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YOUR NEIGHBOR'S EYE

INASMUCH as Harrisburg has a larger quota of automobiles than the average place of this size, those who own machines should not forget their neighbors in their inspection of the attractions of their home city.

There is so much here of which we have a right to be proud that those who cannot get about and help for themselves ought to be helped by their more fortunate fellow-citizens. Long ago the attitude of the resentment against the improvement of the city disappeared in most quarters.

It is important that a city should know itself and it is not sufficient that the thousands of strangers who visit us from time to time should sing our praises. We ourselves should have an intimate knowledge of what is going on and what has already been accomplished.

Through the activities of the Civic Club and other municipal bodies the esthetic features of our development are being earnestly encouraged. By the planting of flowers and grass plots and the making of beautiful lawns and greater attention to architectural effects, the city is emerging from the chrysalis of old things and old traditions into the brighter atmosphere of the modern healthful and attractive municipality.

How fine the many porches in the city would look with canopies of flowers and boxes of plants which please the eye and fill the air with fragrance. Just a little sunshine, just a little rain will make of these window boxes and porch vines beautiful bowers for the enjoyment of the homelover and the passer-by.

TAFT AND ROOSEVELT

ON another page of the Telegraph to-day, in parallel columns, are published the statements of ex-Presidents Taft and Roosevelt, made at the same hour yesterday, reciting their views on the Lusitania crisis. They should be read by every thinking man and woman.

Taft, like President Wilson, proposes that the country move slowly to logical conclusions in its present crisis. Roosevelt would rush to a decision regardless of consequences. Taft would permit the President to make his own decision.

try into war within forty-eight hours.

Herein lies the great difference between the two ex-Presidents. One is a patriotic statesman of calm judgment and judicial poise. The other is an impetuous leader; a splendid colonel of cavalry, the very man to lead a desperate and forlorn hope, a man of high courage and unquestioned patriotism, but a dangerous person to have in the White House when the country faces a grave crisis.

A WORLD PROTEST

The main thing that concerns the American Government to-day is not the subordinate question of reparation for the assassination of American citizens who were traveling on the Lusitania. It is the broader question of whether Germany can be brought to her senses and induced to abandon methods of warfare that are a crime against civilization and an affront to humanity.

This expresses in a terse way the attitude of a large majority of the American people. They are not as much concerned about the rights of belligerents under international law as they are about the humanitarian phases of our present day civilization. Germany has invoked a storm of wrathful indignation throughout the world by the torpedoing of the Lusitania.

If the government of the United States can do no more than utter its most solemn protest against this kind of warfare, it will at least have demonstrated its lack of sympathy with such inhuman methods and merciless disregard of the rights of neutrals.

WHERE BUSINESS STANDS

WHERE business stands with the present national administration is clearly shown in an address delivered by Albert Greene Duncan, president of the National Association of Cotton Manufacturers, at the annual convention of that association just held. The association is non-political and nonpartisan, but many of its members are Southern Democrats.

The halting attitude of business is the natural sequence of our recent national policies, and is caused by a combination of legislative and governmental campaign against business. The policy of the party in power has been called "the freeing of business from its shackles," but, in spite of this well-sounding phrase, the business man who has undergone the freeing process finds himself more hampered and harassed than at any previous time in our history.

More power to City Commissioner Gorgas. Let us hope that his efforts to recover for the city some four thousand dollars of interest paid to the State, which should have been paid by the holders of the city's bonds, may be successful.

Readers of the Telegraph are always invited and welcome to the use of its columns for the expression of any opinion, couched in proper language, upon any subject of public interest. Letters to the editor, of course, should not be long and prosy, but straight to the point.

In these delightful Springtime days scores and hundreds of our people are finding pleasure in tramping about the city and its outskirts and learning for themselves what tremendous progress has been made during the last few years in the betterment of living conditions. There has been a gradual improvement of the character of houses built by contractors and the surroundings of the city generally show the rising tide of estheticism in the treatment of lawns and gardens.

Now that the personal experience of the survivors of the Lusitania are reaching the public, the old stories of heroism and personal courage are repeated. All of which shows that the days of chivalry are not over and that heroism does not belong to any one age. All the more is the pity that men and women of such quality are sent to their deaths in such inhuman manner.

