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When thou prayest rather let thy heart be without words than thy words without heart.—JOHN BUNYAN.

FROM THE OUTSIDE IN

SENATOR UNDERWOOD, of Alabama, in whose name the proposal to curtail debate in the Senate was submitted to his colleagues, denied that President Wilson had anything to do with the proposed rules.

It so happens that the President of the United States cannot view anything relating to public business from the standpoint of "an outsider." It is doubtful, indeed, if there is any matter in which the President can act as "an outsider."

They are those of a man at the very center of things, of a man who has gathered to himself the largest powers ever exercised by an individual. He cannot maintain a separate personality if he wishes to do so.

REAL AMERICANISM

FORMER Governor Edwin S. Stuart recently made an address in Philadelphia at a celebration of the birthday anniversary of Stephen Girard which was so full of good American sense and patriotic inspiration that it would be a fine thing if all the schools and organizations devoted to the Americanization of our alien population could have a copy.

With the founder of Girard College as a text, the former Governor dwelt upon his life motive and the great good which follows a consistent and persistent determination to be of use not only to his own generation, but to all who came after.

A DISTINGUISHED VISITOR

THE coming of the Countess de Bryas to Harrisburg brings to the city not only a distinguished woman but one who has done great and important work for the restoration of devastated France.

he considered America his country. "for it was the only one that ever had, could or did give him the opportunity to accomplish the object he must have had in mind from almost the beginning of his successful business career."

The Stuart address is a fine lesson which should be learned by every alien-born man, woman or child who comes to this country as a place of refuge and opportunity.

There is no more patriotic citizen in Pennsylvania than the former distinguished Governor, who has on many occasions given expression to the most lofty sentiments of patriotism and duty. More power to him.

A DEMOCRATIC JOB

THE tornadoes which have recently swept over Iowa and Kansas, destroying property and taking their tolls of human life, call for action by Congress.

We make this suggestion in all seriousness. If the laws of economic action may be set aside and nullified by administrative action, as has so often been attempted under the plea of war necessity, it should be quite as easy to regulate and control the laws of nature.

Production in industry proceeds along established lines of supply and demand, a law as immutable as any which the ancient Medes and Persians ever enacted; yet we have seen the attempt made to fix prices of all sorts of staples and necessities—with consequent confusion in the lines which have been affected.

HYPOCRITE & MURDERER

THE Kaiser's official press agent, paid to camouflage the Berlin Beast to look like an angel of mercy, writes for the Lokai Anzeiger, of Berlin, says Wilhelm was deeply interested in caring for two British soldiers in a German hospital recently and quotes him as saying:

When the enemy is beaten we must care for him with all the power and means given to us. A beaten enemy is no longer an enemy for us. If the victor considers think and act otherwise that is their affair. We Germans will preserve our conception of the duty toward the ill and wounded.

How about the babies of the Lusitania? What about the women of Belgium? Why was Edith Cavill murdered by the merciful Wilhelm's command? What of the starving non-combatants of Northern France?

How about the tubercular prisoners starving in German prison pens? Who gave the orders that have taken thousands of men and women into worse than slavery and doomed countless children to early graves?

Who was it that turned innocent maidens over to the tender mercies of whole companies of corrupt German soldiers? None other than Bill the Beast.

The sort of tommyrot quoted may be swallowed by the German people, but the allies know the Kaiser for the hound of hell he is, and they mean to make him pay the price for his crimes, in so far as it is possible for human agencies to exact punishment for misdeeds beyond the imagination of those who compiled our criminal code.

Politics in Pennsylvania

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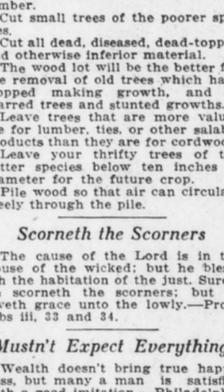
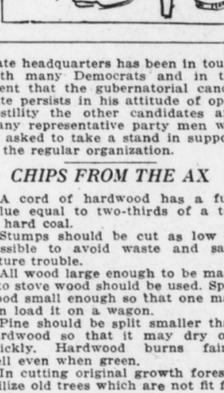
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OH, MAN!



THE AUSTRIAN DRIVE

"Failure," says the London Daily News, "on the first day of these attacks, as conducted on the modern German plan, has hitherto been fatal."

