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EVERYBODY'S CONCERN

"With the Quarrels of Europe we have nothing to do," said President Wilson once upon a time, trying to persuade himself and the public that what both hoped for was true, and America would be able to keep out of the conflict. But irresistible events soon swept away all such laissez-faire

The world-tide swept America into European intervention. America could not let Europe alone because Europe would not, and could not, let America alone.

"Russian affairs," said Lloyd George a few weeks ago, "are not the concern of the western allies."

But Russian affairs have made themselves the concern of the western allies. Lenine is clearing all interior and southern Russia of his foes. Armed Bolshevism is pushing far into Siberia and threatening India, and pressing against all confines on the east, south and west, and looming up as a genuine world-menace.

Wherefore the supreme allied council in Paris, with Lloyd George concurring, has decided to take notice of Bolshevism. The peril is not to be fought openly by armed force, but by subterfuge, through the lifting of the economic blockade and the sending of food and other necessaries to the Russian peasants. With the basic wants of the Russian people cared for, it is hoped that they may be weaned away from Bolshevism.

The plan may work, or it may not. The incident, however, serves to emphasize once more the big fact of the present-day world, that no nation lives unto itself or dies unto itself, but that the affairs of every nation are the concern of every other nation.

Western chipyards have been accused of robbing the government of \$1,000,000,000 on ship contracts. Without seeking to awaken undue sympathy for Pacific Coast malefactors, but solely in the interest of truth and sanity, one may rise to remark that there hasn't been much more than \$1,000,000,000 spent by the federal Shipping Board alto- United States has joined Turkey, the \$1,000,000,000 spent by the federal Shipping Board united States has joined fulled, the gether, and the eastern shippards, which are not included in the scandal, have had most of it.

United States has joined fulled, the parish among nations, in remaining outside the United States of the world—alone

Hiram Johnson of California may be wrong about some with Germany. things, but he is everlastingly right when he warns the Althings, but he is everlastingly right when he warns the Al-bany legislature that "if you can exclude Socialists in New tives in the senate, who defy the popu-York today, tomorrow you may exclude Republicans in Mis- lar mandate and refuse to act. - Capi sissippi and Democrats in Pennsylvania.

"You have been looking at Mexico through a keyhole," complains a Mexican representative to an American senator. Come and convince yourself of the real situation." Really though, it seems much safer looking through the keyhole.

Another evidence of getting down to constructive work is a moving picture offer of \$550,000 for the Dempsey-Carpenter fight.

Any citizen who wants to come safely through this year's campaign had better keep his political gas mask ready.

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ТНЕ ЕСНО

By Rev. Guy Fitch Phelps

Heart of the heart of the heart of me, Deep as the pearls in the deepest sea, What are you seeking to say to me? Tears of the roses or breath of the balm? Passion of morning or science of calm? Gleam on the water or moan of the bay? What are you trying forever to say? Truer than ever my hates can be, Heart of the heart of the heart of me?

Singers may die but their songs will live on, Prophecy holds when the prophets are gone; Fingers which stray o'er the light strings awaking Memories of that which the lone heart is breaking, Waftures of joy in the wondrous re-taking. Martyrs whose tears are to-day's cloud of sorrow, Iris the bow of fulfilment to-morrow.

Better that man should meet man as his brother, Better than scorning and mangling each other; Better than drinking the blood that is spilling From the veins of the man our injustice is killing; Wise to take healing nards into the hand; Kind to sow myrtles and palms o'er the land; Wisdom forbids we should cause much regretting; Mercy invites us to constant forgetting. Mercy invites us to constant forgetting. Are these the things you invite me to see Heart of the heart of the heart of me?

Far in the palace of opal and gold,
Tell me the things which have never been told.
Shake from my brain and my spirit the clod,
Link me to being which links me to God,
Tell me the plan and the purpose of old.
Voices deceive me and envies disgrace,
Writing a lie on the brow of the race
Fixing a devil's name into each face;
O, take my wounds to the healings of thee,
Heart of the heart of the heart of me,

Deeper than pitiful pitiful pain, Deep as the graves of the things we have slain, Is there not faith in the innermost core? Is there not love which loves on evermore?
Are there not angels unwaked from their dream,
Waiting for aye for the blaze of the beam
Of the hope and the truth and the pardon and prayer
Too holy, too true for the touch of despair? Lips may have issues out-living their breath; Kindness rests under no sentence of death; Art, imitation, and wealth may beguile, Living as God is the soul of a smile. Leap to life's surface clean togaed and free, Heart of the heart of the heart of me.

Comment of the State Press

Snappy Gleanings from the Press of the Valley

an actuality, without America, who won the war, to establish it. The among the belligerents still at war

The fault is not that of the Ameri tol Journal.

Worse Than Treason-

If government investigators can sight of prove their statements that ship-rodents.

builders of the Pacific Coast defrauded their government of millions of dollars through the payment of false vouchers, there ought to be a prose-cution that will place those responsible in institutions provided for criminals dangerous to the public safety. Astoria Budget.

Australian Ballot-

For 30 years, Oregon has had the Australian ballot in its purest form. Through its operation Oregon has been pretty thoroughly cleansed of gangsters, ring rule, political bosses. ward heelers and corruptionists. The fame of the state for pure government has become nation-wide. That repute along with the great war record for the commonwealth has been a source of congratulation to the Oregon citizenry. The legislature of Oregon alone, remains as the one place in which representative government is discredited and debauched.—Oregon Journal.

Tame snakes are used in Morocco to clear houses of rats and mice. The sight of a snake seems to terrify the

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