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TUESDAY EVENING, MARCH 21

Remember that every word you utter winds its way to the throne of God, and it is to affect the condition of your soul forever.—Toob.

MR. ALBERT'S COMING

THE interest of Harrisburg people in municipal improvement and betterment is well illustrated by the reception being planned by the Harrisburg Chamber of Commerce, the Harrisburg Rotary Club and the Harrisburg Civic Club in honor of the coming to-morrow of Allen D. Albert, of Minneapolis, who will speak on "A National Review of Civic Progress and Activities," and "The Forces That Make Cities."

Harrisburg has just completed an epoch of public improvements. It has paused for a moment to take breath and to plan for the future. Mr. Albert, who is a city expert of note, comes with his message at an opportune moment.

The planning of a city, as Frank Koester, city expert and consulting engineer, recently said in an article on the subject, like the planning of anything else, should be carried out with a view to the use which is to be made of it and to adapt it best to that use and in addition to make it as pleasing from an artistic point of view as possible. There should first be strength in the design, and if strength be economically manifested the artistic enrichment of the design will be easily effected.

Practical city planning is not only not necessarily a source of expense to the city, but it is frequently a means of profit, conferring its benefits not only on the citizens directly, but often relieving them of a large part of the burdens of taxation.

But whether immediately profitable or not, city planning is not only a duty of the present, but an obligation to posterity. No owner of a growing manufacturing enterprise would neglect to properly plan extensions; but most cities, which are in reality super-enterprises, grow and expand without plan or forethought, generating congestion, waste, poverty and the necessity of enormous expenditures in later years to correct faults which a stroke of the pen of the city planner, at the proper moment, would have avoided.

City planning determines the destiny of a city. It develops artistic taste, civic pride and patriotism; it makes better citizens and artisans; it adds to health, comfort and happiness; it helps to increase population and produce industrial prosperity.

City planning attracts industries, commerce and visitors; it produces better transportation facilities, improved hygienic conditions, and more adequate and less expensive living quarters and food supplies. It is a business proposition of the first importance.

Our City Planning Commission has been doing an excellent work along this line, but not all our people understand either the value of the commission to the city or the extent of its activities, and if Mr. Albert goes no more than to impress upon his audiences the importance of this work his visit will have been well worth while. But he will do more than that—he will bring to Harrisburg all of the wealth of experience he has acquired in the review of scores of cities the country over. We may expect to get from him some idea of where we stand with relation to our sister cities, something that we must know if we are to judge ourselves properly. Every Harrisburg man and woman who has an interest in the city should be at the Technical High School to-morrow evening.

FEDERAL "PORK"

WHERE is the first newspaper, or the first group of persons in any community, which will go on record against pork for their own district? asks Collier's Weekly.

The Telegraph speaks up for Harrisburg. Harrisburg wants to see Uncle Sam "bring home the bacon" every time, but it wants no government "pork" in its diet.

And we can do more than proclaim this at a time when the gentle art of proclaiming may appear politically advantageous. We can prove it. Here's the evidence:

When it became apparent that our post office building was no longer adequate to our needs, did we, like some of our sister cities—keen for architectural adornment at public ex-

pense—rush to Washington and demand a new building of Congressman Olmsted, then at the height of his power and prestige and well able to command a million or two for his home district had he been so inclined? No, indeed! Those then in charge of federal affairs here asked merely for an annex to the Federal building; an annex so modest, indeed, that when the unforeseen parcel post law was passed Congressman Kreider, then in his first term, had to ask for an additional appropriation to make room for the new department.

That's how Harrisburg feels about federal "pork." Next!

Frank Moran wants to be a "Bill" Sunday, figuring that the devil is a less vigorous opponent than Jess Willard, it is assumed.

MORE WAR PROSPERITY

THIRTY thousand employees of Chicago meat packers have received increase of wages, unsolicited. Three thousand employees of the Reading Iron Company have received advances. The Remington Arms Company is seeking 3,000 more skilled workmen in Philadelphia for its plant at Eddystone, which will raise the number employed in that plant to 10,000. The Department of Labor reports that the iron and steel plants of the country are now employing 35 per cent. more men than a year ago and paying them 62 per cent. more salary. War prosperity, with the Democrats crowing, "We done it!"

