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That Forgotten Oath of Office. Section 3 of Article VI. of the Constitution of the United States provides as follows:

"The Senators and Representatives before mentioned, and the members of the several State Legislatures, and all executive and judicial officers, both of the United States and of the several States, shall be sworn by oath or affirmation to support this Constitution; but no religious test shall ever be required as a qualification to any office or public trust under the United States."

Accordingly, when, in the course of human events, JAMES HAMILTON Lewis of Illinois presented himself at the bar of the Senate as having been chosen to sit in that body as one of the Senators from that State he solemnly swore that he would support the Constitution of the United States, calling upon Almighty God to witness the truth of his avowal.

Has he been true to his oath? Not if we may believe his own words.

On Friday the bill for the conservation of food and fuel was under consideration in the Senate. In the course of the discussion Mr. REED of Missouri asked Mr. BORAH of Idaho whether he thought that the power of Congress to raise armies and support them carried with it the power to regulate the price of fertilizers.

Battery Park at night affords a panorama of changing but constant beauty. As you go north from it, along the west side of the island, you enter the Syrian quarter. Here also are eating places, Syrian as well as Greek.

China's Boy Emperor Restored to His Throne. The boy P'u Yi, who was Emperor under the reign title of HSIAN TUNG at the time when the revolution of 1911 overthrew the Manchu dynasty, has been restored to his throne.

Our Disorganized Censorship. A few days ago the Secretary of War got petulant and announced that he would have naught to do henceforth with GEORGE CREEK's unauthorized and illegal, but still active, censorship. The latter had permitted the publication of the news of the arrival in France of the first American contingent, while the War Department for some reason wished it kept secret for a time longer.

While a censorship usually causes annoyance in the country in which it is established, breeds distrust and hostility to the Government, discourages enlistments and often multiplies cruelly the fears and sufferings of those having loved ones at the front, it is not established to accomplish these amiable ends.

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Important news to the enemy is necessary, and against it no newspaper ever protests. But this ill ordered and disorganized censorship at Washington, not recognized at all by the State Department, and in a state of constant bickering with both War and Navy departments, puts a premium upon blundering and is merely an irritation, never a safeguard. It ought to be mended or ended.

Living South of Brooklyn Bridge. The discovery of a Wall Street man that lower Manhattan is a good place to live as well as to work is one that is bound to be repeated from time to time throughout the history of this island.

Disappointment for a Trio of Police Persecutors. The stupidity of a few policemen exhibited in the lamentable Cruger case has let loose the whole pack of police baiters, ranging in respectability from the merely hysterical to the wholly disreputable.

Why Not? The day after the arrival of the van of the American army in England a correspondent of the London Times, who had crossed the Atlantic with them, wrote of the departure of our soldiers as follows:

Toward the beginning of last week a tug boat put out from Governors Island, that small fortified dot of land south of Manhattan, New York. It carried troops—American troops of the regular army who are forming the advanced guard of the first combatant force to leave the United States for service in their own uniform and under their own flag in France.

The Topeka Capital says that Victor MURDOCK cherishes an ambition to go to the United States Senate as a Democrat. It is perhaps not so much going "as a Democrat" that interests the former Kansas Congressman as the going. Mr. MURDOCK, by the way, will be remembered as the young man who drove "Uncle Joe" CANNON out of public life.

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high executive ability and the regard in which YUAN was held by foreign countries. CHANG's strength is mostly in North China and in the combination of the militaristic party and the provincial military leaders.

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WHEN CORN IS KING.

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AN ESTIMATE OF WILLIAM WINTER'S STYLE.

High Praise for the Literary Quality of the Late Critic's Work. To the Editor of The Sun:—In the death of William Winter I do not think too much to say that America has lost her greatest writer of English.

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HOW NEW YORK HAS LOST TWELVE MILLIONS IN TAXES.

The Hetty Green Case and Other Cases of Estates of "Non-Residents" Explained by Comptroller Travis. Legislation introduced last month, if enacted into law, will prevent further loss to the State, estimated at present to exceed \$12,000,000.

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ARE WE CHAUVINISTIC?

One or Two Inconsistencies of the War as a Reader Sees Them. To the Editor of The Sun:—It is not rather inconsistent with the declaration that we are fighting for the sake of democracy that every effort should be made to invest the President with power never before wielded, and that the Constitution of the United States should be completely disregarded?

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LOGGING VS. STRAFING.

Or, What Shall We Say in the Enemy's Hearing? To the Editor of The Sun:—As a war slogan, and one that never failed yet: "Faugh a Ballah!"

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