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SATURDAY EVENING, JULY 24
'Twas a thief said the last kind word to Christ;
Christ took the kindness and forgave the theft.
—Browning.

THE NOTE TO GERMANY

THE final note of President Wilson to the German Government unquestionably reflects the thought of the American people as a whole. We have been trifling too long with a matter that is not subject for trifling.

But a breach of the law as laid down by President Wilson need not lead to war. Germany is in no position to invade England, let alone send a fleet or an army to America, and we have no army at hand for immediate service.

GOOD fellowship is an important asset for any city or town and nowhere is there such good fellowship throughout the business community as in Harrisburg.

And this get-together idea which animates our business men and the leaders in municipal and other activities is responsible for the tremendous progress of the city in every direction.

versatile genius included skill as a scientist, engineer, mechanic and architect, as well as a painter and musician, and his imagination led to the design of many remarkable implements of war, among which was a steam gun which was run by boiling water.

In certain of his works he told of several forms of bombarding engines, one of which threw minute particles, like a storm of hail, producing quantities of dense smoke to frighten the enemy.

He left sketches of mortars and other heavy engines of war which suggest the modern heavy and quick-firing guns, and seemed even to have imagined a submarine and aeroplane.

But da Vinci was a gentle soul, withal, as this sentiment would indicate. Most of his "frightfulness" existed in his versatile imagination only.

THE new Federal Trade Commission is making ambitious plans to establish "zones of instruction" throughout the country in which they will appoint high-salaried experts whose business will be to teach manufacturers how their books shall be kept.

JUST one year to the very day after the Austrian ultimatum was delivered to the Servians the German foreign office was in receipt of what is believed will be the final American note in the Lusitania incident.

IN diplomacy, it has been one long succession of humiliating blunders for it, and in Germany's chosen field of military power each effort has fallen just short of accomplishing the end aimed at.

OF the nations involved in the struggle, France alone, one year after it began, appears to have retained its prestige. As a matter of fact, France stands higher in the eyes of those best able to judge of such matters than it did at any time after the collapse of the Franco-Prussian war.

THE high cost of warring, when the campaigns of Washington are compared to the European conflict, was emphasized in the report of the registrar general of the Sons of the American Revolution at the first day's session of the society's twenty-sixth annual convention in Portland, Ore.

Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman.

The guessing continues good in the great A. Mitchell Palmer mystery. Yesterday the Washington correspondents made the discovery that Palmer is the only applicant for the post of counselor of the State Department and some of them straightaway jumped to the conclusion that he would be appointed.

But while the correspondents were settling the counselship for Secretary Lansing, Palmer himself, who in the meantime had arrived at his home in Stroudsburg, was busy declaring that he has asked neither President Wilson nor the Secretary of State for the place.

Palmer seems to enjoy the interest which is taken in him and he looks very wise, but declines to commit himself in any way when he is approached about the numerous reports and rumors that are afloat about him.

Senator Vare's statement about the majority situation in Philadelphia is generally interpreted in that city as an announcement that his brother, the congressman, is a candidate for the Republican nomination.

Figures of the registration and enrollment in the boroughs and townships continue to show gains for the Republican party. Schuylkill county, which was a strong independent Republican and Washington party center, reports a Washington party enrollment of 730.

Dr. John N. Jacobs, county controller of Montgomery county, and William H. Higginbotham, former treasurer of that county, have announced that they are candidates for the Republican nomination for county commissioner.

State Senator Vare has purchased a plot of land at 2009 South Broad street, Philadelphia, and will have a new home built. He expects to have the housewarming about Christmas time.

Many well-known politicians are expected to attend the seventh annual convention of the United Sportsmen of Pennsylvania, which will be held in Wilkes-Barre next week. Senator Penrose will be one of them.

The Penrose automobile which was destroyed by fire in Westmoreland county recently has been replaced with a huge khaki-colored machine which made its first long trip to the seashore Friday. This car will be seen in practically every part of the State this Fall.

—There was a time when the other monarchs of Europe used to smile at the King of Spain.
—This selection is popular in England: Strike, till the last armed foe expires; Strike for your stars and your frowns; Strike for the green graves of your sires.

