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THE SUNDAY...
The great French victory sounds the...
knell of Germany's hopes of holding...
on in the West. The enormous number...
of prisoners captured by the English and...
French in the last week, a total of...
24,000, is proof to the world that German...
morale is weakened. First-class, deter-
mined fighting men do not surrender in...
droves.

STOP THE SIN OF WASTE
ENLIST in the army of frugality. No...
exceptions are permissible here. The...
description of the entire nation must...
be universal, not selective.

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through a little valley, cut of it, and past...
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PEANUTS IN CHINA
It is a fact that there is a great...
increase in the growth of peanuts in China...
said to be due in part to the discovery of...
the possible utilization of peanuts in...
manufacturing soap, as a substitute for...
olive oil and for various culinary purposes...
and of the nut itself, after baking, as a...
substitute for coffee, for mixing with choco-
late and cocoa, and as an ingredient in...
candy making.

Germany and Texas
SHERMAN (a) The area of the German...
empire in Europe is 208,780 square...
miles; in addition, before the war, there...
were colonies with an approximate area of...
1,928,000 square miles. (b) It is impossible...
because of the strength of the navies of the...
world, Great Britain ranks first, with the...
United States and Germany second and...
France fourth.

THE SPLENDOR THAT IS VERDUN

Description of the Famous City as it Stands Firm Against the Fierce German Assaults
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VERDUN and Vaux. The words convey a rare nobility that stirs the soul and re-echoes around the globe. The emotion I experienced, in treading their sanctified soil in the profound impression of my life, rich in joy and pride, full homage of reverence for the valiant soldiers of France. I deem it a high privilege to have been permitted a vision ever to remain green in my memory; of this land never conquered and this land redeemed, still the active scene of the most tremendous battle the world has ever known. For Verdun and Vaux are palpating with it as they are with glory, as if the earth they stand upon were a great, heaving, living breast, drinking deep the air of illustrious victory despite the constant snarl of enemy shells, a sacred sector of wonderful, admirable France, saturated deep in sacrifice of blood, devotion and a vast heroic martyrdom.

It was gray with a soft rain falling as our automobile approached the best known city in the world. The earth was dying, but through it still I saw afar the heights of cathedral and citadel. Slowly, without lights, we drove through the ruin of the city, the tortured remnants of homes and houses seeming in the gray of twilight as heroic silhouettes against an all but equally darkened background of sky. Coming as we did from the west, we traversed its full width, passing the rectangular, diamond-shaped cemetery, where daily through all the days that measure a year of time, the sons of France are laid, each close to the other in death as they had stood each close to the other in life, breast and face to face while offering supreme sacrifice for La Patrie.

At 5 the next morning, long before the faintest herald of coming day, we left our automobile at the spur of ground overlooking the almost ruined forts from Vaucheryville to Bois-Bourras. In Indian file, a party of us, three civilians and two officers, we climbed a slope of sloping ground, through which ran swift brooks of muddy water. Behind us rang the crack of French batteries firing over our heads, the sharp cry of the seventy-fifty-ton shells with the sonorous sound of heavier shells whistling through the air. From the invader's line beyond shells passed over our head again. Quickly you learn to distinguish the differences in shell caliber by the scale of sound.

As we reached the top of the declivity we had been scaling, day was breaking, and the whole panorama of war opened before our eyes. We stood as upon the edge of a vast sea of water, the sea of Argonne hills, a brown bruised mass of scarred timber; ahead, somewhat nearer, the far heights bordering the Meuse partially veiling the view. Directly below and behind, in the valleys, in the folds of the earth bordering a veritable morass. Arising seemingly amid it, I had my first daylight glimpse of Verdun that I had left in the dark two hours before; Verdun crept seemingly intact, crowned with its cathedral towers that reached up into the gray sky of the morning as if in a holy defiance.

To the right, as we advanced, I saw Poret hill that but recently had become an added bit of reconquered France, and beside it, Talon hill, still in German hands. We looked but for a memorable moment, for we were in sight and range of German snipers, and at command descended within a boy's arm. As we progressed through it, snow began to fall. Our way was slow and silent, the snow in great wet flakes quickly covering the snow. We stepped from stone to stone, laid there and under a mud and water to the top of puttees. We were now one hundred yards apart, per order, for safety.

