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There are moments in the life both of men and nations, both of the world and of the church, when vast blessings are gained, vast dangers averted, through our own exertions—by the genius of the statesman, by the holiness of the saint.—ARTHUR PENRYN STANLEY.

BORROWING TO BUY

The Harrisburg Railway Company set a very excellent example for other corporations yesterday when it went into bank and borrowed \$25,000 with which to increase its Liberty Loan purchases.

"Borrowing to buy" is a healthy way to obtain Liberty Bonds. The Government does not desire the purchases to be made out of current revenues. It has provided a means of term payment whereby the subscriber is to pay for his bonds on the installment plan.

It is not a matter now of personal sacrifice or willingness to invest. The Liberty Loan must be put over. The honor of the city and the good faith of the nation are at stake. We must not fail.

It behooves every man to search first his own conscience and to heed the promptings of that still, small voice, and then to use his influence with his friends and neighbors to increase their bond purchases. And it is the duty of every representative of a corporation with credit in bank to see to it that his company puts every dollar into Liberty Bonds its resources will stand.

GOOD WORK

The members of the Emergency Aid of Camp Hill deserves the thanks of the community for their prompt and efficient service in the influenza epidemic. The ladies of the organization have made dozens of pneumonia jackets and have distributed them and other medical supplies where they are most needed.

LIBERTY BONDS AS CASH

A MAN who would refuse to take a Federal Reserve banknote or a National Bank greenback in payment for a day's labor, a bushel of potatoes, or any commodity, or any transaction wherein money figures, would be counted "off his trolley," to use a slang term. Paper money, with Uncle Sam's authority on it, is demanded by men instead of metal money and the bank teller who would shove over a bag of coin instead of a packet of notes in cashing a check for \$100, for instance, would be apt to irritate.

DID YOU DO IT?

HOEYER started this "clean-the-furnace" idea, anyway? Lead the villain forth and let him be roared in his own frep. "Clean your furnace—a patriotic duty," is the way the sign read, but the artist made a mistake. "Duty" is too mild a word; sacrifice, it should have been.

Politics in Pennsylvania

Plans to name one election commissioner to conduct the elections on November 5 for each 1,500 soldiers from Pennsylvania in the camps and cantonments of the United States may be changed and one man be named for each 1,000 in the camps where there are many men from the Keystone State and to detail commissioners for camps where there are small numbers. This is the day whereon camp commanders were asked to report to the Adjutant General's office the number of Pennsylvanians in the camps.

As between cleaning the furnace and renouncing all his claims for exemption, he has decided, if the war lasts that long, that next year about the 9th of October, rather than tackle the job again, he'll ask to be inducted, with the understanding that he be sent to France at once. He has made up his mind that as he has but one life to give for his country he might as well die in a trench as in an ashpit.

ON WITH THE WAR

President Wilson's reply to the latest German peace note is everything the allied people could desire. It meets public opinion in every respect and justifies those who saw in the President's first note merely a diplomatic instrument designed to set the German government before its own people as well as before the world as accepting terms, from the imposition of which it hoped to squirm by the trickery of diplomatic interchanges.

The President's communication shuts the door to peace by negotiation. If the war is not to be carried to German soil, German commanders must quit fighting on whatever terms Foch, Pershing and Haig may decide, and there can be no doubt the guarantees they demand will be ample and sufficient. It is no longer possible for Germany to dicker with the Allied governments by the mere expedient of deprecating the Kaiser. The President stipulates that he and the whole German autocracy must go, but even after that terms of armistice will be dictated by the Allied military authorities.

Summed up, the message means simply this: That the Allies will not deal with the German people—except as a completely conquered nation—until the military government has been overthrown, and then only after sufficient guarantees have been given General Foch and his subordinate commanders to make it certain that Germany will not be able to resume the war. In other words, nothing but what amounts to unconditional surrender will meet the terms of the President's note.

