THE PEOPLE'S FORUM

Letters to the Editor

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To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:

Bir—Appeals from the excellent organizations of reliet of distress. They report hat for a summer acasen there is much that for a summer acasen the work are now there is even sharp demand for articles of ciothing—much larger than the supply can take care of.

And they all say that the lack of employment is the one main cause. Even is in the rades for whose product there is in the rades for whose product there is in the rades for whose product there is giainly the greatest present need all is giainly the greatest present incompletely and they will not come for year of a letter is not to the form the greatest present need all is giainly and they will suffer thereby.

And there we are, as a community, and there we are, as a community incited deallocked. Prices of commodities to make the principal factor in making present probably right probably and they will suffer thereby.

So for beth parties concerned let them for get the past. What they don't know work for a lover wage than he is with no work for a lover wage than he is with no work for a lover wage than he is with no work for a lover wage than

build, but they simply cannot afford to at the present labor prices. And material men are doins the same thing labor is in this respect. Many are not even making needed repairs on their buildings now. How things would hum here if those most concerned would use ordinary common sense and do their bits each toward restoring the level of prices! FRANKLIN T. CRANE. Philadelphia, June 26, 1921.

Questions Writer's Judgment

to the Editor of the Evening Public Leager:
Sir-John Murphy, oh! how names are sir-John Murphy, on how harmes misleading. To utter yours one would title the tearer a broad-minded, cheerful and lovable person, one easer to do justice in word and action to all, not prejudiced, awaiting helpful suggestions, etc., as become good American men to conduct themselves.

Your writing discloses that you are little ead or totally blased on Irish history and read or totally blased on Irish history and statistics, our American history and the meaning of Americanism. The average school bey or girl displays more judgment than jours. Their opinions are not given out feeldedly as facis, and they would not be found so ready to stick up for a character, when as Admiral Simu without positive. found so ready to stick up for a character such as Admiral Sims without positive proof. My wish is that it were possible that some of the bigots and fault-finders cuid again return to childhood days to re-learn the lesson of humility and meekness of beart and mind so essential to man-

range to ally and hourly to the Black and Tans. I pray by the grace of God such sood example of the Irish shall be the means of reconciling these criminals to their lord and Maker, and if unfortunate to not know their God, it may be the means of bringing this precious knowledge to them

bright this preclous knowledge to them and saving their soul for eternity. V. Philadelphia, June 28, 1921.

Should We Keep Our Counsel?

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Sir—I would like to see a little more of a discussion that was begun but ended abruptly nour People's Porum as to whether a woman is supposed to tell a man all her should be suarded to he is antified she can accept him. I his kis is entirely unfair to a woman. I his k a woman's past should be suarded to he frank and confess when supposed to be frank and confess when

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JOHN T. BRENNAMAN.

Philadelphia, June 26, 1921. Amreican Ships for America

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:
Sir—I have read many letters in your People's Forum that have intercated me. I send you this one on American ships for Americans only. When the United States Shipping Board went into the business of mile Rickner, one of the German ships and analysis and states are any or Government as a cargo. the English-trodden, persecuted people in Ireland charity in itself commands that you seek of them not at all. Every idle word, you are taught, must be accounted for in the Day of Judgment. Not once have you heard the Sinn Feiners in Ireland complishing of and blackguarding their persecutors. On the other hand, when they are taken prisoners by the Sinn Foin government they are treated as human beings and gentlemen. This lesson, "Do unto others as you would have others do unto you," is ungelt daily and hourly to the Black and Tain. I pray by the grace of God such good example of the Irish shall be the means of reconciling these criminals to their sources not enough business to care the first shall be the means of reconciling these criminals to their sources.

there's not enough business to carry all or us, so I was one of the lucky ones. Every day I see in the daily papers avery one is crying "Americanism."

