## THE PEOPLE'S FORUM

#### Letters to the Editor

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the consequence of law nothing to lose, but the whole world to law nothing to lose, but the whole world to law nothing to lose of the many available dasses there. There you will mingle with freedom-bearers, will help satiste one with freedom-bearers, will help satiste one with freedom-bearers, will help satiste one propertially to mentally breather pure air. To help you in your struggle for self-tagaband from the slough of "work-eat-tagaband from the slough of "manufacted from the Russens, and "Neils Lynne," translated from the Swedish of J. P. Jacobsen, and "Story of a Lover," published last year snonymously by Honi-Liverisht Co.

I would further suggest that you—
But hold; space here is necessarily too limited for me to write all that I should. Your letter was penned as a last attempt to relate your hold upon real, soul-exhitarating tank your hold upon real, soul-exhitarating tank.

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A. M. MacLEOD.

Treat. Germantown, East Cilveden street, Germantow Pa., April 3, 1921.

#### Plea for Major Hastings

the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: reply. I am familiar with and to make and feel, as every one connected ith the institution feels, that the old man sould be pardoned. Surely the offense for blich he was committed has been explated

dness of his brother numars for the low et months during which he may yet have ore him, and certainly his fellow Masons il not deny him this boon he craves—as me for the brief time that shall elapse force his final call before the Great Judge. whom we must all eventually ap

dways actuated you. I feet that you lot, in these circumstances, fall to use best efforts to secure for this poor a creature a pardon and a home in ish he may rest as the night shadows of life draw closer.
"Life is but froth and bubble-

Two things stand out like stone:
The kindness in another's trouble.
The courage in your own."
CLAIME PAWLING PLUMMER.

### Must Unemployed Starve?

to the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: Sir-Are we unemployed going to die of arvation? With rent still sky high, as oil as the necessities of life, which re-ned very little, and with no income at all-half, see the state of the state of the state. ing to become of the idle worker!

what's going to become of the idle worker? Whatever I apply for a job I get the same uniform answer: "No help wanted today." But I must eat teday! I exclaim. My raillegs are, of course, of no avail. Is transformed to the same workers who are anxious to tell for a living should be out of employment while this, our country, is the richest on the globe? We speci \$24,000,000,000 and tens of thousands of precious lives to make the world safe for demorracy. Can't we stand another billion to make Americans safe from starvation? Consress should appropriate at toos an adequate sum to oil up the wheels of our industries in the best way it deems it necessary, in order to relieve the great distress of the unemployed. A. A. G. Philadeiphia, April 3, 1921. biladeiphia, April 3, 1921.

#### Pay of Rallroad Men

the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: Bir-1 am a great reader of the People's appears that certain of your give the railroads and raila sreat many hard knocks. I conded for a great many years been through all the hardships of anow blockades, washouts and id I can truthfully say that the ties men of today are being paid



At Any Druggist's

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what they should have been ten years ago, according to the hazardous nature of their work. They do not as yet compare with the carpenter, plumber, electrician or steamfitter. We do not get pay except for the time we work, and we have heavy expenses away from home. The traveling public has an idea that we get rates everywhere, but those days are past and sone.

There is no question that the government gave some classes too large an increase for the work they do, and it is justified in asking for a release from the contract. The public will kick on any rates and the service, yet when they get into town they will take a taxi and pay seventy-five cents or one dollar to go a few blocks to home or hotel when a street car will take them for seven cents. If the men have to suffer a cut in wages, let the roads take off the six-tenths in fare and let the government meet the public part way by repealing the war tax on transportation, as the war is supposed to be over.

W. L. McWILLIAMS.

Philadelphia, March 31, 1921.

Sir—A recent correspondent to your in-teresting Forum surely has a bad case. I wonder if he was inducted into the service during the World War or really volunteered? If he volunteered, didn't they pay him what it was agreed he would get: if he was "in-ducted" into the service, or "blew in by the Tou are one of "the new women," Why
fou are one of "the new women," Why
not read Bernard Shaw's "Getting Married."
If he volunteered, didn't they pay him what it was agreed he would get; if he was "inducted" into the service, or "blew in by the
draft," what's he kicking about—wasn't it
the law of his country that called him?
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trouble," and also of the late World War—
a member in good standing in the United
Spanish War Veterans and of the Amerian Legion, I get sick and quite weary to
hear you "yaps" yelping for a bonus.

When we returned from the Philippines to
was broken from chasing gugus, sieeping in
rice paddles and drinking impure water. We
wiggled along until the next call came with-

wiggled along until the next call came without even getting a pension, much less a
bonus; but when the recent trouble started
we "got the fever" and "heard the call"
and "fell in"; and if there's any fellows
needing bonuses, excusing present company,
I believe the Philippine boys are "it."
Let's forget it and settle down to being 100 per cent pure Americans; and if there's

100 per cent pure Americans; and if there's to be anything "handed out" to any one. I say give it to the boys who really need it, and not to the red-cheeked lads who came back better men physically than they were when they went "voer there."

