insistence at this time we would have compelled compliance with international law by both nations and would have

avoided the submarine difficulties. J. W.

FROM A PRO-GERMAN

Sir-The majority of Americans who sympathize with Germany in this ragged hour have shown themselves truer and

etter patriots than the majority of Amer-

better patriots than the majority of Americans who sympathize with Britain. For the German exponents among us have mainly pleaded merely for a strictly equitable attitude on the part of the United States to-

ward the nation which they believe in, while our British exponents have almost invariably argued with but little regard for

sound judgment in their conclusions and with virtually no consideration whatever for exact justice to all the belligerents

The latter class has allowed the invasion

of Belgium to blind them worse than a bunch of bats at high noon on a clear day

bunch of bats at high noon on a clear day. They have utterly failed to appreciate that every fort in Belgium was pointed straight at Germany, that the Government of Belgium had a treaty with both France and Britain which was a vital strategic menace to the regions of the lower Rhine in case of armed conflict, and that the German was a conflict, and that the German was that France was

and powerfully tends to completely reverse the popular conception of responsibility for the terrible experience which that unhappy

harshness and extreme severity of others.

To the Editor of the Evening Ledger:

our putting an embargo on them.

Philadelphia, February 24.

ers in noncontraband goods.

would not relinquish the blockade of the

England—A Pro-German

The President's announcement that the United States is to take the position of armed neutrality, for which he says there To the Editor of the Evening Ledger: Sir-1 have read the letter of C. H. on the U-boat question, and there is much are precedents in our history, probably re ferred to the famous Armed Neutrality, an association of Powers brought about by Catharine of Russia in 1780. Prussia pro-When England first announced her illegal blockade against Germany, President Wilson protested vigorously, and declared the blockade lilegal and entirely inde-fensible. As England paid no attention to claimed the docteine of "free ships, goods" in 1752 and France proclaimed it in 1778. Great Britain in her wars with the protest and continued the blockade, Germany in reprisal announced the sub-marine blockade against England. Presi-America, France and Spain insisted on he rights to search neutral ships for enems goods interfering with the commerce of the world. On March 8, 1789, Catharine issued her famous proclamation laying down the dent Wilson sent a protest to Germany and said we would hold her strictly accountable. President Wilson then, very properly, sent principles. (1) that neutral ships may freely sail from port to port and along the coasts of belligerents; (2) that a blockad stop the illegal blockade if Germany would stop the illegal submarine blockade. He also sent a note to Germany asking if she to be recognized must be effectual and real,

and (3) that except in the case of contraband free ships make free goods.

The United States, Spain and France immediately indersed the principles of the declaration. An association of the principal nations of Europe was formed for the purpose of enforcing these principles upon the belligerent Powers. The immediate effect of this association was to embarrass Eng land by the consolidation of European se ment against her. The armed neutra meant that the neutrals would defend their shipping by arms if it was interfered with The United States has contended for the principle of free ships and free goods, and has a treaty with Prussia in which that principle is recognized as binding on the two Powers in the event of war by eithe of them upon a third Power.

AND IS READY FOR ANOTHER It was entirely appropriate that the first leave Europe American liner to Frightfulness sought comand of dd he the Philadelphia

has figured at a good many critical turns in American history.—Louisville Herald. "JERSEY QUAIL" There is something suspicious about Mr Henry Ford's project of moving one of his plants to the Jersey meadows immediately after announcing he is to build "flivver" submarines. Perhaps the new terrors of

the seas will be armor-plated mosquitoes? New York Herald. All Points of the Compass

Rubaiyat of a Commuter LXXXIV

Would you some Dollars well and wisely Then get a Camera, I would tell you,

You can make Pictures of your House and Folks; It is a Hobby I can recommend. LXXXV

Just yesterday I took a Family Group

Of Ma and Children posed on our Fron Stoop,
All holding hands. It was a lovely sight!
And in the Distance showed the Chicken Coop.