FOR A LEGISLATURE THAT STARTED

For a Legislature that started out with a determination to make a record for a short and businesslike session, the present body has not broken any record. Weeks were frittered away during the winter and those members of the Senate and House who have business interests demanding their attention at home are now becoming restive under their enforced legislative duties. This week, however, will probably see the desks cleared for dissolution next week.

Governor Brumbaugh is getting around the State enough to appreciate himself the importance of immediate attention to the roads we already have without present consideration of highways yet to be created. He is understood to be in sympathy with the thought that every road into the capital of the State should be an example for highway builders throughout the Commonwealth.

AN EVENING THOUGHT

They gifts sustain
The body's needs, but poverty and pain
Oft minister to higher wants than these
The spirit sees.

EVENING CHAT

Plans of the State Highway Department call for the oiling of practically all of the macadam roads in the vicinity of the State's Capital City and some people interested in the highways in the neighborhood of Harrisburg are starting movements to have some of the boroughs take steps to meet the improvements inaugurated by the State.

The meeting of the State Federation of Labor in this city this week recalls the fact that Harrisburg has had two sessions almost biennially. The Federation was really formed in this city and was the outgrowth of a series of organizations. Since that time it has come back to Harrisburg every now and then for a meeting.

Parcel post is literally being used for handling plough shares and pruning hooks. The other day a bundle of the blades used for ploughing was sent through the Harrisburg office and some hardware labeled "Hooks" was in the same mail. The oldest package in a long time was a golf bag, one of the kind that can be closed up. It made a sale about five or six dollars and was sent by parcel post just like a ham.

Possibly no place within a stone's throw of the city limits is so full of bird life as this Bellevue Park, just east of Twentieth street and south of Reservoir Park. A stroll through the park most any morning or afternoon will repay the labor of the feathered creatures for there he will find the linnet, thrushes, bluebirds, robins, what not? In a certain pine tree in the park there are at least half a dozen nests, and the wonder of it is that the eggs are not yet stolen by the small boy, a species long considered inimical to the propagation of all our winged summer visitors.

Among visitors to the city yesterday was H. E. Denny, the Republican county chairman of Susquehanna. He was here on some business at the Capitol and met a number of officials.

A downtown hotel man tells a good story of the way in which visitors to Harrisburg regard the beauties of our River Front. A western business man, stopping over in town between dining and harrasing them at the River Front and was so entranced with it that he not only remained overnight but spent much of the day following between connections and decided to take a look about town. He visited the Hotel Front and the party spent several days here, much of which time was occupied in trips along the river which the visitors pronounced among the most picturesque they had ever seen. All of them had been over this country and in Europe, but expressed themselves as having met with nothing abroad or anywhere else that gave grace and beauty the River Front of Harrisburg.

It may not be generally known, but Governor Brumbaugh is much interested in the ownership of the islands in the river. "What is the name of that island," he asked the other day, pointing out one of the dots of green that mark the surface of the river opposite the city. "It has no name," was the reply. "It is owned by So-and-so," naming the man who holds title to it. "Doesn't it belong to the State," asked the Governor raising his brows. "No," said his informant. "He visited the man who holds title to it. 'Doesn't it belong to the State,' asked the Governor raising his brows. 'Well, it ought to,' said the Governor. 'All of these islands ought to be State property.'"

WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

—Dr. S. A. S. Jessop, of Kittanning, is chairman of Armstrong county's good roads day committee.
—Councillman Robert Garland, of Pittsburgh, coached in a speech the advertising is essential to civic progress.
—W. H. Keller, the First Deputy Attorney General, has long been active in civic affairs in Lancaster.
—F. J. Krenn, chairman of the club that is giving the Made in U. S. A. carnival in Pittsburgh this week.
—Professor L. S. Rowe, of the University of Pennsylvania, has been made secretary of the Pan-American Financial Congress.
—William H. Richard, Allentown city official, well known here, was badly hurt by a fall into a trench.

DO YOU KNOW

That Harrisburg used to be a noted manufacturer of flags?
AN EVENING THOUGHT
There is no use arguing with the inevitable; the only argument with the east wind is to put on your overcoat.—Lowell.

