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nom de plume D'Annunzio can still carry figures of heroic modern Italy?

hand-to-hand with Austrian troops and

now dispatches from the Carso tell of his the worst sort. The Frankford L must

Inspiring leadership of Italians, fighting be rushed to completion, and it is possible

A group of Philadelphia Greeks can eat their delicious rice "pilaff" and their toothsome "loukoumi" sweetmeat with clear consciences now. They have repudiated pro-German "King Tino," and they have been indorsed in a letter from the unflinching Venizelos, whose first name Eleutherios is but a form of the Hellenic word for liberty. Those freedom-loving Hellenes of our city have indeed joined America and the Entente. It would be fitting see them display from their homes the blue and white standard of the immortal little land they so worthily zepresent.

No one can ever accuse Brazil of having rushed into war. First she severed relations with Germany. Then came the revocation of her neutrality, so far as the United States was concerned. She thus became in a sense our ally. Then she authorized the alliance of herself "with other American States to defend the American republics against the world." Now she plans to arm her merchantmen. Slow, indeed, are the steps taken toward actual war with Germany, but their direction is unmistakable. It is hard to see how Brazil's next act can fall short of the inevitable conflict.

Doctor Iyenaga's remark that "even though they are deprived of citizenship the 70,000 Japanese residents in the United States are eager to fight for merica." deserves respectful attention. "hrough his loctures and writings he has me as much to bring the two countries er together as Lafcadio Hearn did. wholesome facts about the mischief that idle talk about the "yellow peril" has dune in creating the impression in Japan that America is hostile. Congressmen tood to argue for battleships by pointing to "the menace of Japan." This was mown to be merely "politics" in America, but the Japanese took it seriously.

Polish patriotism, one of the deepof human sentiments, impelled the great basso, Edouard de Reszke, to make ne in his native land. With the one of his death at Eristrikov comes trugic tale that the last two years of ta life were spent in destitution. He saw his beloved fatherland englaved, the ma- ingly cheap and petty type of "kicking" rewards of his own superb tristrangedy snongh, it was not at all by such necessary

that the central subway annihilating them. If, after this, the which bids have already been received should be begun, but no same man would unsavory memories, why not proclaim advocate going ahead with the whole conthe man's real name, Gaetano Rapa- struction program under present condignetto, as honoring one, of the great tions. To do so would offer a possible excess profit of millions to contractors, due to a later drop in prices.

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opiness of mankind.

M. Tardieu was detached from the

army late in 1916 to serve in the Chamber

of Deputies, to which he had been elected

in 1914, although never occupying his

an orator and legislator. He wrote a re-

tions that was regarded as the most able

document of its kind extant. His inter-

pellations on the essential modus operandi

upon the blockade was a masterly argu-

ment of reason and logic, and his con-

clusions were unanimously adopted by

Two days after the United States en

BYWORDS OF THE WAR

That this nation does not believe that Almighty God, creator and ruler of heaven and earth, inhabits as His preferred and personal council chamber the body of a

That every furrow made by the plow

To the end that it shall cease to proclaim

The comprehensive transit system is perfectly feasible financially under normal conditions, as citizens overwhelmingly decided in two open elections; but to build under abnormal conditions when the system is to be operated under normal conseat. He gave instant proof of ability as ditions would be suicidal. It is on a par with the misrepresentations of the Record. port upon heavy artillery and its funcwhich persists in declaring that the system never was feasible. Our contemporary doubtless is convinced a five-cent loaf of bread was always an economic monstrosity simply because it is an economic impossibility now.

The passage of a through-routing bill at Harrisburg is essential to proper protection of the city in the operation of the Frankford L. If the Legislature does not pass such a bill, its betraval of public rights will be open and flagrant, and the names of such men as take part in that betrayal should be kept constantly before the public in order to assure a proper day of reckoning.

THE PACIFIST COMPLEXION

TTERY rarely these days is the pacifist complexion of the simon-pure, peachblown variety. Stains of pro-Germanism are, of course, most in evidence. But the spottiness of the chronic kicker, the blemishes of the backwoods provincialism, the blots of the sheer demagogue and sensation-monger are also visible.