If some one could step down to 47 South Fourth street and see what the Shipping Board is putting on their ships, they would whistle some other tune. I have been going to sea for more than eighteen years, and I thought I would try the shore life for a while.

the ship gets to a foreign country. What in the American going to do who knows seamanship—step aside and let the aliens craw; over them? Philadelphia. June 26, 1921.

CHARLES K. MARKELL. Germantown, Philadelphia, June 24, 1921.

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The Triumph of Reaction

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To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:

Sir—A famous historian has pointed out
that progress and justice must have reverses. This was proved at our last electich, when the cause of reaction triumphed
at the polls. What does reaction mean
in Europe it meant the rule of the sword
of kings, princes and aristocrats. In America it conveys a more sinister meaning. It
means unemployment, want, hunger, humiliation and children denied the necessities of life. This is tragedy. We can see
it in every town. it in every town.
We are all familiar with the "Hardina

We are all familiar with the "Hardina badge" by this time—the pocket turned inside out. But when we think of the blighted hopes our smiles turn to tears. The real tragedy of the crime of November was not the ingratitude displayed toward Wilson, but that the American people upheld the hideous cause of reaction. and tells him all, there is almost sure to be a time in the future, during some personal disagreement, that the past will be flung at the wife, and this always brings disaster. So for both parties concerned let them forget the past. What they don't know won't hurt them. Let neither confess. Let them take one another for better or for worse and not make at least a breach through confession that they may not be able to span in the future.

If I love a girl well enough to ask her to marry me, I surely trust and respect her and marry her for what I know her to be at the time, and am not concerned as to the

Questions Answered

To San Francisco by Road the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: Sir-How far is it from Philadelphia t

G. W. LEAMING, Philadelphia, Juna 28, 1921. The American Automobile Association says that the distance between Philadelphia and

To the Editor of the Eurning Public Ledger:

Sir—There is a suspicious amount of hue and cry against the publication of the slacker list. There are mistakes in it withcut a doubt, but I am willing to wager are more mistakes of omission than of commission. No permenent injury can can be interested—the solder and his friends—will know it's a mistake and to others it is just a name. But I can easily see that those whose records are not commendable would be most anxious to throw a little dust by having those who were mistakenly included in the list making much of it for publication. Let's have the lists, and then let each community correct these lists by subtracting its mistakes of commission and adding the mistakes of omission. Personally, I despise a slacker or a slicker, and would be willing to be published as one every month in the year if by so doing the real slackers would be disclosed to the public.

JOHN T. BRENNAMAN. Philadelphia, June 27, 1921.
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Sinking of Ticonderoga To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:
Sir—I will appreciate it if you will tell
me when the Ticonderoga was sunk and

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:
Sir-Please tell me what is meant by an
"fronclad oath."
B. W. L. Philadelphia, June 26, 1921.

State for any of its men who served in the late war. For complete information address a letter of inquiry to the Adjutant General's office, Capitol, Pierre, B. D. "Come all ye jolly sallors and listen unto

Most Populous States In 1810 To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:
Sir—Which were the most populous of
the States in 1810? Name the first ten.
W. L. G. Philadelphia, June 29, 1921.

Frinade; Pris. June 29, 1921.
Virginia, 974,600; New York, 959,049; Pennsylvania, 810,091; North Carolina, 555,500; Massachusetts, 472,040; South Carolina, 415,115; Kentucky, 406,511; Maryland, 360,546; Tennessee, 261,727, and Georgia, 952,238 252,438. Diamond Purchased in France

To the Editor of the Public Ledger:
Sir—Would a person purchasing a diamond in Frarce have to pay duty en it when returning to the United States?
H. W. LEVIS.
Philadelphia, June 25, 1921.
The Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce says if a diamond is cut and not set there will be a duty of 20 per cent of the value of the diamond. If the diamond is rough and encut, there will be a duty of 10 per cent of the value.

