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against the minority of smokers and wasters. This majority of right-thinking people—what is it but the Government of the United States? "We, the people," demand that we be regulated as to our use of food.

CONGRESS FACES BIG PILE OF WORK
Cost of Living in Capital Hits Members—Taxation Problems and Criticism
WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.
YESTERDAY Congress has started in again, the second session of the Sixty-fifth Congress.

BRITISH POLITICS IN QUEER MIX-UP
Asquith Party Not Pacifistic. Northcliffe's Power Exaggerated
By GILBERT VIVIAN SELDES
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THE political situation has been extraordinarily upset and re-established in the last ten days, and although the great "crisis" is past, some aspects of it are sufficiently permanent to merit attention from Americans.



THE SEVENTH CITY
There are at least six cities on this continent which every one should see. Every one should see New York because it is the largest city in the world and because it combines the magnificence of the wonder, the beauty, the serenity and the shame of a great metropolis; every one should see San Francisco because it is so vivid, so alive, so golden; every one should see Washington, the clean, white splendor of which is like the embodiment of a national dream; every one should see the old gray granite city of Quebec, piled on its hill above the river like some fortified town in France; every one should see the sweet and aristocratic city of Charleston, which suggests a museum of tradition and early American elegance; and of course every one should see New Orleans—Julian Street, in "American Adventures."

THE WILSON INSPIRATION
AS USUAL, it has required several days for carefully considered opinions of a presidential pronouncement of the first magnitude to be formulated abroad and reverberate back to our shores. We may perceive now that Tuesday's events in the Capitol have made a far deeper impression than the first dispatches indicated. In fact, some of the exhilaration which foreign journals show may be incomprehensible to Americans.

Criticism of Congress
It was to be expected that the last Congress, which was a faithful and industrious one, should be criticized for many of the measures passed by it. No Congress could meet the largest tax bill in all history without being criticized, and yet President Wilson has gone out of his way several times recently to compliment Congress upon the work it performed in the last session.

Lloyd George's Backdown
From this column article those who knew decided that Northcliffe had come out against Lloyd George, and wondered whether the next Prime Minister was to be the noble Lord himself, Sir Eric Geddes or some great name of the past. Northcliffe, however, declared himself notably pleased by his defense. Only the Liberal papers noted that the Prime Minister virtually retraced every word of his own complaint; he was even buoyantly optimistic.

WE HAVE no quarrel with Mr. Street for omitting Philadelphia. He dipped his pen into molten gold when he wrote this latest of his American studies, and it would be hard for him to sin beyond forgiveness. Yet it is worth while considering why this great community failed to attract an author who has made it his business to see the country with an artist's eye and study its cities with the love of an heir. Are we, too, simply one of many, another grouping together of people who through generation after generation have achieved no traditions and stand in the national mind for no certain things distinct and apart from other cities? Isn't Philadelphia worth seeing?

LEGAL AID FOR DRAFTED MEN
ENROLLMENT and classification of the 3,000,000 men still subject to the draft will present many legal problems for which the registrants will require the advice of counsel. The Philadelphia courts have heartily endorsed the plan of shortening court sessions in order to leave attorneys leisure to cope with the inevitable mass of new consultations. Essential litigation will be expedited and continuances granted wherever consonant with public interest. Registrants in doubt should seek counsel and not proceed by guesswork. Many public-spirited attorneys will doubtless tender their services freely to the local draft boards, as their professional brothers in medicine have done, in the laudable desire to perform their bit in the war.

GUNS AND HUNS
THE release of 2,000,000 Germans now on the Russian front for blows at France and Italy is a phrase so constantly applied with discouraging effect that it begins to smack of Teuto-Bolshevik propaganda. At least, the numerical proportions of the opposed nations should be scrutinized before any fantastic dreams of disaster are indulged in.

