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Insisted on Showing His Patriotism.

He was full of patriotism, was the elderly man walking up State street the other evening, and it is possible that an unprejudiced observer might have suspected that he had taken something else aboard during the hours just past. At any rate, he was most patriotic and the sight of a sturdy doughboy gladdened his wandering eyes. The boy was acting as convoy to two maidens fair and wasn't particularly anxious to be sorted out for hero decoration at that moment, but the elderly man was not to be denied. He took off his cap with a flourish worthy the days of chivalry; he loudly proclaimed his everlasting obligation and appreciation of the courageous soldiery that saved the world; he insisted on shaking hands, not once but three at least, with the young man whom he called "Th' savior of th' country"—and he looked at the girls as if he thought his patriotism, expressed and partially understood, entitled him to an introduction to them. The doughboy made his escape as quickly as he could, blushing exceedingly. And as he went along he confided to the girls: "Gee, I wish I would have got overseas as easy as the old geezer got half seas over."—Hartford Courant.

The Knightly Pledge.

"Wats this Knights Commander of the Bath decoration they're hanging onto our generals over in England?" asked one wounded doughboy of another.

"Hub!" exclaimed his companion from Tennessee. "Reckon that must be th' prohibition division of the British service. All they gets to drink is the two well-known waters—hot and cold."

Not Exactly.

"Mother," said a small girl, after contemplating her baby brother for some time, "was I a baby once?"

"Yes, dear; we were all babies once."

"You and daddy, mother?"

"Yes."

"And grandfather?"

"Yes, of course!"

"What, mother?" exclaimed the child incredulously, "with that beard!"

China After Industries.

Chinese government agents have been sent to several countries to study the manufacture of telegraph and telephone equipment with a view to producing all such apparatus at home.



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GRATEFUL FOR ONE THING

Soldier Might Have Seen Good in Other Changes, but Not in That Last Greeting.

The man who had volunteered his life for his country came back from the western front. His experience had completely changed him. He carried within the sense of an entirely new world.

He went to Washington. He heard the speech of a senator. He saw the lobbyists consorting together. He wanted something, and he waited for it in vain.

"It is the same old crowd," he said. He met the girl he loved—with another fellow. She told him that she still loved him and that the only reason she was with the other fellow was because she was lonesome for him.

"It's the same old girl," he said. He traveled on a railroad. The guard was surly. The train was late. The food was poor. The rate was nearly double.

"It's the same old transportation—only worse," he said.

He reached his home town. He was met by a delegation and a band. Within two weeks four of his neighbors had gotten the best of him, another borrowed half his pay, and at the end of a month when he walked down Main street no one knew him because he was broke.

He went back home. There was a woman waiting for him on the doorstep.

"My baby hero!" she said.

And putting his arms around her, he replied:

"Same old mother—thank God!"—Thomas L. Masson in New York Evening Post.

GOT THE WRONG IMPRESSION

Grandfather Was Convinced His Pet Had Joined the Church, and Rejoiced Accordingly.

She is a newspaper woman and her grandfather formerly was a local preacher of circuit fame. He is very much interested in her religious state and worries because she does not attend church every Sunday night.

The other evening she went to a church to write a story about the new organ, the purchase of which had been made possible by her stories in the paper. So she took grandfather with her, knowing that while he could not hear much of the services, still he would enjoy being in the church.

At the close of the sermon came a surprise for the newspaper woman. The minister announced: "Miss S., who wrote the stories which brought the money for our organ, is with us to-

night and I would like for her to come up in front so that all of us may see her and shake her hand."

Grandfather saw his grandchild advance to the front of the church and also saw the people begin shaking her hand. He had not heard a word the minister had said, but still he had the memory of camp meeting days to inform him of what was happening. They convinced him that his granddaughter had joined the church and with handshaking the people were welcoming her into the fold. So he did his part. He rose to his feet and began shouting at the top of his voice.

—Indianapolis News.

Power From Ocean Tides.

