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WILHELM DISCOVERS AMERICA

And Also a World of the Spirit of Righteousness in Which He is an Alien and an Outcast... FOUR hundred and twenty-six years ago today Christopher Columbus discovered the new world...

When Optimism is Dangerous... JUST as soon as the grip epidemic shows signs of a check a great many people will relax the precautions which so far have proved adequate to preserve them from the misery and danger of an attack.

One Cause of Dirty Streets... ALL the blame that is being heaped upon street-cleaning contractors whose negligence helps to give epidemics like the present one a good start and a stout stronghold is deserved.

Women Coming into Their Own... SUCH reluctance as there has been to the admission of women to the full rights of men in the University of Pennsylvania is gradually disappearing.

War Films at Home... ATTENTION directed to the accomplishments of the army surgeons and medical students engaged in battling the influenza in the coal regions of Schuylkill and Northumberland Counties emphasizes the truth that glory is a nonessential in war winning.

It Was Never Otherwise... AN INCALCULABLE number of persons who never experienced an habitual desire for strong liquors have been possessed with a delusion of burning thirst since the hour when the orders of the War Department of Health closed the saloons.

The Last Gasless Sunday... IN TIMES like these one has a right to complain if he should be denied the use of an automobile for twenty-four hours, or for longer periods, each week.

HIM WE CELEBRATE

HE DID not sail from Bremen town With blutwurst in his hold. He did not plow the Weser down For realms that were not old. He did not drive his sailors' feet Goose-stepping down the deck. He did not gluttonously eat Limburger, kraut and speck.

Why is one land exempted from Delight and gala glee? Why is the scene more grimly glum Than aught in history?

Addressed to Church-Goers... AT THE October meeting of the Pennsylvania Bible Society, the oldest Bible society in America, established in 1808, Bishop J. F. Berry in the chair, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Rufus W. Miller, it was unanimously voted to request each of the seven daily papers of this city during the prevailing epidemic to publish selected passages of Scripture, with a very brief comment, if possible, on the editorial page.

Why, They've Learned English!... Occasionally the German soldier manifests an almost human intelligence. A battalion of Americans, surrounded and cut off from help, were challenged in the Hunnish manner and told to surrender.

On the World's Strangeness... This is, indeed, a strange world. Hope of peace, according to the most reliable advices, has demoralized the Germans. Yet, to see black and riotous horror, keep an eye on Germany if the hope of peace should prove vain.

Advice for Today... Buy all the bonds you can. Do not argue with a man who doesn't want to buy. We will get along without him. And any one who must be urged to co-operate with the Government doesn't deserve that high privilege.

Just What We Were Thinking... The emanations of some of the armchair strategists in Congress yesterday on the subject of peace and peace feelers cause one to yearn for gasless Fridays.

Rightfulness at Home... Gudehus is having about as easy a time of it in his new job with the Playgrounds Association as a Hun invader could have in France.

Chronological... The Day that Germany longed for arrived at last. And now, in the ordered and unchanging procession of events comes—the Night!

Final Proof... A bag containing \$17,000,000 of the Kaiser's money has just been stolen near Berlin. And this shows that Bernstorff is well and able to be about.

So It Is!... It is about time, surely, for Mr. Bryan to spring forward with a suggestion that the corkscrews be turned into plowshares.

Little Studies in Words... HANGAR... WHEN the airship advanced beyond the purely experimental stage and began to be used by adventurous spirits the word hangar made its appearance in the newspapers.

Senate Wants Mr. Gilbert's Articles... To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: Sir—Will you kindly see that the edition of your paper is sent to this committee, which contains the articles by your Mr. Clinton W. Gilbert? The committee is anxious to have these on file.

Crime has fallen off in this city since the advent of grip closed the saloons. Nobody seems to know whether this is due to the "flu" or to the absence of the demon. It is due to the "flu," of course, since it was the "flu" wasn't it, that closed the saloons?

There isn't much difference in Germany now between throne and thrown.

BONDS OR BONDAGE, IT'S UP TO US!

EVERY loyal Pennsylvanian down here is expecting to see the Philadelphia district "go over the top" with the fourth Liberty Loan. It is a big task and was known to be when the Secretary of the Treasury announced the size of the loan, and the amount he expected Philadelphia to raise.

Curious how interesting the United States is to us when we move about. There is Ralph Henry Cameron, the last Republican delegate from the Territory of Arizona. He fought to have Arizona admitted to the Union, saw his wish gratified and then stepped out of Congress.

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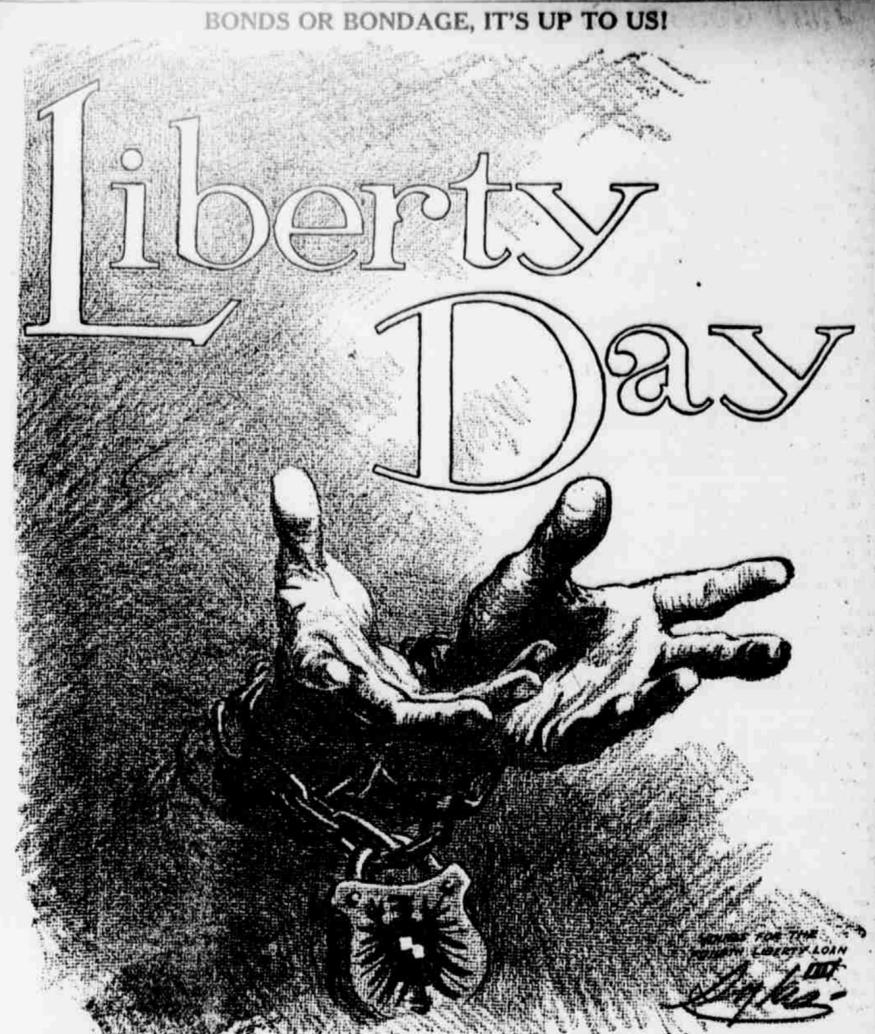
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