That this nation believes all nonpredatory civilization now existent to have an equal right to exist, and believes the continued and combined existence of them all to be best for the richest development and completest As a matter of fact, virtually all of the unadulterated pacifists are deeply loyal to the Government. In this class is the Society of Friends, which throughout the land has pledged its aid to the cause He has told Americans some unpalatable in every way save that involving shouldering a musket. It is the alloy in pacifism that is really insidious, that darkly colors its complexion, that corrupts the original ideal in which even an embattled world today believes. Ulysses S. Grant was a to win victory. That every smallest garden shall be rec-ognized as a corner of the desert battlethoroughgoing pacifist, forced by circum-

stances to pursue his goal by the might of arms. His opinions and those of most Americans pow fully coincide.

When, therefore, the United States to day rightly seeks to crush anti-draft plots and their instigators, it is not quelling untarnished pacifism at all. It is treason of pro-German origin, loud-mouthed inveterate obstruction, ignorant and harebrained intrigue and that exceedthat lives by being "agin the Govern opera melt away. No Teuton ment" which the Federal authorities will its lust of conquest to be God-an Aimighty God of plunder and butchery, of torture and treachery and lies-James Lane Allen in the New York Times. ver, can rob him of his not tolerate. The true pacifist ideal suffers not at all by such necessary action. It is

chasseurs-a-pled, give proof of great bravery and courage during the night

THE LONG-DISTANCE PATRIOT August 8-9, 1916, leading his unit under 'Tis proud I am that Irish blood heavy artillery fire to successful attack Flows trough and trough me veins. upon an enemy trench, which, although 'd free the dear old sod today momentarily losing, he succeeded in re-If I but had the manes. occupying after a severe hand-grenade

> patriotic Irishman. I am that to the core And true I am to Ircland-I'm all o' that and more.

FOR drink no English breakfast tea,

No English primrose wear; Nor take a drop o' English ale. Bedad, I wouldn't dare.

wouldn't take no English salts To keep alive me name: I'd put no English on the ball, In pool, to win the game.

I'd wear no English lever watch; tered the war an article under M. Tar-E. sparrows make me rave. dieu's signature appeared in the Paris Temps, in which he gave a series of Me ghost will haunt the one that puts reasons why the closest relations be-E. ivy on me grave. YERCAS. tween France and the United States upon

all lines-material, moral and senti-ALTHOUGH the Upper Darby Herald mental-should be developed to the full is not without honor in its own comwithout delay. Within thirty hours he munity, it seems to be something of a had been selected by the Government and prophet, for in its issue of May 26 we appointed high commissioner to the read:

> Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Smith. Penn avenue, announce the birth of a daughter, born Sunday, May 27.

But an advertisement in the same issue opens up wider fields for speculation:

HOME WANTED.

Bulidog given away for good home. Inquire at Log Cabin, rear Kershaw's towel mill. Call evenings.

those fifty-word night letters, and a friend, even Scotcher than he, was standenough of an author to compose fifty words and I would'na care to send less."

LOUIS is dead! Very likely you never met Louie-Louie Loth. He didn't mingle in society much. He had little time for that every the soldier's trenches at the that sort of thing, because he was

obliged to work rather hard, and when That every barbed blade of wheat shall his day's stint was done he was usually That every bandage for a wounded youth shall be part of the garment of destiny to stanch the ebbing blood of the wounded, the tired. But he had a merry heart and he was a nimble punster. The other men in the composing room called him To the end that the German nation shall "Daffydill Louis," because he perpetrated cease to selfe the lands and homes of other peoples as lands and homes for its own and perpetuated a line of humor which had vogue several years ago, and he never missed fire when he was called upon to shoot. But we saw another

all civic questions at a mo I inclose an article concerning Let it he known that an era of cleanli-

