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Will the president have to invoke a work or fight order for congress?

Garabed may have been a disappointment, but Boston still has her baked beans.

A proffer to surrender to him the British fleet might tempt the kaiser to consider peace.

The sugar shortage may cause more attention to be diverted to the condition of the sorghum crop.

The marines are still right in the middle of things when there is anything doing on the firing line.

Some rich New Yorkers are said to be having trouble about finding jobs in order to dodge the vagrant officer.

After thinking the matter over, Grand Duke Michael is persuaded that he would make a first-class czar.

The taxation of butlers and footmen must have been conceived as another method of getting back at the editors.

Hungary has heard that there is something of an Austrian setback at the Plave. Premier Wekerle admits as much.

Memphis thanks you, but if it is all the same, she prefers that you do your killing somewhere else.

They have already begun sending the second million Americans to France.

Kerensky seems to be under the impression that fighting is still going on in Russia.

We have no figures on hand as to how much relief to the labor situation was afforded by the dissolution of the Southern league.

There seem to be numerous people who are coming around to the conclusion that the best way to help Russia is by whipping the kaiser.

Congressman Dick Austin has endorsed the services of Miss Jeannette Rankin for a few speeches in his campaign for re-election.

It may yet be in order to ask whose offensive it is on the western front, as a captured Austrian did in Italy.

Some have interpreted the crop situation in allied countries as indicating that Gott is neglecting his end of the partnership with the kaiser.

The Washington Post thinks the president might promote war legislation by asking congress to remain in session until the suffrage amendment is passed.

It is hardly safe to assume that the president he has said so. The president will try to do business with the one the people need.

Att'y-Gen. Lewis, who is running for the republican gubernatorial nomination in New York, does not believe that the friends of Gov. Whitman have adjourned politics.

One naturally wonders whether, when Uncle Sam takes over the telegraph and telephone business, he will mark up the charges, as he did in the case of the railroads.

Congressman Moon's statement that he does not favor taking the boys out of school while older men are available for military service creates no surprise among those who know him.

Another reason which his competitor has advanced for the defeat of Congressman Huddleston, over in Alabama, is that the latter has increased taxes on account of the war!

Lord Rhonda, British food controller, is dead. It was rumored a few months ago that his health had broken down as a result of a system of dieting on which he was experimenting.

Some folks are inclined to smile at the report that Germany will send troops into Russia to "restore order."

THE DAY WE CELEBRATE.

"This is the Fourth of July" was the last coherent remark of Thomas Jefferson on the day of his death, just fifty years after the event in which he was the chief actor and which gave the day its historic dedication. It was a peculiar coincidence that a life which had in large measure revolutionized not only the form of government under which he lived but the world's conception of human rights should be setting while all around was being celebrated the semi-centennial anniversary of the day on which its monumental work was accomplished.

The Fourth of July is the American covenant of freedom between the government and its citizens. It is the only universal American holiday. It is the world's reminder that all just governments derive their authority from the people, hence a perpetual challenge to the divine right of kings to reign over God's heritage.

But the celebration is of a different nature this year—more sober, America's natal day is being formally recognized in Great Britain—the mother country, in France, Italy, even in South America, as a pledge of freedom to the world.

At home we are concentrating our energies and re-dedicating our lives to the great Armageddon of human liberty. There is a resounding chorus of splashes of new ships which are today being sent into the water at the yards which fringe the country on the Atlantic, Pacific and Gulf coasts and on the great lakes.

While carrying the blessings of liberty to down-trodden humanity, we shall keep the home fires burning. We shall promote liberty by exemplifying liberty. While meditating on the glorious meaning of the day, let us try to imagine that Washington and Jefferson and Adams and Franklin are gazing down upon us to see how well we are living up to the trust which they confided to us.

Offensive operations have not been renewed, either on the French or Italian front. However, there has been a series of short sharp actions which have almost uniformly favored the allied arms.

Not only the shipment of troops to France has made the production of ships of paramount importance, but the foreign trade situation is equally urgent. A few days ago, it was announced that millions upon millions of merchandise, ordered for shipment to Argentina, were piled up in New York with no shipping available to carry them to their destination.

It has been rumored that Germany will place allied prisoners in the towns which it is expected will be bombed by airplanes. But the Hun will have to go some if he ever excels the record of devilities already to his credit.

German and Austrian exchange is on the toboggan which, in effect, makes your investment in thrift stamps do double duty.

ONE DAY'S WORK.

