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PROFITEERS AND THE DRAFT

Having Charged the War Industries With Plunder, Can the Administration Draft Labor for Them? 'YOU would be willing,' said a member of the House Military Affairs Committee to Secretary Baker in the course of the hearing on the new draft bill, 'to use the draft regulation in industrial disputes?'

THE CHAFFING DISH

A Regular Guy JIMMYLEGS hung around the camp post as a hundred others do; But Jimmylegs did not wait in vain, 'twas a jolly fat letter, too!

HARVESTING

AND listen!—the khaki forms stretched out on bunks and on the floor; Smiles lighted boyish faces where disappointment lurked before:



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MONTGOMERY COUNTY PRUSSIANS

AGAINST A little band of willful King of Prussians an equally determined knot of Montgomery County villagers have raised the standard of revolt. The famous old roadside inn has already been rechristened, but King of Prussia is still officially listed as a Pennsylvania post-office address.

CALLING IN THE WISE MEN

THE world has so long been afraid of its wise men that the appointment of a great philosopher on a French Government mission is a striking index of the fast flux of history in which this old planet is revolving.

SHILT-EDGED GERMAN MUSIC

SHOULD Richard Strauss's 'Salome' happen to be produced during the war not even the most zealous patriot will have legitimate cause for uneasiness.

DEMOCRATS IN A MELEE

ALL experience, like all records of human travail in other fields, proves that the tall never can be the dog. The State Democratic Committee, in waging a futile war on Judge Bonniwell, is therefore wasting its energy.

AN ARMY TO BEAT GERMANY

GENERAL MARCH says that we can win the war by September of next year if we have an army of 2,200,000 in France on June 30 and about 1,600,000 in training at home.

THE GOWNSMAN

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IT CAN BE DONE

Somebody said that it couldn't be done. But he, with a chuckle, replied: 'That maybe it couldn't, but he would be one Who wouldn't say so till he'd tried.'

WAR GARDENER'S RHYME

Beans and peas and garden-sage, they tell the boche he shall not pass.—Baltimore Sun.

WATCH THE MAP

Kaiser Bill started the 'storm of peace,' but Foch is running the Weather Bureau.—Toledo Blade.

AND ARMIES TO MATCH

Germany leads the world on disappearing guns.—Brooklyn Eagle.

WHAT DO YOU KNOW?

- 1. Where is Baku, which a British expeditionary force recently reached? 2. What official position is held by Franklin Roosevelt? 3. What is the capital of Vermont? 4. What are truffles? 5. What was the Missouri compromise? 6. What one of Napoleon's marshals founded a royal house which still rules in Europe? 7. Who defeated James G. Blaine for President? 8. What is the meaning of 'Hotel de Ville'? 9. Who was Thomas Nast? 10. How is the date of Labor Day determined?

ANSWERS TO YESTERDAY'S QUIZ

- 1. Von Hertling is the present Chancellor of Germany. 2. A blitzkrieg is a series of variations for a bassoon. 3. General Graves has been appointed commander of the American forces in Siberia. 4. Samuel Langhorne Clemens was the real name of Mark Twain. 5. 'Wagon' is a quotation from George Meredith's novel, 'The Oriole of Richard Ferrers'. 6. Brazil is the chief coffee-producing country of the world. 7. A which? holding machine or wireless used to a large extent on ships. It also means a crank of a wheel or an axle. 8. James Schoups? Sherman was Vice President under Taft. 9. A souvere is a member of a French light infantry corps, originally formed of Algonquians, retaining an Oriental uniform, and history of a horse. 10. A souvere is a member of a French light infantry corps, originally formed of Algonquians, retaining an Oriental uniform, and history of a horse.

GLORIOUS NEWS

Brooklyn is greatly elated over the discovery of a submarine in parts, packed in cases and lying in a vacant lot. Optimistic Brooklynites are thinking there may now be some hope for a rival to the Manhattan subway.

SEARCH US

Dear Socrates—Why do people always say "bone" dry? Why not some other kind of dry? PRO BONO PUBLICO.

PROHIBIT THEM

"Dry" arguments in the Senate are no novelty. We had more than a sufficiency of them long before prohibition ever became a national issue.

WHEAT THRU

Wheat Thru Yank, The War Rolls With a wheaten loaf By, Johnny! your rank, Though in pity were surveyed you By your Uncle Sam that made you As you are better fed than we are, Johnny Yank.

THE RIVER LYS

Is the river Lys where the cooties come from? In spite of their name, the Jugo-Slavs are said to be very temperate, and the Rumanians are alleged to be total abstainers.

OUR CREED

None of our arguments convinces any one else and few of them convince ourself. We intended originally to be loquacious and talkative, but we find that other people enjoy talking so much we don't see why we should deprive them of innocent pleasure.

MR. GARFIELD, N. B.

See a bin and fill it up. All the year you'll have good luck; See a bin and leave it void, All your friends will be annoyed.

WHY IS IT THAT WE ARE NEVER OUT WHEN PEOPLE COME TO CALL ON US?

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PHILADELPHIANS ARE KIND-HEARTED PEOPLE

Philadelphia is a kind-hearted people, and about 5 o'clock in the afternoon they often stop to think of the unfortunate New Yorkers about to go under the bottom in their subway. Shontsturos salutamus!

EVERY NOW AND THEN WE MEET SOME STALWART BRITISH JACKIES

Every now and then we meet some stalwart British Jackies on Chestnut street, and when we look at them we have an inkling why the Hun dreads everything that stays near Kiel.

