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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1918... This world and all our powers in it are far more awful and beautiful than even we know until some accident reminds us.—G. K. CHESTERTON.

CAMOUFLAGE

THE railroad power has been broken and railroad men are now free," declared the grandiloquent A. Mitchell Palmer in justification of McCormick and himself.

"The liquor traffic is a vicious interest," said Palmer in the same speech, but while repudiating Bonniwell, his champion, the makers of the Democratic platform, denouncing many other alleged evils, carefully avoided uttering a word against the liquor traffic—"a vicious interest."

"Stand by the President and the Democratic party," wailed Chairman McCormick, who was deeply concerned about the next Presidential election and terribly exercised about the liquor interest, because of which he and Palmer repudiated the party's nominee for Governor.

Auditor General Snyder and Senator Besideham in recent speeches, have presented some strong statistical reasons for the return of the Republican party to power at Washington.

WHEN WINTER COMES

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may, through misfortune, become such that they will have not even the means to purchase limited stores. Harrisburg is generous with its charities and its aid is well organized. Few cases of a deserving character go without relief, but the demands are going to be heavy and the cash at hand has to be spread thin to provide food, fuel, medicines and necessities.

This fund need not be made for this coming winter alone. It should be made permanent. It can be endowed. It can be added to by cash. The point is that it ought to be established. It is a form of practical community benefit which should be taken care of promptly and commended to those who have that which they can not carry away with them when the reaper comes around. Think it over.

Senator Sprout, in all his speeches, has emphasized the need of capable Republican representatives at Washington to give force and effect to those principles for which the Republican party has stood since its foundation.

PEACE WITH VICTORY

Take up our quarrel with the foe! To you, from falling hands, we throw the torch. Be yours to lift it high! If ye break faith with who die, We shall not sleep, though poppies grow in Flanders' fields.

This message from Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae, since dead at the front, flings back to those of us who must carry on at the front or back of the lines the call to duty. We are now confronted with the German peace offensive. Every American must stand like a rock against the insidious and serpent-like propaganda.

Our citizens of any city in the state can vote at the November election, who does not register this fall. Registrations prior to September 5, 1918, are void.

A SERIOUS CHARGE

A. MITCHELL PALMER made a very serious charge before the State Democratic Committee Saturday when he asserted that "there is in the very shadow of the national capitol" a newspaper covertly financed by the liquor interests for the purpose of fighting the battle of booze in Congress.

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Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman

Every indication is that the filing of the withdrawal of J. Washington Logue, Democratic nominee for lieutenant governor, as a candidate for Congress in the sixth district, means the opening of the State Democratic Committee's campaign of concentration on Logue and the other men who are favored by the machine as opposed to Judge Eugene C. Bonniwell. The executive committee is getting ready to round up congressional and legislative candidates who are "leary" of the broil which has been caused by National Chairman Vance C. McCormick and National Committeeman A. Mitchell Palmer and will also try to get some supreme court aspirants out of the way.

The indications are that Mr. Logue will make speeches and Palmer and his pals will get some big Van Hooking to invade Pennsylvania during the campaign for the sake of making a contrast with the Bonniwell campaign, which Judge plans to conduct in his own energetic way.

Judge Bonniwell is going to hoo his own row. He is going to the center Hall picnic to meet the folks and will bring out the state party many times. His friends are arranging all sorts of gatherings and he will be given as noisy an ovation as possible.

In writing to the Pittsburgh Gazette-Times concerning the Democratic National Convention, Walter J. Christy observes: "The one thing of interest concerning the platform adopted is its silence on the ratification of the prohibition amendment to the Federal constitution. This is a tap on the wrist of Judge Bonniwell because he is standing on a sloppy wet plank. A corporation would have been the incorporation of the committee to cooperate for ratification. With Messrs. McCormick and Palmer claiming strong adherence to the 'dry' cause, it is hard to see why they should not have been in the front line in the fight for ratification. It is hard to see why they should not have been in the front line in the fight for ratification. It is hard to see why they should not have been in the front line in the fight for ratification.

