

THE PEOPLES FORUM

Letters to the Editor

Taking of Temperatures

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:—The letter of J. J. ... temperature brings up old but interesting questions. Space will not permit discussion of even minor details, but the points that require consideration when selecting a location for instruments for purposes of making official records...

The selection of a satisfactory location for instruments is never easy and is most difficult in a large city. Careful tests made in going around just two city blocks have shown temperature differences as great as eight degrees along the street. It is certainly advisable in a large city to place thermometers where the temperature indicates a fair representative average conditions for the entire city...

Philadelphia, January 25, 1921.

The Bonus Bill

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:—Most of your correspondents in discussing the bonus bill are in favor of a fraction of our army was ever in action. At the time of the armistice we had twenty-five divisions in the field, including the army, cavalry, aviation, anti-aircraft, heavy artillery and so on. We had also in France fifteen replacement divisions which had not seen duty since November, 1918. All told, we had about 1,300,000 men engaged at the front in positions ranging from the front lines to every kind of fire to the rear bands twenty or thirty miles to the rear.

In the bonus question there is one thing which the public does not seem fully to have appreciated. It is not possible to demand a banquet bonus for our soldiers on the ground of hardship and danger, when half the army never sawed, when one-third only was at the front and one perhaps in more than one-fourth ever endured the severer hardships of a campaign or were ever in deadly peril of their lives.

We all know certain men who were engaged to go to the front and never got there. Certain others no doubt did all in their power to keep out of combat units. However, it is not our motive, we can at least take credit for the fact that men fought, certain others did not. By every rule of justice and logic the honors due to these two different classes differ widely.

On the other hand, the one qualification necessary in our veterans' organizations is an honorable discharge from the army, plus overseas service in the case of one of them. In consequence the majority of these associations are made up of men who were engaged in the war. With a small minority dissenting, these organizations ask for a banquet bonus for all soldiers, but they ask chiefly from the record of a minority of their members and of a minority of the army.

The bonus bill at present before Congress is open to criticism on three points. In the first of justice and equity, it will have to be entirely rewritten, for it includes all officers up to and including the grade of captain and it excludes all men serving regular enlistments.

Our first five regular divisions averaged harder fighting than any other five divisions in the war and were volunteers in exactly the same sense as the original personnel of our regular divisions. Besides, the banquet bonus makes no distinction in the kind of service rendered.

I believe in a bonus for the soldiers, but there is a wide distinction between a bonus for our regular troops and a bonus for every man who wore a uniform for three months somewhere between San Francisco and Co. Benz. Once we realize that the question becomes simpler.

What to Expect of a Friend To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:—Will a few, or at least one, of the Little Forum readers help me out with a little advice? I am in a quandary to know how much is expected in the way of presents from a friend. Being of a particularly friendly disposition, I make friends easily, and I have had many friends. I have and have had many friends, and the reason why I have them almost as fast as I can get them is that I expect too much of them and as much consideration in return as I am willing to give. There is where the trouble is. I have and have had many friends, and I know it would be much wiser to be picked by yours truly.

Poems and Songs Desired

Wants Name of Author of Poem

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:—I would like to know the name of the author who wrote "How Little We Know of Each Other." The last verse of the poem is: "How little we know of each other; Of ourselves, how little we know."

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Wants to Know the Author

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Little Poem Desired

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Omitted Verse in Gray's "Elegy"

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Supplies Poem

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A Lowell Poem

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Lafayette and English

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Odd Names for Boy and Girl

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To Cure Stammering

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Columbus' Children

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The "Kitchen Cabinet"

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An Indian Peer

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Conditions Need Correcting

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dread, Against whose life the bow of power is bent, Who flies and hath not where to lay his head, I come to thee for shelter and for food, To Yussouf, called through all our tribes "The Good."

"This tent is mine," said Yussouf, "but no more Than it is God's; come in and be at peace. Freely shall thou partake of all my store, As if I were the builder over thee, Our tents, His glorious roof of ivory and day, And at whose door none ever yet heard Nay."

So Yussouf entertained his guest that night And, waking him ere day, said: "Here is gold; My effort now is saddled for thy flight, Depart before the spring day grows bold." As our lamp lights another, nor grows less No noblesse exulteth in noblesse.