The newspaper cites the opinion of its correspondent in the Italian front that no enemy offensive up to this time has begun so badly, and adds: "There is strong ground for believing that an enemy failure is imminent."

The opinion is expressed by several papers that there is a direct connection between the initiation of the offensive and internal conditions in Austria-Hungary. The Daily Express describes it as "a gambler's throw, the most desperate that the war has seen."

Do you people at home feel at times that this war has made your life pretty hard? Read what an American correspondent writes about one of our boys who had been doing his duty: "In a little field hospital west of Montdidier I stopped at the bedside of an American boy, one of those victims of the German mustard gas, with which the Huns are making all their present gains."

Do you still think your life a hard one? Help support that boy and the hundreds of thousands of others doing their duty. Buy War Savings Stamps to the limit of your capacity.

Patriotic citizens who remain at home are reminded by Secretary McAdoo, in a statement issued, that the fighting man must have food, clothing and arms and that the purchase of War Savings Stamps offers direct aid. The appeal is to all Americans, who are asked to buy all the stamps they can during the campaign in progress. It says: "Over eight hundred thousand of America's sons are already on the fields of France, where the bloodiest attacks of all history are raging. They are suffering and dying for us at home. They are giving their lives freely and heroically to save America and the liberties of mankind. They need food, clothing and arms. Everyone who buys War Savings Stamps or signs a pledge to save and buy these stamps over a period of time helps himself and helps directly every American hero in France."

It is the least each patriot can do to enable our gallant boys to fight victoriously or to die gloriously in the cause of humanity and liberty? Let no one who genuinely loves America and wants to serve fall to sleep in the great army of war savers during the period ending June 28, 1918.

RUSSIA'S HARI-KIRI

(E. J. Dillon in the July Yale Review.) What Germany's strenuous efforts were unable to effect was accomplished by Russia's unexpected harikiri. The bond uniting the various nationalities civilizations, peoples and religions of the Tsardom being cut, the empire fell to pieces at the feet of the Teuton invader.

The Ukraine bars Russia proper from the Black Sea and the Mediterranean. Finland and the Baltic provinces under her from the Baltic; and if Germany should egg on her Turanian agents, the Finns, to seize and keep the port of Kem on the White Sea, the new Murman railway and the ice free port of Yekaterina in Russian Lapland, nothing would be worth the money. The great Slav ally but poor community of benighted rustic Marxists of no further account in the current political history of Europe or the world. To this mutilated entity one might apply the old designation "Muscovy." Severed from the sea, bereft of mineral wealth, incapable of raising and maintaining a powerful army, its ulterior fate would become a matter of interest only to lovers of the sentimental.

Food is "the real wealth, and economy merely the count of exchange," declares an epigram maker in our national food department. And the producers of food are the creators of the nation's wealth. It took a world war, with its consequent threat of famine, to make us realize this important fact.

Politicians and others have been in the habit of saying "the farmer is the backbone of the nation," but nobody really believed it. At least, nobody acted as if he believed it—not even the farmer himself. The farmer's response to the war needs of the nation has been prompt and patriotic. He has not held back because his profits were restricted, and his growing sense of power brings with it an admission of greater responsibility.

Spring is gone, and summer's here. They're bringing up the hay, Soon they will be harvesting. And my love's still away. I see the apples reddening, And yellow burns the wheat, Lovers sit in summer's heart And sing to summer's bow! But my love's still away!

He lies there, he cries there, I hear him night and day; I cannot hear the birds sing, For my love's still away. I'll not go through the clover field, Along the Foxglove wood, Nor climb the ash on Chapel Hill, We climbed in happier mood! For my love's still away!

O summer lanes, O summer fields That smell so sweet of hay, When this is done and Truth is won— Though my love's still away— May happier lovers love here Where so lonely tread, Over our darling dead, Though my love's still away! —Irene McLeod, in Yale Review.

LABOR NOTES

International Brotherhood of Bookbinders will convene at Kansas City on June 10.

There are two union telegraph operators in Congress—Cary, of Wisconsin, and Key, of Ohio.

Alberta (Can.) mine workers are asking that during idle periods instead of a flat rate of \$10 a week they get 2-3 per cent. of their wages.

Butchers, meat cutters and packing house employees in the plants in Vancouver, B. C., and New Westminster demanded a further increase in wages.

The Street Committee of London, England, has granted a bonus to all its outside employees until the close of the war, which will amount to \$40,000 per annum.

