THE PEOPLE'S FORUM

Letters to the Editor

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Defends Dix Commander

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:

Sir—Please allow me to remark on the article which appeared in your paper the 20th inst., under the heading "Threatens Arrest of Dix Commander."

First, let me say that I strongly resent Mr. Jonathan H. Kelsey's comments in regard to my division commander, not only because I am a member of his command, but also because I have served under him in France and in the U. S. and during all that time he has shown himself to be one of the most fair-minded and just men in the whole country.

Secondly, I say, that Mr. J. Kelsey is aware that whenever General Sommerall takes action in regard to his command's dealings with any community in the vicinity of the camp, he is fully justified and his actions are warranted by that community's behavior.

Finally, as a closing remark, I state that Mr. Kelsey does well in saying "there are no illegal sales of Tonic," because at this political moment there may not be one, but he dares not disprove my statements, namely "THAT AN ENORMOUS AMOUNT OF ILLEGAL SALES OF LIQUOR TO SOLDIERS IN UNIFORM HAS BEEN GOING ON RIGHT UNDER HIS NOSE.

DAVID FRIESEL.

Camp Dix, January 21.

Parents' Duty

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:

Sir—One of the most important duties that a parent has to perform for his or her children is to place them in the right track for securing an education that will fit them to battle with life. And next to this, a thing not a little less important, is to assist them in every way possible to love and admire the beautiful things of life. For the former one can depend largely upon the public system of education, but for the latter it is the atmosphere of the home that is the principal.

When you meet a young man, no matter where, you can invariably see in his action, his person and his associates the character of his home training. The same is true of a young woman. It is the parents who give the culture to the children. One of the best ways that parents can instil into their children a love for the beautiful is to do everything possible in the way of cultivating the taste in them.

One of the most substantial ways is in the music of the home. Show me a home where only the refined in music is allowed to enter, and you will see refinement everywhere displayed. On the other hand, show me the home where the "jazz" in music dominates, and I can see "jazz" written all over the faces of the children and see its revolting influence in their every movement. Nothing has gone so far toward making the home commonplace as has been this craze for "jazz." It is a crime the way parents allow their children to indulge in this insane music and fill their ear for the better music which carries with it refinement and an artistic temperament.

I should like to make an earnest, a most serious appeal to every father and mother to stop encouraging this jazz music at home, but instead teach the children to love the beautiful, the harmonious, etc., in music, and if they do this they will love the beautiful and harmonious in other things and the world will grow up refined young ladies and gentlemen.—Mrs. WALTER C. COLE.

Philadelphia, January 23, 1921.

Boys and Cigarettes

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:

There are many puzzling questions confronting the people, and the one word explains up more and more as the days go by and conditions are better understood. What once was heralded as evil seems now to be upheld as good. Wrong seems to have crept over and taken the place of right, beautiful laws, both state and national, have been enacted, the enforcement of which would bring us as a people vastly better conditions, but with the exception of the citizens there is none not only a willing but law-breaking and criminal element against them.

For instance, there is a law against selling cigarettes to boys under a certain age. All know it is effective, and also one knows that the law is being violated every day. These same conditions exist in regard to the same laws from selling to children, there no law in regard to such a matter as the sale of liquor, but we have laws that are not enforced. It may differ with certainty, the result of which is a state of crime. Who is to blame? The liquor which is in the barbers. Who is to blame? Boys scarcely out of their teens, and with such horrible crimes. To the law has been a equal rod to them, and failure to enforce the original intent of the framers of the law. Prior to the adoption of the Women's Suffrage Amendment Prior has full, if not fulsome, in the car have and young men allowed to get from the cities or municipal crimes. Science has proved that no two of cities are the same due to his least, can say boys are to obedience to an law, strange phenomenon, but it is changed to good, and what has been changed to good, and what has been changed to worse, because it is the law, the law is the law. Mothers and men may and agree, men, and women have much easier. It was to form a habit to break it, and they know, too, the habit upon American manhood. Women shown through the ballot to see the change.

What is the effect upon the mind of an American boy? To see their idol, the man of world, pipe in hand, the Class, obeyed in a little moment, from a reasonable backed to declare, "Law is a nuisance, to enforce."

MRS. W. L. DEWALT.

Philadelphia, January 21, 1921.

Privileges of Domestics

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:

Has been very much interested in the discussion that has been going on in the Public Forum as to the privileges of domestics, social demand and what position a manager should grant, and while I have stated, that I cannot, I am in duty to determine from what I have written, use where the second and [illegible] the mistress are to find the [illegible]

[illegible] is a domestic, but I am a regular deadline between me and my employer. I can never always [illegible] the [illegible] and was [illegible] the [illegible] of the [illegible] and [illegible] the [illegible] Mistress, fathered to be the determining factor. In the kitchen, as a domestic, [illegible]