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Thought is deeper than all speech, Feeling deeper than all thought; Souls to souls can never teach, What unto themselves was taught.

THE CITY NEEDS THEM

AT THE approaching municipal election the choosing of capable and public-spirited men as members of the School Board is quite as important as the selection of officials to administer the affairs of the municipality.

ARE YOU INTERESTED?

NOT content with the many constructive and helpful things which have already been undertaken by the Rotary Clubs of the United States, the big organization is now planning to plant trees by the thousands in honor of the sailors and soldiers in the war.

SUPREMACY AUTOCRACY

THE New York Times publishes a most amazing dispatch from Washington, setting forth the President's attitude on the Peace Treaty and League of Nations.

Queen of Flowers

There came at purple even An angel from the skies, To bear a gift of Heaven To gladden human eyes;

Burning a Trail

[From Oregon Journal.] Billy Sunday, Jr., who is charged before the Hood River county authorities by orchardists residing in the valley with being a menace to the public peace, health and safety because of his continued and persistent infraction of the laws, may be trying to catch the devil. And he probably will catch that worthy when Billy, Jr., gets back to his Hood River apple orchard.

in the White House. Here we have a President whose demands for the return of a Democratic Congress were ignored by the voters, who is a minority executive at this very moment, as he was when he went into the White House, insisting that his will and opinions shall be supreme; that the United States Senate's composite brain is not so great as his, that no Senator has anything to suggest worth consideration and that the whole country will go to pot unless he, and he alone, be permitted to dictate its policies.

Politics in Pennsylvania

Political conferences by the Sproul forces in Chester and Media were in full swing all of Saturday. Made very popular Saturday night by conferring with precinct workers in moulting a ticket to battle with the McClure machine.

No Wonder Germany Quit

"Our Infantry Drill Regulations state that: the duties of infantry are many and difficult. All infantry must be fit to cope with all conditions that may arise. Modern war requires but one kind of infantry—good infantry. And that is the secret and fundamental cause for the defeat of the German army."

OUTCOME OF PRICE-BOOSTING

IT was a mathematical certainty that wages and prices could not go on being inflated indefinitely; the limit was bound to be reached. High prices are a worldwide condition and there is nothing local or peculiar about them.

War and the Germans

"When I was told by reliable persons that many ministers in Germany were counseling the acceptance of the treaty, and, at the same time, telling their flocks that the keeping of it was a different thing, I cannot see that the war has changed the Germans' mind."

He Was Ready

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WHEN A FELLER NEEDS A FRIEND

BY BRIGGS

NOTTIN' DOIN' WIT' DER DOG ON DIS CAR

He volunteered in April, seven- He did his share of digging—obeyed what he was told— Was a patriotic soldier's what I mean.

One day the music ended among the Argonne hills, And Chimmy, on permission, went away on a mission, In search of relaxation and to taste Parisian thrills— To listen to the lights of dalliance play.

And he lingered like a soldier till his pants were overdue; Then because his heart was honest, true and large, Instead of sneaking out of town as wiser soldiers do, He moved to the A. P. M. in charge.

To the Bastille then they sent him, and sent him into line; They beat him up as was the fashion there. They taught him "hard-boiled" officers possess the right idea; To instill the sacred doctrine of Despair.

And then, for more instruction they sent him to "the Farm"; But, alas, the Farm is nothing but a name. For irony's sake when this term of rural charm Means only broken hearts and bitter shame.

'Twas at "the Farm" where "Chimmy" lost his patriotic pride— His soul was shriveled up by Satan's fire and line; His righteous indignation brushed righteousness aside And fanned the flame of anarchistic ire.

Now "Chimmy" is a Bolshevik—he bears another flag Than that for which he suffered, told, and died; With purpose just as earnest—without brag; But the banner held aloft in shameless red!

Asks Picked Immigration

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Dog Days and the Dog Star

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Fifty-Fifty Finnegan

Fifty-fifty Finnegan was our top kicker's name; Fifty-fifty was the way he played the army game. Half the dirty work for you And half of it for me. Half the time a-cursin' blue, Roarin' like Ole Tinsler do, Half the time as silent as a silent man can be.

War and the Germans

"The day of the star's first rising in the morning the sea boils, wine turns sour, dogs begin to howl, the bile increases and irritates and all animals grow languid. The diseases it usually occasions in man are burning fevers, hysterics and phreniasis."

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The Height of Hospitality

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Chimmy at "The Farm"

By William V. Stephens 11th Engineers, U. S. A. "Chimmy" was a joyful soul, he had a heart of gold; He volunteered in April, seven-

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Evening Chat

"This food distribution is going to entail endless labor upon the postal employees," said Postmaster Frank C. Sites to-day, "and I beg of the public to be as kind and considerate of them as the circumstances warrant."

