



Courierettes.

SOME of these years they'll have to dredge the Kiel Canal, and then where will they put the fleet?

Alabama is talking of prohibition. The folks from Missouri say it sounds like moonshine.

Many of the grand opera stars are now in the movies. We will now be able to enjoy our grand opera in silence.

Teddy Roosevelt says he is thinking of the country. But the question is—what does he think of it?

Those Mexican chaps would prefer to fight for peace and good government rather than have it given to them.

The wise ball player won't drink, but he likes to see the bases full when he comes to bat.

Another big spot has appeared on the sun. Perhaps this is the place in Old Sol that the Teutons are after.

They trampled on the Stars and Stripes in Mexico, and Uncle Sam would have sent another note there if he had known to whom he could address it.

A Brooklyn widow advertised for a perfect husband. Well, she is probably like the rest of us, asking for more than our deserts.

A scientific study of farm conditions across the line reveals the fact that farmers' wives are often embarrassed for lack of money. Occasionally the farmer is likewise.

The Bull Moosers recently held a gathering in New York. The party is still unconvinced that it is dead.

President Wilson picked the town of Cornish as his summer home. Sounds like an English name. Won't the Germans find this a breach of neutrality?

Some smart Alec is now likely to come along with the remark that it was Von Hindenberg who took the sack out of Cossack.

An old British civilian has challenged the Kaiser to a pistol duel. But if Wilhelm has choice of weapons, they'll hire a hall and hold a debate.

W. J. Bryan has been recommending loganberry juice. Any old thing to keep his magic name in print.

Over in Germany the Kaiser is the recipient of a perpetual copper shower.

A California judge banished a man from his home town. There's a chap who "can't come back."

Good Idea.—A rose 19 inches in diameter has been developed by a Canadian horticulturist. Now there seems to be a chance for a man to get the worth of his money when he buys roses.

Ever Notice It?—Did you ever hear of a case of platonic friendship where the woman in the case was homely?

New York's The Place.—The New York World asserts that there should never be another Thaw case in the State of New York. We can't imagine such a case in any other part of the world.

Quite Likely.—They are building a big umbrella 140 feet high at a Yankee summer resort. Chances are that some other resort will borrow it and forget to return it.

In the Language of the Game.—One of the pitchers on the Chicago White Sox has been sued for \$20,000 for

breach of promise. His was a costly balk.

Police! Police!—Somebody has suggested that President Wilson meet in conference the two ex-presidents, Roosevelt and Taft. Why should riots be thus encouraged?

Not a Competitor.—Jamaica is trying out a flour made from bananas. Not likely to be so popular, however, as the island's more famed product—Jamaica rum.

Too Long.—For 15 days a Philadelphia editor went without food. That's too long—even for a newspaper man.

#### WAR NOTES

Italy has exempted Caruso from war service. And he is such a heavy charger, too.

The Teutons have seized Przasnysz. Easier done than said.

Vienna reports that the war babies are mostly boys. Wise old Mother Nature.

The German reply to the U. S. note is "sound," says Herman Ridder. Yes, all sound.

The American smart set are not visiting Europe this year. Which proves their smartness.

Woodrow Wilson works his own typewriter. The Kaiser seems to think he will take dictation, too.

"Time for women to quit talking and get to work," says Annie Kenney, of Britain. War has its blessings.

The diamond trade has been hurt by the war, in spite of the countless engagements.

Bavarian soldiers are said to consume 250 carloads of beer in a week. This report is no doubt circulated to stimulate recruiting.

The Logic Of It.—Austria protests against the United States supplying munitions of war to her foes, as the United States is a neutral country.

Austria, however, has no objection to receiving munitions of war from Germany, though Germany has never declared war on Italy.

The Horrors of Peace.—"Rain spoils evening for militia in camp," runs a headline in an American paper. Isn't it just too terrible to contemplate! Imagine those poor warriors on the firing line if it should start to rain—and they had left their umbrellas at home!

Modern Motto. — Blessed is the peacemaker, for he shall inherit both barrels.

They'll Try, Anyway.—We note in the news where Howard Spaulding wed a girl with \$30,000,000. Well, a young couple should be able to worry along on that even nowadays.

The Likeliest.—Haiti is soon to elect a new president. Well, our choice for a candidate is the fellow who can shoot quickest and straightest.

Curio Fakers.—Lincoln Springfield, the English editor, was lunching at the Ritz in London when a Samoan entered and shook him by the hand.

"What do the natives do for a living over there?" Mr. Springfield asked the Samoan.

"Oh," said the other, "they sell co-

conuts, and birds-of-paradise, and Robert Louis Stevenson's inkwell."

Wonderful Woman! — You must hand the palm to woman as the wonder of the age.

In winter time she wears her furs around her waist line to coax pneumonia.

In summer time she wears her furs around her neck in order to be uncomfortable.

Woman is wonderful!

Health Hint.—If you have anything to say to a mule, say it to his face.

'Twould Seem So. — Over in Germany they stamp their favorite little motto, "Gott Strafe England," even on the loaves of bread they bake. Hot cross buns, eh?

#### New Version.

Lives of millionaires remind us That we should our efforts bend So that we may leave behind us Coin for silly sons to spend.

Carried Unanimously.—"Resolved, that one of the most hazardous occupations in life is to belong to the Austrian rear guard on the Italian frontier." No discussion.

Medical Advice.—"Toe in," say the scientific medical men. "It's healthy. The Indians did." Yes, and look where the Indians are to-day.

Good Reason.—One of the leading Anarchists of France was liberated from jail long enough to be married. Then he returned to his cell. No doubt he will be satisfied now to serve out the rest of his sentence.

Teuton Revenge. — The Germans may now retaliate for the changing of the names of Petrograd and Pryemysl by renaming the Polish capital Warsausage.

Inclusive.—John Wanamaker, the American merchant prince, wants to end the war by having Uncle Sam buy Belgium. Now he amends his suggestion by including a provision for indemnity to buy back northern France. In a day or two he'll think of Poland and Serbia. Why not let the States buy up all Europe and end the darned annoyance?

Something New.—This from the Watchman, of Waverley, Ohio, reminds us that we live in a progressive age: "Samuel Baldwin and wife are the proud parents of a boy daughter." Perhaps this is the new woman we have heard so much about.

He Surely Was.—A Detroit man has wedded his former wife, from whom he was divorced a year ago. He said he had been pig-headed. Of course. She could have told him that. And the chances are that she did.

The Aftermath.—"After the War—What?" is a topic much discussed in the press. It seems to us that one result will be the largest standing army of pension lawyers ever assembled.

Complimentary.—Two men, both very proud of their own accomplishments in business, were trying to pay each other compliments.

"If I could sing as well as you," said the doctor, "I'd never want to diagnose another case."

"If I could diagnose cases like you, doctor, I'd never want to sing again."

"And if I were as big a liar as either of you," said the third party, "I'd sell horses to the army."

The Difference.—Harry Thaw is sane.

In which respect he has a decided margin on the host of his admirers.

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