GERMANY IS VERY MUCH ANNOYED BY THE

Germany is very much annoyed by the leaflet barrage that keeps dropping down from Allied aircraft in the shape of League to Enforce Peace pamphlets, Lichnovsky reprints, etc. But Germany ought to know that with the approach of autumn leaves always fall. Why not make the best of it, like the Austrians, and sell the pamphlets for immense sums?

A BERLIN EDITOR SUGGESTS THAT GERMANY

A Berlin editor suggests that Germany undertake a vigorous counter-offensive to these pamphlets by strewing some of her own. Think what an inspiring mass of material she has: Statistics of hospital ships sunk, Red Cross nurses shot, prisoners starved and beaten, neutral countries terrorized.

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COAL MINERS HAVE ASKED FOR WHAT

Coal miners have asked for what the dispatches refer to as a flat increase in pay. A look at the set-dole suggests that the "I" may have crept into the adjective by accident.

THE CHAFFING DISH

'SAY, listen to this: 'I was knitting socks, the hardest job with yarn; It was during our church social, and I suddenly said, "Oh, darn!" That fussy deacon—you know who—looked up quite shocked at me. I said, "Did you ever turn a heel?" 'Not a darn one,' said he. 'On friend or foe.' 'You're like my boy,' I hastened to reply. He shook my hand. Gee, fellows! Ain't Ma some regular guy! Gee, fellows! Ain't Ma some regular guy!'

THOSE KITTENS LOOKED REPROACHFUL

THOSE kittens looked reproachful—now they're here to stay; I know When you were just a kiddie you always loved them so. And—oh, yes! that pretty Jameson girl, I asked her in to tea. I showed her your picture in olive drab—say, boys, the rest's for me! A comrade spoke, "Where's Browning?" He looked like he'd gone broke. "His Ma wrote, too," said some one; "you know she's scared he'll croak. She writes the dingiest letters, honest they make him cry. Straight goods; I've seen the tear stains—Say, his Mother's no kind of guy!"

THEN JIMMYLEGS SAID SOFTLY

THEN Jimmylegs said softly, "There's a box-a-coming to me; Sweaters and socks and stuff to eat, we'll have a peach of a spree. We'll get that Browning fellow and brace him up a bit—I'll ask my Mother to write him—she'll have him feelin' fit. She wants to know all you fellows and she's coming to say good-by— Gee! Did you ever know a Mother that's such a regular guy!" DORA ADLEE SHOEMAKER.

IS THE RIVER LYS WHERE THE COOTIES COME FROM?

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AUSTRIA SEEMS TO BE SOUTING HER SEED

Austria seems to be souting her seed from? The story is less credible as to any "gentleman," British or other, than as to the servant; though no one can claim to be well bred who has not a cultivated, a well-disciplined blind-side. In London one Sunday afternoon at the Tate Picture Gallery, a few years ago, a great hulking fellow stalked about content, in a "shirtwaist" which would have been called shamelessly décolleté had a woman worn it, his hairy legs bare to the knees, sans shoes or even sandals; but no one in the crowd turned eye or lorgnette to look at him. You may walk the streets of London in the costume of Benjamin Franklin, shabbily waistcoat and all, or in that of Pericles, as Isadora Duncan's eccentric brother actually did, and even the costliest of the Gownsmen won't notice you. This is to be metropolitan, cosmopolitan.

THE PROVINCIAL, NOT TO THE MANNER BORN

THE provincial, not to the manner born, is sometimes put to it to preserve this lofty detachment. The Gownsmen remembers an afternoon at the home of Golden's Green, that genial and kindly English gentleman, excellent author and scholar, Ernest Rhys. The company was interesting and drawn from the four quarters of the globe. An Indian princess, or grandee, at the least—if there is London in the costume of Benjamin Franklin, shabbily waistcoat and all, or in that of Pericles, as Isadora Duncan's eccentric brother actually did, and even the costliest of the Gownsmen won't notice you. This is to be metropolitan, cosmopolitan.

THE HIGHER PROVINCIALISM

THE higher provincialism is obviously a derivative of "the higher criticism," that acquiescent and corrosive sublimated that has eaten away the metal of our faith; clearly a bad parentage. But be it remembered that there is a place for the higher criticism in confounding our false idols. Provincialism is the habitual seeing of the small things of life which are near to us, in the disproportionate size and importance which their close proximity to us is likely to give to them. There are small things which are near us, but which are, none the less, among the great essentials; of them we are at times forgetful because of their very proximity. The unostentatious performance of the petty duties that are nearest to us, this is one. Cheerfulness, that best of all lubricants of the daily machinery of life, is another. Still another is the resolute suppression of the aggressive ego (the spirit of I) which, firmly but gently practiced, day by day, will discover a world full of interesting people not circumstances in life precisely like ourselves. These are some of the notions, doubtless, of the Gownsmen's ingenious friend of "the higher provincialism," together with many better ones of his own. But in the final analysis it is refreshing for any man to work his way out boldly along the spokes, so to say, of the wheel of life; even if, as we have seen, the axis and hub of the universe may buzz and spin near him. He will find, perhaps a little to his surprise, that there is ever more motion and more actual traversing of space beyond him, and that he will have to go far to reach the great whirl of the larger outer rim, the rim which is actually in contact with the world, which is the greater friction of life, its larger movement, its actual progress onward.

IT IS EVER CHEAP

IT is Ever Cheap thrown freely at weddings. It is so expensive. Old shoes also are cherished as they were never cherished before. They are being conserved by a great many people who formerly flung them freely at departing brides and bridegrooms. The only thing that now may be thrown liberally at weddings is, if one may be permitted the use of a slang term, the bull.

THE POWER OF OLD BOI

THE power of Old Boi and the Kaiser both on the wane the summer of 1918 is at last making a real bid for popularity.

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