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MARINE RECRUITING WEEK. Tell your children why you have not bought a bond.

Young America will gather shells by the seashore this summer just the same as ever and a naval coast defense will see that they do not come from German guns.

The bitterness of politics does not extend to the battlefield. An Ulster ambulance did not hesitate to carry William Redmond, home rule leader, back from the front where he lay dying.

Washington's seismograph has recorded another earthquake, unconnected with the Salvadorean upheaval and 2500 miles away. It is significant that Belgium lies approximately that far off.

Von Hindenburg has unintentionally given the Liberty Bond campaigners a great argument. He has declared that Germany will soon be able to dictate her own peace terms to the world.

Eating more vegetables in proportion to meat and bread than formerly, in accordance with Mr. Hoover's recommendation, will not merely save products of which there is a shortage. It is also an excellent practice for those who would keep in good health in the summer months.

"I am a Revolutionary Socialist," says a slacker in explaining why he is going to fail for a year for not registering. By this he means that he is on the side of the Kaiser against the American Revolution and that the present world revolution which is going to make Kaiseristic Socialism a thing of the past.

that America was going to the dogs. But right here it is necessary to go back of the returns, something that modern Germany seldom does. Indeed, her aversion to this sort of unpalatable analysis was largely responsible for the war.

A DAY FOR PRAYER. THIS is not a year for playful celebration of Independence Day. As the nation throws itself into the struggle for the universalization of democracy and lends its aid to the firm fixing throughout the world of the principles of liberty and freedom, first proclaimed in this city on the Fourth of July, 1776, it behooves this people, in commemoration of that occasion and in conscious appreciation of the great burden now devolving upon them, to meet in their houses of worship and petition God for peace and democracy.

"I HAVE NOT SUBSCRIBED" THERE were men, "reasonable" men, who could see no necessity for fighting in 1812. Patrick Henry and the rest were just "maniacs and trouble makers." In circumstances somewhat similar to those existing now many New Englanders could see no reason for going to war in 1812.

LET'S HAVE AN ANSWER. THERE are thousands of Philadelphians who have one question they would like to have answered by Mayor Smith and Director Twining: Is the Frankford elevated to be rushed to completion or are further contracts for that important undertaking to be held up pending the writing of a lease proposal and action on it by Councils next winter?

IDEALISTIC WAR AIMS. THE profession of unselfish purposes made by the American Government in entering the war, which is repeated and strengthened in the note to Russia, is already showing results in the changed attitude of Allied Governments. England informs Petrograd that "the British Government heartily joins with their Russian allies in their acceptance and approval of the principles laid down by President Wilson in his historic message to the American Congress."

While other things become scarce, the supply of dirt is increasing. As the street cleaners are evidently opposed to cleaning, every householder should get a broom and assemble the dirt immediately in front of his own home. Perhaps this would convince the contractors, who say the city is clean, that they are suffering from defective vision.

M. Viviani, Minister of Justice in the French Cabinet, believes that women should have equal rights with men. That attitude means more in a country ruled by the Napoleonic code than a similar demand means in this country, since for ages the civil law has classed women with idiots and children. But M. Viviani is merely a statesman, while the ward bosses of Philadelphia are—ward bosses.

THE billion dollars which it is said the Administration will ask for the equipment and training of a great air fleet would be money well invested, as aeroplanes are life savers. They are the eyes of an army to ferret out enemy batteries and direct shell fire to destroy them. In the battle of Measnes the British losses were under 10,000, a saving of men that would have been impossible had it not been for the information supplied by airmen.

Here is one British mistake which we should learn not to make before it is too late: A Parliamentary committee has found that munition workers were allowed to fall into lowered health and reduced efficiency because of suddenly increased output, and that as much and better work could have been accomplished with more attention paid to daily and weekly rests. Probably the many strikes which have hampered England were the result of this lack of foresight.