If prices keep on going up, some enterprising gasoline dealer may encourage trade by giving away a "flivver" with each gallon of gas.

DYESTUFFS AND DEFENSE

A DYESTUFF factory can be very readily transformed into a factory for the production of explosives. Dr. Thomas H. Norton, of the Department of Commerce, is authority for the statement that the transformation can be accomplished on forty-eight hours' notice. Heretofore we have been dependent upon Germany for dyestuffs. The vast extent of her dyestuffs industry was one factor in enabling her to carry on the war when cut off from communication with other countries by sea. With all these facts before them, Democrats are delaying legislation for the building up of the dyestuffs industry in this country.

Go to see "Defense and Tribute"—thereby contributing to Marjorie's Battleship Fund.

BETHLEHEM'S OFFER

IT is too much to hope, we suppose, that Congress will pause in its headlong plunge toward government-owned armor plants to consider the offer of the Bethlehem Steel Company to manufacture armor plate at the government's own figures; in other words, to sell to the United States at the theoretical figure which government experts say they can manufacture plate in the plants which Congress would build at an expenditure of many millions of dollars. The offer of the Bethlehem Company, as set forth in its annual report, published in the Telegraph of yesterday, is well worth careful reading. It follows in substance:

Your attention is called to the fact that a bill is pending in Congress and has, with the support of the Secretary of the Navy, been referred to the committee on naval affairs, providing for the building by the government at an expense of \$11,000,000 of an armor plant with a capacity of 20,000 tons a year. This capacity produces more than double what have been the average actual requirements of the United States in armor plate in the past twenty years, and if such a bill is passed the value of existing armor plants in this country, which are virtually destroyed, Bethlehem Steel Company has more than \$7,000,000 invested in its plants, devoted to this use—and useless for any other purpose.

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EDITORIAL COMMENT

INTERVIEW WITH COL HOUSE [Houston Post.] Read the news columns this morning and learn that upon Colonel Ed House's arrival in Washington the correspondents swarmed around him and obtained several columns of nothing but personal charges.

SENATOR GORE'S EXPERIENCE [Waco Times-Herald.] Mr. Gore now knows how it feels to be picked up by an Oklahoma cyclone and dropped in the next county.

NOAH And Laneck lived an hundred eighty and two, and he called his name Noah, saying, This same shall comfort us concerning our work and toil of our hands, because of the hundred years old; and Noah begat Shem, Ham and Japheth.—Genesis V, 28, 29 and 32.

Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman

The whole State is now awaiting Senator Boies Penrose's move. The State administration forces, backed by a considerable number of friends of the Governor, are now actively engaged in carrying forward the Brumbaugh candidacy. The campaign for election of Brumbaugh delegates against the uninstructed delegates desired by the Senator and his friends is being organized everywhere and no time is being lost despite intimations that there may be peace. Attorney General Penrose, who is directing the organization and playing a masterly and daring game, which some of the Governor's partisans say the Senator can not match. Criticism of the slowness of Penrose in getting started has been heard, but not among the Governor's forces. They are using the time to develop their campaign.

The center of interest shifted from Pittsburgh yesterday. The Governor got here last night and to-day reiterated satisfaction with the outlook. The Senator went to Washington to have "war councils." The Governor intimated there might be peace yet. The Senator did not.

