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John Purroy Mitchel was killed while flying at Gerstner aviation field, Louisiana, yesterday. He was formerly Mayor of New York, as most Americans know.

After being defeated for re-election, because he would not bow to the dictates of Tammany, he joined the aviation forces of the United States Army, and was made a Major in that service.

He would have been 40 years old this month. Few men of his years have crowded more into one life. We are reminded of Bailey's lines:

"We live in deeds, not years; in thoughts, not breath; In feelings, not in figures on the dial."

Who thinks most, feels noblest, acts the best."

"Germany can have peace tomorrow if she will accept the conditions voiced yesterday by President Wilson," said Lloyd George yesterday, in a speech after a review of American troops in France.

Germany knows it. She does not want to accept "A REIGN OF LAW, BASED ON THE CONSENT OF THE GOVERNED AND SUSTAINED BY THE ORGANIZED OPINION OF MANKIND," but it will be forced upon her, and the process is gaining speed very fast now.

In our Civil War there was but one marked instance of a total disregard of the methods of civilized warfare in the treatment of prisoners. At Andersonville prison Federal captives were starved, maltreated and murdered.

The man most directly responsible for this was Capt. Wirz, a German born and bred; and after peace was declared he was tried and hanged without remonstrance from any Confederate.

GERMAN'S FLAG A SULLIED FLAG

Germany once had a flag to be proud of. The red, white and black commanded respect wherever it floated throughout the world as the emblem of a great nation.

Today, in the eyes of the civilized nations of the earth, it is but a filthy rag. During the last four years of horrors it has been dragged through the mud, spattered with the blood of the innocent till it has become the symbol of iniquity, of oppression, of tyranny, of infamy, of broken pledges.

Its red stands for carnage, the wanton shedding of innocent blood, the blood of helpless women and children, it stands for arson, the savage incendiary of unprotected towns and villages, it stands for vandalism, for sacrilege, for the destruction of churches and cathedrals and their sacred, priceless treasures, the burning of Red Cross hospitals and its helpless, wounded inmates and their sweet angels of mercy, the Red Cross nurses.

Its white stands for hypocrisy, deceit, insincerity; it stands for a whitened sepulcher, Prussian militarism, resplendent with gorgeous glittering tinsel and vain pomp without, within full of dead men's bones.

Its black stands for piracy, for the assassination of peaceful sailors and travelers on the high seas, for the wanton, barbarous and fiendish sinking of unarmed merchant vessels. It stands for the black eagle of Prussia, an eagle no longer, but a vulture that would seize Europe in its unclean talons, gather it under its loathsome wings and pollute the sweet air of freedom with its suffocating foul and obnoxious breath of decayed ideas and doctrines.

But the loganberries come. There will be a great demand for laborers in all the countries of the globe. But there will be millions of laborers, too, released from the vast armies and from the industries connected with war work.

There will always be labor troubles, of course; but most of the workers now receiving abnormal wages in the war industries expect to receive less when peace comes, and they will be satisfied with less, for the cost of living will be lower.

BOOZE RESISTS.

There is nothing that has made so severe resistance against legislation on so little merit as booze. Its immoderate use induces crime and poverty. None deny it. And few if any can make a long-continued, moderate use of it without impairing health and certainly the accuracy of work.

GERMANY NEEDS A SCAPEGOAT.

When Ludendorff says that "in diplomacy and in politics the coalition has beaten us," while Von Kuehlmann admits that military victory can not be won by Germany, the old game of passing the buck is well under way in Germany.

The game began with Prince Lieknowsky's confession and was continued by Muehlon's denunciation of the war-makers and Thyssen's indictment of the kaiser. When all of them take to passing the buck to the kaiser, his days may be considered as numbered.—Exchange.

And her most appropriate scapegoat is the kaiser. The world outside of Germany would regard him as justly bearing the sins of his people, too.

If the war shall end with the kaiser in power, or even in his place at the head of the German government, but shorn of most of his power, there will surely follow commercial reprisals that will persist for years.

The world will continue to detest the kaiser and all that he stands for.

The elimination of the kaiser would leave Germany in much better condition with the rest of the world.

Germany needs a scapegoat. And the kaiser is the most appropriate goat for the purpose. And after him the crown prince and all the other Hohenzollerns.

THE VISION BEATIFIC.

(A Song of the Afterwhile). I saw with eyes of flesh—and gazed with fear Upon the horrors of the sea and sky; And all the earth seemed one vast charnel-house, Filled with the dead and those who soon must die.

I heard with mortal ears, and trembled long At all the crashing discord, boom and din— For screeching demons ruled the universe, And all was conflict, terror, pain and sin.

Then was I lifted to the peace of God, Seeing all things as only God can see, Hearing all things as only God can hear— And lo, all life was light and harmony!

—James M. Warnack.

HISTORY IN THEIR PRAYERS.

Rev. Henry N. Couden is chaplain of the house of representatives, and Rev. Forrest J. Prettyman is chaplain of the senate.

By following the prayers of these chaplains in the opening of the two branches of congress, one might trace a fairly good history of the war. A few days ago, when Italy had driven back the Austrian armies, Mr. Couden opened the house with a prayer of thankfulness for the victory that had come to the Italian arms.

He does not overlook any outstanding event of the war.