Fraudulent Enlistment o the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:
Sir—My son, who is a Canadian citizen,
erved eighteen months in the United States
N. R. F during the war. At the time of his
collisiment he had to swear that he was
an American citizen, which he did. We
told them, too, that he was an American
citizen. What punishment will be given for
this? Are we liable to be punished?
H. J. D.

Philadelphia, June 28, 1921.

From facts stated in your letter we cannot answer definitely. If the boy enrolled in the Naval Reserve, it was for four years, and we conclude that he is still in the aervice. Should the fact become known to the authorities he would be given discharge for fraudulent enlistment.

"T. C. D."-The ex-Katser is a Lutheran, "D. D. E."—If you have poetry you wish to sell, you should send it to masszines print-ing poetry. In the Public Library you will have access to all the leading magazines, and you can examine them and see which

f them use poetry. "T. M. H."—Ole Bull, the violinist, set-red in Cambridge, Mass., where he had a nome, but died in Norway, where he had a

"C. L. E."—When a lady and gentleman are dining the man orders for both, al-though, of course, he consults his companion as to her preference.

Poem and Songs Desired

To the Editor of the Eucning Public Ledger: Sir-I should like very much to find the complete poem of which these lines form a

Mart;
"The shepherd is an ancient man;
His back is bent, his foot is slow;
Although the heavens he doth not scan.
He scents what winds shall blow."
MRS. W. L. MAUGER. Philadelphia, June 24, 1921. Wants Civil War Song To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger;

Fig. 1 served almost three years in Company K. Twelfth Regiment. New Jersey Volunteers, and am now past eighty years old. TIMOTHY BATEMAN. Port Norris, N. J. June 30, 1921. Can a reader supply it?

An Old Song To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:

Sir.—I am inclosing herewith a song that
was recently requested. I am in my clashythird year and used to sing this in my younger days. THOMAS M. THOMPSON.

West Philadelphia, June 25, 1921.
WHEN I SAW SWEET NELLIE HOME
In the sky the bright stars glittered.
On the grass the moonlight fell;
Hushed the sound of daylight bustle.
Closed the pink-eyed pimpernel. As a down the moss grown wood path.
Where the cattle used to roam.
From Aunt Dinah's quilting party
I was seeing Neille home.

When the autumn tinged the greenwood. urning all its leaves to gold On the lawn by the elders shaded I my love to Neille told.

As we stood together gazing
On the star-bespangled dome.
How I blessed the August evening
When I saw sweet Neille home.

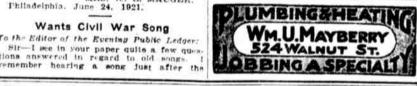
White hairs mingle with my freezes.
Furrows steal upon my brow:
But love's smile cheers and bleases
Life's declining moments now.
Matron in the snowy kerchief.
Closer to my busom come:
Tell ma deat thou still remember. When I saw aweet Nellte home

CHORUS
In the sky the bright stars glittered the grass the moonlight shone It was from Aunt Dinah's quitting part

"P. J. D." sake for the norm entitled "The Scenes That I Saw Across the Bar That Day." Can a reader supply it? 'And straight was a path of gold for him.

A. M. Vandegrift will appreciate it if any with which you walk. "Tape."

"A. C." asks for two songs, one of them "Never Drive One in Distress from Your Door" and one sung by J. W. Kelley entitled "Tou Might Have Licked McCarthy, but You Can't Lick Me." Can a reader



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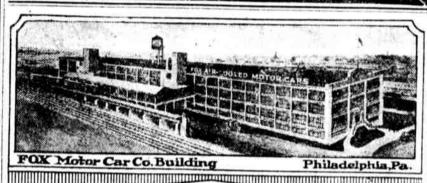
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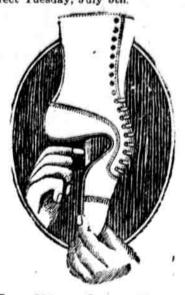
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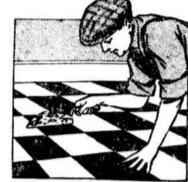
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