The Philadelphia Ledger in a Washington dispatch says: "Senator Penrose arrived here to-day after a series of conferences with Republican leaders in Western Pennsylvania. He declined to outline his plan of fighting Governor Brumbaugh for the delegates from Pennsylvania, but said he would issue a statement in a few days. Republican Congressman W. J. Sawyer, Senator Penrose said he had reported the condition in the State favorable to the election of uninstructed delegates. He expressed confidence of the outcome of the fight against Brumbaugh. His visitors were allowed to understand that his statement would be a sensational review of things political in Pennsylvania and an appeal for the election of delegates who would vote for a man for President who would cement the party. Congressmen from Pennsylvania, who know that they must align themselves with either side in that State are anxious to learn just what Senator Penrose proposes to do. The Vore-Brumbaugh faction is pressing them hard to support the Governor. Several emissaries discussed the situation with warring Congressmen last week, one being Secretary of Agriculture Patton. The House of Representatives W. J. Griest, the conservative member of the Vore-Brumbaugh faction, has prevented it from actively carrying on the campaign here among Congressmen."

This interesting piece of politics comes from the Chambersburg Valley. "Congressman C. J. Bechtel, of Gettysburg, when in town last week accomplished the object of his visit when he interviewed a number of Republican leaders on the senatorial question. Bechtel is tired of congressional life and would be willing to exchange it for senatorial honors in the Adams-Franklin district if he could get the Republican nomination without too hot a contest and the election. Neither was guaranteed him while here.

Editor John Short, of Clearfield, is whirling that pointed pen of his again. He is writing pieces about the State administration forces and the Penrose administration in Clearfield county in a manner that indicates that all is not lovely in Clearfield and that he is enjoying the fuss. Short manages to get more fuss out of a political contest, Republican or Democratic, than Moore than any other editor in the State. He has no respect for the constituted authorities when they start to make states.

The Bull Moose round-up here on Thursday promises to be interesting. It will bring in the remains of the herd and it will be decided what to do about the amalgamation of the party. It is understood that some of the leaders favor uniting with the State administration in the attempt to unhorse Penrose. It is known that the administration leaders are continuing to receive support from William Flinn, who has assured Governor Brumbaugh personally of his interest in the rejuvenation, reunion and reclamation of the Republican party.

Much interest is being manifested at the Capitol in the visit to be paid to the Governor by the delegation of railroad men. The last visit the railroad men told the Governor they would not stand for Charles A. Ambler for Auditor General, the Governor nor assisted in his plan, but he brought out Ambler. Because of his veto of the full crew bill the organization of railroad men are said to have a warm feeling for the Governor and the Friday meeting may be important.

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When a Feller Needs a Friend

By BRIGGS



TELEGRAPH'S PERISCOPE

—There is one good thing about the kind of weather we have been having recently—it has held back the house-cleaning season.

—Our fondest hope now is that the coal will last longer than the cold weather.

—Just to prove that Von Tirpitz is not the worst man in Germany the Kaiser insists on the submarine campaign proceeding.

—By the way, what has become of that "Buy a Bale of Cotton" slogan?

—"Clark," says the Public Ledger, "will clear the way for Wilson." Some Job, Champ, old boy.

—"Chasing chickens," says a Bethlehem dispatch, "Jeremiah Braden, aged 73, fell and broke his arm." The idea; at his age, too.

WILLIAM PENN HOTEL

The opening of the new William Penn Hotel, Sixth avenue, is a matter of unusual importance to Pittsburgh as, in connection with changes made recently in our auditorium facilities, it warrants the announcement that the city is prepared on a generous scale to entertain the largest conventions of the country. This shows how distinctly the opening of a new hotel of this dimension is of civic concern. While conducted as a private enterprise, it contributes to the prestige of the city in its entertainment of visitors and in accommodating the social spirit of residents with facilities for banquets, dinner parties and other diversions. As Pittsburghers advertise their great mills wherever they go they must now proclaim the superior hotel facilities of the city. In such a speak of the William Penn as the largest hotel in Pittsburgh, it is to be emphasized as well that it is one of the seven largest of the United States and that its management and appointment surpassed by none. Its management gives every indication of a determination to conduct it in keeping with the name it has taken. The William Penn represents an investment of \$6,000,000.

Recalling that in 1912 Pittsburgh considered itself prepared to accommodate one of the national political conventions, the importance of the additional strength given in that line by this new hotel will stand out. It has 1,000 rooms, each with bath. The Fort Pitt, the city's next largest hotel, has 750 rooms. The William Penn could seat 2,300 at table; the Fort Pitt has seated 1,500.

