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The Strike as an Index.

Hunger-mad, the munition workers are trying to launch a mildly revolutionary movement in Germany. Their strike is in no sense an epidemic that gnaws at the Teutonic vitals. It is rather an eczemic rash, a mere surface infection.

Work vs. Thought.

According to Swiss papers received in this country, the authorities in Germany are taking steps to provide plenty of work for all females from 16 to 70 years of age.

Wouldn't It Jar You.

We may have to adopt a coal card system, but it's likely that the proposition for a basis of one ton per year per room will kick the bucket early.

John L. Sullivan.

Last Friday in Boston John L. Sullivan walked the streets and everybody enjoyed seeing him. It was "Glad to see you, John. You're looking fine," et cetera, et cetera.

Cold and Coal.

Ollie James, the Kentucky Senator, was talking to some Blue Grass friends and told this story of a colored man, of whom he said:

Songs of Victory.

Oh you who go to fight in France, Till German madness cease— To fight and bleed and die perchance Before the dawn of peace.

The Lonesome Girl.

Somewhat we cannot get out of our mind the picture of "the lonesome girl"—the young woman who has come to Washington from a home where there was a victrola, a piano or an organ.

but a new body, with a heart to it, composed of people who have lived natural lives and danced with decent partners—Billy Sunday will pardon us, but we are not with him on the dancing issue—such a lot of comfort could be carried to the lives of the lonesome ones.

Confidence.

"If I went into a store and the salesman told me that the gown he was showing me contained 50 per cent of cotton I would feel that there was an honest salesman, and I would buy."

After all, is there not in that statement the real essence of business success—confidence? That salesman told that customer the truth.

As a matter of fact, most business is conducted along similar lines. The merchant who sells shoddy for the pure goods doesn't stay in the business game long enough to cash in.

RIGHT TO WORSHIP.

To the Editor of The Herald: Knowing the attitude your valuable paper takes on all matters that are for the good of our fair city, we send you a copy of a protest adopted by our church and hope you will use it in a way that will be most beneficial.

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When Will the Big Wave Come?



THE OPEN FORUM

A LINE O' CHEER EACH DAY O' THE YEAR. By John Kendrick Bangs.

THE PLAY. Will Shakespeare said, "The World's a Stage"— A saying true in any age. And each of us with heart and soul Must bear as best he can his role.

men as the officer at Eighteenth and Columbia road and Fifteenth and G streets, both of whom were "crossing cops" when I was a kid, and who know what and how to do. We can certainly keep the traffic moving and also keep an entrance in front of firms' places of business.

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BOOKS BY Lonjac

Capt. Rupert Hughes is the latest arrival to the growing colony of writers and novelists which have taken up their residence in the National Capital at the invitation of Uncle Sam.

"The Brown Brethren." Patrick MacGill, author of "The Rat Pit," "The Red Horizon" and several other realistic novels, gives in his latest, "The Brown Brethren," word pictures of the boys in the trenches which cling in your memory.

"Cavalry of the Clouds." In "Cavalry of the Clouds," by Capt. Alan Bott, R. F. C., just published by Doubleday, Page & Company, is chronicled the daily life and adventures of these dare-devils who have wrested the mastery of the air from the Germans.

"The Mean, Primitive Trench." The home of the Brown Brethren, is not without certain features of grandeur, and an atmosphere of mystery pervades their whole place, due, no doubt, to its close association with death.

Louis J. Vance's Latest. Louis Joseph Vance's "False Faces" brings back to the reader the author's widely-known character, Michael Lanyard, the Lone Wolf.

Essays Written on Taxes. "Your War Taxes" by J. Fred Essary, the Washington correspondent of the Baltimore Sun, is a painstaking piece of war literature, and is undoubtedly the clearest and most authoritative elucidation of the recent Congressional revenue act.

Let's Be Sociable. The Herald is always glad to hear what its readers like and do not like about the paper. Constructive suggestions for our work are always welcome.

NEW BOOKS RECEIVED. The Second Fiddle, by Phyllis Bostom. New York: The Century Company, Illustrated, Price, \$1.55 net.

More Power to You, by Bruce Barritt. New York: The Century Company, Price, \$1.00 net.

Training and Rewards of the Physician, by Richard C. Cabot, M. D., Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott Company, Price, \$1.25 net.

Some critics, in and out of the Democratic party, would have the country believe. As Secretary of War Mr. Baker is unquestionably a failure.

The Mexican war found us with the rudiments of a "system," and the civil war saw these rudiments crystallized into the basis of the structure upon which the War Department is attempting to operate today.

Successive Congresses have known that the "system" which superannated and discarded bureaucrats of the army have clung to, was a worthless war-time system.