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A REAL SKY ROCKET.

One reason why we should all fix our eyes earnestly upon the peace conference is that one good American sang the "Star Spangled Banner" so much during the war that even in his sleep he dreamed of the "rocket's red glare," and has finally perfected a rocket which has an altitude range of 70 miles and a distance range of 200.

It is said to be the most efficient rocket ever developed. No cannon is required to fire it any more than one of the Fourth of July kind, and it carries explosives enough to make "Big Bertha" look like a child's toy.

It is high time we were done with war—Yes, 70 miles is too high.

ERZBERGER THEN—AND NOW.

What a difference being the upper or under dog makes in the reasoning of some people. Today Mathias Erzberger, member of the German armistice commission, is declaring that there is a great danger of the Germans refusing the peace terms on the ground that they are unjustly harsh and severe, in fact, he has expressed himself as opposed to accepting a peace such as the Paris conference is preparing.

Without taking into consideration our own views as to what terms would be deserving for a nation that threw practically the entire civilized world into bloody warfare, it is interesting to review what Erzberger had in mind as peace terms for the allies when Germany had the up-

RIPPLING RHYMES

By Walt Mason

WAR BOOKS.

I'm tired of your stories of sorrow, of bones and helmets of tin, and so I am going to borrow a book that will kick up a grin. Perhaps you will say I am callous, a hard-hearted fellow, indeed, on seeing me breaking a gallus to find something funny to read. But I am so tired of the trenches, of charges and bugles and horns! A book on such topics just wrenches my system clear down to my corns. I'm tired of the kings and the colonels, I'm tired of the traitor and spy; I'm sick of the translated journals which harrow my soul till I cry. I've sighed till I'm weary of sighing, I've wept till I'm weary of brine; and so, all conventions defying, I ask for some humor in mine. The years have been slow and distressing, the sad years of sorrow and wrong; to laugh is a joy and a blessing, when we have been solemn so long. The most of the warbooks are lemons, they're bloody and gloomy and vain; so hand me some stories by Clemens, who's known to the rabble as Twain. And even old Joshua Billings, or Artemus Charlie Brown Ward, are better than stories of killings, and corpses heaped up by the cord. I've wept till my weeper is weary, I've sobbed till my sobber is sore; so lend me a book that is cheery, that isn't all sticky with gore.

per hand in 1914. During the first months of the war Erzberger was asked to recommend some points which Germany should include in the treaty to be offered the Allies when "Paris had been taken." Here are a few of his suggestions:

Reimbursement of Germany for all war damages and all state debts, eighty per cent of which were due to army and navy expenses.

Payment of a \$1,000,000,000 pension fund by the Allies.

Restoration of all commercial cables and stations commandeered by the Allies following the outbreak of the war.

Payment of rewards to victorious generals for exceptional services.

Payment of funds by the Allies to improve living conditions in Germany.

Someone has said that it takes a woman to make a man realize how small he really is. Wonder if the "Famous Thirty-seven" senators have yet heard from the Daughters of the American Revolution, who recently passed a resolution endorsing the League of Nations and recommending that criticism of the league be withheld until after the peace delegates have completed their work.

The fact that our quota of the Victory loan has been under-written does not make it any less the duty of our people to take their share in the loan. Those who have the money to do so should come forward without solicitation and loan it to their government.

What's in a name? Among the Wild Westerners who have returned to the United States from the battle fields of France during the past week was one officer upon whose sleeve appeared nine wound stripes. His name was Captain James Fortune.

With the return of Springtime comes the perennial rumor that Jess Willard will fight again.

Salem went over the top first of any city in the state. Not such a slow old capital city!

THE PROMOTER'S WIFE

BY JANE PHELPS

MR. FREDERICK AGAIN AROUSES BARBARA'S DISTRUST.

CHAPTER LXXIII

I hurried down to greet my guest. I thought I detected a look of something very near pity in his eyes, a halting in his speech and manner unusual to him. I wanted to ask: "What do you know? Did you go to Blanche Orton's?" Instead of which I used the trite greeting of society:

"Good morning, Mr. Frederick! This is so good of you to give me so much of your time. I know you are a busy man, and seldom in New York," offering my hand.

"It is a great pleasure to be allowed to see you—the greatest I have," he replied as he released my hand.

