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## A CHEERING ANNIVERSARY.

It is according to the eternal fitness of things that the overwhelming defeat the kaiser has met on the Marne front comes on the anniversary of the war begun by him in his dream of world conquest. At all points along this front the Germans are in full retreat, met and whipped hopelessly. It is four years since they overrun Belgium and made what they believed to be an irresistible drive on Paris. Then they had no doubt as to the outcome and marched ahead certain of victory. Their confidence was only exceeded by their arrogance, which was shown in their violation of all rules of civilized warfare, their inhuman treatment of the civilian population and their wanton destruction of property. They thought then they were invincible, and that they never could be called to account for their crimes. They have had a long period of successes, but it has come to an end, and they now find themselves the hares instead of the hounds, retreating before a superior enemy—superior in spirit and determination—and they find the game very different. The British and French have driven them out of their stronghold at Soissons and the Americans have pushed five miles through their defenses. Everywhere along the line burning villages and destroyed munitions mark their line of flight. It is almost a rout, and may yet be so determined. The indications are that the retreat will not be stopped until the Aisne is crossed, and they are back at the position from which they started the drive which was to have brought victory and peace according to the hopes held out to the soldiers and the people at home. Instead the worst defeat they have met has overtaken them and all they have accomplished by their drive is the loss of a half million men, and great stores of supplies and munitions. More than that they have lost confidence, and have learned that the boasted super-man is not a German. They now face not only the power of America, but rejuvenated and heartened armies whose fighting powers have been doubled by the backing of America, and the hope, now becoming a reality of certain victory, and the end of the terrible conflict they have so grandly faced under conditions which before America entered the war had grown almost hopeless. It is not only America the kaiser must face but this spiritual force that has taken sides with the French and British. It is a great anniversary, though the Germans will hardly look at it that way.

Anyway, circulation keeps booming even if the government is using all its influence to keep many lines of business from advertising in the newspapers. Those who still have the business sense to stay in the advertising columns of the newspapers will reap a greater benefit from the expenditure than ever before because much advertising competition has been eliminated and circulations are greater than ever before, presumably on account of the demand for war news. The Daily Capital Journal, for instance, in spite of the most drastic pruning of its lists in accordance with government instructions finds its daily average (backed by the Audit Bureau of Circulations) to be well above 4,700 at the present time—and growing steadily. It is the loss of advertising due to the operations of half-baked food administrators and fellows of that class that hurts the newspapers—and that in spite of the fact that the government never needed the newspapers so badly in all its existence before as it does at the present time!

England is already beginning to worry as to what policy shall be pursued after the war in commercial lines. The right time to cross a river is when you reach it, and it would seem England is beginning to worry some time in advance of the occasion for it.

The dispatches say Hindenburg is using every endeavor to avoid pockets. The last one he got into somehow did not please him, and he is doing some hard fighting to get out of it. It is no wonder he does not want to get out of it. It is no wonder he does not want to

## FOUR YEARS OF WAR.

As generally counted the war began four years ago today. It was on that date Germany declared war on France. Austria had declared war on Serbia six days before; and Germany had declared war on Russia August first and invaded Luxemburg. So just why August third is fixed upon as the beginning of the war is one of the things nobody knows. Four years ago the German armies were ready to enter Belgium, doing so on the seventh. Then they were confident of another such a victory as that at Sedan, and a quick and victorious termination of the war. Belgium prevented their plans carrying, her heroic resistance giving the French barely time to get forces together to stop the victorious march at the Marne. That was the first German reverse, and as the anniversary of that battle approaches another disaster has overtaken the kaiser's forces at the same place. It is safe to say no what the Germans have been on the Marne for the last time, for forces she cannot hope to combat successfully have been brought against them, and from this on they will fight a defensive war. That they will make new offensives is certain, and it is equally certain that those offensives will result in being beaten back further and still further until the end comes. The fifth year of the war opens under favorable auspices and the fighting indicates what the final result must be.