As for the city auditorium capacity: The main hall of the Exposition building could, with small expenditure, be enlarged and seated for 14,000. That would accommodate any national convention, as reports of from 18,000 to 20,000 of a beauty of design and appointments are considered as exorbitant; there never having been anything like an accurate count.

As the management of the William Penn is congratulated on the auspicious opening of the new hotel, it is for the city to congratulate itself on the increase in its facilities for accommodating the public and for the world to take notice that we are ready for the biggest conventions.

IN SPITE OF W. J. B.

[From the Springfield Republican.] Recruiting for the regular army has suddenly risen to high tide in New York city and nearby recruiting offices in New Jersey. The news from Mexico has turned a sick business into a rushing one. Reports of a similar character were sent out from recruiting offices in Western cities. Adventurous spirits are as plenty in this country as anywhere.

The unnecessary ringing of the fire bells in New York was the subject of considerable discussion the other evening between city officials. Times when companies go away on trips or are visited by out-of-town companies are never flicker an eyelash. Not so some of the others who are less fortunate. The paper situation is becoming extremely acute.

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THE RISE OF THE SHOE

By Frederic J. Haskin

THIS is the day of the shoe. Never before has footwear been at once so vital, spectacular and expensive factor in the life of the world. The belligerent nations of Europe are scouring the earth for leather to clothe the feet of their armies. At the same time woman has seen fit to lift her skirts just a little higher than ever before, making it necessary for her shoe-tops to rise and meet them. This not only requires more leather, but it brings shoes into a vastly more prominent position, with the result that they have changed from inconspicuous black or tan accessories to really brilliant and colorful creations—at \$15 a pair.

Thus shoes have become the most important article in the wardrobe of the well-acquainted woman. High shoes, low shoes, medium-top shoes, colored shoes and, most of all, white shoes are so popular that some of the manufacturers, it is reported, have refused to order for army shoes to keep up with the home demand. The woman who, a couple of years ago, neglected her footwear in the greater interest of her hats and frocks now spends a day in selecting a \$25 pair of shoes and hires the tailor to match them. "I wanted a light gray suit this Spring, but I couldn't finish. As it is, the sort of thing the retailers of ready-made wear are constantly hearing. One firm offered over 1,500 separate styles of shoes this season, and is still manufacturing more. It looks as if the individual pair of shoes the same as the individual style of hat. In such a case, the American manufacturer who was responsible for styles in women's shoes will have started something new. The manufacturer is having his troubles. Retailers will not buy more than a few pairs of shoes at a time, for fear that the next week will find them out of date. On the other hand, if one particular style proves popular they rush the manufacturer with orders and are indignant if there is any delay. Under

these circumstances, the manufacturer sees his wife's end to know how many shoes of any one style to make. The good old times when he planned his Spring line of shoes in the East and his Fall line of shoes in the Spring are in the distant past. Now he is lucky to keep three weeks ahead of the game. One firm last Fall printed a pamphlet for its custom showing the styles that were to be popular in Spring. The first illustration was a side-lace gypsy boot of tan kid, no doubt inspired by the fact that the demand for gypsy boots that Fall was enormous. As the season progressed, however, the kid died out and not a single side-lace gypsy boot is on the market this Spring.

Just at present a white fad is in progress. White shoes twelve and fifteen inches high are in great demand, and the white low shoe is also popular. One Philadelphia firm has placed a large number of white colonial pumps with high, wide tongues and various styles of buckles on the market which are achieving great success. The manufacturers are afraid of the white fad, however. Widespread popularity usually has the effect of killing an article. Then, too, the large amount of advertising given the proper preparation, but retailers have received many complaints from customers who had failed to produce results with ivory soap and water.

The rumor that skirts are to be longer this season is causing some uneasiness among manufacturers with hundreds of fifteen-inch boots on their shelves. While the fashion magazines are still showing the short skirt, in New York the longer skirt is beginning to make its appearance, the skirts of some of the latest stage costumes being about three inches from the floor. This will probably kill the demand for the high boot, which soon will be a drug on the market.

