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eral belief that American troops would not go to the trenches until 'the spring drive.' If spring is to be anticipated in midwinter and the fighting is to be virtually continuous, there will be as much reason for our forces to take their turn now as later...

FIRST AMERICAN TO SINK A U-BOAT

Captain Charlton Tells of His Experience With Sea Pirate. By A. ROLAND GARBER. WHEN all the stories of the world war have been written after its close, a niche in the annals must be reserved for Captain John Fred Charlton, captain of the first vessel flying the Stars and Stripes to sink a German U-boat...

THE IS THE GREAT DAY. This day is set aside by the President as a red-letter day, the day on which the nation is to concentrate in pushing Liberty Bonds for sale. It is the day of the great drive for funds, the day for testimonials in support of democracy, of American institutions and of the unalterable determination of the people of this country to end forever the menace of autocracy and military fury.

CUSTODIAN OF ENEMY PROPERTY. AT THE time of his appointment it was not generally understood just how important is the position which A. Mitchell Palmer will occupy. As Custodian of Enemy Property he will have direct control of business and property amounting to the aggregate to hundreds of millions of dollars and possibly to more than a billion.

WISCONSIN GOES TO TRIAL. IS WISCONSIN anti-American? It has been "anti" in almost everything under the beneficent political despotism of Mr. La Follette, whose failure to achieve the Presidency has rankled in his soul and embittered him considerably in utterance and outlook.

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Tom Daly's Column

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THE CONCORD GRAPE is plentifully making our mid and Little Italy is busy making wine. The grapes began to come into market ten days ago and will keep coming for ten days more, so we're in the exact middle of things.

J. Wallace Hollowell, who has watched the swarming of the Italian grape buyers for many years, tells us they're as numerous and as eager as ever, although the grape crop's shorter than usual and prices are 30 per cent higher. The two-pound basket which cost sixty cents last year is eighty cents now. But the Italians come with bags of miscellaneous coins, from pennies to gold pieces, and gladly swap them for the purple clusters.

Groups of families in Little Italy and in smaller settlements in Nicetown, Manayunk, Germantown and other suburbs pool their issues not only for the purchase of the grapes but for the actual wine-making. Many prefer to go it alone—even the bachelor who has no thought beyond his own quart a day—but there's not much fun in that. The thing to do is to attach yourself to a large and harmonious group and share the jollities of the community wine-making.

THE community tank into which the grapes are gathered has a capacity of something like 10,000 gallons. That means there'll be something like eighty or ninety tons of grapes waiting for the foot of the presser, who now enters. He jumps into the tank quickly—and, we may add, lightly—being handicapped by nothing in the nature of apparel, scoring even the ivy chaplet of Bacchus, which he might properly have put on.

Chapter two opens a day or two later when the grapes have begun to ferment. There are now three or four treaders busy in the tank. Their uniform is only a trifle more cumbersome than that of the hero of chapter one. With their bare feet they crush the grapes, and the bung now being open permits the juice to begin flowing into vats in waiting about twelve feet long by three feet wide. This is the big day and the work is usually begun at about 4 o'clock in the afternoon and goes on steadily until 2 in the morning.

Two Narrow Escapes. "The war will end in favor of the Allies. The entrance of the United States into the struggle makes this result ultimately certain. We of this country stand with you in the fullest extent of our effort to punish to the fullest extent of our law all the propagandists against this our country."

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ALIENS SHOULD FIGHT. Sir—Every one, young or old, must do his bit in some way or other to help save the world from being crushed under the iron heel of Prussianism. This is a fine phrase when we say it quick, but how about every one doing his bit? I do know that here in Philadelphia there are men of military age, healthy and strong, who can be numbered in the thousands, who are running about our city and who defy the nation and its draft laws to take them?

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- What Do You Know? QUIZ. 1. A vacancy has occurred in the United States Senate through the death of Senator Harlan. Who is the vacancy filled?

- Answers to Yesterday's Quiz. 1. Lille, the most important French city in German hands, must be evacuated.

- GERMANY UNMASKED. THE recent disclosures by the State Department of German duplicity toward this country while still ostensibly at peace with us and of the German Government's despotic methods in the effort to gain advantage at our cost have shocked and surprised many American citizens.

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