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YOU CAN'T BEAT WHEELS

INABILITY to travel meant that people stayed home. Staying at home meant serfdom. Serfdom meant discouragement to inventive talent.

The States of the West compete with each other and with Canada for inhabitants. They compete by offering more freedom than their neighbors.

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Six years ago a group of former Philadelphians were sitting around a table in a New York restaurant late one night. One of them watched a ticker. "Boys, the old town's elected Blankenbush!" "Impossible!" "No, it's true."

JETTISON OF KAISERISM

IT IS premature to assume that the morale of the German fighting forces is gone. There is little evidence from the front to justify such a conclusion.

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man society that enables Vorwerms to declare that "in these arduous times criticism even of imperial acts must be allowed." When he began the Kaiser was above criticism. That is why there was war.

THE United States has raised its armed forces in two ways: by selective conscription and by voluntary enlistment. The Government is likewise financing the war in two ways: by conscription and by volunteer loans.

What man can look his neighbor in the face if that neighbor has given a volunteer son to the cause but he himself has not loaned a dollar?

When the British Tories founded an empire they destroyed Toryism at home. For the people of England could travel to the ends of the world and be free, so they had to be given more freedom at home to keep them there.

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COAL

THE coal situation remains critical. The output does not measure up to requirements and prices are so high as to presage bitter suffering in the great cities during the approaching winter.

NEW REASON FOR WHEAT-SAVING

THE loss of 700,000 bushels of grain by fire in Brooklyn should be a solemn reminder to every one of the necessity for an economy more strict than ever.

Maybe the town can be thankful that the police have not arrested the court.

There is \$23,000,000 in the City Treasury, but what good will it do men in jail?

The world's series seems to be simply a question as to which team can lose four games first.

When you lend money to Uncle Sam you do your pocket good and you do your soul good.

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It is reported that the Mayor has boycotted the Philadelphia newspapers. It is a pity he had not first boycotted the Fifth Ward.

Why attack the Jews in the Fifth Ward case? They seem to have been the only ones who had heads and tails to show.

COAL SUPPLY CAN BE INCREASED

"Liquor at Mines Should Be Forbidden—Longer Working Day Possible"

By W. HAYDEN McFADDEN
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THE daily press gives considerable prominence to matters relating to the serious conditions already existing and the more serious conditions to be anticipated in connection with the supply of soft coal.

The working day should for the duration of the war be increased by presidential order to ten hours, and conscription to twelve hours, if other conditions warrant.

Methods of Paying Men
The miner is paid a certain agreed-upon rate per ton for the coal loaded on pit cars.

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Our brief reference to Francesco Cesco in a recent issue moves Dr. Howard S. Anders to seize his praiseful harp and elaborate upon the theme.

"I doubt if many in Philadelphia," says he, "have had even the slight intimacy which I enjoyed with Cesco for two brief summer periods in Provincetown, Mass., where one can live the simple life best of any coast resort I know."

We observe that at all industries loaded cars are standing and very few men employed in discharging their contents. We need in our business a more efficient daily movement of freight cars so many miles daily and the average daily performance of locomotives approximately 25 per cent more.

Get After Consignees
Get after the consignees. The miners are ready and able to load 50 per cent more cars and the railroad is prepared to speed up the movement 50 per cent, but the cars are not unloaded.

The world was ravished with a golden voice,
Sunken now to a thin memorial dust,
And all those cars which skinned the living tone
Time is consigning steadily to rust.

Yet one sure immortality remains,
An indissoluble among the spheres—
When history shall have dropped the dead's name
"Peach Melba" will go ringing down the years.

The other morning the P. L. asked editorially how much the German people have been changed by the war, and our own dear paper, with sisterly helpfulness, comes right along and prints this:

A late report this afternoon said that the British were in possession of all of Poniappelle except the brewery. Around this structure the Germans were fighting hard.

Tom Daly's Column

BEDEVELLOWS
Ain't no one so glad as me
When they's lady-company
Comes to visit us an' stay
All that night until it's day.

'Nen for pa! I tell you what,
At the time I have a lot.
I list around on Pa an' shake
His old head till he's awake.

