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THURSDAY EVENING, MAY 13

THE PROPOSED ROAD LOAN

SENATOR SPROULS resolution to submit to the people of Pennsylvania in 1915 a proposal to float a loan of \$50,000,000 for road building purposes ought to be rushed through the Legislature without delay.

By such a loan as is proposed Pennsylvania can lift herself out of the slough of road despond into which she has fallen, and by no other means. The revenues available from direct taxation are not sufficient to meet the immediate demands. They are only a drop in the bucket.

The Camp Hill automobilists returned from Maryland this week loud in their approval of the roads of that State. These were built by means of just such a loan as is proposed for Pennsylvania.

A majority of the people who voted against the loan of 1913 did so because they had been misled by selfish politicians who feared the popularity of an administration that would give the farmers and the automobilists the kind of roads they want.

Business will now turn from the Interstate Commerce Commission toward the new Federal Trade Commission. Great doubt prevails as to the operations of this new regulatory body.

THE BUSINESS OUTLOOK

SPECULATION on the Stock Exchange has been given a jar, and those who have money to risk in the market are disposed to be more conservative.

Europe is wasting untold billions and it remains to be seen whether the reconstruction period which must follow will be as beneficial to the United States as some financial experts believe.

Just such a rain as that which began to fall gently yesterday is the sort of moisture which the Department of Parks has been waiting for to start the shrubbery, grass and trees that have been planted during the Spring.

\$500,000,000 in the aggregate of other products not consumed in supporting armies in the field and equipping them for the destruction of life and property.

Whatever may be our private opinion of the relative merits of the belligerent discussion in Europe, it must be admitted that the torpedoing of the Lusitania has destroyed the neutrality of a large number of American citizens.

GOOD WORK IN UPPER END

THE Millersburg Motor Club proposes to make Good Roads Day in the upper end a great occasion. Not only the men, but the women and children are to help.

The women and children will accompany the adult male workers and will serve lunch and lemonade for the hungry and perspiring members of the repair force.

Highway Commissioner Cunningham is not so much concerned about the building of more roads as he is in making good those highways already under the jurisdiction of the State.

Wages have been somewhat increased on ninety-eight western railroads by the latest Federal arbitration and, if the future is to be judged by the past, these ninety-eight railroads will now apply to the Interstate Commerce Commission for permission to increase their rates.

Rates being largely dependent on wages, and both having some measure of relation to the return allowed to the stockholders, would it not facilitate railway control and management to confide the other factor, wages, to the same body as now fixes rates and as substantially fixes the compensation of stockholders?

Well may the thoughtful man stop and say to his government—Which means to himself—Whither goest thou?

Governor Brumbaugh is now in sight of that pleasant job of making the revenues fit the expenditures. He has given more aid in this direction than his immediate predecessor, but the day of final adjournment will leave him a great burden of labor notwithstanding.

Take, for instance, the comfortable homes on Eighteenth street, along Second street north of Rely, and on many other streets of the city with attractive fronts and porches, not to mention the many smaller homes all over the city.

All that we need in Harrisburg to make this a remarkable city not only for cleanliness and up-to-dateness in the matter of public enterprise, but for beauty as well, is city-wide cooperation in the planting of flowers and the painting and keeping clean of private residences.

PORCH BOXES

ALREADY the crusade in the interest of a still more beautiful city is bearing fruit. Window boxes filled with flowers and front porches decorated in like manner are beginning to attract the attention of people all over the city.

Over in England a recent newspaper campaign in the interest of a certain public policy has attracted widespread attention.

The author when questioned about it said: "I am not preaching. I am selling a code of morals."

"I am a businessman and I choose the way of the businessman—newspaper advertisements."

LOAN PROPOSAL

ROUSES INTEREST

EVENING CHAT

It is interesting to note in view of the death of the bill for the proposed constitutional convention that no bill to submit such a proposition to the voters of Pennsylvania has made any headway in the Legislature since 1891.

Several times bills have been presented and last session one got through the House, only to be buried in the Senate. Several times bills have been introduced in the House, but never got out of committee.

