## EVENING LEDGER-PHILADED

### ON JULY 4, 1786, ENGLAND WOULD OF HAD JUST ONE OF THEM 75 G. M. CANNONS, JULY 4 WOULD HAVE BEEN AN ENGLISH By MONTAGUE GLASS **Illustrations by BRIGGS** ::: ::: 111 111 ::: ::: 111

Thus Spake Birsky in Getting Together With Zapp on the Finely Subject of Pariotism

triotism," Replies the Latter, "Is Loving a Country on Acount of Being Proud of Its History, or Because You Got Recollections of How Happy You Was There When a Boy, or Because Your Ancestors Was Veterans of Its Wars"

"People ain't patriotic like they once used was," said Barnett Zapp, the waist maner, to Louis Birsky, the real estater. Take, for instance, independence Day, and II it means to some people is that here it a sheady the 4th of July and they sin't

Iterative the still of July and they sin't the July rant yst." Well, in a way you couldn't blams 'em, by Hirsty maid. "Nobody encourages they should be patriotic. On the one the paolife people says to 'em: Listan, onll yoursels patriotic. Go ahead and at America, and see where it lands you. If the French a lot of good that they instation of years the 14th of July and the Garmans that they celebrated the of February or whatever date they or february or whatever date they on the other side, the proparefulness in your 'infer years' date they of february or whatever date they of february or whatever date they of february or whatever date they of february out what if on July ith, England would of had just one of if g.m. cannons July 4th would of an English holiday, not American. It the same way with the Spanish-Ameri-War. Of course, you will say we won, why? Only by aheer Mased. If the ish would of had a couple up-to-date opinnes, y'understand, there wouldn't no dispute as to who should get the for the battle of Santiago. It would if gnes to Admiral Abraham L. Pana-of the Spanish navy. And yet, you the Spanish navy. And yet, you "blob, you want to celebrate the 4th y yet!" So that's the way it goes, People would like to be particular, but they're afraid of running dast public sentiment in the matter." ly yet! There's consthing in what both sides at that," Zapp commented. "If the mans would of made it a habit to celeormans would of made it a habit to cele-tate the lith of July out of compliment their good friends and neighbors, the rench. Birsky, and if the French would of ade February 30th a holiday because it as the anniversary of the date when their of friends the Garmans succeeded in get-ing their liberty, y'understand, then the annex is when it comes to a question of ar between France and Germany they ould of remembered how they used to cele-rate one another's holidays and all that d they would of kept the peace." "Then you think that instead of not pay-g promissory notes and setting off fire-

works on the 4th of July, Zapp, we should ought to find out what is the dats of the Mexican and Japanese national holidays and do our celebrating then. Is that the Idee!" Birshy asked.

Matican and Japanese national holidays and do our celebrating then. Is that the iden" Birsky asked. "Well," Zapp said, "I wouldn't go so far as that. Hirsky, but at the same time, first, when the preparefulness feller diations that we won out against the Eng-ist hat we washing too for President and out George Washington for President and elected somebody from the Suprems Court who had the endorsement of the English American Allance, 'understand, maybe the English would of got along pretty good without the 75 g. m. cannon. But the American people wasn't so wise to things in them days, Birsky. They didn't go years George Washington had been feeding at the public orib; and that he begun by holding down a job in the Virginia State Surveying Department; that he had been frawing good money as adjutant of Vir-fina soldiers; that he wasn't satisfied with that, but got a job as commissioner to the French settlers in America; that after that, and then run for office as Congressman er something down in Virginia; and that there may when the trouble with England and getting into the limelight in the same of way. No, Birsky, it didn't make no differences to the American people in them which has got the experience and knows how to handle men, and even if he except who hand he men, and even if he except which has got the experience and knows how to handle men, and even if he scould out the English-American Alliance passing artists drawing funny plotures, of him dreased in an American soulder's uniform. resolutions against him and has newspaper artists drawing funny plotures of him dressed in an American soldier's uniform, y'understand, we'll take a chance on him anyway.' And they did, Birsky, and it's my belief that the English army could of had twenty 75 g. m. caunons to our one, Birsky, and with George Washington run-