The government is in urgent need of platinum, but is taking no steps to get it from the country's mines. Coos and Curry county and a northern county or two of California contain about all the platinum, so far as known, in this country. Most of this is in the black sands of the coast and on Rogue river and some others of southern Oregon. The government would be doing a good stroke of business to send an expert miner or two to that region along with a man of the mechanical genius sort, to see what could be done in the way of mining these sands. There is an abundance of platinum there if it could be saved, but this owing to its being disseminated through a mass of some two dozen minerals all of great specific gravity, its saving along with the fine gold associated with it is a difficult task. If some mechanical genius or some chemist can find a way for handling these sands so the platinum can be saved, the government needs could all be supplied from this source. It would cost but a few thousand dollars to do some experimenting along this line and it would be money well expended.

Owing to unfavorable weather and the attacks of insects the grain crop of the coast will be considerably short of government estimates, but still more than twenty million bushels more than last year. The potato crop will also be short of last year, according to government estimates perhaps ten million bushels. Other crops generally are about the ten year average.

There are a million fighting Yankees in France, and we repeat that Hindenburg can't marshal enough Germans to stop them if they are turned loose and ordered to take Berlin.

The boys are marching straight to Berlin.

## Rippling Rhymes

by Walt Mason

COMING BACK.

The gray haired men are coming back, for duty they're enrolled, the men who one time got the hack because they were too old. The younger men have gone to fight and shake the tyrants' thrones, and there is need for every wight who has ten finger bones. And now the gent with wintry locks may vindicate his claim that Osler's much exploited talks were but a sin and shame. "Young blood" for years has been the cry, in every busy mart; the gray haired man might go and die, or wilt and break his heart. The gray haired man has made his roar, for justice he has called; they shooed him off from every door, because his head was bald. And now he has the wished for chance to show he's good as wheat; now he may conquer circumstance and get there with both feet. Old prejudice he'll trample flat, and show he's good as new, and he will prove that Osler's hat was used for talkin' through. The old boy leaves his easy chair, his slippers and his books; his coattails flapping in the air, he's doing things, gadzooks!

### SCHOONER IS SUNK.

Washington, Aug. 3.—A schooner was reported sunk by a submarine at 11:35 a. m. yesterday, 35 miles west-southwest of Briar Island, near the coast of Nova Scotia, the navy department announced today. This report was brought in by nine survivors in a dory, who landed at Gannet Rock. The navy department's advices said the men reported a submarine 200 feet long was responsible, taking provisions off the vessel and then setting it afire. Naval patrol vessels are seeking to catch up with the trail of the submarine.

### DOWN 29 PLANES

London, Aug. 3.—Twenty nine German airplanes were destroyed and nine others forced down out of control during the bombing and fighting operations, the British air ministry reported yesterday. Only five British machines failed to return.

Whether this is the same vessel which

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## The Woman Who Changed

By JANE PHELPS

### BABY'S FIRST OUTING.

CHAPTER CALVI.  
The first time I was able to take my baby out, I was so proud and excited that George declared if I didn't behave, he wouldn't let me go, that he and Kenneth would go without me. I suppose every mother thinks her baby the sweetest, prettiest baby in the world. I am sure I would have scorned the idea that there ever could be so pretty a man as my little brown-eyed Kenneth. I think George felt exactly as I did, even if he did make fun of me. We stopped at Evelyn's on our way home. Kurt's mother was there, and while agreeing that Kenneth was all that was desirable in so young a child, she warned me not to give up all my time to the baby. "Young wives with their first babies are apt to forget that they have a husband, or that they owe it to themselves not to neglect other duties. Don't fall into that error. Love and care for your baby all you want to; but remember that Mr. Howard has some rights also." I was astonished to have her talk so to me. She had made such a fuss over Evelyn's baby. But when I spoke to Evelyn about it, some days later, she said her mother-in-law had talked just the same to her—that she had cautioned her not to neglect Kurt, or her home and social duties. When I repeated what she had said to George, he retorted: "She's a very level-headed woman. Because you love Kenneth, it is no reason why you should stop loving me." "Why—wherever heard of such a thing! 'Stop loving you'—that's not what she said. She meant not giving you as much time as before and—"

