NEWS IN GENERAL

German submarines sunk three more British merchantmen in 36 hours, Sunday. In addition the French cargo boat, L'Aude has been sunk off the coast of Algeria by an Austrian submersile.

Ten were killed and 43 injured by bombs dropped from a German airship n the raid on the eastern counties of England last Thursday night. Victims of the raid were civilians as were those of the night of August 17 when 10 were killed and 36 wounded. Fifteen houses were demolished by three Zeppelins.

The steamer Santa Anna, bound from New York to Marselles and Naples with some 1,600 Italian reservests on board was afire Sunday in the Atlantic Ocean, three days' sail from the nearest port. A wireless that reached the station at Cape Race Sunday night brought the first news of her plight. The fire was extinguished.

In a statement issued by the Director of Public Health of Philadelphia gives unqualified endorsement to the penny lunch counters that have been established in the schools there. He contends that thousands of children who otherwise are facing limited starvation and the diseases incident thereto, are materially benefited by the wholesome food which is served.

Charles H. Dorflinger, a glass manufacturer of Honesdale, Wayne Co., announced recently at Philadelphia that he would be a candidate for delegate to the Republican National Convention of 1916 and at the same time declared himself for Senator Penrose for president on a "Penrose Protection and Prosperity" platform. Mr. Dorflinger is the first Pennsylvanian to announce himself as a candidate for national delegate.

Insurance agents, human torches and unnamed prominent business men comprise the personnel of an arson syndicate the police claim to have unearthed at St. Louis. These incendiaries, the police say, were responsible for most of the big fires which have baffled fire and police departments there for five years and the profits of the syndicate have aggregated millions of dollars, according to the police.

Ambassador Bernsdorff of Germany is quoted in an interview published by the New York Evening Sun, as declaring that a diplomatic break between Germany and the United States will mean war, but the strained relations from the Arabic affair will probably be adjusted. "If diplomatic relations are broken off," the German Ambassador is quoted as having said, "the German submarine commanders will be instructed to sink everything they see and ot course this means war within two or three days."

Russia has made further concessions to the Jews, according to a telegram just given out by the banking houses of Rothschilds & Sons, from the International Commercial Bank, of Petrograd. For the period of the war the Jews may live and buy property in all cities of Russia except capitals and imperial residential towns and some of the restrictions against the entrance of Jews to government schools have been removed.

The new type of giant biplane undergoing tests in Germany is said to have a measurement of 42 1-2 metres across the plane. The motor developed 300-horsepower, and each works three propellers. These biplanes are capable of carrying sufficient fuel for flights of eight hours. They are equipped with wireless and searchlights. Each carries 12 bombs weighing 22 pounds and five machine guns. Biplanes of this type will have crews of eight men and will be able to travel to London and back in five hours. The engineers who constructed them obtained the idea from a Russian machine. They say that the new craft will supersede the Zeppelin.

That the central powers still have an overwhelming superiority in all the material and equipment of war and that the allies to win must put forth all their strength, is the statement made by David Lloyd-George, of England, minister of munitions, in the preface of a book containing his speeches since the outbreak of the war, entitled: "Through Terror to Triumph." "After twelve months of war," says he, "my convictions are stronger than ever that this country try could not have kept out of it without imperiling its security and its honor. We could not have looked on cynically with folded arms while a country we had given our word to protect was being ravaged—trodden on by one of our own co-trustees. If British women and children were being brutally destroyed on the high seas by German submarines, the nation would have insisted on calling the infanticide empire to a stern reckoning. Everything that has happened since the declaration of war has clearly demonstrated that a military system so regardless of good faith, honorable obligations and the elementary impulses of humanity, constitute a menace to civilization of the most sinister character, and, despite the terrible cost of suppressing it, the well-being of humanity demands that such a system should be challenged and destroyed.

Song and Story.... ..

The Perfect Man.

Oh, what does it take to make a man complete
From the crown of his head to the soles of his feet,
With naught to subtract and nothing to add,
A man not too good and a man not too bad?

Is a man but an arm, a leg and a boot
An eye, and an ear and a tongue and a throat?
Is there nothing more in him to extol?
A brain—or a heart—or a conscience or soul?

Is the hunchback, the deaf, the mute and theb lind
The only unfortunate the frail world can find?
Is there no petrified heart? No brain out of plumb?
No conscience deep-seared and withered and dumb?

Is the miserable gristle in place of a spine,
The shrunken ideal, the hope out of line,
The twisted desire, the wishy-washy will,
No cause to suspect the make-up is ill?

Is there no vision to look through the skin
And see the deep voids that may lie within?
The crack on the inside where the outside is whoel ?
The warp in the heart and the limp in the soul? —Dudley Reid.

"I wish I could be Tommy Jones," said little Johnnie.

"Why, Johnnie," said his mother, "You are stronger than he is, you have a better home, more toys, and more pocket money."

"I know, but he can wiggle his ears," replied Johnnie.

A Confession

No we did not come back from our alleged vacation for the joy of working. Work is an hereditary trait accumulated through generations of genteel poverty. We hate poverty worse than we do work; that's why we choose the lesser evil. But, gee, how it hurts to work after a fortnight of magnificent loafing.

Good Rules to Observe.

It is a good and safe rule to sojourn in each place as if you meant to spend your life there, never omitting an apportunity of doing a kindness, or speaking a true word, or making a friend.—Ruskin.

He Was Delighted.

"Yes," said the amateur tenor, "I once received a high compliment from a great musician. I was singing on board an ocean liner, but without accompaniment, for accompanists can never keep time with me, you know."

"What did the musician say?"

"He said—and these were his very words—'When I saw you begin to sing without accompaniment I was amazed; but when you sat down I was delighted!'"

Making it Emphatic.

She sailed into the telegraph office and rapped on the counter. As the clerk came forward to meet her he remembered that she had been there about 10 minutes before.He wondered what she wanted this time.

"Oh," she said, "let me have that telegram I wrote just now; I forgot something very important, I wanted to underscore 'perfectly lovely' in acknowledging the receipt of that bracelet. Will it cost anything extra?"

"No ma'am," said the clerk as he handed her the message.

The young lady drew two heavy lines beneath the words and said:

"It's awfully good of you to let me do that. It will please Arthur ever so much."

Followed Suit.

The bride had engaged Sarah, only a week in America, as a housemaid. On her first day her mistress said: "Now, Sarah, I will go over the entire house with you and show you exactly what you are to do." She then kissed her husband, and went on her rounds with the new girl.

The next morning as the bride and her husband were sitting at breakfast she was horrified to see Sarah enter, and, blushing furiously, go up to the young man, throw her arms about him and give him a kiss.

Recent experiments indicate that round timbers of all the pines, of Engelmann spruce, Douglas fir, tamarack and western larch, can be readily treated with preservatives, but that the firs, hemlocks, redwood and Sitka spruce in the round do not take treatment easily. This information should be of value to persons who contemplate preservative treatment of round posts, poles or mine props.