ing things, we would of licked 'em any-

"Far be it from me that I should go to "Far be it from me that I should go to work and knock a *Tradek* like George Washington olau hasholom," Birsky said, "but the way the American people has been disappointed in politicians from 1786 down to date, Zapp, when a feller has held of-fice for thirty years, y'understand, you couldn't blame the Leute if he looks to them more like Charles F. Murphy as George Washington, and anyhow, Zapp, any one man don't make no difference nowadays, just as any one date ain't so important. For instance, we celebrate July 4th because we licked the English on that day, aber if the Germans oder the French, as the case may be, is going to work every year case may be, is going to work every year to celebrate the victory they won at the Battle of Verdun, y'understand, the holiday will last from February 15th up to and including June 15th and probably along into September. It's the same way mit George Washington, Zapp. If Washington selig was alive today, and we would get into a war mit Sweden, he wouldn't figure at all, Zapp, because wars ain't fought according to them back-number idees no more. We to them back-number idees no more. We to them back-number idees no more. We would say for example that Sweden is try-ing to land an army in Bath Beach and Ul-mer Park. So we send out a thousand motorboats made by the New York, Westchester and Putnam Motor Boat Company, armed with 75 g. m. guns turned out by the Phoenix Battleship Supply Company of

Detroit, Mich., and between 'em they scat-

ter the Swedish fleet, and for three days they sink 'em in batches all the way from opposite Bay 28th street and Cropsey avenue up to Greenpoint. The consequence is that a hundred years from now, when we celebrate the Battle of Bath Beach, Ulmer celebrate the Battle of Bath Beach, Ulmer Park, Cropsey avenue and Greenpoint, y'understand, instead young fellers would say: 'What are you going to do mit your-self over the Fourth?' they would ask. 'Where you going on the 23d, 24th and 25th?' and when the orator of the day se-lected by the Committee of Seventy ap-pointed by the Mayor gets up and makes his speech he would say: 'Friends. So long as the Star Spangled Banner floats over this great and glorious republic, the names of them heroic corporations, the New York, Westchester and Putnam Motor Boat Company and also the Phoenis Battleship Supply Company of Detroit, Mich., will re-Supply Company of Detroit, Mich., will remain forever green in the hearts of every loyal American sitson, and then he stops for a minute so as the audience could give

"Well they ain't going to cheer them-"selves hearse exactly," Zapp said, "be-cause nobody could feel so enthusiastic about a Motor Boat Company as they do about George Washington."

"That's where you make a big mistake, Zapp," Birsky said. "Only last week the Kaiser sends a telegram to the Krupp Iron Works Ltd., because the guns and armor

plate it shipped him done such good work unbersten in the North Sea battle, and I wouldn't be surprised if he also sent reso-tutions of thanks to the Brandenburg Cen-tral and Moselle River Railroad for trans-porting soldiers to the western front. In fact, Zapp, the chances is that when the war is over, the *Sieges-Alles* in Berlin would be filed mit allegorical figures of adding machines, gas tanks, baggage cars and garbage incinerators, commemorating the heroic corporations which manufactured bratherland during the late war." "I suppose that the same as we run ex-

"I suppose that the same as we run ex-cursions from Washington to Mount Ver-bon, the German Government will be run-ning excursions from Berlin to Essen, where in a little room on the 24th floor of the Easen Savings and Trust Building away back in 1910 the Krupp Iron Works, Ltd., first seen the light of day in a modest cer-tificate of incorporation with \$100,000 cap-ital stock, divided into 500 shares common tock and 500 shares preferred of the par value of \$100 each," Zapp said, "and as nearly as possible the room will be restored to its original appearance mit a gen-wine antique steel filing cabinet in one corner antique steel filing cabinet in one corner and a reproduction of the antique No. 10 typewriter on which the certificate was run

"The Germans is a very sentimental peo-e," Birsky said, "when not busy otherple.

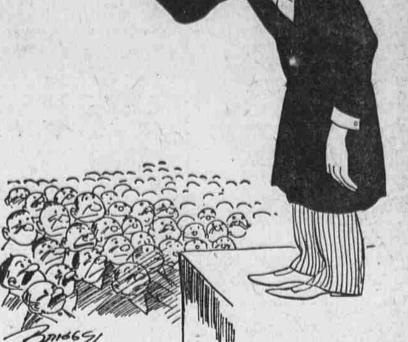
wine." "Well, say," Zapp retorted, "putting tablets on historical buildings is one way to make people patriotic. You've got to admit that even if you would only got out your first papers, Birsky, it gives you al-ready a feeling that you are patriotic when you look at the bridge in Concord, Mass, where our soldlers fought the English, ath't it? And Mount Vernon, also, Birsky. Am I right or wrong? Because that's what patriotism is, Birsky. It's loving a country on account of being proud of its history, or because you got recollection of how happy you was there when a boy, or because your ancestors was veterans of its wars. So ancestors was veterans of its wars. Se you could imagine how patriotic people will be a hundred years from now, Birsky, Our grandchildren will gather their little

