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Every word that God puts into your heart for another will find some one ready to receive it.

—FRANCIS E. CLARK.

ROTARIANS SUPPORT HOTEL

The endorsement of the new hotel project by the Harrisburg Rotary Club brings to the support of that movement the brains and energies of one of the most important organizations in the city...

The Rotarians will never regret their action. They thereby have identified their organization with an undertaking that will reflect credit upon everybody connected therewith.

But aside from that, the new hotel promises to be a business proposition of a very substantial nature. Men noted for their ability to make money have put much into it.

A few men have started the enterprise. It remains for the great mass of patriotic Harrisburg citizens to put it through.

Charles M. Schwab will find the hospitality of Harrisburg quite as warm-hearted as its energy and public spirit.

THE FALL OPENING

YOU owe it to yourself and to the business men of the city to attend the Fall opening this evening. The merchants have spent the past week preparing for your entertainment.

Harrisburg in the past ten years has progressed wonderfully in many directions, but in none more than in the development of its stores.

The exhibition of mercantile enterprise will be well worth seeing. It was made for you. Don't miss it.

This city has been particularly favored in organizations of men and women who are giving of their time and energy and intelligent thought to the promotion of plans for the general welfare of the community.

electrical engineers of the city, was responsible for one of the most attractive features of the river carnival, and this same organization is going to have a big part in the carnival of 1917.

THE WEST SHORE HIGH SCHOOL The West Shore communities are going forward by leaps and bounds. Camp Hill is going to pave its main thoroughfare, East Pennsboro township and Enola are putting up new schools and scores of handsome homes are being built.

It is surprising that all of the towns comprising what has come to be known as the West Shore group have not come into the movement. Certain it is that all who remain out will one day wish they had joined at the beginning.

Senator Oscar Underwood predicts the election of Wilson. He says the American people appreciate the President's constructive legislation, which includes the Underwood tariff act that would have had the country covered with soap houses long ago but for the unexpected prosperity of the European war.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

EVEN Pittsburgh is getting ready to abate its smoke nuisance and the inspiration of such a movement in the Smoky City ought not to be lost upon Harrisburg at this time.

As emphasizing the work of the league, there will be public meetings addressed by smoke experts from leading cities and it is confidently expected that the results will still further improve the conditions, which are infinitely better because of an anti-smoke movement several years ago.

Harrisburg has suffered greatly from smoke and soot since the big anthracite coal strike a few years ago. Previous to that time comparatively little soft coal was used in the city, but it is a lamentable fact that now many private owners of apartment houses, factories and even private dwelling houses are using the soft fuel.

Public utilities cannot always be reached in matters of this sort, but there is no reason for a continuance of a nuisance which is simply a measure of economy for one element of the community at the expense of the other.

After nightfall in Harrisburg the belching chimneys send a pall of soot all over the city and the resultant effect upon buildings and homes is a subject of general complaint.

If Pittsburgh can so greatly reduce this nuisance, it ought to be an easy matter for Harrisburg to almost abolish the trouble. For years it was supposed that most of the smoke and soot came from the railroad engines, but this theory has been exploded by an investigation which demonstrates that a small percentage of smoke is traceable to the locomotives.

Return From Plattsburg

"Last night with my kit in a muddle. Last night as I lay in the rain. Last night with my head in a puddle. I swore I was coming against the rain."

While Mayor Meals is giving his thought to improvement of traffic conditions, may we respectfully suggest that the one-way plan for Third and Fourth streets between Walnut and Chestnut would be a still further step in the right direction?

A WORD TO THE MAYOR

Perhaps a few petitions, with thousands of names affixed thereon, would have some weight with certain municipal officials who imagine that the improving order in the distracted Wyoming Valley. For almost a year the trolley and jitney controversy has upset the peace and order of the valley.

MORE ACTION; LESS TALK

Whether or not the ornamental lighting for Federal Square or North Third street or the ripping of the River Front or any other project which has been hanging fire all summer shall be authorized by City Council, it would seem only fair to the people of Harrisburg that dilly-dallying on these matters should cease.

Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman

Senator William E. Crow, the Republican State chairman, who has been in Philadelphia the last few days in conference with party leaders, is bending all of his energies to getting the Republicans united on a general battle plan for the Keystone State which will not only roll up a big majority this Fall, but assure the easy election of a Republican Governor and Legislature in 1918.

It is no secret that the Democrats, if they win this Fall's national election, are planning to make the greatest fight for control of the government of Pennsylvania in fifty years. They are counting upon a continuance of the differences between Republican leaders in Philadelphia, which some seem bent upon airing on all occasions, to produce such conditions in next winter's Legislature and in the county and municipal elections of 1917 that the Democrats will be able to repeat the Pattison elections of 1882 and 1890.

Senator Crow, exercising the highest functions of a chairman, has been working to allay all feelings. He has adopted a middle of the road policy which the Philadelphia North American characteristically declares means that he has deserted Bourne and lined up with the Vares. The facts are that he has refused to make any moves which could be construed as doing anything except work for the unification of the party.

Chairman Crow yesterday sent a letter to all Republican county chairmen and Republican State committeemen notifying them of the meeting of the league at York next week and urging their attendance. The chairman also notified the State candidates of his expectation to meet them at York. Senator Crow's letter says in part: "I feel that the league, as at present constituted, is composed of active, energetic and enthusiastic Republicans who work in the present campaign will be of great benefit. It is therefore important that the convention should be made as successful as possible, and the State Committee is anxious that there be a big representation of leading Republicans from every section of the State at York on the days mentioned."

Mayor Smith, of Philadelphia and prominent officials and leaders of Philadelphia will attend the York meeting.

Approximately 100,000 voters registered yesterday in Philadelphia and only 20,000 in Pittsburgh. Walls are going up all over the State from Democratic postmasters and federal officeholders over the manner in which they are being asked to contribute to the national election year. The Democratic party machine in Pennsylvania. As one man put it plaintively: "We're getting it going coming. It's all right for the Republicans. It's all right for the Democrats. It's all right for the State organization and it's right for them to give. But the Republicans end there. Wish we did."

It is understood that some of the Democrats are holding down federal jobs which are being asked to contribute to the national election year. The visit will be a public one, and coming so soon after the notable reception which Pittsburgh is planning for the candidate will show that Pennsylvania has no time for Wilson and his policies in spite of the agitations of the Windmill.

Jinks on Autocrats

Old Jinks is much disgruntled by things that Hughes is saying: "I don't like this here praise he gets, the cheers and the hurrying. He's right about so many things he really makes me squirm; I wonder to myself at times if I'm a kind of worm."

Brothers and Sisters

Someone mathematically inclined has dug up from the recesses of his brain a number of figures which strangely enough when added together show how many living sisters and brothers you have and also the number of deaths. If you are skeptical, try it and see.

