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Le Papa Has Done Things

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ARE WE DOWNHEARTED?

Maybe thoughts are things. Maybe they aren't anything.

Therefore while the Huns push hard and win here and there until a watching nation holds its breath over the outcome, it's a good time to practise that "thoughts are things" philosophy.

The boys over there have a song with which they are wont to greet new Prussian drives.

"We beat 'em at the Marne," "We beat 'em at the Aisne—"

"We gave 'em hell at Neuve Chapelle," "And here we are again!"

And there, indeed, they are, every time. And will be until the final shot is fired.

"Well, Lafayette we're here!"

SIT TIGHT! DON'T ROCK BOAT!

A FEW U-BOATS CAN'T WIN WAR.

While the appearance of German U-boats off the Atlantic seaboard may well serve the people of the United States as a warning, it hasn't won the war, and to our mind was more calculated to frighten weak-kneed American people, and upset the popular morale.

But the Germans are not invincible and we are not going to throw up our hands.

Besides guard anything continuously for a year, no difference how plentifully as to the number of guards, or how well equipped, and if nothing turns up to guard against, a certain, not carelessness but listlessness, is bound to creep in.

We anticipate that Uncle Sam will meet the situation and meet it effectively, and that the people of the United States will hold their heads.

Understand that Germany has been getting ready for this thing a half century or more.

Laugh Germany in the face, brace up, go back at her, sticking to the job, and well: there is nothing sicker looking under the sun than a Prussianized Dutchman being laughed at.

THE SPIRIT OF GIVING.

A worker in the New York Red Cross campaign approached a woman in an automobile and asked her to subscribe.

"Why, yes, my dear!" she said. "I have just had news that my two sons in France are dead. I am glad to give."

Then the collector approached another woman who was sitting in a large, luxurious car.

"I have nobody in the war. Why should I give anything?"

Well, human nature's a strange thing. Here the woman who had already made the supreme sacrifice was glad to give more, and the woman who had made no sacrifice at all didn't see why she should give anything.

And yet, it isn't so strange, either, when you forget logic and arithmetic and consider human nature as it is. Giving, like most other things, is only a habit.

One of the plainest and finest facts in America today is that our people, of all classes and conditions, are getting into an amazingly generous state of mind.

They will deepen, too, the "solemn joy" of the givers. It is the callous hearts that do not give, or give grudgingly, that are to be pitied.

ONE EXPRESS COMPANY.

There is now only one railroad in the United States. After July 1 there will be only one express company.

Greater efficiency is the motive. It is expected that better service can be rendered at less cost by the simplification and centralization now possible.

Boxing instructors are being appointed for all the army camps. "There is a distinct relation between the art of boxing and bayonet work," explains the commission on training camp activities.

Business as usual—only more so. Likewise profits. Likewise prices. Likewise taxes. Likewise philanthropic contributions.

A New York woman, registering for election, explained that she hadn't any occupation—she merely worked all the time.

An 18-year-old New York girl says \$12,500 a year isn't enough to live on, and wants her allowance raised to \$20,500.

The refreshing cultural silence around the country comes from the suspension of German newspapers.

If Holland would rather go hungry than risk ships, very well!

Other Editors Than Ours

RESTORATION MEANS SAFETY.

There is nothing uncertain about the attitude of the American Institute of Mining Engineers toward the question of the restoration of Alsace-Lorraine.

It was made plainly apparent as the well founded opinion of these engineers and geologists that Germany could not have continued in the war six months without the aid of the 1,000,000 tons of munitions-making iron obtained annually from the stolen French provinces.

Germany must be deprived of the stolen provinces, for in this case the restoration is much like extracting poison fangs from a serpent.

The notorious copperhead, Bill Thompson, launches his senatorial campaign this week at a meeting at the coliseum.

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THE MELTING POT

"Come Take Pot Luck With Us" ALL ARE GONE, THE OLD FAMILIAR FACES.

Hereafter all the drinking men, from Mexico to Maine Who still must have their daily hooch will have to take it plain.

No more the clinking shaker stirs the toper's hopeful heart With visions of the cocktail that shall build the nightly "start."

No more the man behind the bar shall greet with glad acclaim The friendly customer and ask, "A little of the same?"

THEN WATCH HIS SMOKE. That will carry her safely through any troubled waters she may have to sail.

WHY TAKE SO MUCH TROUBLE? Thomas A. Edison is reported as raising a beard, which seems a non-essential industry in view of the fact that, somewhere in one of his trunks, John Philip Sousa must have a perfectly good set.

BERLIN PAPERS PLEASE COPY. The Ship of State was launched July 4, 1776, and on July 4, 1918, we're going to launch a convoy fleet.

Mystery of Celestial Motions

BY GARRETT P. SERVIS.

A number of correspondents in widely separated parts of the country, who seem to have been simultaneously stirred by one of those quiet waves of thought which, from time to time, roll across the sea of the human mind without anybody knowing just what started them.

"parabolic velocity," must cause them to travel in elliptical orbits. No planet travels in anything but an elliptical orbit, from which we conclude that all the planetary motions with reference to the sun were imparted within the solar system itself.

When we come to the motion of the sun, together with his entire system of planets, through space the explanation is not so easy.

Almost everybody makes the assumption that motion is not an original, but, necessarily, an impressed, state of matter.

At the same time there are innumerable cases in which the motion that we observe is impressed, or produced, by some evident force.

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