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LABOR NOTES

Street car men at Columbus, Ga., have formed a union. A labor paper has been launched at Portsmouth, Ohio. Toronto (Canada) phone girls have a union of 700 members. Railroad Telegraphers' International has a membership of 50,000. Wilmington, N. C., painters have organized a union. Brewery workers at Trinidad, Col., have a 100 per cent organization. Salt Lake City, Utah, cooks and waitresses have been granted a 9-hour day. Carpenters at Vancouver, B. C., ask \$6.50 for an eight-hour day. Pullman car porters are to be replaced by women.

SOMEBODY IS ALWAYS TAKING THE JOY OUT OF LIFE



Must Be No Compromise

[From the New York Times.] There can be no compromise. Mr. Lloyd George said last Thursday: "There are some men who say 'drop it and let us have peace by negotiation.' There is no compromise between freedom and tyranny, no compromise between light and darkness. I know that it is better to sacrifice one generation than to sacrifice liberty forever. That is what we are fighting for, and Heaven grant that we fight through to the end."

So beyond her renunciations and restorations of territory in the west, Germany must give up the east. That is the irreducible minimum of allied demand, the indispensable condition of peace. It involves the breaking up of the preposterous Austrian Empire that has long overstayed its time, for that land is under German's thumb, and with 125,000,000 people in the heart of Europe directed by one will and moved by a common purpose the world would not be safe. The Allies have recognized the Czech-Slovaks as a nation, the Jugo-Slavs must be freed, the Italian provinces restored, German Austria may go to Germany if she demands, the indispensable condition of peace. It involves the breaking up of the preposterous Austrian Empire that has long overstayed its time, for that land is under German's thumb, and with 125,000,000 people in the heart of Europe directed by one will and moved by a common purpose the world would not be safe.

Albany Press—We are glad to know that the Teuton heart, if there is such an organ, but we have other business on hand at this time than to pay more than passing heed to the protestation of Satan.

Seed Corn For 1919

The unfortunate experience with seed corn this year should cause every farmer to plan now for the coming year. As a result of bad seed many fields are spotted, either showing large open areas or uneven growth, due to planting in.

Eliminating Nonessentials

The nation is fast eliminating nonessentials and the gratifying feature is that most of this elimination is taking place voluntarily. New Orleans has dropped its Mardi Gras until after the war, and many other cities have given up demonstrations which did not contribute to the winning of the war.

Thumbs Down

Butte Miner.—The only durable peace that can be obtained is a dictated peace and this dictation must be done by the Allies at the point of their guns. Cheyenne State Leader.—Our answer should be a stiffening of our determination on all fronts and a still greater determination on the part of those at home to do their part in pushing this struggle unflinchingly until Germany is not only crushed but crushed beyond all possibility of restoration among the nations of the world. Idaho Statesman.—Only one answer is possible, and that answer must be an emphatic refusal. We know enough of Austria and Germany to know that they cannot be negotiated with. They are beyond the pale. Acceptance of the proposal would be foolish and dangerous. Charleston News and Courier.—True Americans will take their stand promptly and unmistakably. We are not going to bargain with the blood-stained gang of thugs and pirates in high places who deliberately and after long and careful planning plunged the world into war in July, 1914. Omaha Bee.—If the Central Powers recognize in the military situation the hopelessness of their case and are willing to submit to terms, the approach will be without especial difficulty. Indianapolis Star.—Any non-binding peace would serve only to belittle the issues and be productive of no good. The enemy should understand that peace is not to be merely a matter of trading. We are fighting for right, and we cannot compromise right or justice. Washington Post.—Germany started this war; civilization will finish it. The spirit that animates the allied millions, which commands them to get into battle and conquer, is a matter of trading. We are fighting for right, and we cannot compromise right or justice. Portland (Me.) Press.—The cry will not be heeded by American ears. America long since came to the conclusion that the terms of peace should be dictated by France and Belgium, and not by Germany. These are the two nations which have suffered the most from Teutonic barbarity and lust for power. It is for their long suffering people to determine when the punishment of the Prussian war lords have invited shall be ended.