The Soil Baptized in Blood
Presently we descended a declivity and through a little valley, cut of it, and past the remains of Chenais woods, the scene of the most sanguinary fighting in hand-to-hand conflict in all the battles of Verdun. The scene was a vast, level plain, a few hundred miles square, the scene of the most sanguinary fighting in hand-to-hand conflict in all the battles of Verdun. The scene was a vast, level plain, a few hundred miles square, the scene of the most sanguinary fighting in hand-to-hand conflict in all the battles of Verdun.

TWO GREAT REVOLUTIONS BECOME ONE
EDMOND ROSTAND'S poem, "The Song of the Stars," read before a mighty audience in the Sorbonne, exquisitely crystallizes the French sentiment that has hallowed our entry into the war with a fervor arising from no other European nation.

France fights for world freedom now as she did in 1793. Her enemy happens to be Germany, but at bottom it is less the desire to crush the "Boche" than to emancipate mankind by the glorious principles of Franklin and of Danton that inspire her unwearied valor. The French and American Revolutions have begun again and are fused into one.

Tom Daly's Column

A MADRIGAL
I must not raise to you my lays—
That homage you decay?
Your word is law and heard in awe;
A faithful minstrel, I
Shall hymn instead the Rose so red
That "neath your casement grows.
Then, Sovran Maid, do not upbraid,
I'm singing to the Rose.

Ah, Rose whose thorns like little scars
Repulse your suitors, too,
Beneath the sun there lives but one
More sweet, more dear than you;
And, oh, how sweet, how all-complete,
Her lover only knows!
Nay, be not vexed, I hold my test,
I'm singing to the Rose.

YESTERDAY we noticed a bunch of workmen tinkering with the Cobcocksink sewer and it swept us back to our boyhood. Time was (even before we began the business of gathering news) when the first spring freshet was the annual signal for the Cobcocksink to grow ebullient and just naturally burst itself. It has been dormant for years. Has the war aroused it?

THE BLOW WITHHELD
Should I endeavor to indite
A stave or two of simple spring song,
You'd call it, and no doubt aright,
A bunch of melancholy singsong,
Were I to celebrate in verse
The buds and bees and blossoms vernal,
Vox populi would loudly curse,
Consigning me to fires eternal.

WHILE OUR RIVALS haven't yet allowed our boast that we're "the workshop of the world," many are conceding Philadelphia to be famous for the variety of its manufactures. So, too, it seems, is the town of Stafford, in England. The author of "The Yeoman Adventurer," says a publisher's note sent out by Putnam's, "was born in the town of Stafford, said to be noted for the manufacture of shoes, Isaac Walton and the marked dialect of its natives."

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DECLINED WITH THANKS
Came a note to us:
"Good morning!
Why not visit Honolulu?
Drop in on us without warning,
When your next vacation's due."
Leo.

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MYSTERY OF A DIAMOND NECKLACE

Made for Countess du Barry at Louis XV's Order—How Cardinal de Rohan Used It to Try to Regain Marie Antoinette's Favor

By JOHN ELFRETH WATKINS

THE Cardinal de Rohan, Grand Almoner of France, lived in the morbid, dread of Queen Marie Antoinette's disfavour. His troubles had begun when that hapless Queen mercifully snubbed him at court and he was willing to pay any price for restoration to her favor. His plot was one which naturally opened up a fertile field for blackmailers and that class of adventurers who take advantage of persons in trouble. Casillostro, the celebrated marquis, in return for a substantial fee, assured the Cardinal that he had used his mystic powers to regain the Queen's good will. Another agent employed by De Rohan, to obtain her Majesty's forgiveness was the Countess de la Motte, a cousin of the King. Coming to him with the claim that she could effect a reconciliation, the Countess had obtained various sums of money from him for that purpose.