"Let's all be Americans now!" Let's all support a 100 per cent American in the presidency and try and get this old idea of "paid patriots" out of our mind. I never served for a bonus, and I doubt if any of your correspondents did, and so why stampede oneself into being a "Red" just because Uncle Sam don't wish to go broke now in order to try to pay a debt that never was in order to try to pay a debt that never was in order to try to pay a discovery contracted. Let's be glad we won!

W. L. MOFFATT. Philadelphia, April 3, 1921.

#### Questions Answered

The Island of Yap

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:
Sir—Where is the island of Yap, over which there is such a controversy between this country and Japan W. I. HUTCHINSON.
Philadelphia, March 31, 1921.
The Island of Yap, for which Japan was granted a mandate by the League of Na-

tions, is the westernmost of the Western Carolina Islands, about 500 miles southwest of Guam, and 800 miles east of the island of Mindanao, of the Philippine group. It has a population of about 7000 and was the administrative center for the Western Carolinas, the Pelew and the Ladrone Islands. The Germans had made plans for a wireless station there, but were prevented when Australian troops captured the island in October, 1914.

#### Problem Solved

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:

Bir—Herewith I hand you a solution to the following problem: A and B start from the same point and travel in the same direction around: square, each side of which measures five miles; A at the rate of 4½ miles per hour, and B at the rate of 3 miles per hour. In what time will they be together again? How many miles will each have traveled and how many times will each have been around the square?

Solution

Will each have been around the square?

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It takes A 4 4-9 hours (20+4½) to go around the square, and B 6 2-3 hours (20+3) to go once around. Therefore they must meet in the L C M of 4 4-9 hours and 6 2-3 hours, or 40-3 or 13 1-3 hours.

A travels 40 over 3×3 ever 2=60 miles. B travels 40 over 3×3=40 miles.

Hence: A travels 3 times (60+20) around and B travels 2 times (40+20), around the square.

F. J. H.

Philadelphia, April 1, 1921. The Tarzan Series To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:

Sir-Pieuse tell me the order in which the Tarzan books were written. W. S. V. w. S. V.

Philadelphia, March 31, 1921.

No Bonus Wanted

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:

Sir—A recent correspondent to your integrating Forum are recent to the state of the

#### New York Bonus

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger Sir-Did the State of New York pass a conus bill providing bonus for the men who milisted for the war from that State? Would aylvania bar me from this bonus if I enlisted in New York? Philadelphia, April 4, 1921.

The New York state benus bill passed November 2, 1920. The bill stipulates that November 2, 1920. The bill stipulates that unless the ex-service men from New York were residing in that state on the day the bill was passed they cannot collect the bonus. From statements given in your letter we could not possibly say whether you will be able to collect the bonus or not, but advise you to write for a copy of the bill and proper blanks on which to make application for the bonus. The board in charge of this will decide your care. charge of this will decide your case.

The "Elm Tree Hall" Story o the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger, Sir-A reader recently requested the origin f the story about a man who employed titled "Eim free Hall." by Cartton Bruce, and is included in a collection of stories entitled "Mirth and Morality." printed for Thomas Tegs & Son, Cheapolde, 1835.

#### To Divide Trapezoid

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: Str-To dwfile the trapezoid into equal parts by a perpendicular line, in your issue of March 31, we first find its area by mulof March 31, we first find its area by multiplying half of the sum of the parallel sides by the base, giving 30 square inches. Next multiply base by difference of said sides, giving 20 inches for altitude of triangle, whose area is 40 square inches. Then divide this by 25 (40 minus 15, half area of trapezoid) and take the square root of quotient. Then divide hypotenuse of triangle by this root and this quotient will be length of hypotenuse of a triangle similar in form, containing 25 square inches. As the tangent of original triangle for scute angle opposite the 4-inch side is .2 (4 divided by 20), we can easily find the corresponding sine and cosine. Now, multiplying our new hypotenuse by the cosine gives the perpendicular of triangle containing 25 square inches; and

if we multiply new hypotenuse by the sine, we obtain the length of line sought—namely, 3.16227 inches. By subtracting altitude of one triangle from that of the other we have distance from 4-inch end of trapezold to line drawn—namely, 4.1837 inches. To prove these lines, take half of (4 plus 3.16227) and multiply the sum by 4.1837 and the product will equal 15 square incurs, or nait of area of given trapezold. B. M.

Philadelphia, April 1, 1921.

For their thoroughness in every respect, incanch the sum our 'bacca's all give out, the men can't have their smoke,
And so they're cross—why, even Ned won't play with me and joke.
And the big colonel said today (I hate to hear him swear)

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Fill—can any of your readers send in or tell me where I could secure the poem that

Philadelphia, April 1, 1921,

The Fifty-one Puzzle To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: Sir-Answering Joseph DeGeorge's prob-lem, "Add two numbers to fifty-one and lem, "Add two numbers to make it less than fifty-one," ten and one, making the total forty-two.

