

BIG FIRE SWEEPS ASBURY PARK

Score of Hotels and Boarding Houses Destroyed in \$800,000 Blaze

Asbury Park, N. J., April 6.—Four city blocks in the heart of the hotel district fronting on the beach were swept by fire early to-day with the loss of about \$800,000. More than a score of hotels and boarding houses were leveled...

U. S. TOOK ONLY POSSIBLE COURSE

Asquith Declares Entente Breathes More Freely at President's Decision

London, April 6.—Former Premier Asquith has given the following statement to The Associated Press in connection with the entry of the United States into the war: "There is not a man among us who does not breathe more freely now that he knows that through the action of the President and Congress of the United States the whole English-speaking race is to fight as comrades side by side in the most momentous struggle in history..."

The Volunteer Soldier Of the Vigilantes

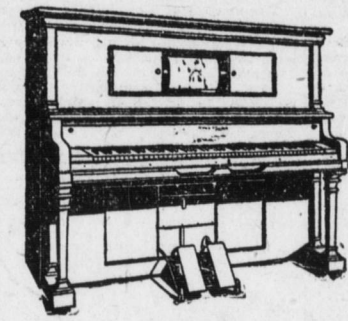
By Hamlin Garland

My father was a volunteer in the Civil War. He left his wife and three children, all under five years of age, and went into the army on the private soldier's pay of thirteen dollars per month—greenbacks. He served two stressful years under Wharnt, Thomas and Logan and when he returned in '65 he brought back with him a firm belief in the volunteer regiments and their commanders. He revered Grant and Sherman but deprecated the "West Point martinet." Grant and Sherman were the exceptions which proved the rule. They happened to be soldiers as well as West Pointers. The officers of resource, of patriotic devotion, were the men who went into the war from conviction and not from a desire for a job.

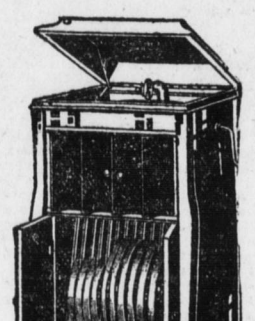
CARE OF THE SMALL FLOCK

Washington, D. C., April 5.—For the family which wishes to keep poultry for home consumption rather than for the market, the so-called general-purpose breeds are better suited than what are known as the egg-laying breeds. Plymouth Rocks, Wyandottes, Rhode Island Reds and Orpingtons are all good varieties for the average person who does not intend to go into the poultry business on a considerable scale.

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Ust is not a paste or cream, but a liquid in bottles, so clean and daintily perfumed that it is a pleasure to use it. Get a bottle to-day and see how quickly it improves the appearance of your skin. It is positively guaranteed not to cause the slightest hair growth. It is also a splendid treatment for freckles, blackheads and many forms of eczema.—Adv.

Kidneys Cause Hysteria

Some folks overwork; some overeat; some over drink, and many do all these things and neglect the excretory organs. Nervousness ensues. Constipation sometimes follows, and the delicate function of the kidneys become disordered, followed soon by congestion. Then headache, neuralgia, rheumatic pain, backache and lumbago set in. Frequent urination sometimes beyond control. The voided liquid being dark of foetid odor, and its passage followed by burning, smarting spasms in the ureters, hysteria being often the result unless

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For the Thin and Bloodless!

The thin and bloodless, with pale cheeks, white lips and a sickly physique, of this community have been much interested in the reports of physicians and others concerning the effectiveness of the treatment for increasing the red and white corpuscles of the blood, thus improving the vitality of the system. A gain of from 10 to 20 pounds is not at all unusual. Where the treatment is regularly used for several months, while the color improves almost everywhere, the most good apothecaries supply it in the form of three-grain hypophosphite tablets, put up in sealed packets with directions for home use. Its action aids assimilation and absorption of the food eaten very promptly.

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Mother Wins Over Riches For Her 5-Year Old Boy

New York, April 6.—Fate spun the wheel to-day for a little 5-year-old New York boy and changed him from George Shire, a rich man's son, to George Petconk, a poor immigrant woman's child. George's foster parents love him as their own son, but because they respect the mother love which led the delinquent woman to search for him for three years, they gave him up. And to-day George is going "home" to an humble hearth far up in the Bronx. He thinks he's just going for a visit. Mr. and Mrs. George D. Shire, who are wealthy and live in a luxuriously appointed apartment near Columbus street, had been looking for him up to the moment when they learned that he had been found by an unwilling family hanging about their necks. Mrs. Helen Petconk, the little woman who works by the day, and who took George, under a false name and address, to the Sisters of Charity when starvation stared her in the face four years ago, is in the city today. At first the Shires were going to fight for possession of the boy, but when Mrs. Shire saw the look in the face of the little mother in court, she told her husband they could keep George. So the Shires sent him "home" to-day with all his toys and his hobby horse and his drum.

Flag Hater Is Made to Pray Before U. S. Emblem

Hays, Kan., April 6.—Joseph Schoendall, a Rush county farmer, was made to get down on his knees in the center of the main street of Hays here to-day and pray for forgiveness because he cursed President Wilson and the United States flag. Schoendall entered the Frank King butcher shop and inquired why King had flags placed all over the shop. King told him in good American. Schoendall answered that he would never go to war, that they would have to kill him in Hays if he got killed and ended with a string of oaths against Wilson and the colors. King's reply was a mighty left and a vicious right. Picking Schoendall up by the collar he carried him into the street where a crowd was gathering and made him kneel, pray for forgiveness and take it all back. Everyone in Hays is praising King.