A SCULPTOR'S MISTAKE
Stroll back of the Treasury Department Building in Washington into Potomac Park and look upon the statue of General William B. Sherman. If this military genius could visit the scene he would doubtless strip the bronze figures at the base of their accoutrements. At each corner of the base stands a soldier figure in full uniform and equipment. Since the day of the unveiling military men have smiled at the lack of knowledge of military costumes displayed by Artist Carl Robert-Smith, the sculptor. Each figure wears the blanket roll over the right, instead of over the left shoulder, making impossible the use of his rifle. The canteen rests on the left hip under the blanket roll, whereas custom places it on the right hip, while the position of a Paris firm of jewelers, who about the time of the Cardinal's employment of the Countess de la Motte were attempting to sell it to the Queen. But Marie Antoinette rejected it, stating that it was ugly and did not suit her taste. While the jewelers were nursing their disappointment the Countess de la Motte entered their establishment and informed them that Marie Antoinette really wanted the diamond necklace very badly and hesitated to take it openly because she feared that the purchase would further embitter the common people, who were already railing against her extravagance. The Countess, according to her own story, had been appointed as the Queen's secret agent to negotiate the purchase and, leaving the jewelers' shop, she went straightway to Cardinal de Rohan, telling him the same story and assuring him that in her favor with the Queen would surely be restored if he would covertly arrange to order the necklace for her, it being agreed that Marie Antoinette should remit for it in four quarterly payments. The Cardinal jumped at the opportunity and in his presence the jewelers delivered the necklace to the Countess, who turned it over to a man named the Cardinal was given to understand, was a secret messenger from the Queen.

LOYALTY AND CLASS STRUGGLE
This, we have said and believed, is a war of university buildings to pacific speakers, by barring the advancement of pacific school principals. Our chance to recover our whole energy to a great international purpose has been nearly lost through our inactivity in creating industrial and social justice within the nation. Nothing can now rob the protest of its validity except a conspicuous surrender on the part of our propertied classes. While we are fighting for democracy abroad, the American Bourgeoisie are used in mines to warn of the approach of bad air or "damp."

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What Do You Know?

Queries of general interest will be answered in this column. Ten questions, the answers to which every well-informed person should know, are asked daily.

- QUIZ
1. What is the amount of the Government's proposed war bond issue?
 2. Who is Alexis Carrel?
 3. Name the allied commander in Greece. Where is his army base?
 4. About how many races make up Russia's population?
 5. Name the capital of Louisiana.
 6. What and where is Coney-Isle-Chateau, reported destroyed in the German retreat?
 7. Some warships of antiquity were called "trirems." What were they?
 8. What is "trout-colored"?
 9. What are truffles, which are considered great delicacies?
 10. About how many of the inhabitants of the United States are church members?

- Answers to Yesterday's Quiz
1. Both the United States and Imperial German Governments have announced that they will not enter one another's necessary citizens living within their borders.
 2. Plenary powers give full authority to a commission set up for the government which it represents.
 3. The Columbia River flows through British Columbia, Washington and Oregon into the Pacific Ocean. It is 1,500 miles long and very deep.
 4. Attila, King of the Huns in the fifth century, was called the Scourge of God because of his widespread ravages in Europe.
 5. The famous Leaning Tower is in Pisa, Italy, the name of which is pronounced "peesa."
 6. The so-called espionage bill would enable the government to take drastic action against obnoxious persons.
 7. A polyglot population is one that speaks many languages.
 8. Scotland is the head-quarters of the London police.
 9. A trident nation is a fish, a ferocious fish. The word is pronounced "trident."
 10. Isaac Walton was a famous English angler. He published his "Complete Angler" in 1625.

Coal Shipments
S. A.—On the shipments of anthracite for March, 1917, the coaleries in the Pennsylvania anthracite region shipped a new record with a total close to 1,000,000 tons. The total actually shipped was 6,883,075 tons, an increase over February, 1917, of 1,810,435 tons, or 25 per cent, and over March, 1916, of 861,724 tons, or 14 per cent. The highest record previously made was in October, 1915, when 6,833,007 tons were shipped. This record was exceeded by the shipments for March by 366,068 tons. The Philadelphia and Reading led in the shipments for March with a total of 1,374,051 tons, a record exceeded only twice before in the history of the company. These were in March and October, 1912, in which months the Reading Company shipped 1,472,655 tons and 1,434,923 tons, respectively. The Lehigh Valley shipped 1,334,871 tons, as compared with a previous high record (in October, 1914), of 1,331,144 tons. The 1,162,230 tons shipped by the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western established a new record for that company.

Birds in War
F. G. K.—It has been reported at various times for soldiers in the trenches where the trench line runs through a forest or past trees. The birds give warning of the approach of a gas attack by the enemy because they are more sensitive in this respect, thus giving the men in the trenches an opportunity to put on their gas masks. Canaries are used in mines to warn of the approach of bad air or "damp."