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Tuesday, May 15, 1917.

Painting The "Glooms"

It is a dreary note, indeed, which The New Republic strikes in a rather remarkable article entitled "The World in Revolution." At a time when the greater part of our national enthusiasm is being bent toward the encouragement of business this publication sees famine gaunt and stark riding the world; evidently it sees no ray of hope anywhere. As a matter of fact, anything that we read nowadays concerning the future of this country, and the world in general, is largely a matter of personal opinion, depending in a certain measure on the state of the writer's digestive organs. One guess is as good as another, for no man knows how long the war will last, and certainly nobody knows the outcome of the present movement to increase crop production. But hear The New Republic and shiver:

"It takes new eyes to see and new words to express what is going on today. The world is not only at war but in revolution as well. That revolution goes deeper than any man had dared to guess. The overturn in Rus-sis, the intervention of America, the stirring of China, stupendous as they stirring of China, stupendous as they are, may be merely the prelude to events more drastic still. The whole world faces a famine of food, raw materials, shipping. The productivity of the earth is diminished, the destruction of capital is proceeding at a rate beyond the power of any one nation to repair it. If the worst calamity should happen and the war be prolonged beyond this year the feeding and refurnishing of the world will tax human ingenuity and science beyond anything of which the ordinary statesman has ever dreamed."

B-r-r-r-r! It is getting quite dark and we have to go through several churchyards yet. Over yonder we hear a skeleton rattling and ever and anon the hoot of an owl. Seriously speaking, the good souls who are striving to "keep business going as usual" will have a hard time when such usually sane and sedate publications begin to "see things." Our future, business and industrial, is going to be largely what we make it. There will be periods, doubtless, when the conservation of all our resources will be required, but this is a course of action that is commendable at any time, one which this nation should have followed in recent years, rather than the headlong extravagance which has marked all walks of life. But we do not believe that the people of this country are going to run short of food, nor are we ready to admit that the whole world is on the verge of starvation. "We may be wrong, but that's our judgment."

The Children's Chorus

Music lovers of Asheville who have been advocating the permanent establishment of a school children's chorus, along the lines of the chorus that has "made Spartanburg famous," will have an opportunity to show their interest in the movement next Saturday when 200 of our school children others, holding in mind the excellent work of our school children along musical lines in recent years have felt forget to say "now I lay me" and that Asheville has a splendid nucleus
for a permanent chorus, and with
that end in view Mr. Willis Cunningthat end in view Mr. Willis Cunningham, musical director of the Asheville public schools, has worked unceasingly. With him it has been a labor of love, and we believe that the time has arrived when the people of but I patted his head when Uncle Asheville can show their appreciation of his afforts.

loyed-an annual music festival which thousands attend and thoroughly appreciate. Either Asheville wants musical entertainments of a high standard, or it does not; the choice can be made without further waste of effort. The Mozart society has labored long and faithfully to the end that the better choice might be made, and The Citizen is not without hope that this year the people of this city will render a favorable verdict. At any rate, all signs point that way. As far as The Citizen has been able to obherve, all musical elements in Ashe-

THE ASHEVILLE CITIZEN ville are united as they have never yet been united. The factionalism ville are united as they have never and bickerings which in other years blocked all efforts toward harmony Published Every Morning are now conspicuous by their absence, and whether or not Asheville is to become a musical center depends entirely upon the public. Success this year means success next year, and many years after. As previously The Asheville Citizen, 6 days a week many years after. As previously The Sunday Citizen, Every Sunday stated, all signs are propitious, and The Citizen is of the opinion that Asheville is not far away from an an-Business Office 80 nual music festival which will be a

Notes and Comments

Of course, there is nothing special-German sailors. ton offers asylum to the 2,000 interned

The night is unusually dark in Russia, and no man knows what the morning will bring forth. The revo-lution may not have been such a

blessing, after all. Asheville is rapidly becoming one big garden, and the school children are more than "doing their bit."

There will be no wreat interest in any peace terms as long as they are "made in Germany."

muffed a throw when he took a shot at the great national game. If Canada is going to do anything to relieve the wheat situation, "now is the accepted time" for her to act.

The lowly biscuit has become a gold

This Date in History

May 15.