To the Editor of the Evening Ledger: Sir-Knowing well the Evening LEDGER as the newspaper which takes up heartily

ness was inaugurated the other day in a part of South Fourth street. Thence the move will spread to other streets similar in condition. There is hope that no longer will one need to hold his nose in passing there and view with keenest displeasure th filth and its product-myriads of flies. It was with great enthuslasm that the work was commenced in South Fourth street be-tween Fitzwater and Monroe by the push-cart owners. It is perfectly clear that they are more than eager to see that the saying "It was ever so," shall no longer be appli-able to them. What they wanted so far was a helping hand, suggestions and initiative on a small scale. Hereafter there can be seen a bag hanging on every other pushcart. There they must place all paper and gar-bage in the course of the day; then, before quitting time, dump it into a barrel placed for them on the corner. This arrangement is temporary, of course. The advantage in bags is that they close by sheer weight of contents, thus keeping files out. As the familiar to them, the work will be most vigorous and thorough. The storekeepers along there are glad to co-operate and will see that no waste leaves their stores that is not placed in receptacles. The street cleaning department will surely respond and do its best. And then what appeared heretofore unattainable will take place in a short time. Here is an illustration of the eagerness on the part of the venders to

clean up: One woman, unaware that a barrel stood nearby for garbage collection, had taken her more than half-filled bag with garbage some ten blocks to home so as to make sure it would be removed. With pushcart men and women realizing their duty and hastening to do their bits, the work will un-doubtedly prove to be a great and permament success. It is most gratifying to learn that at last the grave menace to health is to be removed before the hot weather arrives. WILLIAM RUDLEY.

Philadelphia, May 28.

POOR VENTILATION IN CARS To the Editor of the Evening Ledger.

-I rode into the city this mornin Sir-1 rode into the city this morning on a Baltimore avenue and a Spruce street car, getting transferred at Thirty-third street, and in neither was a solitary win-dow or a solitary so-called ventilator open. This seems to be the rule.

Cannot something be done to compel the Rapid Transit Company to conserve the public health and contribute a little to its patrons' comfort? Virtually the company refuses many passengers in each car a seat. Can it not provide a little fresh at Philadelphia, May 31. RII RIDER

TROLLEY-CAR ABUSES To the Editor of the Evening Ledger:

Sir—About fifty years ago I was em-played by the Pennsylvania Hailroad Com-pany as a trainman in the freight service. Among the many cars we handled a number were laden with live stock, consisting of horses, cattle, sheep and hogs, which we handled with a great deal more attention and care than the employes of the Phila-delphia Rapid Transit Company handle its human passengers. It packs them in the cars like sardines in a box. To do this to his own antisfaction, the motorman has a trick of applying or releasing the brakes of the car so as to throw the passengers of their feet, or, if they should be fortunate amount to have hold of a strap, marry in pull their arms out of pince. If the pas-anger should in any may oppert he gut Sir-About fifty years ago I was

The Sinn Feiners break out every once in nt's notice. a while and show the world what they are. Why shouldn't the law-abiding, loyal ele-

it of Ireland object to being ruled by a nob of secret-order-ruffians who shot d and murdered every one who opposed their plaris] Clare Gerald Fenerty ought to feel proud

of the element he so hotly tries to defend. Fox's Book of Martyrs will give him in-formation he needs. A. J. BORDEN. Philadelphia, May 29.

CRITIC.SM OF GOVERNMENT To the Editor of the Evening Ledger :

Sir-If I assume that you are a laboring mar, with six children, I have also a right to suppose that you are busy. Even should you not have the six children, it would cer-tainly be impossible for you to make any complete analysis of all of the actions of our Government during these trying tim ligent editorials help the man in the street to make up his mind. The influence of a great daily paper is tremendous and may have its results for generations.

My plea is, then, to you to protect the labbring man, the man who is too busy working for us all to be able to look after

working for us all to be able to look after his own interests in governmental matters. You are his champion-his voice. Criticism of public men-unfavorable criticism, if necessary-will prevent blunders and mistakes which our common people must pay for with their blood on the firing line. The gun which clogs during • charge clogs because somebody made a mistake. Let's know who makes the mistakes in order that they may be few. EX-NEWSPAPER MAN.

Allentown, Pa., May 29.

