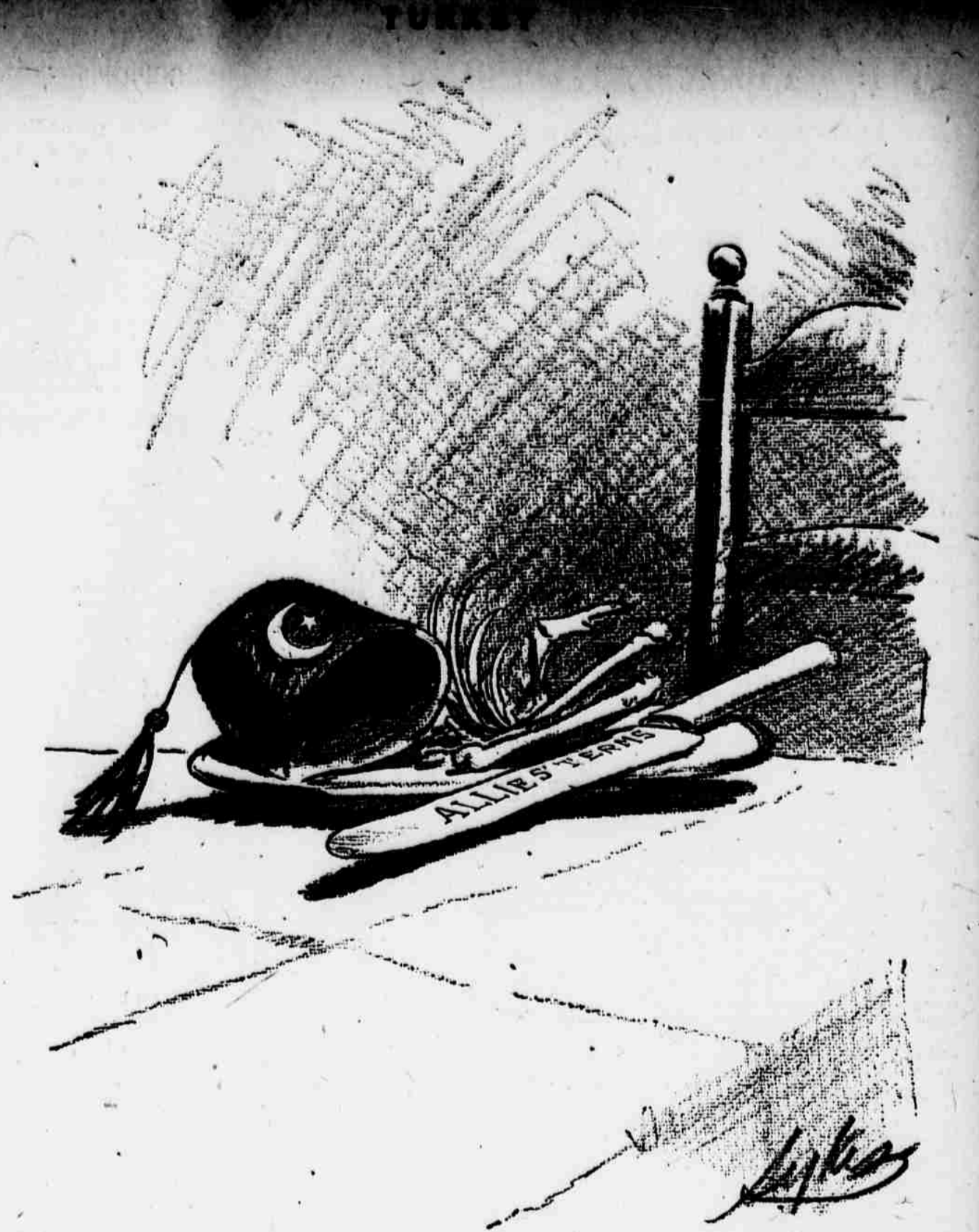


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**THE UNCONDITIONAL SURRENDER OF TURKEY**  
The unconditional surrender of Turkey and the Austrian appeal for an armistice complete the frustration of the German Berlin-to-Bagdad plot which was begun when Bulgaria got out of the war. The dream induced by the fumes of conceit and overweening ambition to dominate the earth has ended in the cold dawn in which the Prussian Junkers have waked to discover that the real world is a very different place from what they had thought it to be.

**MR. SCHWAB'S EXAMPLE**  
When Charles M. Schwab, as director general of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, recommended the cancellation of a \$60,000,000 shipbuilding contract with Charles M. Schwab, the steel man, he provided a fine demonstration of the American spirit at its best.

**ELBOW ROOM**  
Songs to Be Printed on Pay Envelopes  
O HEAVENS, how I hate the guy  
Who's never, never, never wrong—  
He always has an alibi,  
He always pulls the same old song;  
He lumps the boss straight in the eye  
As confident as a star boarder  
And has some ready reason why  
The other fellow got the order.