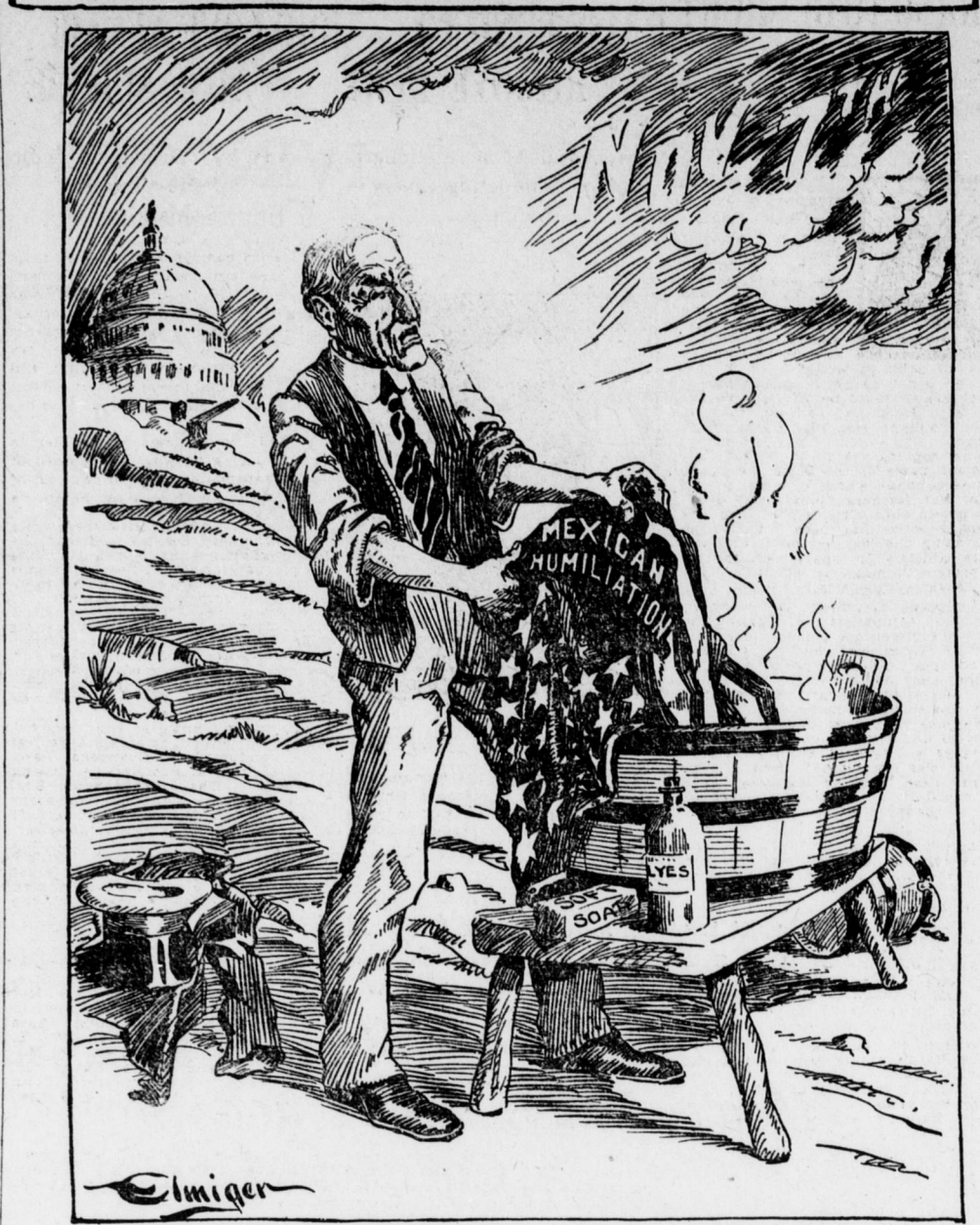
Keeping Customers After War

We have had prosperity thrust upon us in the United States. We have done it, in fact nothing, to deserve it, except that as the demand for our goods has come we have tried to meet it just as the man behind the counter in the country store tried to fill the order of the customer in front of the counter who has dropped into the store. It turns out that we are about the only store in the world where everybody in the world comes here if they want anything. That would be an ideal thing going to last. But it isn't. It is a condition which will last only as long as the war does. After that, other stores will be opened and they will be run on the most efficient lines to attract customers away from us.—The Bache Review.

WHAT THE ROTARY CLUB LEARNED OF THE CITY

Questions submitted to members of the Harrisburg Rotary Club and their answers as presented at the organization's annual "Municipal Quiz."

THE CARTOON OF THE DAY



THE BLACK SPOT HE CANNOT RUB OUT.

TELEGRAPH PERISCOPE

—Minnesota hunters cleaned up \$15,000 by killing 1,000 wolves in the past fifteen months. Think what a crowd like that would do in Wall Street.

—How opportune it is for the President to display again his remarkable talent for letter writing that another lot of Americans have been torpedoed by the Germans, who had promised that they were through with that sort of thing.

—Hindenburg suggests that the Emperor confine himself to speech-making and hospital work. We thought hospital work had been one of the Kaiser's chief talents, judging from the lists of German wounded.

—The eugenists now advocate the killing of delicate babies, and if that works out all right we might apply the same method to some of the eugenists.

—Elihu Root wants unemployed lawyers employed on the farms, but we guess the farmers would have something to say about that.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

The better the country at large knows Charles E. Hughes, the man, the better it likes him.—New York Sun.

