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He who knows most, grieves most for wasted time.—Dante.

Democratic fight in Chicago, that you have been making in your paper in Washington, and I want to see just how you do it.

And all these months the people have had it dinned into their ears that a vote for a Republican is a vote for the Kaiser—that the election of a Republican Senator will bring joy to Berlin.

But where in the Republican party is to be found the taint?

Somebody ought to change the name of the Berlin to Bagdad Railway.

A WHOLESOME EXAMPLE

JUDGE KUNKEL made an example of the Pleasant View youth who struck one officer and threatened another in Reservoir Park recently.

It was brought out before Alderman Landis at the hearing and before Judge Kunkel in court that one of the officers in the case drew his revolver during the fracas and the defendant attempted to make an excuse for himself on that score.

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A WAR DEVELOPMENT

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It is important that you should cast your ballot this year. Thousands upon thousands of Pennsylvania voters are in France. You must look after their interests here, just as they are looking after your interests "over there."

But the war has changed the public's view a bit. Wages are high and working hours are short. The country needs every man's labor. If America fails in this critical hour the war will be lost, Europe will starve and our hundreds of thousands of soldiers abroad will be driven into the sea.

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all is a vigorous, well-kept body, plenty of fresh air and proper food, and a stomach and intestines working as steadily and as regularly as a clock.

Precautions are simple and worth observing. If the statistics of epidemics in camps and other cities are accurate, it may easily happen that from 30,000 to 40,000 persons may contract the disease in Harrisburg unless means are provided to prevent.

Politics in Pennsylvania

Certification of the nominations for the November election will be made to the commissioners of the sixty-seven counties of Pennsylvania Saturday night by the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

The forms of the ballot with the state wide nominations printed have been prepared and the congressional, senatorial and legislative nominations will be filled in. Changes have been made almost daily lately and word had been received that Democrats propose to have a new candidate in at least one congressional district and that the Republicans and Democrats will file nominations for senator in the Armstrong-Butler district whose representative in the upper house died some time ago.

The law requires us to certify the nominations thirty days before the election and that time is up on Saturday when we will certify," said George D. Thorn, acting deputy secretary to the Commonwealth who is in charge of the details of certification.

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MOVIE OF A MAN LISTENING TO A LIBERTY LOAN ORATOR

Cartoon titled 'MOVIE OF A MAN LISTENING TO A LIBERTY LOAN ORATOR' by BRIGGS. It shows a man listening to an orator with various speech bubbles: 'WELL - I FEEL PRETTY GOOD AND PATRIOTIC - I'VE BOUGHT \$5000 WORTH OF BONDS', 'THAT'S AS MUCH AS I CAN AFFORD ON THIS LOAN', 'THERE'S A FELLOW MAKING A GOOD SPEECH', 'GUESS I'LL STOP A MINUTE AND HEAR HIM', 'LET - ME - THINK', 'VERY FORCEFUL HIS ARGUMENTS ARE GREAT - AND HE'S SELLING BONDS TOO', 'I'M GOING TO DO A LITTLE FIGURING RIGHT HERE AND NOW', 'I'VE A NOTION TO SIGN UP FOR SIX HUNDRED', 'BY GEORGE - I'LL DO IT', 'I'LL TAKE FIVE HUNDRED'.

MR. BALFOUR'S ANSWER

In his Metropolitan Opera House speech last Friday President Wilson said that the people of the world are demanding "that the leaders of their Governments declare to them plainly what it is, exactly what it is, that they are seeking in this war, and what they think the items of the final settlement should be."

For himself he said that there must be a League of Nations, provided for at the peace talks. Then he called upon the leaders of other Governments to speak out as plainly: "And I believe that the leaders of the Governments with which we have association, as plainly as I have tried to speak, I hope that they will feel free to say whether they think that I am in any degree mistaken in my interpretation of the issues involved or in my purpose with regard to the means by which a satisfactory settlement of those issues may be obtained."

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The Twenty-Eighth-The Iron Division

ALL Pennsylvania is proud of the Keystone (Twenty-eighth) Division of the Army, General Muir, its commander.

General Muir, who is a kind of Haroun-al-Raschid among the enlisted men, appears among the ranks near a village south of Extermont, just before it was taken by our troops. With him were Colonel Walter C. Sweeney, Captain Theodore D. Boal of Housburg, Center county, Pa.; Lieutenant Edward Hoopes, of West Chester, and Corporal Olin McDonald, of Sunbury, of his own Army air-planes, which had been circling above, swooped down and fired on the party. General Muir seized a rifle left standing against a tree by the man in the ranks that he shouldered and fired upon the nearest aviator, who turned and fled, followed by the others.