**CAN THIS BE TRUE?**  
When a man familiar with the business of this port was asked why we did not get more business for our pier, he said it was because the Philadelphia business men were niggers. He remarked that they would have to have the serum of activity injected into their veins before anything could be done. For example, the need for a floating derrick for loading the heaviest freight into the holds of steamships is admitted, but the city has neglected to have one built. As a consequence when a locomotive has to be loaded the ship has to tie up at the Reading pier where there is a derrick, load the locomotive, and then move back to its old pier to take on the rest of its cargo.

Still further, the opening of the Dardanelles and the Bosphorus, which is said to be provided for in the armistice, frees Rumania from the German menace and opens Russia to the Allies. If Germany should decide to continue the war she would find it absolutely necessary to reconstitute her whole Russian policy. The grain of the Ukraine, which has been kept in Russia because there was no way to get it out, will have free passage through the Black Sea ports to western Europe. This means that the economic rehabilitation of that district, with all its political and social consequences, can begin at once, under the tutelage of the nations in sympathy with the desires of the Russian people.

**FORCED LABOR**  
The draft laws and the work-or-fight rule operative under the more recent war legislation do not contemplate the investment of any Government board with autocratic rights over any worker. The community labor boards in this city are doing a most important work in their efforts to provide adequate man-power for essential war industries. But there is a disagreeable odor of coercion in their effort to control those under and over the draft age. No interpretation of the existing laws gives the labor board any such authority. Yet in some instances the officers of the boards have assumed by implication to exercise a universal pressure in the less essential industries.

**The Flag of Italy**  
As green as mountain torrents,  
As white as Alpine drifts,  
As red as the heart's pulses  
Italia's banner lifts—  
Green mercy stripes that bunting,  
White truth, red anger's glow—  
Honored by all freemen  
And even by her foe.  
—ANN DANTE.

**AN ECHO OF SALADIN**  
It was the Seljukian Turks of whose chivalry tragic Tasso sang and whom subsequent romanticists have celebrated in song and story. Their successors, the Ottomans, have hideously defiled ideals of eastern gallantry, but that some memory of their inheritance remains to them is measurelessly and inspiringly revealed in their treatment of General Townshend, chosen as the messenger to bear the request for the armistice.

The break-up in the central European alliance which began with the surrender of Bulgaria and was continued by the surrender of Turkey will be complete when Austria's request for an armistice in the field is granted. This request is the first step toward the withdrawal of that nation from the military alliance. It had to be made for the preservation of what there is left of the Austro-Hungarian empire. In spite of the unofficial statement from Vienna that Austria was not seeking a separate peace events seem to be proving that she must have it.

**Prayer in Time of Victory**  
GOD of our fathers, Who hath called  
Our far-flung legions to the parent shore  
Where England guards the gateway of the seas  
And France upholds man's old equalities,  
Where Belgium bleeds beneath the steady stars  
And Serbia flames through freedom's avatars,  
Where grace of Florence and the hills of Rome  
Still lift the cross to fling hell's cohorts home,  
Grant Thou, our God Who nerved Cromwell with steel,  
In Maenad forms cried loud *A bas Bastille!*  
Who breathed through Garibaldi and Rousseau  
And lifted Lincoln to prove a nation's woe—  
That we not lightly overthrow the sun  
Too young, too proud, for all our beaming guns.

**REMEMBER** Thou the agony of Thy cross  
Which turned to triumph all the bitter loss  
America runs swift upon appointed feet  
Stay Thou our steps lest they become too fleet.  
Break Thou our backs and crown our brows with pain,  
Lest we become as those that we have slain;  
And then in faith of love's great victories  
Broken with wonder fling us to our knees.  
—PVT. WILLARD WATTLES.

**SOLDIERS NEED NOT BE SCHOLARS**  
When the War Department decided that candidates for admission to the Student Army Training Corps need not have the necessary scholastic requirements for college entrance, provided that they had military or business experience, which would qualify them for service as officers, it showed much practical common sense.

**DEFEAT THIS AMENDMENT**  
THERE was general approval of the amendment to the Constitution, ratified by the voters in 1913, permitting this city to increase its indebtedness to a sum equal to 10 per cent of its assessed value, provided the extra 3 per cent above the normal 7 per cent debt limit should be incurred for the construction and improvement of subways, tunnels, railways and other transit facilities and for the construction and improvement of wharves and docks and for the reclamation of land to be used for such wharves and docks owned or to be owned by the city.

