# THE PEOPLE'S FORUM

Letters to the Editor

Chairman Burch Makes a Correction To the Editor of Public Ledger:

To the Editor of Public Ledger:

Sir-1 note an article which appeared in
the Eventuc Public Lengtes of Thursday,
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artic 28, 1921, which article, including the

the Evening Preside Language of Thursday,
April 28, 1921, which article, including the
seadline, reads as follows:
SURCH PREDICTS A HIGHER TAX
RATE

The coming year will see a higher tax
rate according to Francis F. Burch,
chairman of Council's finance commitice, and Chief Davis, of the Water Buresu, speaking today at the luncheon of
the Philadelphia Real Estate Board at
the Bellevic-Stratford.

the Philadelphia Issue.

This statement is inaccurate and false.

After powder and bullets were invented in the grown of the sirplane are true.

After powder and bullets were invented the fighters did away with their coat of armor, and it may be that with the great development of the airplane it will mean the passing of the battiship, but it has not be proved airplane will supplant battle-ships as the nation's first line of defense.

LELAND F. JAMES, Jr. Washington, D. C., April 26, 1921.

I do not search the barrate will be increased next year.

I will be obliged if you will correct the false impression which your article may have conveyed to the public by reason of its accuracy and untruth. FRANCIS F. BURCH. Philadelphia, April 29, 1921.

Defends Our Car Service

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: a the Editor of the Everning Plants League?

S.D.-We would Just like to say a few ords to the Mrs. A. L. Whitman whose sellings have been so rudely trampled upon President Mitton's appeals to the public and his treatment of street car customers, really is a pily that the poor, dear lady would have to stand in the street cars like the pools of the street cars like the street cars like

rates, or else she would hever companies beut street car service, as we have the best of any city in the country. President sitter knows his job and understands transit matters much better than Mrs. Whitman, will fishe could do better about finding seats for poor lady shoppers we feel quite certain at Mr. Mitten will receive her wise countries that Mr. Mitten will receive her will receive her wise countries that Mr. Mitten will receive her will be wi the class named by Mrs. White

man 'working cattle,' and, although not equalited with Mr. Mitten, we feel that a is quite approachable, judging by what e read of his intimate and friendly rela-Whitman's case with an arrivate cars running every two min-ties for the so-called lady shoppers. It causes us pain to think that Mrs. Whitman might be so inconvenienced as to have to rate with working cattle."
Two working cattle. Philadelphia, April 27, 1921.

### He Has Been Disillusioned

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

Sir-I will not indules in any superfluous
astenishment with regard to the views of
Mr. Hill. of the 108th Artillery (field or
doughnut, did you say, Mr. Hill?), but as a
former A. E. F.er of some fourteen months'
experience in sunny France, I hasten to
declars, right out loud, that a war without a heres would not interest me in future.

I was not a drafted replacement in the Trenty-eighth Division. I enlisted. As it happens, I never saw an hour of line action, aithough I volunteered for line duty soon after reaching France, and my superior officer wouldn't let me go. All of which does not prevent me having a few whoughts about wars, bonuees and patriotism, "paid" and otherwise.

First, I am inclined to agree with Mr. Hill anent the Legion. I know rather intimately some men who worked with and for the Legion at its inception. One of them, a publicity man with a conscience, has no use for the men who then tried, and are still trying, through predigested publicity rould not interest me in future.

no use for the men who then tried, and are still trying, through predigested publicity and canned propaganda, to control its thinking. He knows who paid the Legion's early bills, and they are of a clique whose records are more closely identified with Wall street and coupor clipping than with any good work which may be labeled patriotic. In other words, the war made them fat while it made men like me—and possibly Mr. Hill—lean, at least as to pure and. I regret to add, as isset as to purse and, I regret to add, as

to patrictism.

But, and in consequence, I am not seeking to sit on a pale pink cloud of self-abneration, renouncing all claim to the borns, while a few hundred war-millionaires and those who had a head start on them, hire expert accommants to enable them to dodge the tarks which we expectite men as to he taxes which we ex-service men pay to he last farthing.

the last farthing.