THE STATE FROM DAY TO DAY

Here's one that Baron Munchausen might willingly have adopted for his own; not that the story is not true, because we believe in the truth of everything that appears in the daily press, but this one is sufficiently unusual to call for special comment. Young Gene Park, of Horsham, was handing a loaded rifle to Young Daniel Stone of Hatboro when the gun was discharged, the bullet passing through the former's leg and lodging in the latter's sturdy right. Evident impartiality!

A sleeping man in the city of Chester, and a member of a fire department at that, set fire to his bed Sunday night by kicking over the lamp in his sleep. Reporters have been zealously engaged in trying to ascertain whether the man was a former gridiron warrior.

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Evening Chat

Another flag has been added to the collection now in the possession of the State through the generosity of a veteran of the Civil War who has sent to Adjutant General Thomas J. Stewart the guidon of the Seventh Pennsylvania Cavalry. The flag was received at the Capitol a few days ago and will be carefully examined and put into good shape for preservation. In the last year or so, or ever since the ceremonies attending the removal of the flags from the State Museum to the Capitol rotunda, there have been numerous letters addressed to the Adjutant General regarding flags which are in possession of families. Several flags have also been given to the State Museum.

Concrete workers, especially those who are employed on sidewalk work, are complaining of a disagreeable weather conditions, which, they declare, are anywhere from two to three weeks behind time. "We have generally been busy as natters at this time, but this year we have laid on our backs. And we had to cover that with straw a foot thick and keep it covered because the mercury went 'way down,'" said one worker.

The song sparrow is determined that Spring shall reign. The sparrows have begun about the city considerably in the last fortnight, although the cold wave killed some of them. Yesterday in spite of the cold breezes sweeping from the Susquehanna there were half a dozen of the sparrows carolling away along the river front and one was heard in Capitol Park.

One veteran railroad man is responsible for the statement that he has never gone to the Pennsylvania Railroad station that he did not find a force of workmen tearing down some part of the building. "Life is right, but this year we have laid on our backs. And we had to cover that with straw a foot thick and keep it covered because the mercury went 'way down,'" said one worker.

While the average person knows that a fair portion of the milk supply of Philadelphia comes from up-State and a considerable part of that passes through Harrisburg, yet it would surprise many to know how much of Harrisburg's milk comes into the city on trolley cars. The milk of the old-time dairymen still do business on routes in Harrisburg, but the bulk of the business is now in the hands of firms and individuals who obtain milk in bulk and distribute it. Almost any evening or in early morning cans of milk can be found on interurban trolley cars and they are put off at places near the city. The distributor or the wagon or truck pick them up. It is one form of trolley freight that is developing rapidly.

Major C. S. Farnsworth, of the United States army, who was for several years detailed here as inspector-instructor of the National Guard, is now on duty at the Capitol. He is in command of part of the Sixteenth infantry and has been in charge of the making of important surveys and maps. Captain S. M. Rutherford, of this city, is with the Tenth cavalry now in Mexico.

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WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

—Judge W. A. Way, of Pittsburgh, is spending a short time at the seashore.

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HISTORIC HARRISBURG Harrisburg had a library back in 1795.

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MOUTHS OF BABES

Little Gertrude saw the snow falling for the first time and exclaimed: "mamma! it is wainin' poptorn."

The Dealer's Viewpoint

Frequently a newspaper is asked to induce local merchants to advertise. The advertiser's general advertising, it would get a reply something like this: "I have built my business and individualized my store through newspaper advertising. You say newspaper advertising is good. I know it is good. Why don't this manufacturer spend his money where his newspaper advertising will create a direct demand over my counters for the product? The local dealer is glad to cooperate with the manufacturer's advertising in the newspapers of his city.

Success brings out a man's friends. Yes, but if you want to know your real friends count the few who support you when you don't seem to have a chance to win.

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