—A Chinaman being killed in the slums, the cub reporter gets on the job and rescues the girl, then she kisses him, but he got mad and wouldn't have her. It is the way the opera house at Clinton, Mo., reduces motion "drammer" to tabloid for advertising purposes.

—If the Republican convention wants Philadelphia as badly as Philadelphia wants the convention the answer is easy.
—The difference between a jitney and an automobile is that a jitney ride costs only five cents.

—Treating may be barred in the Czar's domain but it'll take more than a royal ukase to keep 'em from retreating.—Washington Post.
—Munich is drinking lemonade because the army needs the beer. Perhaps that is a gentle hint for Munich to enlist.—Salt Lake Tribune.

—If Harry Thaw is finally adjudged insane, he might settle in Europe where his aberration would not be sufficiently unusual to attract any attention.—Nashville Southern Lumberman.
—The appointment of Miss Mary Full Stomach, an Indian maiden, to a position in the Interior Department at Washington is a practical joke. It is practically exhausted.—El Paso Times.

When a Feller Needs a Friend

By BRIGGS



TELEGRAPH PERISCOPE

NOT SO BAD. Mr. Wratt: What did you do to you when they hazed you at college? Mr. Duck: Doused me in a tub of water.

JUST SO. She: The ash here does me a lot of good. He: And still you stay under water most of the time.

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CHAIN ARMOR FOR BATTLESHIPS [From the Providence Journal.] The idea of torpedo nets, with which the Navy Department is said to be conducting experiments, is about as old as the torpedo, against which they are supposed to protect a warship. Our wooden fleet used to carry them and drill with them.

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Our Daily Laugh

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LITTLE TALKS ON THRIFT

By S. W. STRAUS, President American Society for Thrift

In Colonial days, thrift was the fashion in this country. Great men looked after their own estates and their own business affairs. The spendthrift was looked at askance and the thiefder a man was the more respect his fellow citizens had for him.

One of the greatest apostles of thrift we ever had was Benjamin Franklin, and he was one of America's greatest men. His service to his country and the world at large cannot be estimated.

Mr. Rockefeller, the organizer of the Standard Oil Company, has made more money than, probably, any other man of his day. He has more than he himself, it is said, can keep account of.

IN HARRISBURG FIFTY YEARS AGO TO-DAY [From the Telegraph of July 24, 1865.] Promote Major Wiley. The Mayor of War has promoted Major William M. Wiley, of this city, to lieutenant-colonel.

WHERE GOVERNMENT IS CONCERNED [From the New York World.] The American people certainly will not be indifferent to industrial dislocation that rests under the imputation of having been purchased by foreign agents.

WHY CITIES GO INTO DEBT [From the Washington Post.] New York City in recent months has been complaining bitterly because the State of New York has been so extravagant that an additional tax levy becomes necessary.

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Evening Chat

Announcement of the opening date of the annual city championship tennis tournament at Reservoir: Has renewed the interest in that sport again and scores of prospective entrants crowd the courts daily.

Several years ago lightning struck a big cottonwood tree in the River Front Park near Conover street and until today the ten feet or more of the stump is still standing.

While the recent more or less frequent rains have done some damage to the berry crop, especially the dewberry which hangs close to the ground and consequently rots quickly, the bulk of the crop escaped with little harm.

These moonlight nights are certainly proving the popularity of the canoe. Last night there were scores of the little craft scurrying around the river and goodness only knows how many others drifting along under overhanging bushes.

MUCKRAKING FEMALE VIRTUE [From the New York World.] Has the speaker at the Purity Congress, who alleged that "a rapidly increasing number of girls to-day are running it a close second."

FEW EUROPEAN TOURISTS [From the Providence Journal.] A computation for the first week in the present month shows sailings for European tourists from the city's first class passenger 64, second class and 3,658 third class.

EUROPE AND OUR GRAIN [From the Manchester Union.] Sometime next Fall, we Americans will be asking one another what has become of the wheat crop that was raised in the United States this year.

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