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While nobody was looking, the commission contract artists were getting theirs.

Those who classify Americans as shock troops probably feel that way about it.

The west Texas drought which has lasted two years has been broken by copious rains.

Somebody has discovered again that the present administration is partial to college presidents.

Perhaps the proposed slaughter of roosters will relieve to some extent the monotony of beefless days.

Abbreviated clothing styles seem to be gradually making their way around in the direction of the men.

There seems to be a sort of community of interest between the Kaiser and the so-called American brewers.

That Italian commander declares he only needs a few American divisions to turn the trick on the Austrians.

When last heard from, the sultan had not learned what, besides a thrashing, he is to get out of the war.

If Foch is whipped, as Von Stein insists, he doesn't talk—in the little he says—like a man who is conscious of it.

Bulgaria's cabinet wants to quit. If the truth were known, Bulgaria also would probably like to get out of the game.

It has not yet been our pleasure to read the Chicago Tribune's opinion of Henry Ford as a possible senator from Michigan.

One proffered solution of the Irish problem would transplant the Sinn Feiners to New York and make policemen of them.

It seems a part of American good fortune that while the wheat crop is going over the top the substitute crops are close behind.

German war authorities will probably be given every opportunity to show that decent treatment is accorded American prisoners.

Americans are credited with bringing the rifle back into use. Give Americans something to shoot with and they'll do the rest.

Just keep it in mind that buying thrift stamps is one way you can help if you are not going to the front. And just keep on buyin' 'em.

Speaking of the passing of Charles W. Fairbanks, an exchange mentions the fame Indianapolis has won as a mother of vice-presidents.

The attorney general of Nebraska seems to construe that state's sedition law as forbidding anybody to run against him for the senate.

Congressman Medill McCormick considers himself the only all-wool and yard-wide loyalist in the race for the Illinois senatorship.

Now that the senate has refused to curtail debate by rule the Springfield Republican is led to hope that it will curtail it by common consent.

Booze rights have a strong hold in England, but the city of Hull, in recent local option election, voted \$6,084 against liquor to \$8,572 for it.

A Nashville exchange mentions the fact that 125 policemen are required at Hadley's Bend, but we are not sure whether a knock or a boost is intended.

The Kaiser's thirty years' reign has been a little tough on the German people, but, on the whole, he has found it very satisfactory to himself.

The Memphis News-Scimitar notices those recently-captured German prisoners that they are not desired as future citizens of this country.

Austria has several times declared that no annexations were desired by that country. Austria might go even further and tell the world how it feels to be annexed.

The cynical Jacksonville Times-Union remarks that "the man who lived up to the rules he prescribed for others would be a fine character if he could be found."

A MANIFEST NEED.

The predicament which the community finds itself in respecting the announced purpose of the increase of street car fares brings home again the necessity for devising some sort of public service commission. Traction and light service, gas companies and telephones, no less than steam railroads, have been fruitful sources of controversy in Tennessee cities for several years, and yet the state has devised no comprehensive method for handling the questions which continually arise. Each community is left to shift for itself with the usual result that the people lose and the corporation gets what it goes after.

At present, there is an anomalous situation in Tennessee. The state has a railroad commission which, in existing circumstances, serves chiefly for ornamental purposes. Whatever of supervision it ever exercised over railroads—and that wasn't much—is practically at an end. The roads are being manipulated without its knowledge or consent. There is nothing which it may do in the matter of protecting the public. This body should have been expanded years ago into a public service commission and given authority to show its teeth on occasion. Since that has not been done, however, it ought to be done yet. Either that or the commission should be abolished outright. Perhaps it should be made a tax commission for all property.

Most states have these public service or public utilities commissions, and Tennessee needs one badly. Such a commission ought to be composed of capable men who would keep themselves informed of conditions in the state and be ready to take prompt and intelligent action whenever the situation demanded. It should be what its name implies and should not be made a repository for politicians who have no other means of livelihood. Such a body should be as nearly as practicable non-partisan and should enjoy a good long tenure in office. Terms of members might be regulated somewhat like those of the railroad commission—to expire one at a time.