HOW SELMA LAGERLOF BEGAN

farm with the other children of the family. "Pinying theatre" was one of Miss Lager-lof's childhood joys, and she staged and acted plays aided by her brothers and sis-ters. Poetry writing was among Miss Lager-erlof's earliest literary endeavors, and at the age of fifteen she had read all the books of poetry in her home and had written her first verse. She had always intended to write novels and plays, but now at fifteen she feit that nothing, could be no splendid as to write great poetry. With its constrained with the second to the second the second to the second the second the second to the second the second the second to the second tot the second to the second to the

that nothing, could be no splendid as to write great poetry. At the age of twenty, Miss Lageriof went to Stockholm to take the examination for entrance to the teachors' college, in which she was so successful. There she remained three years. When her studies were completed the received an aurointement

 What was the first name of Grover Cleve land, discarded by him through most of his public career? In what Mexican city was Maximilian executed? What British statesman was strongly sym-pathetic with the Monroe Doctrine at the time it was first voiced?

10. What is the connection in meaning between the word Argentine and the Plata River which flows through that republic?

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz

ecause of his fearless criticisms of Ger-man imperialistic methods, Maximilian Harden has been called the "enfaul terrible." "Terrible child" is the moas-ing of this French phrase.

2. Sharpsburg is the ordinary southern name for what we call the battle of Antietam "Troilus and Cressida" is the Shakespear-ean play in which the scene is laid in ancient Troy.

ercury is the planet nearest to the sun-Septimus Winner, of Philadelphia, was the author of "Listen to the Mocking Bird."

6. Sassafras was the original name of Arca street.

7. Copra is the South Sea Island name for dried cocoanut meat.

dried coconut meat.
"Delends Carthago" is Latin for "Certhage must be destoyed." The words concrited in the days when Rome was catholical application to the rivelry. Its make-phorical application to Frussin is obvious.
Queen Ranzalona, who died last week, use the dethroneed monarch of the island of Madagascar, which is now a French color,

colony. 10. The term "indinettes" is applied to the dressmaking girls and those employed it making ingerie and milliners, now as surise in Faris. The word, however, has no real connection with their accumation. It is derived from the French "indi" meaning "moon." and alludes to the cus-tion of these girls of cooping out from their workshops at midday to tess

IN CIVIL WAR DAYS

It fell to me to spend my young years from two to six of age in a little old New Hampshire village. I remember as if it were yesterday when the first company of American volunteers for the Civil War In one of the most beautiful parts of answered from New Hampshire "Father Abraham's" call—a full company of 109 men out of a hamlet of 1200 to 1500 men. Ottiliana Louisa Lagerlof, the only woman to receive the Nobel prize for literature. The parents of this little flaxen-haired child were Swedish genticfolk of the land-owner class. From earliest childhood Miss Lagerlof seemed destined to play the part of onlooker and interpreter of life, for she was never strong enough to run about the farm with the other children of the family.

pomattox and the lone apple tree"-except three or four that were shot to pieces and those sent back by force to get near well. And when the honorably discharged eleven-two captains and two lieutenants

among them, "promoted for merit"-what they did come home! You have just one guess as to what the

which she was so successful. There she were completed she received an spointment. There was little time for literary works problem which had opened a competitive problem working on from time to time to the Idun, which had opened a competitive short-story contest. This story, which was thort-story contest. This story, which was short-story contest. This story, which was thort-story contest. This story, which was short-story contest. This story, which was thore allong the way for Miss Lager. Through the prize Miss Lager in the stary day in those cruel years of all terary career. The man without a for with the was enabled to give up teaching and device winning of the prize Miss Lager in the mol him. The "man without a country," the "lone builfrog on the short of Lake Stuperior. The "unsitable lows in the desire of Shara" these was growing the desire of Shara" these was growing the desire of Shara" these stary day in the story of the country, "the "lone builfrog on the short of Lake Stuperior." The "unsitable lows in the desire of Shara" these story short the desire of Shara" these story day in the story of the country. The Loo Angeing Times.

man at work at his linotype machine yes-terday. Louis is dead.

That this nation does not lay aside peace

That this nation does not may aside peace and take up war of first choice. That when barbarism with war attacks elvilization at peace, civilization has no weapon with which to defeat barbarism but weapon with which to detest carbarism but the weapon of barbarism. That whatsoever the service every loyal American can or is called upon to render, each shall say to himself and to all the rest: With this service I would help the nation

ing at his elbow. "Man, man," said the friend, "there's a thing I would'na like to have to do." "Why not?" inquired David. "Ah, well," said he, "I'm not

DAVID MCKAY was sending one of