Canadian letter carriers have made every effort possible to obtain a living wage from the Dominion Government, but up to date have failed.

Toronto painters, decorators and paperhangers will admit returned soldiers to the union at half price. The Trades Congress of Canada's annual convention will be held in the city of Quebec commencing September 16.

OUR DAILY LAUGH

A SLACKER. Pa. what is a slacker? A slacker, boy, is a creature who not only does nothing for his country but turns over to the others that he should do nothing also.

SCARCE HAVENS OF REFUGE. Lightning never strikes twice in the same place. That's true, but in a thunder storm what chance have you to find a place that has been struck by lightning once?

A QUESTION. Say ma. What? If ears were supposed to be kept clean why weren't they made flat like your face is so you could do it easily?

A TIGHTWAD. Frank—Here I've spent four years courting you, and you throw me over for another fellow. Maude—Well, he spent less time and more money, that's why.

DO YOU KNOW —That Harrisburg engineers are working in government plants? HISTORIC HARRISBURG —This place was one of the big centers of the rafting industry seventy-five years ago.

WELL KNOWN PEOPLE —Judge Thomas J. Baldrige, of Blair county, who has been offered the place of judge advocate with the rank of colonel in the Army, is one of the youngest judges in the state. —Collector C. G. Llewellyn, of Pittsburgh, who figured in the Democratic meeting yesterday, has over 167,000 income taxpayers to look after. —John Moore, Philadelphia business man's association head, says the job now is to keep up the morale of the folks at home. —Judge John W. Kephart, of the superior court, made the response to the address of the Sons of the American Revolution at Scranton, yesterday. —A. T. Dice, the new official head of the Reading, has been in the railroad business since he was a boy. He comes from the coal regions. —Colonel St. G. L. Steele, of the British army, has been recalled from this country for service at home.

Without many people being aware of it Dauphin and Cumberland county farmers are giving material support to the national and state movements to increase the number of sheep and it may help solve the problem of how to utilize the land in the two counties which lack the draft of labor, especially, have followed up what was begun by the introduction of intensive agriculture in the way of reducing acreage devoted to crops. There are some farms in this section which are over 200 acres in size and of which only two-thirds are being cultivated. Some of the farms are in woodlots and some are being worked with brush. The rest are being allowed to lie fallow, trusting to the time when there will be men and horses and tractors to plow and cultivate it. Fortunately, some have been producing good hay crops, which have yielded a fair return, and there is a disposition to put them to clover or alfalfa. The latter crop has grown in favor in this section and there are scores of acres growing it where it was not grown so many years ago. But the plan of the farm bureaus to encourage sheep raising and even to get farmers' financial aid in the most plentiful means of using the land which cannot be farmed. Wool and mutton both up in price and the outlay for sheep is small, if it is managed right. Years ago this county had many flocks of sheep and Cumberland and Perry were noted for their clip. The land in these three counties was devoted to the intensive type of agriculture and to sheep raising.

If Mark Twain were to come to Harrisburg, he would characterize the notice on a certain restaurant menu, as coming within the bounds of "English as she is writ." While the notice tries to express acquaintance with the Food Administration ruling, it is hard for the untutored reader to grasp the entire meaning. This is the worst I have seen. "According to the new instructions from the Food Administration for two oz. of wheat products to each person eating breakfast includes bread, pastries, etc. We suggest while already having two oz. of bread which covers two oz. of wheat products in place of pie or short cake to order a fruit which includes pudding or ice cream. Let us all join hands together and assist the Food Administration. Thank you!" Speaking of music it is interesting to state just what some of the men who are arranging the parade are going through. The chairman of the committee had not been named until late, got into action immediately after he was appointed and addressed about 200 hands. He found but eight or ten more. Fortunately, Harrisburg has some excellent bands and there are good organizations in the vicinity so that the parade will be a grand affair. It is a matter of fact and some have been doing it for years. A new food trick is the messenger boy sandwich. A man buys a sandwich at a restaurant and goes back to his place of business and then if he gets a chance has some one, preferably a messenger, go to a restaurant and buy him another sandwich. "Getting down to one sandwich is something we would all be glad to do," declared a man who likes to eat, "but Brother Tom McCormick ought to remember that they have reduced the sandwiches fifty per cent. in circumference, diameter, and middle and that the price stays up." This observation was all lost on another man who ended the discussion by saying "Aw, carry your lunch from home."