As before intimated, the regulation of public utilities by our municipal governments, as at present constituted, is a rather cumbersome, inefficient proceeding. It invites the participation of such corporations in local politics and seldom eventuates in any relief to the people. A better plan ought to be formulated. It ought to comprehend the state as a unit. Perhaps the railroad commission might be worked over and made to serve the purpose. The question should be taken up before the next legislature and a practicable measure worked out.

A WORKING PHILOSOPHY.

"Jane," a writer in the Detroit Free Press, flings out the following as a condensation of her (or his) philosophy of life: "The typewriter ribbon is new, this is another day, the world has turned around and taken a fresh hold, my hope is high, my future is my own. I look out upon the morning and know that every man is equal to his task, that every man will have the good answer to his question, that every man will have an equal chance with every other man. 'This world holds only its little day and that day has its blessings and its comforts and its fine endurance and its uplift. 'No man is so miserable, no man is so bereft that he is hopeless. The set and the suicide and the martyr see the joke. 'No man is actually cursed with unbelief. Before a man dies he looks at the sky. 'I love this world. I love its sordid, strange music. I love my little day here and I love the light which comes with this day. I shall love the evening and the tomorrow. 'I trust myself. I trust my fellow-men. I trust the infinite which holds all the worlds in the hollow of the hand. 'Hunger, fear, poverty, loneliness, pain, death can really mean nothing to me except fine experience. 'I am an immortal and am befriended. 'War is an episode, loss is a pretty test, death is the great adventure. 'My present and my future are secure and into that security I take all my living things. 'My hope is high."

Which is a very fine work-a-day creed. It breathes the spirit of optimism and good cheer. Read it the second time and see how you like it. It is sometimes difficult for us to realize that all is right with the world, but perhaps it would help if each of us could clear himself of a few faults. Those who can see nothing but evil in the world, even in a time like the present, have a disordered vision.

David F. Wallace, Sr., one of the patriarchs of Tennessee journalism, died at the home of his son-in-law, George Bryan, in Washington last Wednesday. He was nearly 84. Col. Wallace was an old-timer and worked on several papers of the state in the forties and fifties. He was one of those attracted to California by gold excitement in '49, but soon returned to Tennessee. He established the Minnville New Era in 1855 and continued its publication until a few years ago when, on his retirement, it was merged into the Warren County Times. It is related of Col. Wallace that the renowned Col. Henry Waterson was in his employ for a while before the Civil war. Quite a prominence was achieved by Col. Wallace during the period of the state debt agitation of the later seventies and early eighties. He served one term in the legislature and held several other positions of importance during the active period of his life. He was one of the organizers of the Tennessee Press association in 1870.

"Notoriously, the senators he (Wilson) seeks to influence are those from the southern states," declares the New York Evening Post. "Most northern democrats are ready to give women the vote." We are sorry to say that one of the aforesaid senators is from Tennessee.

SALVAGING SUNKEN SHIPS.

An item carried in Monday's dispatches, to the effect that a large number of sunken British ships had been salvaged, was read with considerable interest. Intimations that a work of this kind was in progress have several times been dropped heretofore, but not much of the details have reached the public. Nevertheless, a very substantial showing has been made in raising vessels and salvaging portions of cargoes not destroyed by the action of the water.

It is related that since January, 1915, 407 of the ships sunk by German submarines have been brought to the surface, no less than 147 of these having been raised within the present year. It is also stated that the salvaging methods are all the time being improved and made more efficient. Great difficulties are being overcome, an illuminating instance being that of a big collier raised involving a lift of 3,500 tons. The story states that one salvage ship was sunk while at work upon one that had been previously sent to the bottom.

We have frequently urged the desirability of some effectual method for destroying submarines and have hoped that something of the kind might be devised. In the meantime, no effort will be spared for neutralizing their devilish work. One of these is comprised in the building of more ships than can be sunk, which now seems possible. The salvaging of lost vessels adds distinctly to the hopefulness of the task before us.

The U-boat has been a marvelous, but efficient instrument of destruction, but it cannot win the war. That much seems to be certain.

HONOR TO WHOM DUE.