Casuals of the Day's Work · XXX

SHE is a clever lady and she lives in Chicago. Our correspondence has been clusively intermittent, but when she writes—she writes sooth. Thus:

As to what is current in this part of the world, we have here more queer people who write free verse than any other place can boast. I belong to a few clubs (wimmins') and I get a dose of it every few minutes. Then we came back at her with William

military staff clearly saw that France was about to attack the western frontier of Germany by way of Belgium and with the consent of Belgium, making a condition affairs at that time which now actually Then we came back at her with William Sharp's—Fions McLeod's—statement: "Concerning the use of unrhymed meter what can be done in Greek and German can be done in English. This has been proved, for some of Matthew country has gone through with and in-tensely suffered on account of the folly and obtuseness of its own rulers and the bitter for some of Matthew Arnold's finest work is in unrhymed verse. I feel that there is in verse, as in painting, a borderland for French Government officials and British press agents can deny this view until they are black and blue in the face, but impartial history will emphatically assert it to have been a fact, along with the deliberately inciting character of the dual carse on board the Lugitania. And if these toryized champions of British in our midst could only just once get that fact into their heads they would soon be on the road to recovery and willing to acknowledge that we German sympatrileers have been far more in the right than they on the whole war situation over since the row attrict. Then their hands will stretch out and class ours and will accou impressionism pure and simple, for the sug-gestion of a certain color and emotion, a vivid actuality, which are apt to be dis-sipated by the effort and restrictions of

What Do You Know?

Overies of peneral interest will be answered in this column. Ten assetions, the answers to which stery well-informed person should know, are asked daily.

QUIZ

1. About what is the cost of a submarine

2. What is a chingnapin?

3. What are closs, which the British now are said to be wearing? 4. Who is Hans Wagner?

5. Where is President Grant buried?
6. When was Belgium established as a separate kingdom?

7. In what American cities have food riots recently occurred? 8. What is the largest vessel sunk by Germany such the new submarine decree was is-

 How many men a year would the Army General Staff's universal military train-ing bill train as soldiers? 10. Where is Danish America?

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz

 The Indian Ocean is bounded on the north by Arabia, India, Siam and the Malay peniosula: on the south by the Antarctic Ocean, and extends from Australia to the east coast of Africa. Two arms, formed on the north by wedge-shaped India, are the Arabian Sea and the Bay of Bengal. Samp, or coarse homlay, is said to owe its name to the unparched meal porridge called "nasaump" by the Indians.

5. Sir Percy Sykes is the leader of the British expedition in Persia.

6. Ghetto means a section of a city where Jews live in greatest numbers, the name com-ing from places, especially in Italy, which were set aside for dews. President Polk is buried in Polk Place, Nash-ville, Tenn.

8. Noah's ark was made "of gopher wood" (express? pine?) and was calked with pitch.

9. An elephant drinks water by filling his trunk and then squirting the water into his mouth.

(0, "Yiddish" comes from the German word "Juedisch." pronounced "Yeedish." with a long "oo" sound mingled with the "ee." It means Jewish in German.

line between Peru and Bolivia, has the

Lake Titicaca E. S. R.-Lake Titicaca, on the boundary

highest altitude among the lakes of South America. It is 12,500 feet above sea level. lying in a plateau east of the And Mountains. Brotherhoods

L. F. W.—The two brotherhoods are separate bodies. The Brotherhood of An-drew and Philip, founded at Reading, Pa., in 1888, has 15,000 members belonging to fifteen different evangelical denominations The general secretary is Norman J. Smith 1214 Widener Building, Philadelphia. The Brotherhood of St. Andrew is a Protestant Brotherhood of St. Andrew is a Protestant Episcopal Church organization with 13,000 members. The secretary is G. H. Randall. Church House, Twelfth and Walnut streets, Philadelphia. The aims of both brotherhoods are about the same; i. e., prayer for the spread of Christianity and efforts to bring others under its influence.

El-Amarna Letters

W. E. R.—The El-Amarna letters are about 400 clay tablets throwing much light on ancient Palestine and neighboring coun-tries. They were discovered by an Egyp-tian woman in the ground at Tell el-Amarna in 1887, according to one account, which has it that she sold the right to the tablets for the equivalent of fifty cents. The tab-lets are inscribed in the Babylonian lanrunge. Some authorities hold that of them were written long before the He-brew conquest: others that they are con-temporary with that event. Seven were written by Ebed-heps, King of Jerusalem, about 1260 B. C. Others were written in

Chess King

P. K.—A king never actually is taken in a chess game. The game ends when the king cannot be protected or cannot move

SAM LOYD'S PUZZLE

HAT'S the date, Bobby?" inquired hits mother one day last September. Bobby, who was studying the calendar, replied: "I observe that if we add up the dates that have already passed this month and subtract that total from the sum total of the dates to come this month, the difference will be the date of the day after the day after tomorrow."

What was the date upon which Bobbe. What was the date upon which Bobby

Answer to Yesterday's Puzzle

Tom Daly's Column

BEDFELLOWS Ain't no one so glad as me When they's lady company Come to visit us an' stay All that night until it's day. Ain't much sleepin' room at all In our house-it's made so small-But my pa he'll always flow We kin "double-up somehow," 'Nen when all my prayers is said Ma she tucks me into bed 'Way, 'way over on one side. 'Nen I feel real satisfied To be sleepy an' to go Right spang off, because I know When I wake fust thing I'll see Will be pa in bed with me.