It is remarkable with what ease the Democrats of Pennsylvania carried this State at Harrisburg on Wednesday. But Democrats always carry Pennsylvania when they get into the proper atmosphere.—Greensburg Tribune.

I'm strong for arbitration, but I voted flat again it. For Woodrow said the time had come when I should get up and vote. But Hughes is voicing what I thought when, votin' for that law. I didn't dare to tell myself the dangers that I saw.

"We've put ourselves within the grip of that legislation. Of men who may get strong enough to run our busted nation; We didn't have no facts at all but passed the law on trust; I kicked a bit, but what's the use when Woodrow says you must?"

"They're got their kings in Europe, their employers and princes. Whose orders are obeyed in full though every subject wince; But when I get to bed at night and view them from afar, it seems to me that Woodrow is more nervous than they are."

—P. Jones in N. Y. Sun.

MILITARY SERVICE OF MORE VALUE THAN WAR-TRAINING

THE widespread interest aroused in universal military training by the woeful failure of the present militia system of the United States as evinced in the vain call for volunteers to serve on the Mexican border, finds expression in the following article by George E. Chamberlain, chairman Senate military affairs committee, recently published in Pulitzer's Review:

"There is only one way to create a sufficient and a thoroughly efficient reserve to be utilized in case our country becomes involved in war with any first-class military power. It can only be done through universal military training, and here it is proper to differentiate between universal military training and universal military service. The latter is the duty of the country to learn how to care for themselves in time of war does not mean that when war comes they shall be compelled to serve. Service may depend upon subsequent legislation, but universal military training can be put into effect now, and every young man in the country, between the ages of twelve and twenty, can be instructed fully in the duties of a soldier."

"It is the most democratic way to create a reserve to be utilized in case of emergency. It would compel the rich and poor alike, the employer and the employee, to understand that they owe a duty to their country as a consideration for the privileges which are accorded to them as citizens and the protection afforded life and property by the laws of the land. We must eventually come to universal military training if we would have a reserve which can be called upon to volunteer, or, if need be, compelled to serve when danger is threatened from without."

THE STATE FROM DAY TO DAY

In order to see her way clear to sue the city of York for injuries to her eye, Miss Bruggeman made shift to remove therefrom a large piece of mud, that found its way from a puddle in one of the public highways.

Swearing among the policemen of Reading is to be "passe," as they say in Ireland. An anti-swearing order has been issued by the mayor, and it is understood that in place of venting wrath by the use of curses, the men may bite their fingernails or stamp their feet.

The good old-fashioned bucket brigade proved its worth once again at Painterville when a raging fire was discovered the other morning in one of the local stores. Much valuable property was saved by the quick action of the hastily organized brigade.

The fluttering of birds over a small clump of underbrush led to the discovery of a suicide's body in the woods near Bellefonte. The reason for the shooting was given in a newspaper account as being "on account of unrequited love." The reporter evidently didn't get it "quite" right.

A three-million-dollar lumber concern in Sunbury has gone into the hands of receivers. "How happy they must be!" exclaims the fair observer of current events.

Two huge pyramids of fruit and vegetables standing in the main auditorium of the Calvary Reformed church of Reading greeted the harvest of the congregation and marked the harvest home celebration on Sunday.

Evening Chat

The Berks and Dauphin turnpike, whose owning company is under fire before the Public Service Commission to-day because of the condition of the road, is the second oldest highway in this part of the State and from some testimony presented to-day one of the worst in spots. The oldest road of the "spokes" of the road wheel centering in Harrisburg, is that between Middletown and the State Capital which dates from before 1735. Lancaster court records showing that a highway to Harris Ferry was projected. It was much traveled by the time of the French and Indian war. The road to Lebanon is believed to have come not much later and it was a highway for settlers and others traveling from Easton to the south by way of the foothills of the Blue Ridge. Many of the ancestors of people in the Cumberland Valley and in the southern tier of counties came over the road which figures in to-day's proceedings. That it was an important highway is shown by an entry in the docket of the first court held in Dauphin county, the year of its erection from a part of Lancaster. This record is dated August, 1785, and refers to a branch laid out to "The Great Road From Harrisburg to Hummelstown." In 1816, the Berks and Dauphin Turnpike Company came into being and a legislative report of 1822 tells that it had thirty-four miles completed at an average cost of \$3,800 per mile. The individual stock subscriptions were \$63,000 in round numbers and the State of Pennsylvania kindly took \$23,000 of stock, gradually bits of the turnpike have been freed until there are no tollgates until after Hummelstown is passed. It is a State highway and some day the State will take it over if it does not condemn it.