Nobody at home believes that Sammie will have to ask anybody to show him how to fight. He is expected to a look out for himself in such an effective way as to cause Hun to meet to sit up and take notice.

"Take the case of Private Beesley, a British Tommy, for instance. In an attack on the German lines every officer, commissioned and non-commissioned, was killed.

"For four hours, under a heavy fire, Beesley and his comrades held their position. The Germans officer-attacked and Beesley's comrade was wounded. Beesley kept his Lewis gun going and held the enemy in check long after the post on his left had been wiped out.

Beesley was awarded the Victoria cross, but the Banner thinks he ought to have been made a duke, given a million or so sterling and a wife that he might perpetuate the breed.

Champions of the boys from this side are hoping that when they get well started in the direction of Berlin no handicaps may intervene and some real records may be hung out.

VON KUEHLMANN'S SCALP Says the Louisville Post: "The precipitate resignation of Foreign Secretary Von Kuehlmann of Germany, following immediately after an important speech in the reichstag, is quite significant.

The Sugar Ration. (Washington Post) Owing to the difficulties of transportation to the United States will go the sugar ration for the next six months.

STRAY SPLINTERS. When the motion was made to adjourn politics, some folks did not hear it on account of the noise.

Former Governor Eberhart, of Minnesota, declares that Gov. Burquiel, republican, and Senator Nelson will both be re-elected. These results are within the range of possibilities.

Mr. Peay has loosened up and declares that when the federal prohibition amendment is ratified by the legislature of Tennessee he will sign the resolution.

HOPE WE'RE NOT DISTURBING YOUR DREAMS, WILLIAM!



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THOSE GOLDEN STARS.

In every home where flies the service flag with a golden star, and in every home to which the golden star may come, mother and father and all should this Fourth of July read what Abraham Lincoln wrote to a Civil war mother:

"I have been shown in the files of the war department a statement of the adjutant-general of Massachusetts that you are the mother of five sons who died gloriously on the field of battle.

The American people will follow the suggestions of Mr. Hoover for the conservation of sugar with loyalty and willingness, as they have followed him on other occasions.

DEALERS throughout this city and county are warned not to sell imitations or substitutes as WHISTLE. We will be pleased if customers will notify us by phone of every such offense.

BENN MESSENGER SERVICE Main 961 or Main 844. Prompt and efficient service, 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily except Saturday, 9 p.m. Sunday we close at 2 p.m.—(Adv.)

ENGINEERS AT POST MAY SPAN RIVER WITH PONTOON BRIDGE FOR PRACTICE

Practical Demonstration of Rapid-Fire Work Exacted of Corps That Paves the Way for Army's Advance—Sappers Who Dig Fighting Forces in and Blast Enemy Out, to Be Trained Here.

Renovated county roads will be the result of the encampment of 605 engineers who have recently arrived at Fort Oglethorpe.

"Road making will be a large part of the engineer work in France," stated Col. Cosby, "so a large part of engineering drill over here concerns construction and road repair."

The Work of Sappers. Sapper regiments are men who construct the front line trenches and fortifications. They dig the army in, and by mining, dig the enemy out.

Announcement R. E. LANSFORD--PIANOS--20 EAST 6th STREET

During the next three days only you can buy a Piano or Player-Piano at invoice price plus 10% and drayage. Standard and well-known makes like Fischer, Bush & Gerts, McPhail, Harvard, Baldwin, Richmond (Starr), and others.

quotient by 200 men. In other words the 605th proposes to string some pontoons across the Tennessee. The place has not yet been selected.

Chattanooga's Flying Ferry. As an item of considerable local interest, Col. Cosby picked out a trawler on army ferries and exhibited a form of ferry known in military circles as the Chattanooga flying ferry.

SENDS HOME BIT OF PLANE AND HUN AIRMAN'S COAT

Chattanooga Boy Sees Flyer in Flames Crash to Earth. Gets Souvenirs. A bit of burnt rag and a silver of veneration that might have come off the side of a cigar box was received on July 4 by Mrs. J. H. Cartwright, 104 Smith street.

IMPORTANT WAR CONFERENCE AT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Major Trent Coming From Gen. Crowder's Office to Explain "Work-or-Fight." Major Grant T. Trent, chief aide to General Crowder, chief justice of the Philippines, will attend a war conference in this city July 9.

FRAGMENTS OF BATTLESHIP MAINE IN LOCAL SHOP WINDOW

A display which is very attractive and very interesting, too, is the one in the show windows of Asca & Marine company. In case window is a miniature battleship and in the other are several historical relics and many pictures of the marine corps in action and on parade.