OUR DAILY LAUGH

THE OLD, OLD STORY. Owens boasts that he never tells the same story twice. His tailor knows differently. DIFFERENT VIEWS. The man I marry must be able to support me in regal fashion! You're not looking for a man, you're looking for a boob. HIS LAST VACATION. Rastus: Boss kin Ah take a short vacation? Ah, wants to git married. The Boss (who is married): Certainly, Rastus, for it will undoubtedly be your last. QUEER. Your wife seems to have a mind of her own. Yes, and although she changes it often it never seems to leave her possession. SLIGHTLY BURNED. Hubby — I thought you had given up burnt wood art, dearie? Wifey — Ferdinand. How can you be so heartless. This is a pie. NO CHANCE AFTER THAT. Pa, why did you never become rich. I guess I married too young in life, my boy. DO YOU KNOW. —That Harrisburg steel has been used on the government railroads in France? HISTORIC HARRISBURG. In old days the churches, tavern and firehouses were chiefly located in Front street.

Evening Chat

From all accounts there is not much danger of many people exceeding the catch limit of bullfrogs in Pennsylvania this year. The new bullfrog and terrapin law, under which, by the way, the snapping turtle is not to be classed as terrapin, forbids the hunting of "bullies" with lights at night and there have been many more frog voices raised in peaceful chorus at night this summer than known in many years. In some sections which have been noted for the splendid "frog sticking" in times gone by it would seem that the nocturnal concert has been more extended. The tone more proper and the splashes of the frogs more aggravating because they cannot be speared by the light of a bullseye, catch of bass or a plain old perch. The catch is fifty in a season and twenty-five in a day and they must be hunted without the aid of a light. State fishery authorities have arranged to begin the shipment of small mouthed black bass and blue gills from the Union City hatchery during the next week. There is an abundance of these fish in this hatchery. The shipment of trout from four to six inches in length from the Bellefonte and Corry hatcheries has assumed better proportions than hoped for and thousands are being put into streams by fishermen, who have volunteered to help because of the fact that the State fishery department. Later on it is expected to start shipment of large numbers of sunfish from Torresdale hatchery.

Wilson Papers Distressed

[Philadelphia North American.] Newspapers of the better class among those which support President Wilson through thick and thin are just now afflicted by his political activities and are severely censuring his dictatorial interference in congressional contests. Thus the New York World sees in it "grave danger," the Times is "more than a little perplexed to find the clue and key to Mr. Wilson's selections, indorsements and repudiations of candidates," while the Evening Post, of that city, makes stern protest. Cold-blooded politics, of course, dictated the sacrifice of Secretary of War Garrison, who insisted upon urging a policy of preparedness to meet the inevitable war, and the putting in his place of a pacifist. For at that time the administration was making ready the issue for the 1916 presidential campaign, and a Baker, not a Garrison, was required to make harmonious the appeal to the indifferent millions on the platform of having "kept the country out of war." The series of episodes presents, in our judgment, an unwholesome spectacle of perilous executive aggression, as even the Wilson newspapers are competent to admit. Yet we consider them relatively unimportant. Far more reprehensible, far more ominous, than isolated and confused attempts to build a partisan machine in Congress is the administrative practice of playing politics with vital issues involving the destiny of this nation and the security of the world.

WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

Dr. George B. Moreland, who is president at the Homeopathic Society convention at Pittsburgh, is a resident of that city. B. J. Newman, secretary of the Pennsylvania Fishery Association, has been given leave to investigate the sanitary conditions of munitions factories throughout the state. Bishop W. H. Fouke, well known here, is presiding at the United Evangelical conference at Franklin. H. G. McGowan, former legislator, has been made adviser in agricultural matters for the Allegheny district appeal board. Colonel George H. Paine, one of the recently promoted Army officers is a Scotchman. He was selected for West Point from the Lackawanna district. The Rev. Dr. Maitland Alexander, prominent Pittsburgh pastor, has arranged to go to France for the Y. M. C. A. He recently returned. Judge Harvey W. Whitehead, of the Lycoming county courts, has been ill. Congressman John R. Farr, of Scranton, is home from the war district. Ex-Congressman P. M. Esser of Oil City, has been made head of the committee on co-operation of the Petroleum organization.