That toward light the stranger's face made grand, Which shines from all self-conquest, He bowed his forehead upon Yussouf's hand, Sobbing: "Oh, Sheikh, I cannot leave thee Unto that Ibrahim who slew thy son!"

"Take thee the gold," said Yussouf, "far into the desert, never to return. My one black thought shall ride away from me. First born, for whom by day and night I yearn, Balanced and just are all of God's decrees; Thou canst take a town from the dead, but peace."

"It isn't the town, it's you!" To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:—I am very anxious to obtain a little poem which was recited to me when a child and which started in Philadelphia as a great musical center, and tell of what wonders are being accomplished here.

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For There's Nothing that's really new

So it's a knock at yourself, When you knock at the town, It isn't the town, it's you. Great towns are not made by men afraid, Least somebody else gets ahead, If every one works and nobody shirks, You can take a town from the dead, So while you are making your personal boast, You might as well make one, too, So it's a knock at yourself, When you knock at the town, It isn't the town, it's you.

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No reduction was less than 10 per cent. and reductions on certain odd lots were considerably more. A NEW PRICE TICKET with the NEW LOW PRICE was attached to every piece of Furniture we owned January 1st—a reduction from our fair 1920 price.

Now Comes An Additional One-Third Reduction

(And Some Lots at One-half Reduction) This is an absolutely unprecedented proposition. Please get it clearly in your mind: First, a reduction of at least 10% to meet new conditions; then a further reduction of at least 33 1/3%; and in some instances of 50%.

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The double reduction brings prices down to a level far below that which could be justified by any present or prospective reduction in prices at the factories. Such values cannot possibly be obtained for many months after this Sale closes. It means an actual loss to us of many thousands of dollars, but we are determined to maintain the prestige our Furniture Sales have won in past years—the most attractive values in good Furniture in this city.

Golden Special for MEN, MONDAY

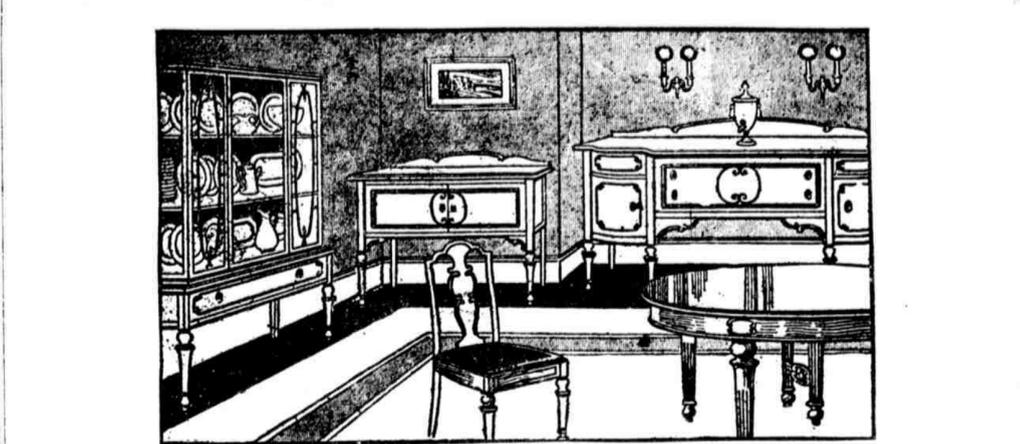
600 Cassimere and Worsted Suits \$21.75 Half Price and Less

This is a very wonderful purchase of Suits, together with some from our regular stock, all to be sold under the famous Golden Special sign on Monday, at \$21.75, which is less than one-half the average price of the 1920 early winter season. Six hundred Suits—genuine worsteds, in conservative styles, and fine all-wool cassimeres, in rich, dark colorings—young men's Suits from a New York manufacturer who has made a reputation for smartness of style and excellence of finish. Single-breasted and double-breasted Suits, in neat brown, dark grays, and some in lighter shades. Smart for early spring. All regular sizes, and some for short, stout, tall and slender men—\$21.75.

Also Winter Overcoats, Monday, \$21.75

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The Strawbridge & Clothier February Sale of Furniture



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