"Take all you get and grab for more."

Is a motive that did not originate in the tranches and the other numbroles of Frame. One of the best ways to show our dollar-worshining flag-ways to show to forget the necessity of war is to make them reimbures us his ner so little, for the months and pasts lost from our lives for a cause whose

gard in the mud and of our utter poetidistilusionment.

"swerful banking interests, absorbed in
"srab for more" in the Far East, are
or new puszling for a new slogan that
isell a transpacific war to "the brave".

"Chuck the "paid patriotism" talk,
idy, slong with canned willy and a "world
in for demorrance".

wafe for democracy."

War is a bankers' game, begun by Berlin banker. Sinished by Morgan et al., "with the bein of God and a few marines." and a roune mitten more Yanks. I suppose, of cours, tiev'll make us pay it ultimately. If the bonus is put through. They always do But the principle is good.

A dellar a year is all I will ask in the mail war. Mesowhile, me for the bonus.

SAMUEL CARTWRIGHT.

Ex-Enlated Signal Corps. A. E. F. West Philadelphia, April 24, 1921.

Airpianes ve. Battleships

Airplanes vs. Battleships
To the Editor of the Bussias Public Ledger:
him—The great controversy as to whether
hattleships will remain the backbone of the
fact or the sirplane has made warships usesas is not only a very interesting subject,
but one that has many angles to it.
The war proved beyond doubt that the
arplane is a very important unit in subdern
warfore. It was found that sirplanes were
great help in directing the movements of
in attacking army, but as yet they have
test designational rated their effectiveness in navaimarface.

are some who say that it is an There are some who say that it is an easy matter for an airplane to drop a bombon the fack of an enemy warship. If this is true, then the battleship will have to stop out as a factor in future naval battles, and the airplane will take its place; but it is

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Washington, D. C., April 26, 1921.

Encourage Love of Native Land To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:
Sir-I wish to make use of the privilege
of your paper to voice in the Propie's Forum
my approval and add my sentiments to the
statements made by Leo McCarty under date
of April 12, 1921, using the heading of "Real

To the Editor of the Evening Public Leager.

Sir-We would just like to say a few sords to the Mrs. A. L. Whitman whose words to the Mrs. A. L. Whitman whose feelings have been so rudely trampled upon the President Mitten's appeals to the public and his treatment of street car customers, for an American. Our nation was conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition in the realty is a pliy that the poor, dear lady it realty is a pliy that the poor, dear lady it realty is a pliy that the sport, are like the cultivation and the advent of the empire; but not for an American. Our nation was conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that ALL men are born free and equal. Prior to the Revolutionary War our patriots from the start.

sons of the present day there is but one be-lief that we can have, and this is that the small nation that shows itself capable of self-government shall be shown fair play. we have a long and a glorious past—a history gilttering with herolo deeds; an ancestry full of lofty and unperishable examples.

We have the blood of many nations flowing in one common stream, and the rich volume of our English speech is varied by the music of a hursired tongues. We are of the music of a hursired tongues. We are of the rorth, the south, the cast and she went combining the passions, enlighterment, chivalry, daring and intellectual development of all the peoples of the lands across the seas, and it behooves us as such to maintain a standard of patriotism and love of native

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laird that should be as a beacon light in the dark places.

One of the greatest regrets of my life is that we are all to see posted throughout our lished a slacker list of the late war of 174. So, Hill, I didn't tarry long, but sarting their most. Oh, that there should have been even one who would think of his own private interests first when the fats of democracy was in the belance, arm my hope in life is to see the day when the American institutions, the love of the principles of democracy, the development of the rising generations into channels of greater American institutions, that over the principles of democracy, the development of the rising generations into channels of greater American institutions, that over the principles of democracy, the development of the rising generations into channels of greater American institutions, the love of the principles of democracy, the development of the rising generations into channels of greater American institutions, the love of the principles of democracy, the development of the rising generations into channels of greater American half give the progressed to greater heights of perfection, that when the day of reed shall come every man, every woman shall give themselves unreservedly to the principle of America.

