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No man can get a blessing and keep it all to himself without having it like stagnant water in his soul; but if it overflows to others it shall become a perennial spring to himself and to the world.—WILTON MERLE SMITH.

GOOD SELECTION

SELECTION of Andrew S. Patterson, president of the Chamber of Commerce, to lead the new Liberty Loan drive in Harrisburg is to be commended. Mr. Patterson had a prominent part in the first two campaigns and the Chamber of Commerce is prominently identified with all manner of war service work.

SECRETARY'S APPEAL

SECRETARY McADOO in a war appeal to the American people on Saturday among other things said: The average citizen is drawn into the general store of freedom with almost the same freedom as before the war.

SHOVE THE CLOCK AHEAD

AFTER reading the fifty reasons of the United States Chamber of Commerce committee on daylight saving in its report to Congress, one wonders why the House hesitates to adopt the measure, of which the country thoroughly approves and for which most of us are anxiously waiting.

A CHANCE FOR THE BOYS

THE boys of the Nation must help their big brothers at the front by working the coming summer on the farms and in the shops that their big brothers have left.

THE DIFFERENCE

"Papa," asked little Percy, "what is the difference between a city and a village?" "A city," replied the portly plute, "is a large body of bones entirely bound up in franchises, while a village is a small collection of yaps who possess so little of value that it is not worth taking away from them."—From the Kansas City Star.

Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman Declaration by Governor Martin G. Brumbaugh in favor of the candidacy of Highway Commissioner J. Denny O'Neil for the Republican nomination for Governor, has been followed by prompt distribution of nominating petitions for the Commissioner's candidacy among people on Capitol Hill and willingness to circulate them may prove to be the test whether some of the attaches of departments will remain in their jobs.

OUT WITH THEM!

LOYAL Americans will hall with delight the announcement that President Wilson intends to deport all persons guilty of sabotage or other forms of pro-Germanism. No doubt Germany, with her man power at low ebb, would be happy to shove these enthusiastic supporters of frightfulness right up in the first line trenches where they could get their fill of it.

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Soldier Songs

THE OLD FLAG NEVER TOUCHED THE GROUND The old flag never touch'd the ground, boys, The old flag never touch'd the ground, boys, Tho' shot and shell fell all around, boys, The dear old flag was never down'd.

BIBLES AND FRENCH

American soldiers who have braved the submarines and landed safely in France, will be assisted in the mastery of the French language and at the same time ready the Gospel owing to the enterprise of the American Bible Society.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

It is, of course, useless to point out that the Lenin and Trotsky have left little power of "self-determination" to the stricken Rumanians.—New York World.

GLASSES FOR THE STORK, PLEASE

A near-sighted stork who saw a sign "Boy Wanted" on our druggist's store window left a girl at his house by mistake. —From the Brooklyn Eagle.

THE NEW DEATH

"Greater than thou art dead; fear But die thou, too." "Greater than thou art dead; fear not, But die thou, too." ... I can die, too.

HOW A TANK BEHAVES

From the depths of the wood opposite came a crackling, crunching sound, as of some prehistoric beast forcing its way through tropical undergrowth. And then, suddenly, out from the thinning edge there loomed a monster—a monstrosity.

NO DODGING IN WISCONSIN

The battle to decide whether Wisconsin is with America or with Germany in this war has begun. Governor Phillip's attempt to avert the fight failed. He proposed to have the legislature give him power to appoint a Senator to succeed Mr. Hastings, promising to appoint a loyalist. This request he made for the purpose of saving Wisconsin from being brought to the test.