General Muir is regarded as a martinet in the Army, but it was very largely his unrelenting, persistent, hard work that whipped the Twenty-eighth Division into such shape that it has covered itself with glory in less than three months' fighting in France. He is particularly the friend of the enlisted man, and is said to turn a friendlier side toward the man in the ranks than toward the officer, under him.

He is 58 years old, having been born in Erie, Mich., in 1860. He went through a hard school in the Army, having spent seven years as second lieutenant and seven years as first lieutenant. He has been in Cuba, the Philippines, China and the Panama Canal Zone. Last November he was assigned to succeed Major-General Charles M. Clement, of Sunbury, Pa., when the latter relinquished command of the Twenty-eighth Division, then at Camp Hancock, for physical reasons.

Captain Boal is one of the largest landowners in Central Pennsylvania.

News has been received here of a glowing commendation bestowed upon the Iron Division by General Muir after its service in the Marne battle. In the course of a general order, he said:

"The division has acquitted itself in a creditable manner. It has stormed and taken a point that was regarded as a most difficult assault. It has taken numerous prisoners from a vaunted Guards division of the enemy. It has inflicted on the enemy far more loss than it has suffered from him. It has shown a good heart. We have inflicted more loss than we have suffered; we are better men individually than our enemies. A little more courage, more determination to keep our enemies down, and the division will have the right to look upon itself as an organization of veterans."

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Then a dawning comprehension seemed to pierce her brain and she touched his sleeve and groped over the national insignia of his rank as she reiterated the word "American." Then she stepped backward and with upraised arms burst into a sort of Biblical rhapsody:

"A great host shall come in numbers like the stars of heaven. The sea shall bear them. Justice shall be upon their banners and liberty shall be their cry. Their tread shall shake the fortresses of the proud. The great king shall hide his face in fear and shall seek for safety and end none, for the curses of his people shall rise like flames about him and he shall walk in the blood of his children. Hasten, O Lord God! Make clear their way. Let the shining presence of our glorious dead be about them; for they shall bring peace!"

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Shotguns in the Civil War.

Frederick E. Hedley, a soldier of the Civil War, writing to the New York Times, says:

To say nothing of the monumental Prussian cheek in protesting against the American shotgun in war, in the face of the Prussians' crimes with torpedo, Zeppelin, submarine and poison gas, the Prussian ignorance is dense, if it be not assumed.

"In the war for the Union (1861-65), particularly in the border states (Maryland, Kentucky and Missouri) there were both Northerners and Southerners who came to the field with shotguns. General Grant fought two of his first great battles (Fort Donelson and Shiloh) with many of his men almost similarly armed. My own regiment was one of these, with old Harper's Ferry muskets altered from flintlock to percussion, caliber .68, carrying a ball and three buckshot, the effective range being about 200 yards, with much of the fighting at half that distance and less."

Under present conditions men in charge of dirt roads should bend every effort to get them into good shape for the coming year. A large portion of the dirt roads of Pennsylvania will always remain so and plans for improvement of others have not been started for many years, said Highway Commissioner J. Denny O'Neil to-day, in discussing the general road situation. "The last year we have had some excellent dirt roads. They were in charge of men who understood their business and who not only saw to it that the roads were in good shape, but which is the foundation of good roads, but who evidently inspected their roads and made sure that the surface was good. Some of these roads did not have loose stones on them at all and were smooth and as good as many an improved road we have encountered in Pennsylvania."

Officers of the Reserve Militia are discussing plans to ask the next Legislature for authority and appropriation to permit the organization of enough cavalry to form a regiment as well as one or two additional regiments of infantry and an enlarged truck train. The Militia now consists of three regiments of infantry and one squadron, four troops of cavalry and a small truck company.

Congressman L. T. McFadyen, who sees all Congressmen from Pennsylvania Republicans as time, is a northern tier banker. Gov. Curran, who is making the Governor's staff, is making Liberty Loan speeches in Philadelphia.

Prof. W. H. Huff, of Bryn Mawr, has been granted leave of absence to engage in government work.

Horace C. Booz, of the Pennsylvania State University, department, who was with Atterbury in France, is home as a colonel of engineers.

B. A. vanLennep, of Philadelphia, has been appointed a captain in the medical corps of the army.

That Harrisburg is growing to be quite a center for the assembling of buckwheat?

The first big flood that hit Harrisburg was 120 years ago and was known as the "pumpkin flood," because it came at the time when the pumpkins were ripe and were swept away.

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