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FRIDAY EVENING, DEC. 8.

Thile the loitering idler waits Good luck beside his fire,

he bold heart storms at fortune'

And conquers its desire. -BATES.

SIX-CENT BREAD

ARRISBURG, with the State as ers to risk affronting their customers finds the season too far advanced for has led to abandonment of the advance. But, apparently, the long deand this time not altogether without reason, so far as the bakers themselves DEMURRAGE charges varying from \$1 to \$5 a day for freight and this time not altogether without are concerned.

As pointed out by the Pennsylvania ures. Labor has advanced 10 to 25 ably high profits. per cent. Delivery charges have dou-bled. So it is very evident, that unless be used as storehouses. Their place

The state of the s

HARRISBURG TELEGRAPH | appropriate our Fanama hats, we have kissed many a cun button good-by when wife came along with a new shirtwaist, and we have held no grudges when a fair member of the family snitched our riding trousers, but we don't propose to give up our hose supporters without a protest.

FRIDAY EVENING,

We can get along without either Panamas or laundered cuffs, but we decline, absolutely and finally, to part with that last token of self-respect, our garters. Ladies, beware! men are desperate. They will stand no trifling. Also hold in mind the embarras ments that may result from a combination of short skirts and short stockings and Boston hose supporters.

If prices keep on going up burglars, instead of using their coal piles to hide their loot, will use the loot to hide their coal piles.

NO EXCUSE FOR RUMANIA

HE people of Rumania are suf-I fering the fate they hoped to inflict on Austria. They are paying the penalty of a crime as great as that of Germany in Belgium. Theil lust and greed for the spoils of war-Their in this case additional territory-led them to an unprovoked attack on the entral powers. Rumania is in the position of the biter bitten-of the footpad who not only gets no booty, but on the other hand finds himself beaten and robbed of even that which

The King evidently prefers to let George do it.

WE'RE IN FOR IT NOW

BECAUSE the Park Commissioner
-abetted by a procrastinating -abetted by a procrastinating and obstinate city councilfailed to riprap the river front this year, Harrisburg, in all likelihood, will have another big bill of park damages to pay, unless the river is kinder the a whole, is facing six-cent coming winter than it has been in the bread. For years, every time past. Very likely floods next Spring there has been a flurry in the wheat will tear out great masses of the newor flour markets the threat of the six-cent loaf has been held over the con-last year, and this because council sumer's head. Each time the sudden could not decide all summer to spend breaking of a market that declined to money it had at hand for the purpose, be cornered, or the refusal of the bak- and now, that its mind is made up.

DEMURRAGE CHARGES

cars held in storage will go far toward breaking up speculations in Master Bakers' Association, the prices of every one of the component parts of bread has been advanced—sugar, tors have been holding loaded cars on lard, shortening compounds, salt and sidings until prices were forced up to flour all have reached fabulous fig- levels that would yield them unreason-

the bakers have been making unreationably large profits in the past, they are, as they say, losing money under present conditions on the five-cent age the more they earn for the rail-

Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman

George W. Williams, of Tioga county, sponsor fo rthe loca loption bill in the last Legislature and one of the staunch "dry" men of the House, has decided to be a candidate for speaker according to information which has come here in the last twenty-four hours and there are now three men in the field fo rthe Republican caucus nomination. There are reports that other men are thinking about hopping into the fray.

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Mr. Williams was regarded as the likely man upon whom the State administration would concentrate until the middle of November when there were rumors that the Governor's advisers were telling him to take a Philadelphian as the best man to defeat Representative Richard J. Baldwin. Until the Governor came out for Representative Edwin R. Cox on the eve of Thanksgiving Day it was believed that he would back Mr. Williams, who was his vigorous supporter last session.

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Opinion at the Capitol to-day was that Mr. Williams' candidacy would seriously interfere with the Cox candidacy and might take some votes away from Baldwin.

The announcement of Mr. Williams

The announcement of Mr. Williams' endidacy came from Pittsburgh last inght, a letter signed with the name of the Wellsboro man being given aut as having been received by members of the House in that city. This letter was given as follows:

In presenting my candidacy for speaker of the House I am prompted from what I believe to be for the best interests of the Republican Party. There are no good reasons why it should again be torn and rent by factional strife, and many reasons why it should not. In 1918, we will have a Governor and other State officers to elect and their election will be of paramount importance on account of the effect a defeat would have on the Presidential campaign in the nation, in 1920.

