

The Weekly Ledger

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WILSON TRUE TO FORM.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S reply to Germany was true to form. It not only met with the approval of our Allies, who of course suffered in its preparation, but to the American people. Germany must give up its autocratic form of Government; there can be no provision until all extraneous forces, German guarantees of good faith, must be such that no question of their being fulfilled can remain. In fact, unconditional surrender is the keynote of the reply.

The tone of the reply was calm and free from the suggestion of revenge. It was reasonable and to the point. It is a sign of the new spirit that is in us. We are not to be made to humanitarian demands to halt the carnage of battle. If the people of Germany are as ready for peace as some would have us believe, if they are becoming disaffected with autocracy, if they are ready to be their own masters and not the slaves of the Kaiser, developments in the German empire should be rapid and decisive.

In the meantime, while we wait for Germany to decide, the Allies will continue to make their present victory more decisive and cut off all their can of the 450 miles between them and Berlin.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING.

SHOP early. It is the most important thing we can do this Christmas season. It is important to the nation, state, and local community. Buy only useful things. Do not clutter our commercial organization with useless traffic. You may think that a trivial purchase will not matter. It will matter if several millions of persons think likewise. Make your purchases wisely. The patriotic giver will do this and the patriotic recipient will appreciate it.

Carry your purchases. Transportation is important. Power must be saved to the government. A truck that should be carrying shells to the front should not be carrying trinkets to your door.

Make up your mind first. Then you will select quickly. Quick selection saves clerk hire.

Do these three things: Buy wisely. Buy early. Carry your parcels.

UNCONDITIONAL SURRENDER

That's all. That's enough.

"Buy more you feel about it."

GERMANY REMINDS US OF THE LAGER.

Germany reminds us of the lagers, caught red-handed with the swag, who want to talk it over with the householder as to how they shall share the householder's valuables but whom they will not let out.

JUST suppose for a moment that the House and Senate at this time had a majority of "Roosevelt" Republicans. Can you imagine the result to this country and her Allies? Give President Wilson a Democratic House and Senate. That's the way to finish the war right.

SAM MORRIS, as treasurer of the Travelers' Protective Association, Branch in this city, says the organization has \$100 in the treasury and if he hears no objection he is going to purchase a Liberty Bond with the money. This is a splendid plan and other bodies who have money idle in their treasuries should follow suit.

WHILE GERMANY IS MAKING ADVANCES

While Germany is making advances for peace, the huns at the same time are continuing to destroy property and enslave citizens in Belgian territory they are being forced to evacuate. The suggestion that the only language the huns can understand is "an eye for an eye, tooth for a tooth" is evidently correct, and when Germany realizes that she will have to pay for each atrocity and the ravages of her ruthless practices, she may change her practice.

War Work Leaders in State Named.

FULTON, Mo., Oct. 15.—J. Harry Atkinson of this city has been named manager of the united war work in Audrain, Boone and Callaway counties. Former Mayor Cecil W. Thomas of Jefferson City will be in charge of Cole, Boone, Osage, Miller and Maries. The eight counties comprise the Eighth District of Missouri. The Rev. Dr. Eugene F. Abbott has been chosen chairman for Callaway county.

A Beautiful Woman.

Do you know that beautiful woman always has a good digestion? If your digestion is faulty, eat lightly of meats, and take an occasional dose of Chamberlain's Tablets to strengthen your digestion. Price 25c.

All Town's Doctors Have Plague.

E. Y. Hume, Leslie Hume and F. H. Emmons, physicians, and A. K. Adams, dentist, who comprise the entire dental and medical profession of Auxvasse, are to be held in influenza. Monday doctors went to Auxvasse on foot. None of the four professional men is said to be in serious condition.

The many friends of C. P. Malone will be glad to know he continues to improve.

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NORTH SIDE OF SQUARE

BARTELS BOYS DIE IN ARMY HOSPITALS

A telegram received here by H. M. Bartels Tuesday announced the death of his brother, Robert Bartels at Camp Forrest, Ga., while work was being done on the camp.