So far such little power as has been abstracted from ocean tides has been insignificant. The rise and fall of the tides is not very great, even though it does amount to 70 feet in some places, and hence if any considerable power is to be obtained basins of large area must be used.

By damming the bay at Mont St. Michel in France, where the tide rises about 45 feet, it is estimated that enough power may be obtained to operate half of the industries of France. A French engineer with vast powers of imagination has conceived the idea of building dikes across the channel and across the Thames estuary to form two large tidal basins which may be used alternately to furnish a continuous supply of power.

Shelves Are Fireproof.

Not a stick of wood is used in two fireproof houses being built in England as an experiment, says an illustrated article in Popular Mechanics magazine. Concrete and steel are used exclusively, the floors being of jointless composition with rounded corners, while window frames, trimmings, doors, staircases, and even the cupboard shelves are of steel. The cottages are fitted with every modern improvement and are said to have excellent similar dwellings of wood or brick, both in time and cost of construction.

About the Weather.

In Fairfax county, near the old home of George Washington, a woodcutter without friends died the other day. At the funeral services there was no one to make an address. Volunteers were asked for, and when, after a few minutes, no one responded, a newcomer, who hailed from the Pacific coast, rose and said:

"Well, if nobody else has anything to say, I'd like to drop a few remarks on the remarkable health-giving properties of California weather."

Not a Handicap.

The Americans were not handicapped on the western front by their slight knowledge of the French language. As a matter of fact it was definitely proved—to the German disadvantage—that the American soldiers could shoot in any old language.—London Tit-Bits.

Dennis Merrill left this morning for Seattle on a business trip for a few

days.
Visits at Salem—

J. F. Mayberry of North Albany of the city, went to Salem this morning and his daughter, Mrs. W. D. Morris, to visit relatives and friends.

Today Telephone Properties Are Returned

After a year of Federal Control the telephone property, which makes up the Bell telephone system, is today returned to its owners by the United States Government.

While the property has been properly maintained, it is not the same property which the Government took over on August 1, 1918. It is not as adequate for its job or as well manned as it was; that it is not is in no way the fault of Federal control which was eminently fair. It is due to causes for which neither the Government nor the Companies are to blame. A year ago today we were at war. Labor and materials needed for both telephone operation and construction were turned to military uses. Some materials were so vital to the carrying on of the war that even the work of providing telephone facilities for the Government was retarded and no part of them could be spared for the commercial telephone purposes. No less vital was the Government need for those skilled to create, maintain and operate the vast intercommunication systems necessary in modern warfare and in the conduct of the vastly increased Government services.

Thousands of telephone men were already at the battle front. Thousands more were under arms, and still telephone experts and skilled operators went into the service of the Government and contributory industries by the tens of thousands. The reserves of plant and equipment were drawn upon until they were entirely used up, and the experienced staff was gradually depleted. To find others to take the place of those who had gone was difficult; to train them takes time. During the year came Victory and the armistice, and instantly the business world sprang into intense activity. The demands for telephone service passed all former records. To replace the exhausted reserves which had been carried for just such purposes and to replace the skilled forces to meet this unprecedented emergency there began a rush for construction, for readjustment, for high pressure repairs, for feverish extensions. All these must be continued with increasing effort. The return of the property comes in the very midst of this race between an overpowering demand and an upbuilding of a system whose growth was held back and whose forces were scattered by the vital needs of war.

Much progress has been made in the upbuilding of this system, but far more is still required to meet the swift growth of business; and also to give 'first aid' to every other business and every other service struggling against an unprecedented demand. The prosperity which creates this emergency in service creates also a scarcity of those desiring employment in the service. Under such conditions telephone service generally has not been and could not be up to the pre-war standard. It is beyond human power to immediately overcome the handicap which the situation imposes. There are no people in any public or private endeavor who are working tirelessly or strenuously for the common good than those of the telephone companies. Service has always been given, more of it must be given, and it must be improved. That improvement in some cases will take months. Eventually service must win the race with demand.

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