1571—Moscow completely burnt down by the Tartars, 200,000 per-sons perishing in the flames. Kepler discovered the period ical movement p; the planets-1775-Congress resolved to issue paper money.

Napoleon crossed Mount St Bernard with his troops, each man carrying from 60 to 80 pounds, up icy precipices where ascent was difficult even with-out encumbrance.

Edmund Kean, famous English tragedian, died poor, though having earned nearly a million dollars during his career.

Louis Riel, halfbreed leader of insurrection in Canada, surrendered.

The United States government ordered the dissolution of the Standard Oil company within six months.

-Anarchists tarred and feathered by viligantes at San Diego, Cal. Norwegians celebrated the 100th anniversary of the sep-aration of their kingdom from

Railroads cannot own steam-ship lines on Great Lakes was decided by interstate commerce canal act. under Panami

United States marines entered Santo Domingo to guarantee the free election of a provis-ional president to succeed Gen. Jimenez, resigned. Explosion in Du Pont powder plant at Gibbstown, N. J., kill-

ed 18. THE WAR-German forces press on after the retreating Russians in Galicia, approaching famous fortress of Przemysl, captured

earlier in the war by the Russians from the Austrians. Austrians report brilliant suc-cesses in Italian offensive and the capture of 2,500 prisoners. British gain at Vimy Ridge, capturing 350 yards of German

Whitman of New York singed five -- naredness measures, insuring compulsory military training in the schools and also giving governor pow-er to draft able-bodied citizens of the state between ages of 18 and 45 for military service.

Children's Stories

GRANDMOTHER'S STORIES.

Once upon a time Grandmother was amusing the children by showing them her box of playthings that she had as a little girl. She had saved them all of these years and often took them out to look at them. Just as she was going to read them a letter she had written to her mother, long, long ago, the luncheon bell ring and she prom-ised them she would read it the very next. Here is the letter written s many years ago:

'My dear Mama: "Aunt Abbie and I came here all right and Uncle met us with the horse and buggy. I sat on the floor as there was just room for Uncle and Aunt. Uncle is fat but I like hims I was awfully hungry and I guess I ate a lot, it tasted so good. We had little cakes it tasted so good. We had little cakes something hot.

will sing with the famous Damrosch orchestra. The Citizen, and many others holding in mind the excellent

cat a lot and run all over each other trying to get there first. I help feed the cows and Uncle has one white horse that is so gentle you can go in the stail beside him. I didn't because I am new and he doesn't know me yet

held me up.
"There are turkeys and hens and lambs and chickens and some ducks The approaching festival has been promoted with a view to giving Asheville what Spartanburg has long endown in the water and come up with a bug. They eat it and then look for more. They do that all of the time.

"I am going to ride down to the village with Uncle today. He is going to drive old white Billy and he said I could drive if I would be careful, and of course I will. I wish you were here mama. Won't you come a little while? Tell Papa I love him more than ever and I am gring to have than ever and I am going to buy a stick of candy with one of the new pennies he gave me. I love you both and I will come home soon.

"Your loving daughter.

The pilroch hath called,

"Your loving daughter,
"I remember that visit just as
though it was yesterday," said Grandmother, I wish I had been there said
Ned. "So do I" said Beth."

Winter temperature of Cuba ranges from 60 to 85 degrees.

The Scissors Route

With an air of ertainty the Wash-ington correspondent of the New York Sun disquases a reported solution of the U-boat problem by Elmer A. Sperry, who is also the inventor of the syroscope compass. His device has been submitted to the naval consulting board and the optimistic remarks of Chairman Saunders a few days ago are said to have been bases chiefly are said to have been based chiefly on the possibilities which this discov-ery seems to offer. It is stated that the invention is

radically different from any known method of fighting the submarine, and is of such a character that "it can be put into operation in the war gone almost immediately." It is not designed merely to protect merchantmen from submarines, but "to eradicate them altogether." The device, the de-

them altogether." The device, the details of which for obvious reasons are being kept a profound secret, is to be tested at once within a few miles of the coast, but there is nothing to hinder it working as well on a sweeping scale, it is claimed.