**THE CLOCK**  
The clocks of the city  
Are striking the time;  
Some strike in melody,  
Others in rhyme.  
Time for getting up, they say,  
Time for lying down;  
Time to follow all the roads  
That wind about the town.  
Time to love, the tall clocks sing,  
Chiming through the night;  
Time to hunt for all our dreams,  
Now it's time to fight.  
Time for work, time for play,  
And time to suffer pain,  
Time for happiness, perhaps,  
Then time to sleep again.  
—BEATRICE WASHBURN.

**THE READER'S VIEW POINT**  
"Wilson the Voice of America"  
To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: Sir—As a Republican I want to say that Senator Lodge and Colonel Roosevelt are not taking a course calculated to give a Republican hope of great leadership. Both ex-holders of provincialism still, at a time when, whether we would or no, we have joined the new and necessary world of self-government, Roosevelt has become a reactionary; it looks as if he could only see the old order, with America dominating the world with a "big stick." Instead of Great Britain doing so with a big boat, the "big stick" sounds entirely too much like the old order, with America dominating the world with a "big stick." Instead of Great Britain doing so with a big boat, the "big stick" sounds entirely too much like the old order, with America dominating the world with a "big stick."

**HANDS ACROSS THE CHASM**  
The personal reconciliation of the two Republican former Presidents was effected some months ago. Their political quarrel was signed and sealed when they signed their joint statement appealing for the selection of a Republican Congress in the coming year. It is a pity that the tendency toward autocracy in Washington might be checked if there had been strange if a common front had not brought them together. Both have criticized the Republican Party when an outsider launches his attacks, but they forget their differences and are fighting for the same cause. Both had severe critics in their own ranks. The Republicans are likely to have important work to do for the next year, and it is not to find fault with their present course, but to find ways to progress in the work to come.

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### Versailles: The Stage of Stateliness

WHEN French history—often tantamount to the world's—rushes past the control of its actors, Paris is usually the locale of those crises. When formal staging is in order, when the dramatic personae are in a sense masters of the event, the scene shifts from a fervent metropolis, a true capital of spontaneous, passionate endeavor, to a dusty, underpopulated town, conceived in self-conscious artifice and through the surge of centuries unflatteringly true to its essential character. This little city, whose streets are too wide for its sporadic traffic, whose vast parks and gardens are almost depressingly disproportionate to the prevailing numbers of their frequenters, whose grandeur in public buildings is redolent with the quality of stiff and silent seclusion, is Versailles, where the preliminary steps toward re-establishing security for the globe are now being taken.

THE Versailles Supreme Council is, of course, distinctly in line with the whole favor of the little city, and most of all are the immeasurably significant, armistice proceedings grappling with destiny there today. Paris is an epitome of kaleidoscopic human life, Versailles symbolizes existence regulated and formalized for the undertaking of achievements scheduled for magnificent official performance. The impression that the architectural clothes of Versailles, dreary as they may appear, are cut too big for it is an investigation specious. It fills out superbly when the curtain rises on stately world drama.

### THE READER'S VIEW POINT

**What Do You Know?**  
QUIZ  
1. What distinguished English prisoner bore the armistice terms?  
2. What is the capital of Bohemia?  
3. Who is the Emperor of Austria-Hungary?  
4. Who wrote the modern novel "The Old Wives' Tale"?  
5. To what Zoroastrian deity is the name of the National Republican Committee?  
6. How many miles distant from the earth is the sun?  
7. What is the meaning of pleiotropy?  
8. Charles H. Whitman is the Republican candidate for Governor of New York.  
9. A holocaust is a sacrifice used for worshipping deities.  
10. The Emperor of the Holy Roman Empire voluntarily abdicated in 1555 and retired to a monastery.  
11. A gambler is a kind of capitalist.  
12. The name of the first President of the United States is George Washington.  
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**RHEIMS—1918**  
THE cathedral's lyric tones  
Spoke in faithful monotones;  
Through their dust I heard them say  
Beauty has not fled away.  
Windows where the glass was gone  
Put the sky's blue crystal on,  
And the barest to my sight  
Was a rose of colored light.  
Where a saint had left his place,  
Memory filled the wounded space,  
And the nave I knew so well  
Trembled to a ghostly bell.  
Forth I went to see once more  
John of Arc before the door,  
Still uncut and poised to ride  
Victory! I thought she cried.  
—Grace Hazard Conkling in the Century.

**MINISTERING ANGELS**  
Dedicated to the Red Cross  
(Air—Integer Vite)  
Pure as the flowers brought with sweet devotion  
Beaming with sunshines, ministering angels,  
Round the white couches serve with faithful tenderness,  
Sisters of the Red Cross.  
Comfort our heroes, ministering angels,  
Care for the wounded in their pain and anguish,  
Bind up their hurts, send messages of love  
To the slayers of the Red Cross.  
Blue service stars are turning into golden,  
As shadows deepen, ministering angels,  
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—JAMES H. PENNIMAN.

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Quit.  
Fight!  
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