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THE DUTY OF A MAN

There are duties as well as privileges of citizenship, as those young men who have become of age since June 5 of last year are discovering today.

Voting is sometimes called a privilege, but it is the duty of every qualified elector.

But whether the youth who must register for military service today regards it as a privilege or a duty, there is no excuse for avoiding it.

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FIND THE MONEY

If a Cotton Tax and a Protective Tariff Will Raise Revenue, Congress Should Not Fear Them

THE Republicans who have stood by the Administration in its prosecution of the war are evidently determined to give it the benefit of their advice in the preparation of the new revenue bills.

Representative Fordney, of the Ways and Means Committee, has begun already by reminding the House of the importance of resorting to the tariff.

When we are confronted with the necessity of raising enormous sums in an emergency like the present it is simply the part of wisdom to profit by the experience of the past and to adopt tried methods.

The Democrats are not to be allowed to forget that there are sources of war profits also which they have not yet touched.

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KITCHENER

TWO years ago today Kitchener died. In a stormy sunset off the Orkneys the cruiser Hampshire struck a mine and foundered in a few minutes.

No one will have forgotten the pang of horror and regret that throbbled in the hearts of the English-loving peoples when the news was known.

Such human legends and fables, unreasonable as they may seem, are always based on some underlying truth.

The world loves to invent legends for its great men. Around the tall grim figure of Kitchener has grown the story of a sphinx of ice and iron.

It is never safe to assume that a man is a woman-hater just because he is a bachelor, or that he has the temper of a frosty devil because he scowls at the newspaper man's camera.

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The Life of a Smoker
Age 12, bean-pod cigars.

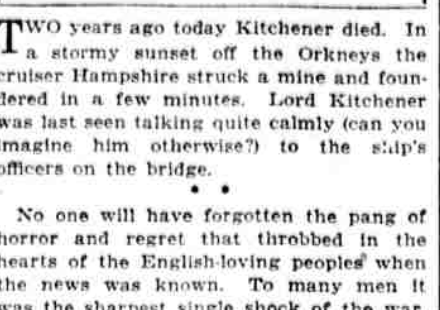
Today's War Names
For the benefit of our innumerable readers we are glad to print the proper pronunciation of names on the most western of all fronts.

Laurels for an Ancient
HENRY WATTEERSON'S editorial on the entrance of America into the war, which has received the Pulitzer prize as the best article in an American newspaper last year.

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FROM ancient Edens long forgot He felt a breath of spring. And in the leafless apple tree He heard a white-throat sing.

With fluted triplets, clear and sweet, The bird proclaimed his joy. And on the withered orchard grass The man became a boy.

A boy who ran, a boy who dreamed, In April sun and rain; Who knew all good was happiness, All evil only pain.

Sing on, O white-throat in the tree. He does not hear you now! The years are trampling on his heart And armies e'er his brow.

From ancient Edens long forgot No resurrection comes Until the smallest sparrow's song Is louder than the drums!—Walter Prichard Eaton, in the Atlantic Monthly.

The Reader's Viewpoint
Trieste in the German Plot
To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: Sixty-a special cable to the Evening Public Ledger, dated May 30, gives us parts of the latest speech of the Austrian Emperor delivered to several deputations from the western provinces of his empire.

He could have omitted this last confession: we knew very well that Austria is a vassal of Germany. Italy in her population, geography and history, yet we ought not to take her from Austria, since she constitutes her most important harbor.

By raising the passenger fares Mr. McAdoo has imparted a somber meaning to the "Home Sweet Home" motto that many people have never been acquainted with—Houston Post.

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