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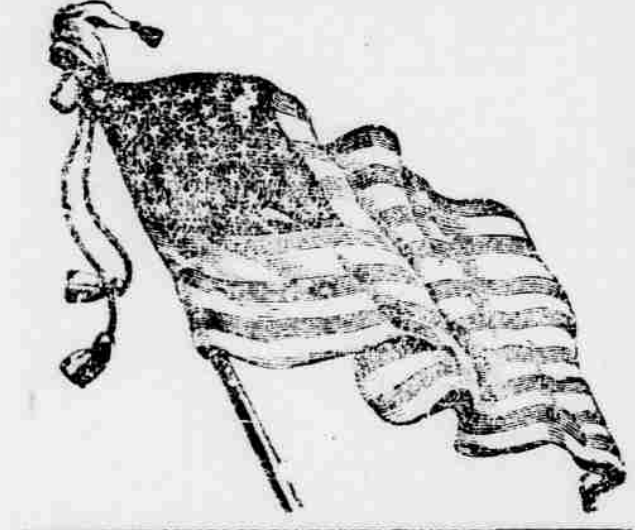
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An Austrian Armistice is an excellent thing for what is left of the Austrian Army.

The kaiser is reported to have purchased an estate in Norway. He might have done better to secure an island somewhere in the far seas, where he could remain "monarch of all he surveyed."

"Peace" is a noun that we are all much attracted to, but we are very particular that it should have the right adjectives in agreement with it. It must be a "just" peace, a "lasting" peace, or we will have none of it.

And now they tell us that Spanish influenza, despite its name, came straight from the Orient. A name has not much significance. For instance, we have always known that German Kultur, despite its name, came direct from the devil.

THE SUPERLATIVE DEGREE.

The devastation will be as complete in the cities as in the rural districts and the mines. Not a building must be left standing between Holland and Luxemburg. The fields and forests will be reduced to barrenness for fifty years, and the mineral deposits will be destroyed and demolished and variously maltreated by fluids and explosions to the extinction of their productiveness and fecundity.

Everything, in a word, is to be promiscuously bedeviled into the next two generations.

The foregoing is a prophetic picture of Belgium in the Lokal Anzeiger, Berlin. It delineates Belgium as it will look after the crossing of the allies.

Precision and thoroughness are characteristic of the German. They are occasionally absent from Prussian journalism when American victories are being explained away, but these are necessary lapses, and are always followed by a return to form.

Yet this kind of journalistic precision is even less effective than the delirium of the yellow press. It indicates the weakness that borders on hysteria—the impotence that threatens before bursting into tears. What if Belgium is devastated? Are not the allies, col-

lectively, able to restore her? And what will be their temper after the devastated territory is crossed. They are likely to audit the account and underscore it with red.

This war has reversed all traditions. In the last four years the doctors have learned how to cure most accepted varieties of fatal wound. A man shot through the heart used to die in previous wars. It was the correct thing to do. It was hardly respectable to do anything else.

Now he wakes up out of the anaesthetic and demands a cigarette. The medical profession has rewritten all its rules.

If the fertility of Belgian soil is destroyed a few chemists will get together and find a way of restoring its fruitfulness in a few years. A group of Luther Burbanks will teach orchards to do what orchards never thought of doing since Eve stole the apple.

The Lokal Anzeiger should devote editorial space to things less nebulous than predictions covering the next half century. The next few years will hold enough trouble for the Potsdam junta to crowd ten centuries. But passionate strictures and tearful attempts at intimidation contain sufficient proof of the waning Prussian morale to encourage the most skeptical of us to a steadfast optimism.

FOUND BOOKS DEEP DOWN IN DUG-OUTS

American Library Association Books
Sure Reach Soldiers, Says
Raymond Fosdick

"I found the books of the American Library Association everywhere in France," says Raymond Fosdick, chairman of the National Commission on Training Camp Activities, who has just returned from an extended trip overseas, during which he conducted a thorough investigation of the work being done by the various war work agencies.

"I found them in dugouts thirty or forty feet below ground, in cow-barns where shrapnel had blown parts of the roof away, as well as in the substantial huts and tents far back from the firing line.

"I have found them in hospitals and dressing stations; in scattered villages in the training area where our men are billeted and even in the remote parts of France where the forestry units are carrying out their lonely, but efficient and essential work. Your books are in continual demand from the time the soldiers arrive in camp in America until they come back home after service over there."

The A. L. A. library service has grown tremendously within the past few months and millions of books have been distributed wherever soldiers and sailors are quartered, on sea or land.

"NEED ONLY CREED" SAYS GIPSY SMITH

"Need is the only creed over there," declared Gipsy Smith, the famous evangelist, speaking to enormous audiences in southeastern cities, where mass meetings have been held in the interest of the United War Work campaign to open on November 11.

FLORIDA NEWSPAPERS PLEDGE ASSISTANCE

Representatives of Florida daily and weekly newspapers in attendance at a luncheon held in connection with a conference of United War Work campaign workers, pledged themselves to concentrate behind the big drive to open on November 11.

Their action puts the full strength of the Florida newspaper fraternity in the field and in every section of the state the public will be informed through the columns of the press just what the aims and objects of the seven great war work agencies are in this coming campaign to raise \$170,500,000.

Catarrhal Deafness Cannot be Cured by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure catarrhal deafness, and that is by a constitutional remedy. Catarrhal deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a running sound or ringing in the ears, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result. Unless the inflammation can be removed, and this is restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Many cases of deafness are cured by surgery, which is an inflamed condition of the mucous surface. Hays' Catarrh Medicine acts thru the blood on the mucous surface of the system.

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NOTICE
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N. B. JOSEY Co.

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WANTED—25 BRAND NEW members in December for the Home Building and Loan Association.

FOR RENT OR SALE—THE Bell Hotel equipped with electric light and city water. Apply to N. B. JOSEY Scotland Neck N. C.

FOUND—A NEW AUTOMOBILE tire. Can be obtained by describing same, paying the reward and for this ad. Apply in first instance to the Commonwealth.

WEDDING INVITATIONS—ALL who contemplate sending out wedding invitations, or announcements, and wish to save the high cost of engraving, should apply to The Commonwealth.

NOTICE
We are largely interested in the Cotton Oil and Ginning Co. We will thank our friends to have their cotton ginned with them.
N. B. JOSEY CO.

FOR SALE—TWO ENGINES suitable for thrashing peanuts, terms reasonable. Apply to Shields Commissary 10-28tf

COUPON BOOKS—THE COMMONWEALTH has taken the agency for the Betz Coupon Co., for coupon books. Any merchant who needs these books in the near future should advise us and we will have them delivered in time. Apply Commonwealth Office tf

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