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is to correct any impression that might have been created that Wisconsin did not do its duty. The book is a most interesting one and it shows in simple and straightforward fashion that Wisconsin did more than its full share, and did not grudge anything that a generous people poured out.

TRUTHS AND TRAVESTIES By the Bard. Tension! Our own private "Kwix" 1. Who is the most famous designer of pretzels?

Courtneys' Store Honest Values 108-110 Main St. Surely A Delight to visit our Blouse Section These Days! Just In! Dahlia Hats That are Featured In Vogue—Constitute this First Fall Showing

GUARD REORGANIZATION. T. B. DAVIS, acting adjutant general, calls attention to the fact that inasmuch as the last legislature failed to provide funds for the national guard and the money voted by congress cannot be used for such purposes as paying armory rent or maintaining the adjutant general's department, it will be impossible for the state immediately to carry out the conditions outlined by the War department for the reorganization of the guard in this state.

Efforts along that line should be begun without delay. It would be useless, for instance, to defer work on the plans for the new guard in the hope that there will some time be a special session of the legislature which would provide funds with which the reconstruction could be carried out from the ground up.

It is reported at Washington that Judge Taft has written a letter to Republican National Chairman Hays in which he proposes reservations in the ratification of the League of Nations section of the peace treaty. If this is true it lines up the earliest and most earnest American supporter of the League of Nations plan with Former Senator Root and it makes it practically certain that a way will be found to secure the ratification of the treaty and still leave it a workable proposition.

Yesterday the people of Clarksburg by a very large majority voted for a \$900,000 bond issue the proceeds of which will be devoted to the construction of bridges and the repaving of city streets. Clarksburg has been a bit backward along those lines, but it is very much to the credit of the citizens of that city that when they realized they were slipping back they went about remedying the matter in a large way.

As was to have been expected the balloon disaster in Chicago in which 12 people lost their lives has started an interesting discussion of the legal aspects of this new peril to human life. Pending the working out of this a few practical remedies ought to be put into effect, and the first of these should be to make it illegal for air machines to operate over cities and towns, except possibly while making a straight flight over them as part of a journey.

Twenty-five hundred military prisoners at Fort Leavenworth, many of whom came from France, have gone on strike for shorter work hours and more food. The committee of 12 received by the commandant in his effort to find out what the trouble was consisted largely of foreign born radicals. These are the type of men Senator Chamberlain proposes in a bill he has introduced to turn loose.

WISCONSIN LOYALTY. GOVERNOR E. L. PHILLIPS, of Wisconsin, is sending to the newspapers copies of a book written by R. B. Pixley in which is given an account of the activities of the citizens of that state in the great war. The Wisconsin executive says frankly that his purpose in doing this

What People Say and Some Side Remarks. J. Clyde Morris may be a perfect machine Democrat but he is not a perfect man. He confesses to shortcomings. When called upon for a speech at the Democratic convention last Saturday night he said only a few words: "I appreciate the honor conferred upon me but I cannot make a speech; that is one of my shortcomings."

In the West Virginian last night we observed that stenciled bare legs are ultra modern successors of stockings. Is it in order to suggest to the costume designers that the idea is susceptible of still further development?

The Girl in the Office in mentioning the State Bar Association meeting here yesterday said that from what she observed of several delegates she saw on the street, bartenders are surely not as black as they have been painted.

If necessity is the mother of invention it might be that opportunity is the father of success.

As Adam Lane Might remark. Suggest, and intimate. The weather of late has been so intensely warm, sultry and oppressive that to aspire to Labor, toil or work is far from the Height of man's Ambition.

As old Waid Mason, cheerful singer, would grind it out from his patent wringer. The weather's got me on the blink. It's too darn hot to think. The perspiration runs in rivers when I'm not down with ague shivers. It's hot enough to curl my whiskers, or on a skillet bring out blisters. It's hot enough, I freely ween, to scorch the top of my old bean.

All Clear! They have remarkable men in Clarksburg as this ad from the Exposition of that village will testify: "FOR SALE—Small Ford runabout for sale by man with new headlights, good tires, all weather curtains and brand new rear axle."

From the Diary of Hazel Filbert. Can such happiness as mine be mortal? Last night while walking down Main street, I saw, could have reached out and touched the sleeve of, he of whom there is none other like. Oh, my beloved Clyde. This morning I intend to start an account at the National Bank of Fairmont that I may have the opportunity to gaze at his features through the little iron bars of his cage. He does not know that he holds my heart a prisoner. I know that this time I am really in love, for I haven't been able to eat a thing but pickles for nearly a week. I looked at myself this morning in the mirror and was overjoyed to see that the new cold cream is having some effects on the wrinkles. The nose guard I am wearing at night is also having a beneficial effect on that member. And Mr. Scott said yesterday, oh my cup of joy is overflowing, he said that

PHAROAH'S RUN. Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Straight were Sunday visitors at C. B. Keefover's. Ollie Williams and Miss Sallie Rice, of Fairmont were Sunday visitors on this run. Mr. and Mrs. Ross Michaels, of Hingans, were recent visitors at John Thorns. Mr. Isaac Cooge, who is a patient at the Mimers Hospital, Fairmont is improving slowly. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Larew of Heights were recent visitors at Will Smith's.