REVERSING THE THEORY

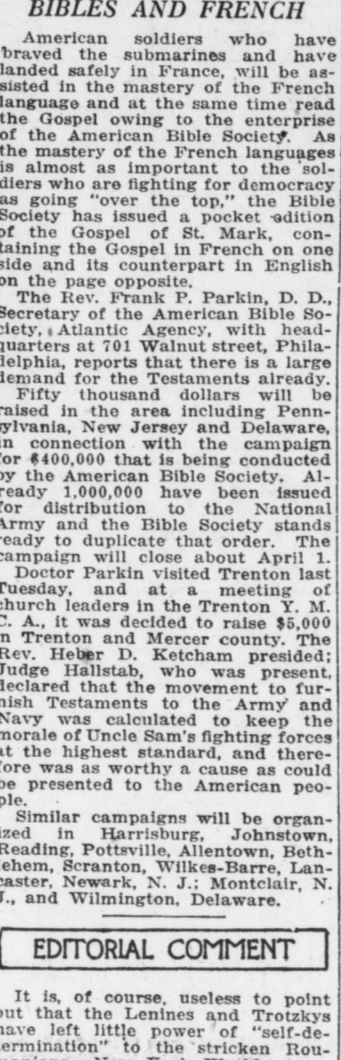
Although some people may not accept Secretary McAdoo's theory that Germans have been depressing Liberty Bonds in the market, the prevailing opinion in this country is that in due time Liberty Bonds are going to depress the Germans.—New York World.

WHY PUT IT OFF?

One cannot wholly agree with W. H. Taft that spies, incendiaries, bomb-droppers and munition tamperers should be backed up against a blank wall at sunrise. As the late Thomas Jefferson once remarked, never put off until to-morrow what you can do to-day.—From the Pittsburgh Gazette-Times.

WHEN A FELLER NEEDS A FRIEND

Now you've hell'd him for a while, let me hold him. Ain't he tunnin'? He's Damma's boy—yes he is—yes—he-is!



ONE BOY'S BIT

IN ONE of our attacks on the Somme, all the observers up forward were uncertain as to what had happened. We didn't know whether our infantry had captured their objective, failed, or gone beyond it. The battle-field, as far as an eye could reach, was a bath of mud. It is extremely easy, in the situation of a trench, to get lost in the mud, and when all landmarks are blotted out, for our storming parties to lose their sense of direction. If this happens, a number of dangers may result. A battalion may find itself "up in the air," which means that it has failed, to connect with the battalions on its right and left; its flanks are then exposed to the enemy. It may be taken too far, and start digging itself in at a point where it was previously arranged that our artillery should be in position to support it.

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Evening Chat

Although the fact is not generally known, it was March 4 which saw the birth of Dauphin county. This county was a part of Lancaster county on erection of that county on May 10, 1729, until March 4, 1785, when the Legislature of Pennsylvania, then sitting in Philadelphia, established our county and named it for the Dauphin of France. About the same time there was a move on foot to further signalize the debt of the infant republic to France by calling the county seat Louisburg, in honor of the king. John Harris, who had settled at this place before even the county of Lancaster was formed, however, left a son by the same name who laid out the town at Harrisburg and refused to sell lots except by that name. As John Harris' ferry had grown to a fairly sizable village and its possibilities were obvious because of the ford and the meeting of the valleys here, Mr. Harris and his way thus he became the Founder, as his father was known as the Settler. Dauphin county included Lebanon, when the old fathers passed the act that day 133 years ago, and some one whose name has not come down to us, but who is suspected as having been influenced by William Maclay, one of the state's first United States senators and a son-in-law of Harris, very carefully extended the county line to the west bank of the Susquehanna river. This city has become familiar with interesting legislative provisions in the last hundred years and can appreciate the provisions of the words in that old act of March 4, 1785, which read: "Then down the Susquehanna, on the west side thereof, by the line of Cumberland county, and that part of the line of York county, to the place of beginning on the west side of the river Susquehanna." Perry county was then a part of Cumberland county, which was erected 1750, and York county, dated from 1739, with older counties than Dauphin. Lebanon was detached from Dauphin, February 16, 1813, while Perry was created March 12, 1820. Then down the line a centennial in two years or so. Oddly enough, while Harrisburg was designated as the county seat of Dauphin and was the home of about 600 persons and a well-known place for fifty years, it was not incorporated until April 13, 1791. Then it became a borough and was the subject of several other acts before it became a city in 1860. March 4, therefore the county day for Dauphin to celebrate.

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