'Nen for fun! I tell you what, 'At's the time I have a lot. I fist crawl on Pa an' shake His ole head till he's awake. Fust he'll lay real still an' play He's asleep an' gotn' to stay. 'Nen he'll raise up in the air, Growl an' out up like a bear Come to eat me up, an' I Laugh an' squeal an' yell. Oh, myl We fist run things, me an' pa, Havin' lots o' fun, till ma, In the next room, sez: "You boys Best git dressed an' quit that noise." I wisht every night 'at we Might have lady company.

IF THERE is to be war, it's Congress's and not Wilson's, of course. Come, gentlemen, how say you? The clerk. will call the roll.

OF COURSE, it was a Gothamite (nee-Podunkian, very likely) who first said, 'Nobody ever wants to go to Philadelphia; they merely have to, sometimes," Well, the movies men should have caught Grif Alexander when he received word in St. Marys, Md., to report for duty with our most distinguished eve. contemp. He started his journey at 9 a. m. with the Star Route man in a mud-covered buggy and traveled two miles; then nine miles in a carriage to Leonardtown; then sixty miles to Washington in an autobus. The rest of the trip was conventional, and he was here at 11 p. m. of the same day. Some of us will travel far to get whist of the old familiar paste pot.

GRANT RICE put one over the fence at the flag pole in his poem, "To Honus Wagner at Forty-three." If you didn't read it in last evening's best paper, by all means dig it up out of the back kitchen and go to it. It's a bully bit.

But, oh! There's something hurts us so

In this unsympathetic day, When we, with brightening eye, essay To praise a lad we used to know Primordial puncher of the ball And long-lived daddy of them all. It is to watch the scorn that grows

Round every youthful lip and nose And hear our own brash progeny Exclaim: "Pop Anson? Who was hef" Ah! that's what stings us ancients-we Who never more, alas! may see Hans Wagner play—at forty-three!

TOM HOGAN, whose fine baritone always rings answering bells in our bosom, was one-quarter of a big musical feature at a recent Clover Club dinner. It was an unusually crowded dinner, and seating exigencies separated Tom from the other three-fourths. Well, the quartet sang its first offering splendidly, and Tom went back to his green turtle soup. A thicknecked guest who sat next to him looked 3. Offiver Wendell Holmes, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, is a son of Offiver Wendell Holmes, poet and essayist, which is the birthday anniversary of Wendell Holmes, poet and essayist, which is the birthday anniversary of Wictor Rugo.

ADD FAMOUS TRIPLETS

Men, women and children. Body, soul and breeches. Lock, stock and barrel. Hanged, drawn and quartered Friends, Romans, countrymer Large, small and medium. Tit-tat-toe. Ready! Aim! Fire! Nose, mouth and ears. T. A. D.

sheets in the wind. The three Graces. Three days of grace Three men in a boat. ree shakes Michael, Gabriel and Raphael D. C. VER.

ALICE IN BUNKERLAND B. L. T., in Golf Illustrated, for February "If forty pro's wrote forty books, Besides what books there are, Do you suppose," the Walrus said,

"I'd play this course in par?" "I doubt it," said the Carpenter, And lit a fresh cigar. OF COURSE, you dorst know what an

lying anagram, that's all. There's a particularly good specimen by Fred Lot in the February number of the Eastern Enigma: AM RANK WIT

antigram is. How could you? It's a

The answer is "Mark Twain."

ADD WAR NEWS The Sharpsburg jitney bus left Hagerstown with two crates of onions on behind and no armed guard on board,

—Hagerstown Daily Mail.

A SALVATION ARMY worker reports that eight Chicago families are living on oatmeal alone, without milk or sugar. This should make a Scotchman smile. say's B. L. T., and it recalls to us the story of the Scotch lad met at Castle Garden (for the story's older than Ellis Island) by a relative who carried him of to a restaurant for breakfast. "Noo, what'll ye hae, Jock?" "Oatmeal," says he. And again at lunchtime, "what'll ye hae, Jock?" "Oatmeal," says he. The same at dinner (or supper, if you have no style about you), "Mon, Jock, winas ye care for something else?" "Lor's, mon,

is there anything else?" sturdy hunter and most energetic of septuagenarians, once told us that when his parents first arrived from the north of England and settled in Canada his father bought a side of beef and a barr of cornmeal to sustain the family ing the winter months, and it was

Pass the cherry! We can't b