The Manufacturer's Advertising

A clever advertising man once characterized certain forms of national advertising as THROWING MONEY AT THE MAP. He pointed out that in their efforts to spread out, these national advertisers were getting everywhere in general and nowhere in particular. Manufacturers and distributors are coming more and more to see that the easy road to sales lies through the advertising columns of the daily newspapers. Newspaper advertising hits the spot which it aims at. It costs less and produces more, and it automatically gets the enthusiasm and co-operation of the local dealer. Manufacturers seeking information about newspapers are invited to address the Bureau of Advertising, American Newspaper Publishers Association, World Building, New York.

WOODWARD GUEST

Appropriation Chairman Presented With Diamond Ring at the Biennial Dinner
GOVERNOR A SPEAKER
Senator Beidleman Entertains Senators at Colonial Country Club in Style

Members of the House appropriations committee wound up their work last evening with a dinner at the Harrisburg Club that was one of the most elaborate of the session. President pro tem Kille presided and Governor Brumbaugh, Lieutenant Governor McClain, Speaker Ambler and Senate Chairman Buckman were guests of honor. Mr. McClain presented Chairman James F. W. Woodward with a diamond ring on behalf of the committee in a speech in which he paid tribute to Mr. Woodward's work as chairman in this and other sessions. Governor Brumbaugh and Speaker Ambler also spoke. Senator Buckman presented Secretary A. B. Smith with a well filled purse with some remarks appreciative of his hard work and courtesy. Governor Brumbaugh in his address complimented the committee on its work.

Representative John F. Flynn is now known as "Mr. Elk." Speaker Ambler yesterday recognized him as the "Senator from Flynn, Mr. Elk." The Spangler bill relative to the York district was passed finally in the House yesterday.

Representative Nelson McVicar, of Allegheny, has served as a borough solicitor in his county and is recognized as one of the legal luminaries of the House. He succeeded Speaker George E. Alter and has taken a leading place.

Representative Fred T. Fruit, of Mercer, was called to the chair last night and handled it like a veteran. He is a son of a former senator. Senator Hackett is the Senate authority on parks. He donated a park to his home city of Easton.

Representative W. D. Walton, of New Castle, presided in the House in the afternoon. Senator W. J. Burke, of Allegheny, was formerly a member of Pittsburgh city council. Provost E. F. Smith, of the University of Pennsylvania, was a Capitol visitor.

The House wits got into action yesterday in a belated number of bills. That of Representative Nicholson was marked "Carnation Day" and that of Representative Baldwin "The Lamb of Experience." The bill carrying \$300,000 for the extension of Capitol Park will probably be reported out in the House tomorrow. It has passed the Senate and plan embraced in it has the sanction of the Governor.

The Governor will likely grant a hearing on the full crew bill, which he has on his desk in a few days. He has been asked by both sides to give a hearing. Senator E. E. Beidleman last night entertained the members of the Senate, prominent State officials, Senate attaches and newspaper correspondents at a chicken and waffle supper at the Colonial club. It was one of the most pleasant social affairs of the session and the guests enjoyed the outing immensely. Special cars took the party to and from the clubhouse and during the evening the guests sang when they were not having fun with Horley General Brown, Senator Crow and other seniors over the events of the day. The decorations were flags, tulips and bridal wreaths and the souvenirs were ingenious and pretty.

The growth of population in Media has caused a demand for more voting districts and they are to be provided.

HAVE MEN GONE MAD?

I have read of the war and its terrors, The sabre, the musket, the shell, The bombs from the sky, the torpedoes That seem to be spit up from hell. I've read how the men in the trenches Obeying their masters like slaves, Will shoot down each other, how others On sea go to watery graves. I've read how the helpless—the women And children—no mercy receive— Tales of deeds done by civilized nations 'Most too awful for one to believe. And I cannot help asking the question, Have men all gone mad in war's life? That they seek to deprive one another Of God's most precious gift of all—Life.