boys around 'em and tell them how during the war with Sweden, their grandfather run a turning lathe in the factory of that great soldier hero, the International Projectile and Torpedo Company of New Jersey, and the little fellers' checks will flush and they will shout that when they grow up, perhaps there will be another war, and they will be able to work at a lathe like great-grand-father, and the parents will grow pale and say: 'Gott soll Auten,' on account of re-membering how the old grandfather smashed his thumb working a lathe during the war with Sweden."

"Also twenty years from now, Zapp, the young German will love his country when he thinks how happy he used to was twenty he thinks how happy he used to was twenty years ago to get once a week from his mother a ticket entitling him to 4½ ounces of bread and one potato of the cubic ca-pacity of 3.1416 inches," Birsky said. "On the other hand, don't forget the young American twenty years from now who will take his rifle in hand with the observe in his mind of the name in his ald

picture in his mind of the parlor in his old home, where was gathered together in the mellow lamplight, his father and mother, his brother just home from college, two lawyers and a certified public accountant, and all of them bending over a U. S. income tax return." Zapp said. "Aber who is the young feller with the

rifle in his hand going after, Zapp?" Birsky asked, "an internal revenue collector?"



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"It wouldn't make no difference to me if

he pulled out the six of diamonds, the ace of clubs oder a bowl of live goldfish," Bir-sky said stubbornly: "a feller which burns

the American flag should ought to go, to

jail." "But this here White's friends says why should he go to jail for burning some pieces of colored cloth?" Zapp said. "If this here White had burned some

pleces of colored paper, yellow paper oder green paper with X's and double X's on it, Zapp," Birsky said, "and the pleces of paper

belonged to his friends, Zapp, they would

of put up a terrible roar if he didn't to go jail for it." "Aber the American flag which he burned

"T wouldn't be surprised." Zapp said, "because you could never tell what form this here New Patriotism is going to take. For instance, only last week a feller by the name of White was sent to jail for it." "Nothing of the kind, Zapp," Birsky said. "This here White is now sitting in prison

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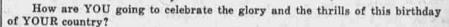
pot." "Sure, I know," Zapp said. "but he claimed it was only done symbolically." "Yes?" Birsky said. "Which I can see by your face that so far as you could understand, Birsky, the word 'symbolically' don't exist at all." Zapp said

said "In the real estate business, Zapp, if you

would use such a word once in a lifetime, that would be big already," Birsky retorted, "and anyhow, it don't make no difference how this here White burned the flag, he is sitting in prison for it anyway." "Aber he claimed that he also put the German flag, the English, flag and the French flag into the pot," Zapp said.

German flag, the English, flag and the French flag into the pot." Zapp said. "Probably he also claims that he was following a receipt out of a cook book, and that it called for all them flags and bay-leaf." Birsky said, "aber what for an ex-cuse is that? The American flag is a flag —not a vegetable." "Zoitenly," Zapp said, "aber what the feller claims is that he was going to burn

News and Views of Farmer Smith's Rainbow Club Promise!! A Loud Noise "A Safe and Sane is NOT Fourth"!! Patriotism THE SAFEST CITY IN THE WORLD THE "FOURTH" The Fourth of July is coming! The great nationwide birthday of the Dearest Children: Our Wonderful Club is now in its United States of America! DRAWINGS eighth month and we have done lots and lots of good, thanks JULY 4TH FOR



We have now before us a greater task than any we have ever faced. We are going to make Philadelphia the safest city in the world. Think of that!

## Here is the story:

The great number of accidents happening through carelessness, thoughtlessness and recklessness have attracted the attention of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company. Something must be done to stop them. A cause was sifted out. The people did not recognize danger until it was too late! They must be taught to STOP, LOOK and LISTEN.

Especially CHILDREN must be taught.

to our members who have worked so faithfully.

And so the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company decided to institute a great big movement to teach the children to STOP and THINK of how to prevent accidents.