The device was submitted to Secretary Daniels and his advisers last Tuesday night in Washington, according to the Sun's informant, and after another meeting Wednesday it was stated that the decision was unanimous to rush the tests with all speed. Sperry is said to have been engaged for months on his invention and spent some time in London, where he obtained full information as to the operations of the German terrors of the sea.

In some respects even the an-Governor Bickett seems to have nouncement that such a discovery has marine, which in turn might really lead to the discovery of a checkmate to the destroyer even before the destroyer could begin operations.

Another invention for combatting the submarine is described by its au-thor, an inmate of the Western Penitentiary at Pittsburgh, in a letter to Congressman Porter, who has prom-ised to submit it to Secretary Daniels. This idea is based on the ability of a ship to send out an electrical current snip to send out an electrical current capable of destroying any submarine within a radius of two to five miles. This is something like the general public has been expecting Edison to turn out. The convict's scheme is to cover the hull of a submarine destroyer. stroyer with a non-magnetic preparation. Two power dynamos aboard would generate a 6,000 volt current, which could be stepped up to 100,000 volts by means of transformers. This powerful stream of electrical energy would be sent into the sea by means of steel feed bers. When a submarine steel feed bars. When a submarine was encountered the current would disable the motors and batteries, electrocute the men aboard and explode the torpedoes. All friendly craft would be compelled to stay outside the radius of this current or suffer the same fate.

Notable Birthdays

May 15.

Sir Bache Cunard, present head of the great British family of ship owners and builders which founded the Cunard line, is 65 years old today. Sir Bache is the third Baronet and a grandson of Sir Samuel Cunard, the first Baronet and original founder of the famous line. The British crown recognized the great services rendered recognized the great services rendered British shipping by the Cunards, and especially shipping between America and Great Britain, by conferring an and Great Britain, by conferring an hereditary baronetcy upon them in 1859. The affiliations of the Cunards with America have been constant. Sir Bache had both an American mother and an American wife. His father, the second Baronet, married a daughter of Bache M'Evers of New York, after

whom he was named, and his ow wife was Miss Maude Burke of Nev York Another American alliance of the famous family was that of Sir Bache's and the clergyman assuring him he cousin. Ernest Haliburton Cunard, a director of the Cunard line, to Miss as soon as he received it, he wanted Florence M'Pheeters of Baltimore. Sir Bache succeeded his father, Sir Edward Cunard, as head of the Cunard sage from Dr. Hall to go to E. V. The Cunard liners have line in 1869. names ending in "A," as the White Star liners have names ending in "ic," and the Marretania and the Lustan-ia, some years ago the two most famous ships afloat, were both Cunard-

ea Lord of the British admiralty, 59

Rear Admiral George A. Bicknell, U. S. N., retired, 71 years old today. L. Frank Baum, popular writer of children's stories, author of "The Wizard of Oz," 61 years old today.

THE PIBROCH CALLS.

(By Wm. Lauria Hill.) Oh Hist! Clansmen, Hist! I hear it! I hear it! It echoes o'er mountain and loch from

afar; The Clans they are coming, The Drones they are humming, We are in for the war.

Now march, Clansmen, march!

Keep shoulder to shoulder,— Nor fear any Teuton that meets us today. Our Claymores are trusty, That ne'er have grown rusty, Our Clansmen are lusty,

Brave an' ripe for the fray. A world is at war And freemen are fighting
To hold what their fathers once
bought with their bluid; We live or die Freemen. Each Chief frae Highland gien Mann win back hame again

Either victor or dead. The battle now rages. Despots are striving brave men to en-

slave. They would conquer the sod Of poor Belgium down-trod, In the name of our God! We would prove them just knaves,

Strike! Clansmen, yea, strike! No child's play is wanted. You deal with a cruel and crafty foe. Our Haig's at the front; Come, bear now the brunt, No danger we'll shunt, Not a lad will say no.

Many sleep their last sleep Awa frae the shieling That shelters the dear ones that loc'd them sae weel: And their lives freely gave Old earth's Freemen to save,

WALLACE B. DAVIS, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 11th day of May, 1917.

The battle still rages,

We fear not the end but shall victory

WALLACE B. DAVIS, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 11th day of May, 1917.