ILLNESS WORRIES KAISER

Berlin, April 6.—Kaiser Wilhelm is suffering from a mild form of diabetes and is undergoing treatment at Homburg, according to wireless dispatches received here. His physicians wept said to have given assurances that with a careful regime of treatment they can effect a cure, but worry is said to be retarding the emperor's recovery.

FRECKLES

Now Is the Time to Get Rid of These Ugly Spots There's no longer the slightest need of feeling ashamed of your freckles, as the prescription ointment—double strength—is guaranteed to remove these homely spots. Simply get an ounce of ointment—double strength—from any druggist and apply a little of it night and morning and you should soon see that even the worst freckles have begun to disappear, while the lighter ones have vanished entirely. It is seldom that more than an ounce is needed to completely clear the skin and gain a beautiful clear complexion. Be sure to ask for the double strength ointment as this is sold under guarantee of money back if it fails to remove freckles.—Adv.

Lutheran Churches Replace German With U. S. Flags

Smith Center, Kan., April 6.—There are no more in the western part of the county than are the Germans, when facing a crisis between America and Germany. It was reported that a German flag was hoisted at a Lutheran church, southwest of this place, a few days ago, and when a correspondent of the Star visited the parishioners of the locality he found the Stars and stripes flying over the trace of a German flag. The Rev. H. Tuelier, the Rev. J. Schiller and the Rev. T. Schultz of the German Lutheran churches in the vicinity, assured the visitor that no German flag had been hoisted about these properties and that the heads of these churches, as well as the laymen, stand loyally to the cause of the United States. Most of these German born residents are naturalized citizens.

SCHOOL NOTES

Dr. W. O. Peet, of Rochester, N. Y., father of Professor J. C. Peet, addressed the students yesterday morning. He took the subject of Easter as a theme for his remarks, which were well received by the student body.

SABBATH SCHOOL CONVENTION

Marysville, Pa., April 6.—Extensive preparations are being made for the forty-ninth annual convention of the Perry County Sabbath School Association in the Newport Reformed Church on Wednesday and Thursday, May 2 and 3. Included in the program is the Preston G. Orwig, of Philadelphia, who will represent the Pennsylvania State Sabbath School Association.

MOTHER MADE 3 BOYS ENLIST

Spokane, Wash., April 6.—All three sons of ex-Governor M. E. Hay have enlisted in the National Guard or have signified their intention of doing so at once. "Their mother said they would not be sons of hers if they did not answer the call of their country," the ex-Governor said.

MARRIED AT NEW BLOOMFIELD

Marysville, Pa., April 6.—Announcement has been issued of the marriage at New Bloomfield by the Rev. J. W. Weeter, pastor of the Lutheran Church of that place, of Harry Sanders and Mrs. Ellen Dorman, both of Marysville. Mr. Sanders is supervisor of a Pennsylvania gang of workmen. Mr. and Mrs. Sanders will live in Cameron street.

Shall We Go It Alone Or Join the Democracy of Europe In Fighting Germany?

Shall we send an over-seas army to join the Entente Allies? Is it best for our Navy to cooperate in destroying German submarines? Will unlimited financial assistance to the Allies prove most effective? Or, shall we wage war with Germany independently of her other antagonists? On these questions editorial opinion throughout the United States is sharply, tho far from evenly, divided, most of our press seeing in the European war a conflict of principles, a struggle between absolutism and democracy, declaring that the United States should cast its lot with the Allies on the firing line of democracy. The "go-it-alone" side of the argument is concisely stated by the Leavenworth Times: "This is an affair of our own with Germany. To be sure, the fact that Germany is having trouble with us probably will be of material assistance to the Entente Allies, but in their fight with Germany we still are neutral."

The Russian Jew Escapes From Bondage

The Hand of Historic Justice That Snatched the Czar From His Throne, Also Snapped the Chains Off Russian Jewry. Loyalty and Treason Russia's New Menace South America As a German Colony Why We Are Too Fat or Thin Safety Nets on Structural Work Making Ruins of Ruins Half the People of the United States Belong to the Church Many Pictures in Half-tone. Also Reproductions of the Most Striking Cartoons From the Press Perspective the Only Key to Perfect Understanding

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There is an old proverb to the effect that the on-looker sees most of the game. The player's conception of it as a whole, that is as removed from his individual effort or experience, is bound to be blurred and clouded by the dust and noise of the struggle. The observer notes the movements of all the players, grasps the massed combinations, and surveys the ebb and flow of the contest with cool understanding. The reader of THE LITERARY DIGEST has the benefit of such observation. He has summarized for him weekly an impartial review of what is being thought, said, and done on all sides of the great questions that are absorbing the interest of the world and he gets the inestimable advantage of perspective. THE DIGEST takes no sides, keeps out of the struggle of politics, social disputes, trade rivalries, and the rest, and records all viewpoints. Begin reading it at once if you really wish to understand the great game of life as it is being played to-day.

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