"Well I said it, and I do not intend to be shoved aside for that young rascal. Remember that, please, Mrs. Howard!" His tone was light, but I had a feeling that he really meant what he said. "FOOLISH DEVOTION." As the months passed and my boy grew more interesting, I could scarcely drag myself away from him. He was so cunning, and he seemed to love me so dearly. He satisfied that longing for expressed affection that I had felt since my marriage. He was such an affectionate little fellow. "I am glad he is affectionate," I said to Evelyn. "Why?" "Oh, George is so undemonstrative, and it is hard for a woman to take everything for granted when she is married to a man who never shows that he cares."

"Don't marry that baby off just yet!" she laughed, then, "I'll bet a pair of gloves that Mr. Howard cares just as much for you as if he made a fuss over you, Helen. I have seen him look at you with such a proud sort of look in his eyes."

"I know—occasionally. When a please him he does look that way, and once in a while he acts loving. But I would give anything in the world if he was like Kurt, and would give me a bear hug, and dance me around the room kissing and teasing me as I have seen Kurt do with you. Sometimes I fairly ache to have him do something like that. I don't mind so much now that I have the baby, tho. When I want to be loved and petted, I just hug him so I almost hurt him, and he loves me back in the same way, his little arms tight around my neck."

"You are worse than I was when Helen was his age. You are perfectly foolish over him. If he isn't spoiled, it won't be your fault."

"I'll be strict with him when he gets older."

"I see you being strict with him. That's a joke!" Evelyn returned with a laugh.

"DISTURBING THOUGHTS." I wondered, after she left, if I was foolish to be so entirely devoted to my baby. I concluded I was not; that he was MY baby, and I was going to

be just as silly as I wanted to—if it was silly.

Then one evening as I sat alone sewing on a dainty dress for him—I loved to make his clothes—it came to me with a sort of shock that George was again staying out or going out nearly every evening. He had remained home with me often, in the months before baby came, and afterward he had not gone out as frequently as had been his custom when we were first married. I dropped my work. Where was he? WHY had he begun to again spend his evenings away from home and—She was married and lived in Chicago. Was there someone else? Had he found some other entertaining woman with whom he now spent the time he used to devote to her? The thought was disturbing.

I tried to sew again, but found I could not put my mind on my work, so took up a magazine and tried to read. I glanced at the clock. It was a little after eleven. I must go to bed. He would not like it if I was waiting up for him. He had become a habit, since baby came, to go to bed very early unless we had guests or had gone out. I recalled that I had no idea what time George had been coming in. I had been tired and gone directly to sleep.

But altho I went to bed I could not sleep. I tossed and tumbled until after one o'clock. When finally I dropped into an uneasy, restless sleep, George had not yet come in. To-morrow—Plain Talk.

## Ball Championship Series In U. S. Navy

Great Lakes, Ill., Aug. 3.—The first game of a series of three for the baseball championship of the navy was to be played here this afternoon between the Great Lakes team and a club representing the Atlantic fleet. Rabbit Maraville and Del Gainer are members of the Atlantic, Red Faber, White Sox hero of the last world's series, was billed to pitch for Great Lakes.

### Jim Dundee Wins

San Francisco, Aug. 3.—Jimmy Dundee of Oakland was given the verdict over Harry Pelsinger at Dreamland rink here last night in a four round speed session.

### Athletic Carnival

San Francisco, Aug. 2.—One of the largest athletic carnivals ever held on the coast will be held here this after-

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Besides boxing, foot racing and numerous other athletic events, there will be a ball game between the army and navy. Rixey or Lovrenz will hurl for the army, Ehmkle or Earl Hamilton will pitch for the navy.

### NEGRO INCITED REVOLT

Fresno, Cal., Aug. 3.—E. P. Fisher, wealthy negro rancher of Fresno county, will go on trial before federal Judge Trippett here Monday, charged with having attempted to foment a negro revolt.

It is alleged, Fisher offered California negroes \$5 a day to enlist in a negro army for a revolt against the United States government. He also is accused of making seditious utterances.

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