"For a moment we both seemed tongue-tied. Then with his usual straightforward almost brusque manner he said:

"I dined with Mr. Forbes last night—at Mrs. Orton's. Scott was there and others."

"Yes—what others? Any one I know?" I asked eagerly when he paused a moment.

"That I do not know. Some of them I hope you do not claim as acquaintances. It was quite a large party. And—"

"Were there any other women there besides Mrs. Orton?" Something in his manner had aroused my suspicions.

"Yes, two others. Very charming women, very beautifully dressed but not your sort at all—not Mr. Forbes' sort either. You have no reason to be distressed upon that score. They were invited, I imagine, to help entertain Thompson and Lane perhaps Scott, although he paid them very little attention. Then there was Connor and Teale."

"Connor—Teale—do I know them? Their names sound familiar?"

"I don't think you have met them—in fact I am sure from something that was said that you have not. You may have heard your husband mention them."

"Do you mind telling me what was said to lead you to think I did not know them?" He flushed before he answered:

"I do mind, yet I think I will tell

you. They intimated that you were too highbrow for them. Nothing against you surely," he smiled, "rather in your favor."

"Please tell me if there was anything I should know. I am sure Lorraine was mistaken, that Mr. Powers must have listened to some man who is jealous of Neil's success. He is very young, and has gone ahead of many much older in a business way. I am positively convinced he has done nothing wrong—at least either intentionally or knowingly."

"Your faith is—well, is what might be expected of you. But I am afraid I shall have to hurt you. I am a plain man you know, I never learned to camouflage my words. But even if I hurt you I shall also help you—if I can, before it is possible to help you know."

I felt myself trembling, growing faint and weak with apprehension. What had he found out? What had Neil done?

"Please tell me everything you know."

"Well, in the first place, Mr. Forbes does know that some of his schemes will not stand daylight. Not all of them, of course, Connor and Teale are men absolutely devoid of conscience. They are the kind who would take the last penny a widow or orphan had and give them a fancy engraved certificate for it—and that is all they would give. No one can have them as associates and not have straight business men afraid of them."

"But I thought they put in money themselves—into things like Mr. Scott, and others."

"No, they are promoters pure and simple. Their job is to get the other fellow's money. Fellows like Scott and Thompson, another rich man they have on the string. Both Scott and Thompson are fond of women, and are gamblers. That is why they are easily duped. The women are provided, also the game. It sounds raw as I tell it. But as I told you I cannot camouflage words. The food is excellent, as well as the wine. But the servants in that house must talk. Although Mrs. Orton assured me they did not."

"What do you think of Mrs. Or-

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ton?" Would he tell me the truth, what he thought of her connection with Neil (Tomorrow—A Confidential Conversation.)

"Battle Of The Argonne" To Be Reproduced Before Tacoma Crowds July 4

Tacoma, Wash., April 18.—As a part

of the program for the Northwest Peace Jubilee here the week of July 4, the

"Battle of the Argonne" will be reproduced at the Tacoma speedway with 1500 soldiers from Camp Lewis. The battle will be in miniature of course and will be shown for two days—July 3 and July 5. The auto races are on the fourth.

Colonel Harvey J. Miller, of the First infantry, will have charge of the men and the plan of action will be worked out by five officers, all of whom have

seen action in France.

Some of the features promised in the spectacle will be a charge "over the top"; barrage fire by camouflaged artillery; an observation balloon and an aeroplane; machine gun fire and cleaning out machine gun nests; amonances taking back the "wounded" and all the outstanding features of modern warfare including a smoke cloud.

Nelson J. Cochran, who crossed the plains to Oregon in 1847, is dead at Brownsville.

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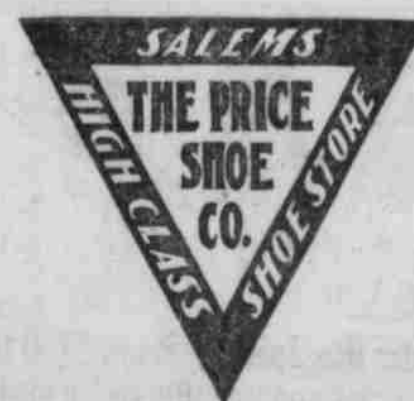
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