Fall housecleaning time has come and with it the beating of rugs, the "cussing" of the man of the house and increased sales in district stores in the city drugstores. One druggist says that he never did a better business in months despite their increased prices. In many of the turnpike have been freed until there are no tollgates until after Hummelstown is passed. It is a State highway and some day the State will take it over if it does not condemn it.

Officials of the Bell Telephone company in this city tell a good story about a man in an adjoining county who unconsciously gave the great utility corporation its place in the life of the community in which he resides. Now it seems that a gentleman in Adams county was dissatisfied with the way some postal matters were being handled and wrote to the Postmaster General about it. The man was literally without a post office address and to overcome any difficulty to postmasters' chief might have in communicating with him, he wrote in case you want to reply to this letter, don't write. I have no post office address. You can call me on the Bell phone."

A Harrisburg professional man who entered the service recently saved himself a lot of annoyance and at the same time passed all requirements as to his attainments. It seems that when he forwarded his application he was requested to send his diplomas and certificates of licensure. They were all framed and hung on the walls of his offices. Uncle Sam demanded proof. He did not want to unframe the parchments so he had a notary come around and then read off each paper verbatim and took oath to their genuineness and to the fact that they were in his office. The Postmaster General about it. The man was literally without a post office address and to overcome any difficulty to postmasters' chief might have in communicating with him, he wrote in case you want to reply to this letter, don't write. I have no post office address. You can call me on the Bell phone."

One of the stunts of a bulldog with a fine underlip which is worn by a colored resident of the city is to carry a drop pipe. He wears it just like any man and appears to be rather fond of the attention he attracts. He will throw the pipe between automobiles and cars and never think of letting go of the pipe and he will walk along the street and avoid groups of people with the same care for a dropped pipe as he would a live dog. He saw two other dogs playing on the lawn. The owner had to pick up the pipe.

A friend calls attention to the fact that the name of the hotel or tavern which occupied the Grand Opera House building in the city of Harrisburg is called the Mansion House. There was an earlier inn on this site, but it was soon replaced with the Mansion House and was kept by Isaac Wagner. The State Capitol hotel was on an opposite corner of Third and Walnut and was next door to the old Exchange. These latter sites are now occupied by the federal building lawn.

WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

—Dr. G. J. Van Vetchen has been made the new director of health of Seanton.

—The Rev. Guy Marara, of Mauch Chunk, has returned from the site of Alaska where he spent some time traveling as a missionary.

—Mayor Charles Rhodes appears to have succeeded in closing up the Mountain City on Sundays.

—Dr. Stephen H. Langdon, distinguished scholar, has translated one of the Sumerian inscriptions and says it tells of the first shipment of civilization after the flood.

DO YOU KNOW

That Harrisburg exports considerable silk which is woven on Second street?

HISTORIC HARRISBURG

The first revival on the site of Harrisburg was conducted by George Whitefield in 1756.

IT'S ALL RIGHT NOW

By Wing Dingler

Everything is lovely, Life is bright and gay, Has been every minute Since last Saturday, Fondlest hope for two years I did realize, Nothing now but sunshine I see in the skies.

Our Daily Laugh

OUT OF SEASON Mr. Justwed— Dinner seems to be late.

His Bride— I can't help it. The Housewife's Magazine says you should have a certain number of calories with each meal and there isn't a market in town that keeps them, and I don't know how to cook them, anyway.

CENSORED.

Librettist— I have written a lyric for a sextette in the second act. Producer— Nix on the sex stuff. This 'is going' to be a clean show.

Watching the Experiment

(Easton Free Press) A few dozen Harrisburgers are going to put a million dollars into a new hotel in that city, which, it is announced, will be run without a bar. Speculation is rife as to whether the new hotel will be a financial success without a bar, and the experiment will be watched with no little interest.