SACRIFICE OF BABIES
According to D. C. Roloff, of the United Charities, death is likely to be more frequent in Chicago than in the trenches of Europe this winter. Doctor Roloff supports his contention with some rather stern facts and figures, as follows: The death rate in an artillery regiment at the front in France is about 8 per cent; in an infantry regiment, 15 per cent. More than double the latter figure is the death rate of babies in the poorer sections of Chicago. That it is four times as dangerous to be a baby in those sections as it is to be a soldier at the front is the conclusion Doctor Roloff has reached.

MAJORITY RULE FOR FOOD
FURTHER advance in the Hooverizing process has been scored in the agreement of the hotel and restaurant men to the two most costly days a week. Those who have most credit for such reforms are not the food administrators and food inspectors but the people themselves. With a majority in favor of conservation, it could be no conservation what-so-ever. The majority must keep their heads and sternly resist any attempt to divert the majority from its course.

OUTLOOK FOR THE FUTURE
To what extent Congress will delve into other than war business is not clear. Republicans and Democrats have had no conferences, but no conclusion has been reached as to the limitations that shall be placed on legislation. The Republicans have declared their readiness to go along with the President on purely war measures, except that many of them believe there should be more cooperation from the House and that the White House should be better off, politically and otherwise, if it would agree to an oversight of expenditures by a committee of Congress.

Both Sides for War
The least politic thing for Americans to do is to interfere in any way in British politics; we are being riddled from both sides now, and the less we say the better. Lord Northcliffe tells the British public that here or if a new ministry, with a liberal cabinet, is formed, the cry will be set up that Asquith and the old gang are pacifists and do not want to win the war and that every one who is not a pacifist should join the new government. Curzon, Carson and Milner, plus Lloyd George, is a pro-German. That is damnable dangerous nonsense, which will tend to weaken our faith in our allies.

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CHARLES OF AUSTRIA'S LONG, LOW, DAILY MOAN for peace is gradually rising to a wail, if not to a piercing shriek. There is no money for the cops, but there seem to be ample funds for the professional chair-tilters who use City Hall chiefly as political headquarters. Now we understand how Crown Prince Rupprecht's men could "plunge forward two miles along a six-mile front." The British, it seems, had evacuated that sector before the Germans knew what was happening. Ruth Law wants a commission in the army and she should get it, if only for the exoneration of her sex from the charge that every American woman is born with a headache. A woman who can keep her head from spinning round two miles up in the air puts a great many unathletic men to shame.

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GERMANY'S JEALOUSY
Bethmann-Hollweg Exhibited It to Lloyd George in 1908
In the late summer of 1908, at the end of the parliamentary session, Mr. Lloyd George traversed Germany from west to east and from north to south. It was a very systematic motor tour. The object of the tour was to investigate the German system of national insurance. Harold Spender, who was a member of the Lloyd George party, has written a highly interesting account of Lloyd George's experiences in Germany in his biography, "The Prime Minister." He says:
"Bethmann-Hollweg was at that time 'Home Secretary,' a vigorous, amiable Minister of the official kind, sincerely keen on social reforms; a Junker of the better type. He treated Mr. Lloyd George with great courtesy. He returned from his holiday, and specially entertained him and his party in the famous restaurant at the Zoological Gardens at Berlin. He invited many eminent members of the German civil service to meet us. Every one was very gracious and polite—almost too polite for comfort. After dinner we went into a large reception room, and there we remained standing all the evening, talking and looking at one another. Toward the end of the evening we began to feel very fatigued. I ventured to ask one of the German gentlemen whether it would be better to sit down. 'Oh,' he said, 'we have all been waiting for you to sit down! We, too, are very tired!'

JACQUES THIBAUD PLAYS
French Violinist Reveals Polished Art in an Ideally Devised Program
A nice adjustment of intellectual and emotional values in music signified the delightful concert given by the Philadelphia Orchestra yesterday afternoon in the Academy of Music. Not heretofore this season has Mr. Stokowski so cunningly preserved the balance of art moods. There was frank, forthright tone painting in a Dvorak overture, rich, subjective subtlety in a Brahms symphony, delicacy and refinement in a Lalo work and stimulating impressions in a novelty by the French ultra-modernist, Maurice Ravel.

Tom Daly's Column
Pomes Written by myself Little Poetry
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