OUTBURSTS OF EVERETT TRUE (BY CONDO)

AHA!!! FINE!!! LISTEN TO THIS! CONGRESS HAS PASSED AN EMPHATIC REPEAL OF THE DAYLIGHT SAVING LAW. THE REPEAL WAS CARRIED BY— DON'T READ ALOUD TO ME, JOHNSON!! WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES IT MAKE TO YOU WHICH WAY THEY TURN THE CLOCK? YOU'RE NEVER ON TIME ANYWAY!!!

THE AMERICAN'S CREED. I believe in the United States of America as a government of the people, by the people, for the people, whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed; a democracy in a republic, a sovereign Nation of many sovereign States; a perfect Union, one and inseparable, established upon those principles of freedom, equality, justice, and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes. I therefore believe it is my duty to my country to love it; to support its Constitution; to obey its laws; to respect its flag; and to defend it against all enemies.

STOP THE DELAYS. THERE was a gas conference at Cumberland Monday. The mayor of the city, the councilmen, officers of the West Virginia and Maryland Gas company and gas experts met to talk over the prospects for the coming winter. These meetings have become rather common in recent years, and nothing about them is more familiar than the conclusion that was reached at Cumberland, which was that if the gas company would stop selling gas for industrial purposes, especially inside West Virginia where the gas originates, there will be enough to supply the people of Cumberland. Where do the people of West Virginia come in on that kind of a solution of the problem? It is true that the men who put their heads together in Cumberland were gracious enough to say that the Public Service commission of West Virginia and Maryland probably would have to be asked about their proposed arrangement, but they doubtless felt that this was a mere matter of form, and that any plan they would work out to take care of the important city of Cumberland could not be otherwise than acceptable to the regulatory bodies.

The Public Service commissions now that they are getting a little more light upon the subject of gas distribution may not share this view quite as fully as the originators of it might hope, but it is beginning to appear that unless the commissions are a trifle more insistent upon compliance with their specific orders and are more careful about enforcing respect for their authority it will not matter much what they think about it. Attorney James A. Meredith practically charged at the hearing before the commission yesterday in this city that the gas companies were deliberately delaying compliance with orders of the commission on technical grounds, and the gas consuming public will take this view of it no matter how plausibly gas company attorneys may deny it before the commissions.

The temperature is soaring up among the nineties now, but it will not be many weeks before chilly evenings warn us that cold weather is close at hand. Yet we are in little better condition with respect to a fuel supply in West Virginia next winter than we were last winter. If the cold weather catches us the public will most certainly lay the blame upon the Public Service commission, and if that body desires to retain the confidence of the public it will put a sudden stop to the delays of the gas company attorneys and get a little action of some kind.

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RUFF STUFF. Who's going to be mayor is a problem that is engaging the attention of some citizens. But the practical minded tin horns are doing their worrying over who is going to be chief of police. With a good safe chief they do not need to care who is mayor. And a good safe chief is one who calls around quietly and never makes an arrest or even a fuss as long as a forfeit is forthcoming. And who believes that John Doe is a real name. Mr. Charlie and Ernie Bell have been named ballot commissioners for the coming city elections. These are the same guys who left off the school levy item last fall. Which cost the taxpayers a pretty penny. What's worse they are going to leave off something this time too. But that won't irritate any one except the lads who take their orders from Joe Snider. Walter told the Pub service comish

BIG BRIDGE RUN. The health of our little village is fairly good at this writing except the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Will Satterfield who has been sick for the past few days but is better now. Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Hawkinberry of Paw Paw were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Charles Merrifield of this place Sunday and they were also calling on Will Fetty. Mrs. John Jack and niece Miss Phelia Sheets of Barnstow, were calling at Mr. Charles Merrifield's one evening last week. Mr. Will Fetty and daughter Miss Grace were shopping in Fairmont Friday. Misses Mary and Etta Black of Fairmont were visiting Mrs. Charles Merrifield Sunday. Mrs. Newton Metz was shopping in Fairmont Friday. Neason Hawkinberry was calling on Will Fetty one evening last week. Russel Kindell of Barnstow was calling on Charles Merrifield Friday. Will Satterfield was calling on Will Fetty Sunday evening.

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MY HEAD! When the head feels thick or aches, when one feels all out-of-sorts—perhaps a coated tongue—it is the signal that poisons are accumulating in the system, and should be cleaned out at once. Auto-intoxication can be best ascribed to our own neglect or carelessness. When the organs fail in the discharge of their duties, the putrefactive germs set in and generate toxins—actual poisons, which fill one's own body. Sleepiness after meals, flushing of the face, extreme lassitude, biliousness, dizziness, sick headache, acidity of the stomach, heartburn, offensive breath, anemia, loss of weight and muscular power, decrease of vitality or lowering of resistance to infectious diseases, disturbance of the eye, dyspepsia, indigestion, gastritis, many forms of catarrh, asthma, ear affections and allied ailments result from auto-intoxication or self-poisoning. Take castor oil, or procure at the drug store, a pleasant vegetable laxative, called Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets, composed of May-apple, aloes and jalap.

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