This is what the world expected. Nothing else would have been acceptable. Of course, Germany will refuse to accede. The Kaiser will throw off his sheepskin and appear again as the wolf he is. The note, when it reaches the Allied armies, will give tremendous encouragement to the fighters. They will drive ahead with renewed vigor. They are out to conquer Germany. We must match their efforts at home. On with the war—both in the trenches and here at home. Down with the Kaiser and all he represents! Everybody is enlisted in the great cause. For the sake of ourselves and our children, we devote our whole thought and effort to translating the President's terms into actualities.

ONLY BY SURRENDER

No armistice can be granted to Germany on the terms she proposes. They would allow her to re-organize her armies from positions growing every day more perilous, whose immense losses or actual destruction would not be felt, and permit her to withdraw in safety her men and material of war to new and much shorter lines of defense, where, employing every device of the re-organizing, her diminished man-power could be much more effectively employed to resist the enemy's advance. Incalculable military advantage would accrue to her from the cessation of arms at this time.

Bulgaria Got Awake

The Dusselderer Nachrichten declares that Germany's alliance with Bulgaria "was a mistake." That's what Bulgaria declared.

AIN'T IT A GRAND AND GLORIOUS FEELIN'?

WHEN YOU'VE WRITTEN TO AN UNKNOWN JACKIE FOR AGES AND YOU HAVEN'T THE SLIGHTEST IDEA OF HIS LOOKS

AND ONE DAY HE CALLS YOU UP AND SAYS HE'S COMING OUT

AND YOU IMAGINE HE'S A HULKING BUMPOKIN WITH SAVAGE WAYS AND EVERYTHING

OH-H-H-GIRLS! AIN'T IT A GR-RR-RAND AND GLOR-R-RYS FEELIN'?

AND YOU'VE MET ALL AFTERNOON CALLING YOURSELF "A LITTLE FOOL"

AND WHEN HE COMES HE'S AS HANDSOME AS AN ARROW COLLAR AD

THE COMING ELECTION

[Philadelphia Inquirer] We are coming close to the November election and we have had comparatively little campaigning so far as the Republican candidates are concerned.

It is estimated that the registration of voters in Philadelphia this fall will show a decrease of about 5,000 as compared with the figures of last year. It is not hard to understand this falling off, because there have been, approximately, 35,000 drafted men sent from this city into the camps and "over there" in the last two months. None of the men abroad will be given the opportunity of voting, and for that reason the duty of those who are still "back home" becomes all the more imperative.

A MAD WORLD

[From Christian Science Monthly] Fear is the most prolific source of evil. Of course if fear were understood in its full metaphysical significance, it would be understood to be the cause of every evil of every sort. But even from the ordinary point of view of the world, fear, when it communicates itself to numbers, is capable of causing greater disaster than any other phase of the human consciousness.

FAITHLESS

[From the Kansas City Times] When the German Chancellor's reply to the severest ultimatum conveyed in some way or other, as it must, the information that he represents the German government, the President could give up Metz and Strassburg to be occupied by allied garrison forces. Metz is in Lorraine, Strassburg in Alsace. There can be no peace there should be no armistice, until the two provinces, both fortresses, have been restored to France. But it must be an armistice, not a peace, that Germany give her navy, with all her submarines, into the keeping of the United States and the nations associated with us in the war, to be held in trust subject to the decree of international disarmament and to the requirements of the League of Nations for a naval police force.

General Wood's Birthday

[From the Kansas City Star] Fifty-eight and fit to fight! That typifies the spirit of Maj. Gen. Leonard Wood, "the prophet of preparedness," who to-day is celebrating his fifty-eighth birthday.

General Wood's birthday is celebrated in the little village of Winchester, N. H., the future commandant of Camp Funston early in his life and a desire to lead a seafaring life and at an early age sailed to Europe on the Atlantic Coast.

KAISER SPEAKS AGAIN

"Our navy is holding its own against the united enemy naval forces and is unwaveringly supporting the army."—Wilhelm Hohenzollern.

Through here and there by tempest blown, The Allied warships sail the sea; My gallant navy holds its own And that's enough for it and me. We scorn the foreign boasts banal. We hold our own—the Kiel Canal.