Ill-digested facts can tell weird tales. Believing Indians resisting registration at Gettysburg of a monument to Lee, leader of the great rebellion; the adoption of conscription, with an alleged implication of a lack of volunteering spirit; the campaigning pressure invoked to obtain the Liberty Loan, the abstention from formal alliance with the Entente—all these truths, if unexplained, might easily give Germany the notion

PAN-AMERICA'S ROLL OF HONOR

Santo Domingo Joins Growing List of Republics That Have Broken With Berlin. AMID so much news that is tragic and terrible, the announcement that Santo Domingo has broken relations with Berlin injects, at first blush, a piquant note of gaiety. Considered by itself the situation seems almost to savor of comic opera.

The Roll of Honor. Behold the Latin-American honor roll: Guatemala, Bolivia, Honduras, Nicaragua, Haiti and Santo Domingo have severed relations with Berlin. Cuba has declared war. Brazil has broken Teuton bonds, seized interned ships and abrogated her neutrality with respect to the United States.

Our commercial envoys usually struggled vainly to make headway with English, and it is even said that many of them were surprised on learning that the language of Brazil was not Spanish at all, but Portuguese. Since the old United States and Brazil line went out of existence no regular passenger service under the Stars and Stripes has been maintained between our ports and any South American point below Panama on the west and La Guaira on the east.

Teuton Trade Shattered. These facts are not adduced to support our most reprehensible indifference to South American trade development, but assuredly they do emphasize the fact that the code of democracy and the example of a great democratic experiment have triumphed in lands where all Germany's marvellously organized business energies failed.

It was now close to sunset. A light buggy turned in from the pike and began to climb the ridge. The driver was a young man in the blue uniform of the national guardman of the "bow." Nearing the crest, the youth jumped out to lead the horse over the rough road.

"That's what I have got," said the old man. "We don't want no man-killers in the family. We want no too good as 'tis. Turn yer horse 'round and git out!"

"Bertha," the young man called out, "do you want I should marry you?" "I bin countin' on it, Rob."

"Now, then, grandpop," he continued, "this girl is mine and she's goin' away with me. It's too bad you don't believe in man killin', because that's the only way you can stop us. You got one shot in that old gun. Take a crack at us. Jump in, Bertha."

Old Jacob's face, which had gone very white, began suddenly to take back its color; it broke into many new and unused wrinkles. He leaned upon his gun and laughed, which was a most unusual exercise with him; at least before his great-grandchildren began to arrive.

Tom Daly's Column THE BOND OF LIBERTY

No silken cord is this, for puppet's grace, Steel steeled, rather, with an indred power, Iron muscle knotted for the crucial hour.

The Conscript. He's dead now, but he left those behind who may care, so we'll hail him Jacob Howe, which is nothing like his real name, for this is a true story.

When I was down at the county seat just now," he was saying, "I heard a lot of talk about conscripting troops to fight Spain, and I wouldn't be surprised if it was put through; and it'll be a mistake.

THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE. The Eagle's Errand—Food Speculators—High Prices and Building.

THE EAGLE'S ERRAND. To the Editor of the Evening Ledger: Sir—The white-crested eagle sits on his lofty perch secure in his aerial, which he has founded on the sacred principles of life, liberty and freedom.

FOOD SPECULATION. To the Editor of the Evening Ledger: Sir—It was very gratifying indeed to see how the young blood of the United States responded to the president's call for registration.

"HIGH PRICES." To the Editor of the Evening Ledger: Sir—It is with keen regret and considerable disappointment that the writer notes a tendency in certain quarters to curtail building operations at the present time.

"WE," NOT "THEY." Why is it that so many Americans persist in referring to the government and the nation as "they"? Whenever taxes are high, "they" did it; when the nation is forced by a perfidious enemy to a declaration of war, to criticize, "they" are responsible.

What Do You Know? 1. What is an astronomical unit? 2. What is the difference between murexide and hydrochloric acid? 3. Who is Babalan's?

"IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR ACTION" FOUR THOUSAND ENLISTMENTS BY SATURDAY NIGHT. U.S. MARINE CORPS NATIONAL RECRUITING WEEK. June 10-16. Illustration of a Marine in uniform.

der way to such an extent as to make cancellation impossible. Should the struggle last for three or five years, these vast expenditures will be constantly increasing and the labor supply will be decreasing simultaneously.