I wish every night 'at we
Might have lady-company.

COUSIN ELLEN
WHO REMEMBERS
ALL ABOUT THE
CIVIL WAR
TELLS US

The Mr. Cooper who started the first Cooper Refreshment Saloon and who was the Mr. Hoover of his day was a real sure-enough cooper, because he made barrels and kegs at his shop near Swanston street and Washington avenue.

That they never had any trouble getting recruits those days. A fife and a drum would come down the street and one by one men would fall in line and they'd be taken to one of the camps where they'd be sworn in.

That everything was very high at the stores, but there was always plenty of money, except once when the Government didn't pay the soldiers for eight or nine months, and ladies used to go around among the soldiers' families paying out fifty cents a week to them for the support of each child.

That everybody helped everybody else and lots of families that hadn't been on good terms before the war got to be the best friends ever you saw.

That war is terrible, of course, but some good's got to come out of it. For she went through one and she's young as she ever was.



A SIX-HOUR DAY IN THE SCHOOLS

"A Rational Adjustment to Gain the Modern Ends of Education"

By A. S. MARTIN
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THE Six-Hour School Day and Directed Study is a fundamental departure from the short high school day of the static school systems. It is a rational adjustment to gain the modern ends of education—preparation to live in a new world.

Directed study is essential because it is more important to know how to study, how to investigate, than to know a limited number of facts.

The short school day provides only for the hearing of classes. The building, with its libraries, laboratories and shop equipments, is closed to the student until 9 o'clock in the forenoon and after 2:15 or 2:30 in the afternoon.

This anomalous control of the high-school building—a control which excludes the learner nineteen hours of the twenty-four—compels home study at night.

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The lack of adjustment of the length of school day and the nature of the work to the needs of the student body is a defect of the present system.

The teacher is prone to view any change from a narrow point of view because of his restricted experiences of life. Many teachers have taught ten, twenty or thirty years and have never seen any other teacher.

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What Do You Know?

QUIZ

- 1. When will the next session of Congress open?
2. Where is Orster Bay?
3. A famous book begins with this sentence: "All men are divided into three parts. Name the book."
4. Francis of Assisi was one of the greatest of Christian saints. Where is Assisi and when did Francis live?
5. What are Ember and Rogation Days?
6. What is the official name of the electrically conscripted army?
7. "We owe it, therefore, to candor and to the United States and those Towers to declare that we should consider any attempt on their part to extend their system to any portion of our country as dangerous to our peace and safety." From what document is this sentence taken?
8. What does a gradual rise in the barometer indicate?
9. Where is Rhodesia and for whom was it named?
10. What is the allusion in the saying, "A man of postage?"

Answers to Saturday's Quiz

- 1. George Vancouver (1758-98) sailed with Captain Cook. He circumnavigated Vancouver Island later.
2. The naval battles of Dorrer Bank and Jutland were fought January 24, 1915, and May 31, 1916.
3. The Desert of Sahara is in northern Africa.
4. The German Emperor is fifty-eight.
5. Compensated leaves: To compensate those injured at their work.
6. Liberty Bonds are negotiable.
7. Franco: Water-color laid on wall or ceiling in red.
8. "The sands are running out!" referring to the old days of sailing time by the hour-glass.
9. A kiosk: A light open pavilion in Turkey and Persia; in France and Belgium a kiosk is a small building for the sale of newspapers, a bandstand, etc.
10. A Union League in politics.

A UNION LEAGUE IN POLITICS

AT ONE of the largest meetings it has held in many years, the Union League Club went strongly on record last night in favoring the candidacy of Mayor Mitchell for Mayor of Philadelphia.

Whereas, The Union League Club, of February 8, 1917, declared for the continuation of nonpartisan city government.

Under this plan students who carry the minimum requirement, twenty-three hours of work per week, will have one full period for study in school each day in addition to the half-hour prior to each lesson.

"FUNNIEST THINGS IN WORLD"
A girl with a stunning figure, big brown eyes, peach-like complexion and wavy black hair, lovely enough to become the bride of a prince, stood around the Union Station today watching and waiting.

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