"Who will help us?" thought the great big street car company, and then almost instantly the words "RAINBOW CLUB" flew to mind and stayed there. "The Rainbow Club! The 50,000 boys and girls who have set the country to talking about the wonders of their organization! They will help us-and we in turn will reward them for their help." And so-

Here is the wonderful plan:

ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS in prizes will be awarded by the street car company for the best stories, essays or drawings about how accidents occur through thoughtlessness, recklessness and carelessness, and how they may be prevented. These stories, etc., may be about accidents which have happened to yourselves or others. They may be of accidents that did happen, or of accidents that are apt to happen, and that you can suggest a way of preventing.

Each night in the Rainbow Club news talks on acci-dent prevention will appear. No doubt if you read and think about these talks carefully they will furnish valuable suggestions upon which to base your stories.

The competitors in the contest will be divided into two classes: Class "A," children over 9 years; Class "B," children of 9 years and under. Separate sets of prizes will be offered to both classes.

The contest will open July 12. In the meantime you have work to do. YOU are to decide what sort of prizes you will want to compete for. Every Rainbow that is interested in this BIG WONDERFUL MOVEMENT is expected to send suggestions for prizes. This includes the little folks in Class "B."

The list of prizes that have been decided upon will be renounced on the date of the opening of the contest-JULY All suggestions must be in by JULY 8. UP, UP, BOYS AND GIRLS-Philadelphia is calling

or YOU, to ME to help stop this needless sacrifice of her

Lut us listen to her voice! FARMER SMITH, Children's Editor.





Jamey's Safe and Sane Fourth By DOROTHY BOTTE, Lambertville, N. J. Two bright pennies were burning a hole in his pocket. At least so Jamey thought. But Jamey's mother had forbidden him to spend them until the Fourth and when it did come Jamey was sorry. Do you know why? Because the doctor who stood by his hed in the hospital, said perhaps he would never walk again !

## **Our Postoffice Box**

Florence Moore, of Maple Shade, N. J. has only one picture of herself and mother prizes that so highly she wants it all for horself. Tell mother, Florence, we will prize it and cars for it quite as tenderly as she does, while it is in our possession, and we will return it safe, sound and uninjured just as seon as it has appeared in the club news. This remark applies to all lovely pictures that are in the loving care of all the mothers i he mothera!

Lawrence Mullen, of North 24th street, is writing a book on the war

Honor Roll Contest The prizes for the week ending June were won by the following children Eispeth Evelyn Long, Appletres street
Russell Gudknecht, Mødford, N. J., 80 nis. Leonard Baily, Addison street, 30 nis. Rose Krausen, 1401 South 6th street cents. Audrey Washington, Elisworth street
cents. May Koenig, North 4th street, 23 nis.

FROM "THE AMERICAN FLAG." NT IN BY JAMES CARTER, S. 16TH ST Flag of the free heart's hope and home, By angel Rands to valor given, Thy stars have lit the welkin dome, And all thy hues were born in heaven. orever float that standard sheet! Where breathes the for but falls before us With Freedom's soil beneath our feet, And Freedom's bauner streaming o'er w JOSEPH RODMAN DRAKE.

## My Fourth of July Picnic

By BESSIE MAGUIRE, Glenwood ave. I cannot tell about the Fourth of July, but I can tell you about another Fourth of July. We were visiting my sunt in the country and she decided to give us a little picule, me and five other little girls.

We took a hammock along and hung it between two trees. We had a nice, soft ball with us and a lot of comic papers that my aunt had been saving a long time.

Of course, we had our lunch. We spread it out on a nice, clean tablecloth. We had lots of good things to cat and lemonade to drink. There was a cool spring nearby, and when we were thirsty for water we descriptions.

Irank there. We saug and played games. Everybody said they had a beautiful time and I think they meant it, because I know

# Things to Know and Do

TRINGS to Know and De (1) BASHBALL GAME. The game was alled at 15 past three. James Brown layed short (pots), and was the first to sake a (where I live) run. Bill Jones mocked a (what you swat) and Eddle lorsa caught it. Tom Smithers knocked a of ano to third and almost ture up the presidence state). Write this story cor-solv for our sourting solitor.