A factional contest for speaker at this time will certainly sow seeds of discord. What we need now is to build up the party instead of tearing it asunder. The result of the election last month should teach us the necessity of party unity. With it we can win. Without it we must again fail.

Senator Penrose favors a certain candidate for speaker. Governor Brumbaugh favors another. Both are deprecating a factional contest, their actions indicate otherwise. While these honorable gentlemen have a right to their personal preference, still neither of them are members of the House and have no vote in the selection of a speaker, this right being limited to members of the House, chosen by the voters of their respective districts to exercise this privilege, together with other prerogatives of their important office.

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I have no pledge to make in thus presenting my candidacy to you other than that of an endeaver to fairly and impartially discharge the duties of the office of so much importance to the members of the House. My legislative record has been made and I stand by it. Investigate it, and should it appeal to you I would appreciate your support.

Whether favorable or unfavorable to my election, I would be pleased to have your views upon the subject.

When a Feller Needs a Friend.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

AS TO MAIL WAGON HORSES

OLD RED, ROARING DAYS IN



Ebening Chat

Harrisburg will have some notable speakers in its midst during Christmas week when the State Educational Association, the largest of its kind in the country, plans to hold its annual meeting here. This meeting is always held in Harrisburg in the month before the general assembly convenes, and there is a full and free discussion of educational matters that some times makes the lawmakers sit venes, and there is a full and free discussion of educational matters that some times makes the lawmakers sit up and take notice. This year the speakers will include ex-President William H. Taft. Prof. Taft will speak on the evening of December 23 and will be given a reception by Governor and Mrs. Brumbaugh at the executive mansion, to which all the teachers and directors attending the convention will be welcomed. It will be the first big reception ever accorded the teachers in the official home of Pennsylvania's governors and will be a notable affair. In addition to the former president, there will be addresses by Charles Zueblin, the Boston publicist, who will talk on this nation's place in world affairs; Governor Brumbaugh, State Treasurer Young, Secretary of Internal Affairs Houck and many prominent Pennsylvanians, who will show to what an extent the business and professional men of the Keystone State are interested in its educational affairs.

The suggestion made by Charles M. chwab about creation of one munici-Schwab about creation of one municipality of several surrounding towns appears to have taken hold in the community where he made it as the council of one of the Bethlehems has passed a resolution agreeing to meet the others. If the five towns unito there will be somewhat of a city about the Bethlehem Steel works and Lehigh University. Allentown, Wilkes-Barre, Greensburg and some more towns are said to be considering reaching out and one of these days there will be a real move started to have Harrisburg take in Steelton and the towns round about us on every side,

Dr. J. George Becht, secretary of the State Board of Education, who is lecturing at the University of Pennsylvania on the history of education in the Keystone Commonwealth, has been expanding his theme. He has been getting so much of interest that he has been able to prepare much from original sources which will be of general value to the public. Some of his studies have developed interesting facts about Harrisburg schools.

That it is a long lane without a turn was illustrated on Saturday evening when a farmer who had been attending Harrisburg markets appeared at a provision store and wanted bids on two turkeys. He had not learned his lesson on Wednesday and Saturday he brought the birds to town again. His prices brought him within range of the housekeepers disapproval and when marketing hours ended he had his turkeys. The man at the provision store offered him about two-thirds of what he had been asking in market and the farmer departed in deep dejection with two protesting, shopworn birds.

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"Some folks do not look upon a railroad schedule as important when they travel. This is so with many will that traveling men forget all about timetables," said one of the Pennagivania railroad gateman. He was telling about the new schedule that went into effect on Sunday, November 26. Notwithstanding the newspapers published a complete list of schedule changes, and notices were posted about hotels and the station for three weeks prior to the date of change, no less than a dozen persons, who travel almost daily, missed trains.

One man tola a gateman on Wednesday, "I knew of the changes, but this morning I forgot all about it."

Another traveler, a woman, said, "I cannot understand why the railroad companies don't tell us when they change the schedule."

"The trouble is," said the gateman, "too many people come to the station time and expect to check their bagings, purchase tickets and get off in time."

The new Harrisburg Public Library