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WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

A. S. McSwigen, State deputy of the Knights of Columbus, used to be a Pittsburgh newspaper man.

DO YOU KNOW

That Harrisburg is one of the best known convention cities of the country?

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Members Generally Believe That It Will Pass the People When It Is Understood

MANY FAVORING IT NOW

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JUSTICE TO THE RAILROADS

[From the Philadelphia Record.] The Senate of Pennsylvania, having passed the bill, is now awaiting the approval of the Governor to complete the very much desired change in the manner of regulating the handling of railroad trains.

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MEANS EXERCISE AND HEALTH

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OUR DAILY LAUGH

PROVING IT. Your wife is a dream? Yes; dreams are contrary things, you know, she's arguing with the caddy now.

NEARER RIGHT. She: The chicken on our church supper is usually tough. He: You mean unusually tough.

FIVE DEAD MEN

By W. N. Ewer. First Soul—I was a peasant of the Polish plain; I left my plow because the message said: Russia in danger, needed every man To save her from the Teuton; and was slain.

Second Soul—I was a Tyrolean, a mountaineer; I gladly left my mountain home to fight the brutal, treacherous Muscovite; And died in Poland on a Cossack spear, I gave my life for freedom—this I know: For those who bade me fight had told me so.

Third Soul—I worked in Lyons at my weaver's loom, When suddenly the Prussian despot hurried His felon blow at France and at the world; Then I went forth to Belgium—and my doom. I gave my life for freedom—this I know: For those who bade me fight had told me so.

Fourth Soul—I owned a vineyard by the wooded Maln, Until the Faterland, begirt by foes Lusting her downfall, called me, and Swift to the call—and died in fair Lorraine. I gave my life for freedom—this I know: For those who bade me fight had told me so.

Fifth Soul—I worked in a great shipyard by the sea, There came a sudden word of wars declared, Of Belgium, peaceful, helpless, unprepared, Asking our aid; I joined the ranks, and I gave my life for freedom—this I know: For those who bade me fight had told me so.

NEWS DISPATCHES OF THE CIVIL WAR

[From the Telegraph, May 13, 1865.] Potomac Army at Alexandria Washington, May 13.—The advance of the Army of the Potomac is now at Alexandria. General Meade reached this city this morning. Sheridan's cavalry passed through Richmond yesterday.

Mexican Captures Reported New York, via Havana, May 13.—Reports from Mexico received here confirm the capture of Saltillo and Monterey by the Liberals.

NO MOLLYCODDLING HERE

[From the New York World.] Under the caption of "Keep Your Shirt On," the Harvard Crimson, an undergraduate publication, counsels the students against "too hasty and too vigorous action" in preparing for war.

Special Meeting Called George F. Chandler, secretary of the Harrisburg Typographical Union, No. 14, has called a special meeting of the organization for this evening.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

Let's hope Japan's new Diet will agree with us.—Pittsburgh Gazette-Times.

The latest explanation of Italy's continued neutrality is that she hasn't been able to get her university professors to agree on one story and stick to it.—Philadelphia North American.

IN HARRISBURG FIFTY YEARS AGO TO-DAY

[From the Telegraph, May 13, 1865.] Oldest Resident Has Birthday Jacob Ziegler, the oldest resident of the city, celebrated his ninety-third birthday to-day. He is a veteran of three wars, and was present with the Friendship Fire Company, of which he is a member, when the company was at a fire in the lower end of the city.

Dedicate Synagogue The Jewish Synagogue, Chev Sholem, recently erected at Second and South streets, was dedicated yesterday with impressive ceremonies.

Victoria, B. C. Pearl of the Pacific Coast Historic City of old fur-traders Garden City of today— On the 165-mile steamer trip through island dotted waters of Puget Sound between Vancouver, Victoria and Seattle Add this to 500 continuous miles of the grandest scenery in the world along the Canadian Rockies and you will understand why the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY is Nature's Exposition Route to the California Expositions

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