As LI is fifty-one, by adding X before L

and I after LI you have XL.II.
M. RUDY
Philadelphia, April 1, 1921.

#### Poems and Songs Desired

Southern Dialect Song In the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger. Sir-I am anxious to get a southern song which contains this verse:
"I'm going from the cotton fields, I'm going from the cane. I'm going from the old log but That stands down in the lune e Loat are on de ribber. Dat's gwine to take me off.

Dat's gwine to take me off,

se gwine to join de exodus

That's making for the Norf,

the flowers that bloom on mussa's g

Will miss my tender care,

to hand like mine shall ever keep,

Them blooming there.

W. L. DANIE Philadelphia, March 31, 1921.

### Author of "The Orphans"

o the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger Sir-Can any one tell me who the author is of the poem entitled "The Orphans"? The first stanza is as follows:

The first stanks is as follows:

"My chaise the village ion did gain,
Just as the setting aun's last ray,
Tipt with refuigent gold the vane
Of the old church across the way."

I have the peem complete, but no author's name is given. It was copied by my
aunt, Auruste Frueauff, at Zeist, the Moravian settlement near Utrecht, Hofland, at ravian settlement near Utrecht, Holland, at least 100 years ago. The same notebook contains many beautiful copied poems in German and Dutch, but "The Urphans" is the only one in English. The handwriting is most beautiful. In these days men and women learned to write distinctly, not like the scribble that I have received from lady-readulate of some of our prominent women's graduates of some of our prominent women's olleges; I won't name them. some of these letters a disgrace as to calligraphy, and I had to guess at the words from the context. Moravian and words from the context. Moravian and Friends' schools are known the world over

'Give the Christians to the lions!' And the Vestal Virgins added their volces.

and the Vestal Virgins added their voices, shrill and high.
Within the catacombs that night a saint, with snowy hair.
Felded upon his aged breast his daughter, young and fair.'
Mrs. E. L. JORDAN.
Philadelphia, March 31, 1921.

#### A Popular Recitation

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: Sir-Please print in your paper the beau-tiful poem containing the following: When the morning light drives away When the sun shines bright and full;

when the sun shines bright and full;
'It draws its line near the hour of nine,
I'll away, away to school," etc.
Also a rather long poem, which I think
& cailed "Entitle Jane." It is a poem about
he Civil War, a few lines of which I re-"Not a single shell that whole day fell

Philadelphia, March 13, 1921.
We will print the first poem requested is a reader will send it in. The second request is no doubt for the From the camp of Battery B. s no doubt for the popular poem THE PRIDE OF BATTERY B

South mountain towered upon our right, far off the river lay:
And over on the wooded height we held their
lines at bay.
At last the muttering guns were still; the
day died slow and wan: At last the gunners' pipes did fill, the ser-

geant's yarns began.
When, as the wind a moment blew aside tfragrant flood.
Our briarwoods raised, within our view little malden stood-A tiny tot of six or seven, from fireside

her curly head "And who are you?" at

In grave sature. And who are your at length the sergeant said.

"And where's your home?" he growled again. She lisped out, "Who is me? Why, don't you know? I'm little Jane, the pride of Battery B. Why, that was burned away,

and pa and ma are dead;
And so I ride the guns all day along with
Bergeant Ned.
And I've a drum that's not a toy, a cap
with feathers, too;
And I march beside the drummer boy on

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And so I thought when beat the drum and
the big guns were still
I'd creep beneath the tent and come out here
across the hill. And her, good Mister Yankee give me some Lone Jack. I say,

Picase do! When we get some again I'll surely bring it back-"
Indeed I will, for Ned, says he, if I do what I'll be a general yet, maybe, and tide a rrancing bay.

We brimmed her tiny apron o'er. You should have heard her laugh
As each man from his scanty store shook out a generous half,

To kies the little mouth stooped down a

score of grimy men Until the sergeant's husky voice said. "Tention, squad" and then
We gave her emoort still good night the
pretty walf we bid.
And watched her toddle out of sight—or else

'twas tears that hid Her tiny form-nor turned about a man the wind we heard. We sent it back and cast sad eyes upon the scene around. A baby's hand had touched the tie that

brothers once had bound.

That's all—save when the dawn awoke again the work of hell.

And through the sullen clouds of smoke the acreaming missiles fell Our general often rubbed his glass and marveled much to see a single shell that whole day fell on the camp of Battery B.

"D. D. C." asks for the peem containing

Mrs. Krayer, Camden, N. J.—Thank you for sending us the words of the hymn "Wonderful Words of Life." We printed their in the People's Forum on March 21.

"E. C. C." requests the poem entitled "The Departed Spirit," which begins: "Though he that ever kind and true

"W. O. T." asks the poems "The Fishing Party Perplexity." "The Wingod Victory." "Idice Dian's Kiss" and "Three Angel Visitante.

Benjamin Goldfast—We do not print nusic in the People's Forum or in any other

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