If this spirit be a part of us we will all maintain that the small nation striving for recognition among its larger neighbors is an ittled to be free and progressed every see we have held, and the life in the fragrant clover kinsed by gently mountain the birds of the bill, and all those thoughts of known as a lowin' in the pasture on the bill, and all those thoughts of known as we have

Sir—Spring styles and warm weather are the cause of the writer sending in the apparent reason for the fall of our paternal ancestor Adam. The letter in rhyme was supposed to have been written by a man from the farm who having tired of city ways plans to return to the quiet of the rustic home. Kindly publish in the Forum. While the reading will not cause a reform in dress, it may grovoke a smile or so.

HIRAM CORNCOH.

Philadelphia, April 21, 1921.

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Philadelphia, Brill—I'm writin' this to country.

Intern Opponents to Bonus

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Sir—I agree with those who have been writing about the shame of letting Liberty

Bonds be depreciated. I think nothing is too good for those boys who went across who will nearly who will be sea to that hell of war and put their will interve minds and heads as empty as a barrel who are opposing the bonus for fear it will increase their taxes a little ought to be interned as enomies of their country.

Philadelphia, April 21, 1921.

Dear Brother Bill—I'm writin this to ay I'm comin home. The back unto the lile for mine an never more to This city life has wrecked my nerve with all its freaks galore, so fore another month rolls by rou'll see me home once more. Not that my daughter and her man have failed to use me well, they sure have treated me most kind it pleases me to tell, but really Bill, it seems the best that I should hid adden course for providers the left of the life. hid adleu 'cause I'm persuaded city life is not for me an' you. An' Bill, now confi-dentially, I've learned the lesson well and

mun Adam feil.

You can't imagine, Brother Bill, the way they live an' dress. 'Pears wimmen all are in a race to see who'll wear the less. An' lest today while strollin' round I saw twist me an' sun two wimmen dressed so 'tarnal thin that I tailed to an' run. Gosh! I was skeered because I thought 'em walkin' in their sleep. I didn't know jess what to do I feil so mighty them.

America.

If this spirit be a part of us we will all the fragrant clover kissed by sentic mountain maintain that the small nation striving for recognition among its larger neighbors is entreeze. I hear the cows a lowin' in the recognition among its larger neighbors is entreeze. I hear the cows a lowin' in the recognition among its larger neighbors is entreeze. I hear the cows a lowin' in the recognition among its larger neighbors is entreeze. I hear the cows a lowin' in the recognition among its larger neighbors is entreeze. I hear the cows a lowin' in the recognition among its larger neighbors is entreeze of the free and progress even as we have a part of the free and progress even as we have a part of the free and progress even as we have a part of the fragrant clover kissed by sentic mountain the fragrant clover kissed by sentic mounta

Philadelphia, April 28, 1921.

Questions Answered Jap Land Owners in California To the Editor of the Bosning Public Ledger;

Sir-Please tell me what percentage of the land in California is owned by Japanese, Philadelphia, April 28, 1921.

The total acreage of California is 99,617,280, of which, in 1920, the Japanese
owned or controlled 458,056 acres,5

Marine's Discharge To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:

marine corps. Can I get a duplicate of the discharget, Where should I write for it?

Philadelphia, April 28, 1921.

Regular Outfit o the Editor of the Svening Public Ledger.

Sir-I am an ex-solder from the Fifty seventh United States Infantry. Can you get for me the prasent location of this out-fit. It is a regular army unit. C. L. C. Chester, Pa., April 29, 1921.

The Fifty-reventh United States Infantry is at Fort William McKinley, P. I.

To Vielt Germany to the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger

f an alien who desires to become a citizen f the United States.

Bostonian's Description of a Thimble To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: Sir—There is a humorous description of a thimble by a Bostonian. Can you print it in

the People's Forum.

MRS. W. L. TELLER.

Philadelphia, April 25, 1921.

Tou probably refer to the following: Thimble—A truncated cone, convex at its summit, semiperforeted with symmetrical indentations.