"Take the mail carrier, for example," he continued. "The blanks will be distributed by him Tuesday to any post office desiring them. Then he must collect them the next time taking the money to the exact amount on the slip. No checks will be allowed. This means everybody should have the exact amount for the carrier will have no fund with which to make change if un-

even amounts are offered. In order to be sure that he is receiving less money than the amount of the bill he must add up the columns, see that if it tallies with the cash in hand and then make the return to the local office. He must be very accurate for any shortage that occurs he must make up.

"That's one and the orders all on file, they must be checked again by the clerical force in the office and the cash and the order sent to Philadelphia. And then the real fun will begin, for our comparatively small force here, already crowded to the wall, must distribute the enormous bill of distributing the innumerable big and little packages when they begin to arrive. This would not mean so much if it were not for the fact that our own regular business, which is keeping everybody on the hump,

"Few people know the extent of the Harrisburg postoffice business. For example, there was shipped here for redistribution last spring twenty-two million postage catalogs, of course not all or nearly all of these were distributed in Harrisburg, but all the bags had to be checked over here and sent to the other towns in this district to which they were assigned. Then there is the matter of automobile tags, considerably over 400,000 for the present year to date and still going to Philadelphia for stamp and supply sales for the Harrisburg postoffice were larger in amount for the first five days of August this year than for the same period last year, notwithstanding that both stamps and postcards are a cent each lower than they were last year. This is a very interesting rapidly. I just saw an incident that not only illustrates the growth of the business but also how mail matters are being done in a way the public could prevent. A clerk from a nearby store came to Third and Walnut streets, where there is a mail box for the accommodation of street passengers, and alighted there in large numbers, and dumped into it a whole armful of mail that might have gone out of Harrisburg to the other towns if the clerk had carried it across the street to the postoffice."

"I have been all over the United States," said Warren R. Jackson, secretary of the Harrisburg Chamber of Commerce, "and I never saw a mail box for the accommodation of street passengers alight there in large numbers, and dumped into it a whole armful of mail that might have gone out of Harrisburg to the other towns if the clerk had carried it across the street to the postoffice."

"I wish," said E. Fred Rowe, of the Mt. Pleasant chapter of the other day, "that the Government would include salt pork in its list of grocery specialties for sale through the postoffice. I have seen a lot of salt pork and there isn't a butcher or grocer in the city who keeps it. Odd, too, when you think of the number of soldiers who were once in the New England States, where a plate of beans and a slab of salt pork constitute one of the most popular of all the food items. I have never ordered it and he said yes, he did have an eight pound piece in stock one time but he sold only two pounds and the rest spoiled. But it is a very saleable product with a little education."

"I think you are right," spoke up another man in the party. "It wasn't so many years ago since we looked down upon bacon—'fitch' we called it in those times—and fitch was only for the very poor and when we wanted to give anybody a particularly degrading name we called him a 'fitch eater,' than salt pork there was nothing lower. And now our people complain bitterly because the price is up out of sight and the army supply in the fire houses is brought up to the level of the market. It is all a matter of taste and education, and maybe we will come to look upon salt pork by and by just as we do now upon bacon."

The Lowland Sea

By C. Fox Smith "Oh, called you by the Goodwins, Oh, called you by the Sound, And saw you there my true love, 'That was homeward bound?'"

Oh, never will he anchor

Again in English ground; A-sailing by the Lowlands Your sailorman is drowned. "They were not common pirates Nor rovers of Saltee, But gentlemen of high estate Come out of Germanie!"

It was no worthy gentleman,

Tho he were crowned King; It was no honest seaman 'That wrought so vile a thing. "But the foulest of all pirates That ever sailed the sea, And they should swing as pirates Upon the gallows-tree, A-sailing by the Lowlands That took my lad from me!"

Common Sense in Students

[From Columbus Dispatch.] Columbia University professors are going to find out in advance whether a student has common sense.

It is a splendid idea, if only the

test amounts to anything. That is the trouble with virtually all "examiners;" their tests are not efficient. A professor who spends a week preparing an examination which a student is supposed to pass in a few hours, when as likely as not the professor himself couldn't have passed the test, is not spending a week preparing for it. Any man who asks questions that even a college professor could not answer a 10 cent grade in answering.

We are greatly impressed with

the common sense of the professors who propose to find out whether other people have it. One of them says that one test will be "to tell at a glance how many small boxes are inside a larger one, and adds that the object is to show "how constructive imagination manipulates concrete visual imagery." We'd hate to have our "common sense" rated by a professor who uses such language in stating a simple proposition.