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THURSDAY EVENING, AUGUST 26.

The Lord gets His best soldiers out of the highlands of affliction.—Spurgeon.

LET BRYAN DO IT

THE President is facing a serious situation in Mexico. Every effort he has made to pacify the country and to harmonize the warring factions there has been in vain.

THE German Chancellor at the recent opening of the Reichstag repeated the old and threadbare declaration that Germany would have stood by her proposal to observe the neutrality of Belgium had that nation provided free and unopposed passage of the German armies into France.

THE old is new, and the new is old. The earth changes little and human nature less. Even such supposedly modern institutions as the syndicate strike and the labor riot, in which some sad-eyed pessimist profess to see influences at work for the destruction of the country and the downfall of civilization, instead of the mere incidental disagreements that they are, are old as the hills.

NEW silversmith named Demetrius, who made silver models of the shrine of Artemis (Diana), and so gave a great deal of work to the artisans, got these men together, as well as the workmen engaged in similar occupations, and said: "Men, you know that our prosperity depends upon this work, and you see and hear that our whole city is in danger."

How like the newspaper account of one of New York's perfunctory disturbances. Yet it occurred away back near the dawn of the Christian era.

Good for Highway Commissioner Cunningham and good for Mayor Groome, head of the State Police. Their co-operation must assuredly result in an effective enforcement of the automobile and road regulations.

THE welcome of President John F. White, head of the Mine Workers of America, at Hazleton the other day was no more enthusiastic than at a dozen other places since he inaugurated his campaign for increased membership in the union, but it was characterized by an incident of an unusual and distinctly encouraging nature.

The meeting was held on a baseball field owned and given free for the occasion by the Lehigh Coal Company. On the platform with President White sat Superintendent Cracker,

that Luxembourge should be free to administer her own affairs—the German dictatorship began.

The first step was to demand of Luxembourge Minister of State, already struggling with the problem of feeding his people, the immediate expulsion of the French Minister to Luxembourge from the soil of the Grand Duchy.

Having made such a convincing argument for Germany's actions in war-like Belgium will not the Chancellor give us a word or two concerning peaceful Luxembourge?

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Politics in Pennsylvania
By the Ex-Committeeman

Registration in the third class cities of the State to-day will be watched with the greatest interest by people interested in politics for it is expected to show even more emphatically than the county enrollment that the bulk of the party movement among the Bull Moozers is under way with full force.

In Pittsburgh it is openly said that William Flinn and his friends are working to the Republic for ranks this Fall so as to be in a position to take advantage of any factional split which may occur in the simultaneous politics of Allegheny county.

When one considers what is going on in the State the antics of the remnants of the Dauphin county Bull Moozers are almost amusing.

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Another improvement with respect to aviation is the system of landing lights, which are used to guide the aviator where to land. Then, in order to signal the direction of the wind near the earth—for many accidents in landing are caused by air currents which differ in direction from those of the upper regions—four other lights, red in color, are placed one at each corner of the landing stage.

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Evening Chat

Traffic regulations in Harrisburg have gotten to the point where they are no joke. Half a dozen street intersections in this city have become such centers of travel that it keeps policemen going all day and most of the night to prevent knotty tangles in the traffic.

Father Penn's mulberry bushes are blooming. At least that is what the flowers on the row of tall, slender trees are called. These trees, which are survivors of old days in Capitol Park, date from a few years ago when he laid out an arboretum, stand in a row near the south entrance to the Capitol. They contain a mass of light purple flowers which are attracting attention.

Chairman Ainey, of the Public Service Commission, who spent considerable time in Japan studying the government a few years ago, tells an entertaining story illustrative of Japanese wit.

Sweet potatoes grown in this vicinity are unusually large and plentiful, according to the statements of growers. The wet weather has been especially favorable for them.

It is remarkable how a cool night will change the character of the recreation sought by the people of this city. Usually at night the river is crowded with scores of canoes and rowboats.

The report that boys are alleged to have played cards in the county detour house during the morning of the days when the old lockup under the Courthouse was used as a place of confinement for the more refractory prisoners, has not yet gone.

Dr. Louis E. Reber, dean of the University of Wisconsin, was here yesterday as the guest of Dr. John Price Jackson, Commissioner of Labor and Industry.

WELL KNOWN PEOPLE
—Major C. B. Mehard, national guardmaster at Philadelphia, is assisting in the work at Plattsburg camp.

DO YOU KNOW
That Harrisburg's freight car movement is growing month by month?

HISTORIC HARRISBURG
Harrisburg recruited four companies for the War of 1812.

Fashion's New Hat and Gown
Fashion is getting ready to show her new hat and gown and all the frills and furbelows that go with them.

SECOND FLY CONTEST
of the Civic Club for 1915.
August 1st to September 30th.
Five cents a pint for all flies, and many prizes in gold.

Our Daily Laugh
OUT OF THE GAME
The Umpire (just over the fence): Say, Claido, go in dere an' tell dem bush-leaguers dey'll ha'ver ter git another umpire. I quit!
MEAN OF MA
Havin' much fun?
Not much, ma spoiled all my fun by tellin' me t'be careful.