"Taft's precedence" is given credit for the income tax amendment—hence for the income tax—by the Nashville Banner. So far as we have observed, however, the genial and bulky ex-president has never claimed this honor for himself. He was president, it is true, when the machinery was set in operation, but so he was also when Champ Clark was elected speaker and Uncle Joe dehorned.

The democratic platform of 1908 declared for an income tax amendment, but Mr. Taft, who was the republican candidate that year, said he thought an income tax could be levied without amending the constitution. Mr. Taft was elected. When the matter of enacting an income tax law later came up, President Taft then said he thought it better to obtain the amendment first. This was done, but so far as we now recall, not a word was ever said by the then president in favor of its ratification.

The Banner may not have heard of it, but there was another gentleman who was urging the income tax amendment long before Mr. Taft became interested, if he ever did. And this other gentleman urged it to meet just such an emergency as that which our contemporary thinks "Taft's precedence" provided against—the financing of a possible war. He also kept up the fight after the amendment was submitted until it was adopted. So much in the interest of the truth of history.

A Florida newspaper admits that more states are ratifying the prohibition amendment than it expected and is now not so sure but the same would be true as to suffrage.

Good citizens are expected to hold in restraint every inclination to acts of violence, but this admonition does not inure to the benefit of those who want to know whether it is hot enough for you.

CHATTANOOGA AUTOISTS TAKE IN SAVANNAH, TOO

Word has come to the office of the Chattanooga Automobile club that the party of Chattanooga autoists who made the overland trip to Asheville have returned on down the Dixie highway to Savannah. The trip to Knoxville and thence to the North Carolina city was made without mishap, the travelers attending the booster meeting held there last Wednesday. The highway between Asheville and Savannah is, for the most part, a better-class road, and they are expected back in Chattanooga Wednesday.

Nine cars are making the trip. Those going were W. H. Weatherford, E. D. Reed, F. H. Cantrell, W. R. Long, J. H. Alday, Mark E. Wilson, Cal Turner and Harry Van Dusen. Their route back will be through Atlanta.

SERVICE FLAG RAISED AT RECEPTION TO PASTOR

The raising of a service flag Monday evening was a feature of the concluding meeting in observance of the thirteenth anniversary of Rev. C. A. Bell's pastorate of the First Baptist church (colored). There were patriotic addresses and music. J. F. Trimble acted as master of ceremonies at the reception tendered Rev. Bell by the auxiliary departments. The program opened with the singing of "America." Prayer was offered by William Bynum. A vocal solo was rendered by Evelyn Prater.

The service flag was the gift of the young men's auxiliary, B. Y. P. U., and the Sunday school departments. The flag was presented by Ethel Julian, and Rev. Bell made the speech of acceptance. Addresses were delivered by William Brooks, Rev. M. W. Moore, M. Flowers, J. M. Easterling, Robert Faris and Rev. Bell.

UGLY REMARKS ABOUT PRESIDENT WILSON Causes Arrest of Railway Watchman by Federal Authorities.

(International News Service.) Anniston, Ala., June 18.—Alleged to have made ugly remarks about President Wilson and wishing Germany success in whipping the allies, Robert Newberry, a railway watchman, is today held in the county jail awaiting the action of the federal grand jury.

His Auger Isn't Going to Be Long Enough



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MAJ. KERN DROPS BACK IN CITY FOR BRIEF CALL

Maj. Kenneth Kern is a visitor in Chattanooga. "I just had to come back," was the officer's excuse. And in fact he did. He must appear at a court-martial trial at Chickamauga. Not his court-martial, however. It was gathered from Maj. Kern's conversation at Camp Gordon, where he will be staying, that he is not exactly in love with Spartansburg. "Hot and dirty, and my the profiteers!" is his way of putting it. "Hotel rates are out of sight. Houses are from \$125 a month up to \$1,000 a year. Six, \$1,000 a month! I am sure if soldiers were sent to Spartansburg first they would never complain of high prices in Chattanooga."

