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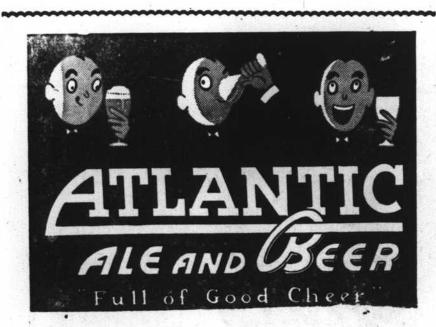
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Vital Topics Are Discussed At The **Labor Press Meet**

NEW YORK CITY.-A discussionpacked, two-day conference of the American Labor Press Association, held here February 21 and 22 and attended by more than 300 delegates and visitors, was highlighted by speeches delivered by Under Secre-tary of War Roberts P. Patterson, Assistant Secretaray of Navy Ralph A. Bard, and Mayor Fiorella La-Guardia.

The labor press editors and writers were told they were doing an important job well, and would have an important duty to perform after the war in assisting in planning the post war economy, and educating and in-forming the workers. Several Fed-eral agency representatives partici-pated in the discussions.

Mr. Patterson said: "Once we thoroughly appreciate the fact there is no line of demarcation between the bench and the trench, between the machine worker and the machine gunner, we will get a proper perspective of the job we have got to do in the field of production.

"I know of no group better qualified to hammer home the truths of

the situation than the labor press. You speak for, and you speak to, the rank and file of loyal, patriotic workers of America who form the backbone of the nation,—and the back-bone of the American Army."

Red Cross Reports Message From The War-Torn Lands

WASHINGTON, D. C.-Ann avalanche of 7,500 replies to messages and inquiries poured into American Red Cross headquarters last week from persons in war-torn countries to relatives and friends in this country, it was announced.

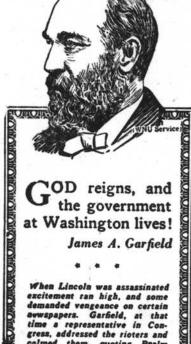
This was the largest number of replies to messages and reports on inquiries ever received in one week and almost tripled the number for the

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While such messages ordinarily require a year or more to complete the circuit from sender to addressee and return, many received this week completed it in six months. The majority of these came from Denmark and Norway.

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For A Better Understanding Among All Of Us

IT ALL DEPEDNS ON ME!

By RUTH TAYLOR

The other day a friend who had just returned from England showed e a poster he had brought back. The background is a stormy sky, through which the sun has broken to illuminate the figure of a woman standing with outstretched arms, her hands grasping the hands of others on each side. The other figures are not shown—just the hands. Beneath is a strong chain of single links, emphasizing the feeling of uncountable thousands holding hands. Across the poster is the line "It All Depends on Me."

I have felt very humble ever since I saw that poster. This was no challenging "It's Your Job. It's Up to You. This is Your War."

This was a confession of personal faith, a recognition of personal responsibility. And it has made me think.

This was a confession of personal faith, a recognition of personal responsibility. And it has made me think.

Am I facing the fact that this is my war? It is my way of life that is at stake. I would not want to live in a world that denied those simple virtues in which I believe, freedom of conscience and speech, the right to worship my God according to my own belief, the sanctity of the home, the freedom of the individual, the honor of the pledged word, the governing of action by right rather than might. This is my way of life. If it is to be retained, it all depends on me.

Am I working where I can be most useful in this, my war? Am I shirking the job that I should do because it is tedious, or because it will interfere with my accustomed routine? Am I serving in the place where I can be of most good? I must make the most out of my working strength and time, for—it all depends on me!

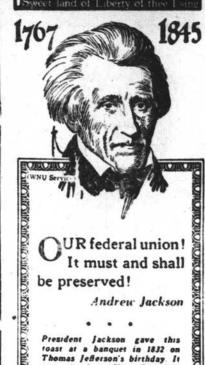
Am I mobilized for this, my war? Or am I clinging to non-essentials? Over and above my job, have I assumed my proper responsibility as a citizen in my own community? Have I streamlined my life, made wise use of my time, and conserved my health? Am I putting all my resources to work? Am I taking care to conserve that which I have, to give up that which can be used for war-effort and am I buying no more than is absolutely necessary, in order that my dollars may help fight the battle?

have, to give up that which can be used for war-effort and am I buying no more than is absolutely necessary, in order that my dollars may help fight the battle? Money and goods are needed. This is a total war—and it all depends on me!

Am I keeping a soldierly self-control? Am I seeing to it that the whispered rumor stops when it reaches me? That I do not pass on any divisive thought? Am I living my faith? Am I, who talk of the glory and mind all holding out a friendly hand to my neighbor, keeping from my heart and mind all prejudice and hatred toward any one, regardless of class, creed, or color? Am I putting into daily practice the ideals to which I give lip allegiance? Only in this way can democracy endure—it all depends on me.

I cannot close this self-searching with a moral—but only with the prayer, in the words of the Psalmist, "Hold up my goings in thy paths, that my footsteps slip not." It all depends on me.





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