Notary Public.

My commission expires Oct. 2, 1917. We will fight for the right, For in God is our might, He sendeth the light Mid the battle's filerce din-

'Wolf of Wall Street" Tells of Association With the Peace Council

WAS GIVEN MONEY BY THE GERMAN AGENT

Hoped to Bring About Strikes if Other Measures Failed.

NEW YORK, May 14 -- David Lamar, widely known as "the wolf of Wall street," testified today that the plans out of which grew Labor's Nabeen made is unwise. The very best way to make such an announcement is by actual results. Forewarned is forearmed, says an old say, and if the Germans knew certainly that an effective device had been worked out for coping with the U-boats the Teuton inventive genius would display itself in some shrewd guessing as to the most vulnerable point of the submarine, which in turn might really marine, which is turn might really council in a conspiracy in 1915 to mar, Rintelen and five others are on trial here charged with using the council in a conspiracy in 1915 to wreck the entente allies' munition

business in this country.

Went to Indianapolis,

Lamar said he went to Indianapolis with Henry B. Martin, one of the de-fendants, after he received the German's money and that Martin got in touch with former Representatives H. Robert Fowler and Frank Buchanan, also defendants, Martin told him, Lamar testified, that both these men denounced the "munitions trust" and that "Buchanan took a very advanced position, and would go to any lengths to keep this country out of the war."
"Before I left on this trip. I told

Dr. Hall that it would be a good idea for me to stay in the background, because, owing to my past life, I was so well known throughout the country that sples would be on my track to find out what I was about," Lamar said. "I think I told him I would use said. assumed names in registering at ho-

Activities Outlined. Lamar said that in his conversation with Dr. Hall, who, he said, was formerly at the Union Theological Seminary here, and also a professor at Columbia university, but now is in Germany, he outlined what he said were his own activities in bringing about investigations of the New Ha-ven railroad, the "money trust" and the "steel trust" and his plans to attack "the capitalistic interests con-trolling the munitions trust. He endorsed my plans to get the matter before organized labor and farmer. n order to produce such a consensus of opinion as to bring great pressure to bear on the seldent and congress, first to embargo munitions exports and, secondly, to abolish private munitions munitions manufacturers and make a government monopoly of the industry," Lamar said. "If our demand was not met, it was our hope that ultimately labor would strike.
But never by any word, act or suggestion did I attempt to bring on
strikes by bribing labor leaders or otherwise. Our function ended with laying the facts before the country." Dr. Hall and he agreed that con-

ventions of farmers and labor dele-gates should be held, Lamar testified

sage from Dr. Hall to go to E. V. Gibbons and company, the address of

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which he gave me in New York, Lamar said. "I went there and met Rintelen, who handed me a check which I cashed."

In later conversation Dr. Hall disclosed that he hoped to go to Ger many as an exchange professor, Lamar said.

EXPERT CRITICISM.

Nijinsky, the famous Russian dancer, is of course a good musician.

At a reception the other day M.

Nijinsky listened without wincing to a planoforte performance, more vigorplanoforte performance, more vigorous than skillful, on the part of the daughter of the house.

"M. Nijinsky, how do you like my little girl's playing?" the hostess asked her guest of honor.

"Ah, madame," M. Nijinsky replied in his quaint English, "I think your daughter saff a vairy firm tread."—Philadelphia Star.

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Judge, presiding.

This is to notify all defendants bound to appear at the next regular term or July Term of the Superior Court of said County to make their appearance in Court on Monday, said 6.365.95 11th day of June. 1917, at the convening of said special term of Court, as their case will be called for trial at said Special Term. All witnesses bound over or subpoensed to appear at the July Term of said Court are required to attend at said Special Term for the trial of the cases in which

they appear.
All Magistrates, Mayors, Police Justices and other officers are required to make return of their cases tried or disposed of before them immediso that the same may be tried at said Special Term. All bondsmen for defendants in all

criminal cases are required to produce the defendants for trial at said Special Term, regardless of the date to which they were bound to appear when the bond was executed. This 9th day of May, 1917. W. E. JOHNSON, Chairman, Board County Commis-sioners of Juncombe County. 4905-11-cod-\$t.

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