The following are the two opening prayers of a few days ago, the first being in the house and the second in the senate:

"O Thou Infinite and Eternal Spirit, through whose divine care and gracious providence we have been brought as individuals and as a nation to the present hour, we bless Thee for Thy love and care and fervently pray for the continuation of the same, that we may fulfill to the uttermost our destiny in this life and be prepared for whatever awaits us in the great beyond."

"We know not where His islands lift Their fringed palms in air; We only know we can not drift Beyond His love and care."

"We are facing a world-wide crisis. All that we hold dear is in the balance; but our hearts still cling to Thee, and we feel sure that right will triumph at last, and victory crown the faithful, brave, and true in a world-wide peace: for Thou are God, and Thy will is supreme."

"So we trust. So we pray, in the Spirit of the Lord Jesus Christ, Amen."

"Almighty God, we worship Thee."

IN MISERY FOR YEARS

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Why will women drag along from day to day, year in and year out, suffering such misery as did Mrs. Courtney, when such letters as this are continually being published. Every woman who suffers from displacements, irregularities, inflammation, ulceration, backache, nervousness, or who is passing through the Change of Life should give this famous root and herb remedy, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, a trial. For special advice write Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass. The result of its long experience is at your service.



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Thou art the Sovereign of the universe. Thy will is the law of all men. We come before Thee at a time when we are mobilizing our forces for the mightiest conflict in the history of the world.

We bless Thee for the boys who have so willingly and joyously trooped to the colors, the boys who are far distant from us today, and we invoke Thy blessing upon them. They have gone with the touch of a mother's love, they have gone with the sanctifying influence of the church and the Sunday school, they have gone with the inspiration of Thy Word in their hearts.

We pray Thee to give them victory upon the battlefield, and bring them back not only with glorious victory perchance upon their banners, but with the greater victory of an unsoiled manhood. Grant Thy grace to us this day to discharge the duties that are upon us. For Christ's sake. Amen"

BITS FOR BREAKFAST

Fair and warm or warmer. The pickers will mostly pick today.

The crops must be saved. It may be good strategy as well as good war politics to create an eastern front for Germany.

And the indications are that his is what will be done. In these war times, the real optimist reflects that while a dollar will not go as far as it used to, it goes faster while it is going.

The war sharps think Hindenburg is cooking up another drive. And perhaps Foch is preparing another surprise party.

They are saying over in France that the Sammies fight as well as the Australians. And that is apparently the highest sort of a compliment.

Here's hoping that Dr. Doney, president of the Willamette, will succeed in having the war department help our university to the best there is to be had in the way of military training.

As between the Bolsheviks, the Red Guard and the anarchists in Petrograd, which is which?

It is not only hands across the sea, but feet also, so far as the Americans are concerned.

The chickens of your neighbors now foraging in your gardens have all the earmarks of the Huns.

What has become of the old-fashioned statesman who used to claim that the railroads of this country owned the government?

American soldiers deserve all the war crosses that can be given them abroad for distinguished service. It is a simple recognition of their devotion to duty.

Of all the men in any community who need the prayers of the people, the most deserving is that man who thinks he is an institution and cannot be spared.

STATE HAS NEED FOR ARMED MEN

Governor Would Have Measure Provide Part Maintenance for Five Thousand

Governor Withycombe believes that some financial provision should be made by the state to share the maintenance of an army of probably 5000 trained men to protect the state in the event of the possible invasion from the outside and this one question that will be discussed when the governor calls a meeting of the state tax commission to decide what action can be taken to provide funds in excess of constitutional limitations as a war emergency measure.

The governor expects to call a preliminary meeting of the commission next week.

Governor Withycombe, in discussing the need of state military protection, explains that he has no fear of internal disension.

"It would be wise," said the governor, "to guard against invasion from the outside. We are at war and we cannot tell what may happen. About 5000 men are now in training in state and military organizations, and this number would furnish a nucleus for excellent armed protection. One question we must deal with is how for the state can go toward maintaining this organization."

Another war emergency which the state must prepare to meet, the governor said, is that of taking care of the wounded men who may return from the front. "With 25,000 in service from Oregon," the governor said, "it seems certain that some of them are going to come home in a disabled condition and for a time many of them will be unable to care for themselves. We must prepare to meet that condition."

Activities of the state council of defense must also be supported, Governor Withycombe says, and this must come in for consideration when the question of raising money is taken up.

"Before any meetings are called," said the governor, "I want to decide in my own mind about how much money is going to be needed above the constitutional limitations to meet these several needs. Section 2, chapter 150, session of laws of 1917, was called to my attention yesterday by Attorney General Brown and it seems to throw the way open for the state tax commission to get the desired measure on the ballot."

We Must Vacate Our Corner Store by August 1st As we have rented it to other parties Buy Now and Save Big Money

Table with columns: MUSLIN UNDERWEAR, LACES, HOUSE DRESSES, LACE CURTAINS. Lists various items and prices.

EVEN WOOLEN DRESS GOODS At REDUCED PRICES EXTREME VALUE GIVING TAKE ADVANTAGE



Revelations of a Wife The Story of a Honeymoon A Wonderful Romance of Married Life Wonderfully Told by ADELE GARRISON

CHAPTER 30 Why Madge Barricaded Her Bedroom Door I have always prided myself on not knowing what fear is, but never again can I boast in that direction. The queer sound at the keyhole of the living room which I heard shortly after midnight of the evening when Dicky had gone to Lillian Gale's affair after a bitter quarrel with me left me weak as a baby.

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