Telephone Company in Defense of Service Today

Although Attorney Joe V. Williams is appearing before the meeting of the city board of commissioners this afternoon in defense of the Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph company. There is no prospect, however, of telephone rates being reduced commensurate with the service rendered by the company. A resolution offered by Commissioner Bass last week, according to a statement made by T. C. Betterton Tuesday afternoon, Mr. Betterton said that the city has no power to regulate the rates. This would make Mr. Bass' resolution out of order. It is thought that Mr. Williams' purpose in appearing before the board today is to explain the company's position on the subject and try to bring about some kind of an understanding with the city.

Manager Gentry was out of town Tuesday and nothing could be learned regarding the intents of the company from other officials. The usual plea will probably be put up today—that of an increased cost of materials and labor and the difficulty in securing them. Whether the company will ask for an increased rate is a matter of conjecture.

NEW CITY TEACHERS APPROVED BY HUFFAKER

Commissioner H. D. Huffaker, presented before the meeting of the city commission the names of several new school teachers to be assigned to duty in the city schools for the next school year. In addition to these names, several were submitted to be transferred from one school to another within the city limits.

The list in full as submitted by the commissioner of education and health is as follows: Chattanooga a High School—Clara Whips, Mary C. Brogden, Ellen Converse Annie Harris.

First District School—Anna Kavanagh. Third District School—Sylvia Surges, Elizabeth Strock, Tennie H. Hale. Fourth District School—Irene Haley Shipp.

Park Place School—Elodie Drumwright. Jefferson Street School—Edna Caulfield. Oak Grove School—Frances Huffaker. Chestnut Street School—Annie Ellis Fowler.

East Side Junion High School—Francis Lazard, Eva Wilbur, Julian Shipp, Marion O. Hill. Second District School—Elizabeth W. West, Ada Lea. Gertrude Wright—Supervisor of school-directed home gardens.

PREACHERS ARRESTED FOR DISLOYAL REMARKS

Alleged seditious utterances of Robert L. Parsons and John W. Newton, preachers, who have been conducting a series of meetings near Stevenson, Ala., were responsible for their arrest. Frank Shipp, a secret service man, brought them to Chattanooga Monday night, and they were lodged at the police station at 10:40 p.m. They were marked "Hold for government."

Information from Stevenson was that Parsons and Newton, styled "home missionaries," have been talking about the soldier's uniform, it was implied from their statements, which are said to have been made openly, that they did not approve of men wearing the khaki. In other words, their utterances left the impression that they were opposed to the war and to men serving, the great cause of world democracy.

TO THE EDITOR

(Communications in this department represent the views of the writers. All matters of public interest may be discussed briefly.) German Atrocities. Editor The News: The writer is a fairly good student of history, and thought he was well-informed as to the barbarities and atrocities practiced by the Germans since the beginning of the present horrible war now pending in Europe, but I must confess I never had a proper conception of their enormity and extent until I read a recent copy of the Manufacturers' Record in which details are given which I never saw before. In fact, the acts of the Hun, as depicted, read more like the work of demons and ghosts than human beings, who boast of their culture and civilization, and the guidance of the Almighty.

Germany has really become a foul blot and excrescence upon the national life of the world and the sooner it is dissected, separated and divided among the civilized nations of Europe the better it will be for humanity throughout the civilized world.

The atrocities of the Duke of Alva, in the application of his thumb-screws during the Spanish inquisition in the Netherlands and the blood-stained record of Cortez in dealing with the then peaceable Aztecs of Mexico will then be relegated to the rear in comparison to the crimes committed by the Hohenzollern Kaiser of Germany in his effort to terrorize the world as he claims by direction of Almighty God.

CLARENCE T. WALKER. June 18.

MAUDE E. RICHARDSON—DOMESTIC SCIENCE. ELIZA TYRE—SUPERNUMERARY.

Home Missionaries' Taken Into Custody at Stevenson and Brought Here.

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The talk appears to have created a stir that resulted in the arrest of the preachers by Constable Robert Wilson and Robert Smith, a special deputy at Stevenson. They were turned over to "Skinny" Shipp, and the department of justice has been investigating them. Parsons gave his age as 50. Newton registered as 40 years old.

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