Father and Son's Age Problem o the Editor of the Brening Public Ledger: Sir-In answer to Charles F. Warren's

When son was two years old father Two years later son was 12, father was 814 × 12, or 42 years.

now thirty years old and the father

Three years later son was 18, father was 8×18, or 46 years.

Five years later son was 12, father was 24 ×20, or 50 years.

Ten years later son was 80, father was 2×30, or 80 years.

Therefore the son is thirty years old:

father's age. MRNTAL ARITHMETIC.

Philadelphia, April 17, 1921.

The question was also answered by Joseph L. Leaby, who adds to his answer the following:

Mr. Warren's problem reads, "How soon will son be ay old as father, or how old is each one today?" and seems quife impossible, for, in the first place, fathers and sond which with the lofty sanctifies the low.

Becondly, no idea whatever can be given of their ages today, for he does not mention whether they were born in the stone age or in the nineteanth century. However, i believe the above faruren would satisfactorily answer any question that might arise from answer any question that might arise from

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### Poems and Songs Desired

Asks for a Parody To the Editor of the Evening Public Ladger: Sir-Can any of your readers furnish the paredy on "The Pace Upon the Floor"? The first two lines are:
'It was a balm and summer's evening:

Zero was below," ste. Philadelphia, April 24, 1921. Regarding Poems

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: Sir-In the Porum of Sunday, April 24, 1921, Charlette T. Burks asks for the poem containing these lines:
"Why need a man forestall his day of grief And run to meet what he would meet avoid?"

They are from "Comus," by John Milton, lines 362-368, but in the Everyman edition (Dutton) line 362 reads:

was two years old fasher was lafer non was 2, father was lafer non was 3, father was learn non was 3, father was lowing quotation from Wordsworth:

"There is no past so long as books shall "Good books are true friends." attributed

Pive years later son was 12, father was 2% × 20, or 50 years.

Ten years later son was 80, father was 2 × 30, or 60 years.

Therefore the son is thirty years eld: father is sixty years.

Pather must be dead thirty years, as it would take thirty years for the son to reach father a sg. MENTAL ARITHMETIC.

Philadelphia, April 17, 1921.

The question was also answered by Joseph L. Leaby, who adds to his answer the following:

"Good books are true friends," attributed to Francis Bacon.

(Miss) DOROTHY NOBLE.

Philadelphia, April 35, 1921.

The lines quoted from Woodsworth are from his long "Poems of the Imagination." and is in the "Personal Talk" section, which begins with verse 85; each verse comtaining fourteen lines. "Books, we know," etc., are lines found in the third verse, the complete verse being: Wings have we—and as far as we can go the control of the control

Matter wherein right voluble Two shall be named, pre-eminently dear-The gentle lady married to the Moor-

The genile ledy married to the Moor.

And heavenly Loa with her milk-white Lamb.

"There is no past, so long as books shall live." is a line from Bulwer Lytton's "The Souls of Books." It is to be found the ninth line in the fourth stanza. We are not able to locate the line, "Good books are true friends."

Supplies Words of Song To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: Str-The following are the words of the song "Daddy," requested by "R. O. T.. New York city, in today's edition of th EVENING PUBLIC LEDGER. Could you or one of your readers furnish the routation entitled "The King's Three

the recitation entitled "The king's Three Daughters." beginning as follows:
"The king's three daughters 'neath the palace windows playing."

MRS. J. H. OHERG.
Bloomfield, N. J. March 17, 1921.

DADDT
Take my head on your shoulder, daddy:
Turn your face to the west.
It 's just the hour when the sky turns gold—

To a just the hour when the sky turns gold—
The hour that mother loves best.
The day has been long without you, daddy.
You've been such a while away.
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As I am tired of my play.

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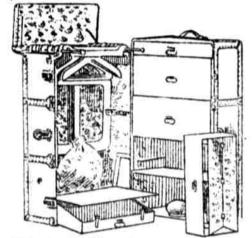
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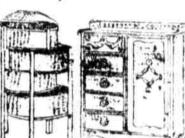
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