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SONG OF THE AVIATOR

(This poem was written for an entertainment given by the Y. M. C. A. at an aviation barracks in a large camp in France. Mrs. Wilcox addressed 500 aviators.)

You may thrill with the speed of your thoroughbred steed,
You may laugh with delight as you ride the ocean,
You may rush afar in your touring car,
Leaping, swooping by things that are creeping—
But you never will know the joy of motion
Till you rise up over the earth some day
And soar like an eagle, away—away—
High and higher, above each spire,
With the best to sight is the tallest steeple,
With the wind you chase in a vallant race,
Looping, swooping, where mountains are grouping,
Hailing them comrades, in place of people,
Oh, vast is the rapture the bird-man knows
As into the ether he mounts and soars,
He is over the sphere of human fear,
He has come into touch with things supernal,
At each man's gate death stands awaiting,
And doing living were better than lying,
In sick beds crying for life eternal,
Better to fly half way to God
Than to burrow too long like a worm in the sod.
—Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

HOW MUCH LONGER?

THE United States senate has once more taken a recess from its treaty cares and, with less than a week of one year since the armistice was signed, still is far from through with the ratification. Great Britain has signed and now France has signed and now Japan has signed. Technically, perfected and January 1

war still exists between the United States and Germany.

Congress, or at least the senate, has made of the peace treaty a partisan matter. With the mass of the people ratification is beyond the stage of a party issue. The people are realizing that the United States is losing something by the giving to other nations the head start in reconstruction. The senate, by playing now, is paying the way for the nation to pay later.

As an example of how big business looks upon the delay in the senate, the financial review issued by Henry Clews, New York banker, may be quoted:

Work during the past month has carried the process of ratification of the treaty of peace further toward practical completion abroad, while the United States still refrains from expressing itself definitely one way or the other. The progress that has been made enables foreign countries to begin the task of settling down upon a peace basis and of determining what they must do in the way of taxation and borrowing in order to re-establish themselves. In the course of this process very considerable demands are likely to be brought to bear upon the United States and much of the financing of the next few months will inevitably be connected with the problem of exports and the making of provision for the needs of foreign countries.

ATHENAS NEW BANK.

ONE of the best evidences of the prosperity of Athena is the decision of a dozen or more of its prominent farmers to establish a new bank. Their organization has progressed to the stage where incorporation is about to be

should see the institution in operation.

The golden returns from wheat have made possible the second institution in the east end city. Virtually all of the capital initially invested is wheat money and the organizers show confidence in their garden spot to keep their bank growing.

Athena is due for a revival. It has been brewing for quite some time. A bank is a great factor in a revival for it has a compensating influence. Those who are entering the venture will be better farmers and better businessmen for their having taken up banking. The banking fraternity in Umatilla county will be better for having men of their type as associates. The county is proud to have its fourteenth bank and Athena is to be congratulated on choosing for itself the honor.

Massachusetts set a good precedent for 47 other states in its election of a "law and order" governor Tuesday. Governor Coolidge showed the reds that the country is not yet theirs and the solid majority which swung for him a state whose very texture is industrial was reassuring.

You'll have to hand it to young T. R. Election day brought him a seat in the New York assembly and his fourth child, a son. When it comes to politics and race suicide he's a chip off the old block, so it seems.

DEMOCRATIC EXECUTIVE WINS IN HOTTEST RACE

BALTIMORE, Nov. 6.—Albert Ritchie, democratic candidate for governor was apparently elected in Tuesday's election by the narrowest margin in the history of Maryland.

Uniforms Come. UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Nov. 6.—Olive drab uniforms for the R. O. T. C. men, complete except for overcoats, have been received by the university. After Friday all men in this organization, which includes freshmen and sophomores not excused from military drill, will be expected to appear in uniform. The overcoats are expected later.

AROUND THE WORLD WITH THE AMERICAN RED CROSS. Home Service.



One of the finest constructive activities of the American Red Cross in the war was Home Service in the United States, the friendly connecting link between the soldier far from home and his loved ones. This branch of the work which under the peace program of the Red Cross will be expanded to benefit all who need the assistance it can provide, is directed by scientifically trained social workers. Since instituted Home Service has assisted 600,000 soldiers' and sailors' families. This photograph shows one of the innumerable Home Service information bureaus where service men and their families could bring their problems for solution.

Baby Violet

Booher looks sweet and happy, and very much interested in whatever may happen next in her little world—quite as if she realizes that she is a perfect baby.

Violet was declared to be a perfect English baby at recent baby show in London. She was born in Ottawa, Canada, is two years old and weighs 31 1-2 pounds.

The baby was photographed on her arrival from England aboard the steamship Vaughn.



BABY VIOLET BOOHER

Fund Oversubscribed. MEDFORD, Nov. 6.—Jackson county went over the top in the Roosevelt memorial drive with a total of \$750, which will be increased when Ashland and other sections of the county report.

Spokane Pastor Called. FREEWATER, Nov. 6.—The Rev. G. C. Wales of the Corben Park Congregational church at Spokane has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Freewater Federated church. He will commence his new duties about Nov. 22.

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