BOOKS and MAGAZINES

"I have neither exaggerated the bitterness of feeling that I found to exist amongst Poles against the German government nor tried to extenuate what I heard said against the Russian," says Frances Delaney Littell in her "Skull and Crossbones" recently published. "The oppression and injustice suffered in the past are too well known to be denied. But the Polish nature is not of that ungenerous kind which cherishes implacable hatred, and at the present moment the sentiments of the Poles towards Russia are rapidly changing. Trusting in the magnanimous resolutions of the Czar, supported by the good will of England and France, their attitude of mind is now one of reconciliation, of loyalty, and of confidence in the future." Charles A. Wetherly, co-author with May Corley of "Wild Flower Preservation," is a graduate of Harvard. While in college he specialized in English literature, but his studies in botany and the consequent outdoor life have called him from the literary scholar's study. As a collector and nature lover he has stressed the outdoor and practical side of plant study and the collection of specimens in a way that will appeal to the amateur as well as to the more advanced botanist.

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OUR DAILY LAUGH

"We triumph without glory when we conquer without danger." —Cornelia.
SHE KNEW. It's just awful to think of marrying a man for his money. It ain't half as awful as getting hold of the man.

Solitude is disagreeable to the girl with the new solitaire.

IN HARRISBURG FIFTY YEARS AGO TO-DAY

Clear Weather Again After about two weeks of rainy and cloudy weather, the sun shone on the city again after remaining hidden for sometime.

Prepare to Receive Troops Preparations are being made at Camp Curtin to receive the troops in the Pennsylvania regiments. An attempt is being made to have a review in this city similar to the one to take place in Washington in the near future.

Lumber Trade Increases Lumber trading is on the increase since the Spring floods have passed. Thousands of large logs pass down the river each week.

NEWS DISPATCHES OF THE CIVIL WAR

Armies Expected Soon Washington, May 12.—The advance of the armies marching to this city is expected to reach here to-morrow. The troops are averaging twenty miles a day.

Guerrillas Gone Nashville, May 12.—Following General Thomas' order, the guerrillas are breaking up their gangs. No formidable band of the outlaws is in existence in the State.

Military Garrisons Established Cairo, May 12.—Military garrisons have been established here for the protection of people who desire to have peace. All persons bearing arms have been declared outlaws.

"THE MOST BEAUTIFUL ADVENTURE"

[From the New York World.] The last reported words of Charles Frohman on the deck of the Lusitania may owe something to their epigrammatic form to the foreshortening effect of a vivid memory. In substance, many men in like circumstances might have echoed them: "Why fear death? It is the most beautiful adventure in life."

There were many American gentlemen upon the stricken ship, and many of other races and lands, who if they feared death made no sign of it. It is no new story; the sinking of the Titanic showed how valor and heroism and But and the Strauses could die, simply without heroes. It is the expected and traditional memory of bitter events, the unfeeling lesson and assuagement of disaster. The war has shown that men need no glitter of gold lace to lure or glare of trumpets to lead them to their death. Of tropic regions. And yet, and yet, to mud-stained men in trenches whose jaded senses no music stir or cheer- ing heartens. Not even the habit of discipline was present to aid the passengers of the Lusitania in their last hours. They died like men because they were men. Theirs was in truth a beautiful adventure.

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The Awakening

By ELLA WHEELER WILCOX
I love the tropics, where sun and rain Go forth together, a joyous train. To hold up the green, gay side of the world, And to keep earth's banners of bloom unfurled. I love the scents that are hidden there By housekeeper Time, in her chests of air; Strange and subtle and all a-rife, With vague lost dreams of a by-gone life. They steal upon you by night and day, But never a wife can you take away, And never a song of a tropic bird Outside of its palm-decked land is heard. And nowhere else can you know the sweet, Soft, 'joy-in-nothing' that comes with the heat Of tropic regions. And yet, and yet, If in evergreen worlds my ways were set I would span the waters of widest seas To see the wonder of waking trees, To feel the shock of sudden delight. That comes when the orchard has changed in a night From the Winter nun to the bride of May, And the harp of Spring is attuned to play The wedding march, and the sun is priest, And the world is hidden to join the feast.

Oh, never is felt in a tropic clime, Where the singing of birds is a ceaseless chime That leap of the blood, and the rapture thrill, That comes to us here, with the first bird's thrill, And only the eye that has looked on snows Can see the beauty that lies in a rose. The lure of the tropics I understand, But, ho! for the Spring in my native land.

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