# The Fourth of July

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By ELEANOR GRINNAN. It was Fourth of July and many of the boys and girls had fireworks, but Johnny, a poor boy, who lived pascefully in a coun-try home on the banks of the Hudson River, had none. Now Johnny was a good ov but as hows are he was way fond of In his dream he looked up and who should be sitting beside him in her beauti-ful airship but the Good Dream Fairy. "Oh!" exclaimed Willie. "I didn't know that fairles came out in the daylight." River, had nons. Now Johnny was a good boy, but as boys are he was very fond of fireworks. Some boys came to John's home and wanted him to shoot a firecracker. John was much afraid on account of hearing how his father's face was disfigured. So he ran to his mother to ask her advice. Of course, she said "no." Johnny was very disobedient and went out to the boys. He was lighting a firecracker when it fisw up in his face. The boys rushed to the doc-tor, but there was no hope, he was blind. This surely taught the boys a lesson and they have never played with firecrackers since. "I didn't know that you went to sleep in the daytims." said the Good Dream Fairy, her silvery laugh floating over the flowers and echoing among the trees. "I'm not asleep." replied Willie. "You "I'm not asleep." replied Willie. "You can pinch me and if I yell, then you will know I am asleep."

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### FARMER SMITH,

EVENING LEDGER:

I wish to become a member of your Rainbow Club. Please send me a beau-tiful Rainbow Button free. I agree to DO A LITTLE KINDNESS EACH AND EVERY DAY — SPREAD A LITTLE SUNSHINE ALL ALONG THE WAY. 

stool I attend ..... boots I looks

Are you going to celebrate by risking your eyes, your limbs, your lives?

Do you think this a fitting way of ushering in or ushering out a day that should be happy?

No, we do not think you do!

WILLIE WIDEAWAKE IN

FLOWERLAND

By Farmer Smith

He was SO tired, and all he could think

about was going to sleep. Why was he not aleepy at bedtime? Finally he lay down, only for a minute, he thought to himself, and before the bee on the honeysuckle nearby had finished sipping honey from the flower. Willle was fast asleep.

flowers.

The children of the Rainbow Club are thinking persons, and thinking persons do not walk recklessly into foolish danger and possible death.

This does not mean that you will sacrifice your royal right to have a "good time" on the Fourth of July. It means that you will have it in a wholesome, happy way that will lead you through a dangerous day without danger and put you to bed at night with all members in the places Nature assigned them.

Little country people may pick up, pack up, go out in the open and enjoy a glorious outdoor day. Little city folks are not overlooked in the "safe and sane" scheme, either.

The kind people who watch over the fates of little children have organized a "Fourth of July" Committee.

This will provide free amusement in the playgrounds in the city of Philadelphia and outskirts. There will be plenty of fun for all.

Let us remember that recklessness is NOT patriotism; that preserving our limbs for future helpful citizenship IS!

FARMER SMITH, Children's Editor.

The Fourth of July, Past and Present By BERTHA CHILDS, Danville, Pa Now when we think of the year '76, When the Declaration was signed, Real love for country comes to our hearts, Patriot thoughts to our mind. The month of June was almost over

The warm air floated across the garden as Willie Wideawake walked among the

Now, on the Fourth in 1916 True hearts go forth in prayer Once more, as back in olden years, Our soldiers need Heavenly care.

Our country this Fourth reloices as ever. Yet there is sadness withal. In our hearts we fear for our loved ones

Who pledge that our flag shall not fall.

A Fourth of July With Grandma

A Fourth of July with Grandma By ROSE COHEN, South Th Street. Once upon a time there was a little girl who visited her grandma on the Fourth of July. When she came to her grandma's house she was disappointed that there were no firecrackers for her. Grandma was sorry to see the little girl unhappy, so she said, "Jane (Jane was the little girl's name), go out on the street and tell the children if they shooting firecrackers I will give they stop shooting firecrackers I will give them an ice cream party in our nice cool parlor."

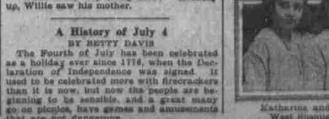
IS STRENGTH"

Jane was delighted. She went out and told the children, and soon they all trooped into the house. Grandma got ice cream and cake, too. Then the girls and boys played games and forgot all about the noisy old flowrenkers. id fireorackers.

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"Don't mix me up, Beautiful Lady, sim-ply tell me where we are going to-to-day, not night." said Willie, running his eyes. "We are going to Flowerland," answered the Good Dream Fairy. "Goodle:" "Step off with your right foot first, for then you can't go wrong," said the Good Dream Fairy. Away whissed the airship and hefore willie could catch his breath they were in Flowerland, and as Willie jumped out of the airship among the dalsies the Good Dream Fairy put her arms around his neck and hissed him. Then he heard a voice: "What is my boy doing here?" Looking up, Willie saw his mother.

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