FOOD FROM THE EAST

[George McPherson Hunter, in New York Times] Much is being made, and quite naturally, about the military effects on the war by the collapse of the Bulgarian offensive powers, and the submission to the terms of the Allies.

LABOR NOTES

A few months ago there were 69,000 men working on ships. To-day there are 150,000 working on ships making about 700,000 men at work on ships or on parts of ships.

OUR DAILY LAUGH

REGGY told me my eyes were like stars. His sister said something similar. Really? She said you were moon-faced.

WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

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HISTORIC HARRISBURG

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THE REVELATION OF THE HUN

[From the North American Review's War Weekly] The Hun now stands revealed. So likewise stands that assistant Hun whom we commonly call Bolsheviki. It would be impossible to exaggerate the significance of the disclosures which our Government is making of the results of its agents' efficient activities in Russia. It may be that there is little that is new in them.

CELESTIAL CONVERSATION

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By BRIGGS

Evening Chat

If record and tradition are anything to steer by Harrisburg should meet the call made upon its people by the national government for funds. Readers of this column are familiar with the part that the hamlet which grew up about John Harris Ferry and developed into the Capitol city of the second state in the Union has played in American history and how its sons not only fought the Indians and the French in western Pennsylvania and left their bones from Quebec to Savannah in the Revolution, but have given of their lives in every war and in every country wherein the Stars and Stripes have been lifted in battle. And the sons who have stayed at home have pledged their money in equally patriotic fashion. The residents of this district loaned their money to the government at a time when such an act was classed as treason by the British government and to be caught meant the loss of property would have been a great misfortune. When the money when Lee's army was almost in sight of the Capitol and confiscation of property would have been a great misfortune. When the money when Lee's army was almost in sight of the Capitol and confiscation of property would have been a great misfortune.

Just as an illustration of the spirit which animated the Founder of Harrisburg this well-authenticated story may be told from the memoirs of George Washington Harris, who lived until a comparatively few years ago and whose recollections of his distinguished father are so fresh in his mind. "When independence was first agitated," wrote Mr. Harris, "John Harris thought the Declaration premature, and when independence was declared he promptly espoused the cause." Just what this meant may be understood when it is stated that Harris was the richest man in this neighborhood. He was the leading man and looked up to by settlers and Indians alike. When he made a speech there were no Tories left in the neighborhood. When the Philadelphia newspapers containing the Declaration of 1776 arrived at Harrisburg, Mr. Harris writes that John Harris took his mother aside and in the presence of one of his sons read that document to her. "When I read the wife of the man who had established the Ferry and the son was the first white child born on the banks of the Susquehanna, when he concluded the reading," wrote George Washington Harris upon whom the recital of his family scene made a great impression. "I observed that the 'act was now done' and that the war 'in which we are about to engage can not be carried on without the aid of money. When his mother he said 'Now, we have 3,000 pounds in the house, and if you are agreed, I will take the money to Philadelphia and put it in the public treasury to carry on the war.'" Mr. Harris writes that when the mother agreed Harris took the money to Philadelphia and put it in the public treasury to carry on the war. "After the war and when the debts were funded these certificates were to be worth 25 shillings the pound."

Not only did Harris reap the benefits of his patriotism just as we are going to get ours in Liberty Bonds, but he had three sons in the Revolution, wherein he had the rank of captain. For his distinguished services, William Harris was a colonel and David and John were captains. His son-in-law, John Harris, later a United States Senator, was a captain. In 1778 when the situation in Northumberland county was critical, Harris wrote to the Executive Council and volunteered his assistance in transporting supplies to the afflicted region. When the people from the Wyoming massacre fled to the lives of Harris for many of them here. One of the families who he then befriended was that of Colonel John H. Gray, later a United States Senator, and the man who took Vera Cruz, was born here. Harris gave freely of his means and his property to the government in these trying times and in 1779 helped to establish an army supply depot at the Ferry and advanced money to the soldiers while the Indians were gathered here and that Founder Harris helped in the work.