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Ye, I have found thee, God! Thy breath doth fill me with a fire divine— And were a thousand worlds like this my foe, The battle would be brief—the victory mine!

EXEMPT THE STATE POLICE

It does seem that the action of local boards in drafting members of the State Police force to fill up their quotas for the new National Army, when the Provost Marshal General has ruled that the question of exempting them is one for such boards to determine, has been taken without much thought as to the result to the State.

Right here it would seem that there was a chance for the boards organized under the conscription law to exercise that discretion which Major C. B. Warren said in the conference at the Capitol must govern them in deciding what men should be taken for national defense.

MANAGER PLAN ENDORSED

DAYTON has demonstrated its confidence in the city manager form of municipal administration. Having just emerged from a red-hot contest over the re-election of those who inaugurated the manager system with an overwhelming majority in favor of the new plan, Dayton has given practical notice to all other cities that a concentration of authority means economical and efficient administration.

SOMETHING TO SHOW

The visit being paid to the State Highway Department offices and the inspection of the highways under way by State road officials from Maryland and Virginia this week calls to mind that it is not so many years ago, one might almost say months, that officials of other Commonwealths were urging the people of the Keystone State to visit them.

BUT NO COMMITTEE

BILLION more in taxes, and new bond issues to the tune of nine billions more. These are the inconsequential sums which Mr. McAdoo says Congress must provide for before it takes any adjournment.

those in their own fair neighborhood. Folks coming from Ohio and sister Commonwealths in the Middle West used to tell at Saratoga and at the New England resorts how they hated to even cross Erie county to get from the Buckeye State to New York. The roads in Pennsylvania were so terrible, you know.

VETERANS AT BOSTON

It is inspiring to know that the G. A. R. heroes are standing so firmly behind the President and all associated with him in authority in this crisis. During the great encampment of the old soldiers of the republic at Boston this week there was much enthusiasm over the part which has been taken by this nation to safeguard the liberties of the world.

WORLD TO FIGHT FOR PEACE

There will always be more or less criticism of military training, but the people of the United States are at least realizing that peace will come sooner when this country has demonstrated its fighting power.

THE NATIONAL ARMY

According to the official bulletin of the War Department, there are now 943,141 men in the volunteer armed forces of the United States. Since war was declared 1,300,000 men in round numbers have offered themselves. The forces are thus divided:

International Slackers

There are plenty of men born who will love to serve this country. There are others who, on "high moral grounds"—meaning treason of a peculiarly dirty sort—will be asking for exemption from the draft.

Worked It Out Himself

After all, the ordinary citizen knows more than his self-appointed advisers. Immediately after the United States went into war, a number of people took it upon themselves to urge everybody, everywhere, to economize.

Safe in Berlin

In spite of alarmist reports that American citizens are being pressed into the German army, the general belief is that, considering how many Germans there are in this country, our nationals will be about as safe on the Wilhelmstrasse as on Broadway.

Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman

As Philadelphia seems to be pretty well tamed down because of the vigor with which Mayor Thomas E. Smith took hold of the situation and enforced an agreement upon candidates many Republicans are now looking toward Pittsburgh to see what effect its factional fight, which has grown out of the nonpartisan election law's operation, will have on State politics.

THE WORRY ABOUT CATCHING A TRAIN

Pittsburgh has eight candidates for mayor. There will be two men nominated as no one can get enough votes to be sole nominee. E. V. Babcock, W. A. Magee and Dr. J. P. Kerr are the three leaders.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

A Providence, R. I., man married to escape the draft and enlisted to escape his wife.—Franklin Evening News.

COMMANDING OFFICER MUST BE A GOOD HOUSEKEEPER

So much has been printed about the training camps that the soldier boys scarcely know what to expect when they leave the hills of Pennsylvania for intensive training in some far-away state.

A Pound of Flour

Food Administrator Hoover asks everybody to save each week one pound of flour in every five.

Bryan Welcomes Taft

Having, I believe, been upon the chautauqua platform longer than any other man in public life, it falls to my lot to extend a welcome to former President Taft, who is making an extended chautauqua tour through the east.

Slackerism, Not Power

Of all the slackers under the Stars and Stripes the most censurable are those who received training at West Point or Annapolis, at government expense, later resigned and now fall to respond to their country's need.

The Mennonites

The Mennonites are named for Meno Simons, of Friesland (1492-1559). There are about 60,000 in this country, most of them in Eastern Pennsylvania. They are divided into two sects.

OVERWEIGHT

He'd like to join And fight, would I'm, But He's so fat His chance is slim.

DO YOU KNOW

That Harrisburg has been making steel used for heavy ordnance purposes? HISTORIC HARRISBURG The ground about the first arsenal in Capitol Park was used as a drilling ground for many companies of summer evens.

ONE OF THE JOYS OF GOLF IS GETTING OUT IN THE OPEN



By Briggs



Too Many Names

A woman entered a Chicago savings bank and placed \$50 in front of the teller. He pushed out the book for her signature and said, "Sign on this line."

OUR DAILY LAUGH

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THE OVERSHADOWING FACT

Do not try to guess how long the war is going to last—guesses are of no value. Here is a fact which is more valuable than any guess, prediction or prophecy—namely, that we must stand together and fight it through, no matter whether the war be long or short.—W. J. Bryan's Commoner.

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Evening Chat

Dauphin county is not bothered with rash suicide according to the first annual report to be issued by the United States Bureau of the Census on birth reports. This is a new enterprise in which Uncle Sam has embarked and he is going to gather together the information for cities, big boroughs and small municipalities.

The Philadelphia Evening Bulletin contains this interesting paragraph: "The opening of the nineteenth century, a new stimulus was given to the arts and letters by the publication of the Portfolio, edited by Joseph Dennie, the first number appearing in the year 1801. Dennie, a native of Philadelphia, was a journalist in Massachusetts, and he came to Philadelphia in 1799 as secretary to the Rev. John Packer. An editor of the Portfolio he showed much prejudice in his literary criticisms. He found German books and articles in the Portfolio, and he called it 'The rage for German literature.' One of the foolish and uncouth whims of the time and deserves all the blame for its failure. We are sick, heart sick, of the rambling bombast, insensate sentiments and distempered sensibility of the Teutonic tribe."

The State Capitol is being pretty well visited by automobile parties these days. The roads are so good that the guides do not have to double up in order to get the parties through the big structure. The end of the war will find our agriculturists and manufacturers pulling together for protection.

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