Robert Bartels was 26 years old and had been in the army since August, going to Camp Forrest from Ohio, where he had been working. He was born in Clinton county, Ill., and moved here with his parents nine years ago. He had been in a little less than two weeks. Funeral arrangements have not yet been made awaiting the arrival of the body.

Harriet Bartels, 21 years old and had been in the National service since June 22. Neither was married. Both young men were popular and have a host of friends here.

They are survived by their parents, three brothers, William F. of St. Louis, H. M. Bartels of Mexico, and John A. Bartels, of Grand Junction, Colo., and three sisters, Miss Ruth Bartels of this city, Mrs. H. A. Wilke of St. Louis, and Mrs. Charles Garner of O'Fallon, Mo. Word has been sent them of their deaths but it is not known whether they will be able to attend the funeral or not.

The Ledger extends sincere sympathy to the bereaved relatives and friends in their double loss.

Wm. Rodgers Victim OF SPANISH INFLU.

James William Rodgers, about 40 years old, formerly of this city, died at Bowling Green Monday night, 11 o'clock from pneumonia, the result of an attack of Spanish influenza. The funeral was in this city Wednesday at the Catholic cemetery.

Mr. Rodgers was night yardmaster for the Alton at Booths, the junction near Bowling Green. He was born in this city and lived here a great many years. He was popular with all who knew him, and made a splendid record as a railroad man. His death will be mourned with much sorrow by all who knew him.

He was a son of Mrs. Kate Rodgers, and a nephew of Judge R. D. Rodgers, prosecuting attorney of Audrain county. Besides his wife, who was Miss Annie Best, he leaves three young children, James William, 13 years old, Helen, 11, and Grace Elizabeth, 9. Two sisters, Mrs. C. Clark, of Moberly, and Mrs. Carroll Wilson, of Bowling Green, also survive. He was a son of the late John L. Rodgers, Mr. Rodgers recently joined the Catholic Church. The Ledger joins in extending deepest sympathy to the bereaved.

Can Now Eat and Sleep in Comfort.

If trouble with indigestion or sleeplessness should reach what Miss Agnes Turner, Chicago, Ill., has to say: "Overwork, irregular meals and careless eating, which are the primary causes of health, gradually undermined until last fall I became a wreck of my former self. I suffered from continual headache, was unable to digest my food, which seemed to lay as a deadweight on my stomach. I was very constipated and my complexion became dark. My nerves were in a state of sleeplessness as added to my misery, and I would awake as tired as when I went to sleep. I heard of Chamberlain's Tablets and found such relief after taking them that I kept up the treatment for nearly two months. They cleaned up my stomach, invigorated my system, and since that time I can eat and sleep in comfort. I am today entirely well." Adv.

CALL STILL SUSPENDED

The draft board received today a telegram continuing the suspension of the call for eight men who were to have been entrained this morning for Washington University. This call will be suspended until further orders are received from the Provost Marshal General.

Inman Bass was entrained at noon Tuesday for Quindaro, Kan., where he will enter a vocational training school.

Save Your Shoe Bills.

You will save money and be pleased by purchasing our Sample Shoes. Why pay \$6 when we can give you something just as good for \$3.

Working on Kahrlich Estate.

J. B. Armstrong and P. C. Vanhorn are trying to locate all heirs to the Kahrlich estate, so that the portion of the estate not provided for by the will can be properly administered. A letter from H. H. Kahrlich, of Jacksonville, Fla., received here Monday, a nephew of Mr. Kahrlich, has led the executors to hope that through him they can find the names of the heirs.

Take Courtney Body to Macon.

The funeral service for the late W. F. Courtney was held at his home on North Washington Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock. The body was then taken to Macon, Mo., for burial. Mrs. Courtney and her son accompanied the body to Macon.

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Proposed Amendments to the Constitution of Missouri by the Initiative.

SEVENTH CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

A proposition to establish in the state treasury a bonded loan fund to be used for the purpose of purchasing and maintaining the public debt of the state, and for the purpose of paying the interest on the same, shall be submitted to the people of the state at the next general election to be held in the state, and shall be subject to the vote of the people of the state at the time of the election.

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