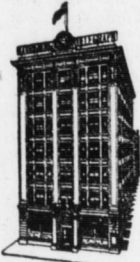


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FRIDAY EVENING, APRIL 6

Next to being right in this world, the best of all things is to be clearly and definitely wrong, because you will come out somewhere.—HUXLEY.

GERARD AND TRAINING

More miserable day as to the weather could hardly have occurred in the entire calendar year than that which marked the first public expression of the patriotism of Harrisburg since the declaration of war with Germany.

He was much impressed by the large concourse of people under such circumstances and yet Harrisburg is not different from the average American city at the present time.

It was also observed during the reception to Mr. Gerard that the men who have recently returned from the border and who acted as the military escort gave virile expression to the character of the American soldier.

CENSORSHIP

The word "censored" already is beginning to appear in the news. The likelihood is that its use will increase as the war progresses.

If there is to be an official government censor, Frederick Palmer is the man for the place. He knows what is or is not of military value.

The people of the United States have full confidence in the patriotism and ability of those who will have charge of the prosecution of the war, and they will be content to remain in ignorance of such things as might be of use to the enemy.

The TELEGRAPH has been living up very consistently to the censorship requirements laid down a week ago and not until it was in receipt of a note to editors saying that there would be no objection to the publication of local military pictures and articles relating to the same did this newspaper give even that information of minor importance room in its columns.

cerely hoped that the error England made at the outbreak of the war will not be repeated here.

CITY GOVERNMENT EVILS

So long as the city administration is conducted along political lines, as has been the case under the present commission form of government, we may expect procrastination, indifference and incompetency in many quarters to check the real progress of the city.

As a result, sentiment is becoming stronger every day for a city manager or some such arrangement as will give efficient direction to the important affairs of Harrisburg and other cities of the third class.

THIRD STREET CAR SERVICE

The business community which is centered at Third and Verbeke streets has been urging for several years a change of street railway conditions on Third street.

The present arrangement has not been satisfactory from the start and there has been constant controversy between the business community and the street railway officials.

THE BOY SCOUT MOVEMENT

The proposed campaign of the Rotary Club to put the Boy Scout movement of Harrisburg on a permanent basis would be worthy of popular support at any time, but it is peculiarly appropriate to the circumstances of the moment.

In England the Boy Scouts have been of inestimable value during the absence of millions of men in the army. They have proved themselves worthy and dependable.

Before the Boy Scout movement came into being there was small opportunity for the town boy to indulge in that call of the wild and spirit of adventure to which all American boys worthy the name hearken before they are out of short trousers.

Now comes the Rotary Club with a plan to bring to the city one of the leaders of the Boy Scout movement in the United States who, with the club's aid, will undertake the task of educating the public to the need of supporting the Scout movement on an adequate basis and raising the necessary funds for the purpose.

der-written the campaign in Harrisburg is guarantee of its success before the opening gun is fired.

City Commissioner Lynch realizes the job before him in the matter of placing the paved streets in first class condition and the community will sincerely hope that the shortage of sand may not long defer active operations.

Politics in Pennsylvania

The policy to be pursued this year in regard to changes in the election laws will be settled within a few days at Philadelphia.

The belief is that within a few weeks the legislators will be on the home stretch with appropriation, revenue emergency legislation getting the right of way so that the election laws will be forgotten.

An increase of 500 men in the city police force of Philadelphia has been asked by the city authorities.

The Philadelphia Press to-day says: "The House of Representatives will have the bills containing the Labor Union's proposed amendments to the Workmen's Compensation Law on its calendar next week as the result of the action of the Committee on Labor and Industry in reporting favorably the bills introduced by Representative Woodward, of Allegheny County, who is chairman of the Appropriations Committee."

The reporting out of the Ulrich bill providing for compensation for persons losing licenses has stirred up considerable excitement among people of political faith.

The House has decided to give very prompt consideration to the Crow bills providing for a change in the period for filing nominating petitions in the Department of the Secretary of State.

A hearing will be held this coming week on a bill to change the date of the fall primary.

The Philadelphia city councils are being urged to change the arrangements for supervision of street cleaning so that the system which prevailed under Mayor Reubyn may be revived.

Lackawanna's Plan

Not everyone in the country can fight, but every citizen can contribute something for the good of the Nation. Such now the greatest need of the country.

Part Friends Play

As you have heard, there are many ways to win a business shooting it with a sixteen-inch shell. Friends are opposed to war. That's the point of view of the Friends.

When a Feller Needs a Friend



LOCKED OUT

AN APPEAL TO PUBLISHERS OF THE UNITED STATES

Drastic Economy in the Use of Print Paper Absolutely Necessary to Avoid a Condition Much Worse Than at Present or in the Past

REGARDLESS of all other efforts to the same end, I cannot refrain from making this appeal to the sanity of the publishers of American and urge them that now is the time for them to make most drastic cuts in consumption of print paper.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

"I think that any thoughtless, heedless, reckless demagog can project a nation into war."—William Randolph Hearst, at Altoona. By the way, did you read the New York Journal in 1898?—Boston Transcript.

OUR DAILY LAUGH

WHY NOT. Shall we go to the movies, play bridge or stay home? Why not stay home? We can always go to the movies or play bridge.

WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

Samuel Rea, president of the Pennsylvania, likes to visit the country where he began to work for the Pennsylvania. J. W. Thompson, the coal land owner, is working harder than he ever did in his life to retrieve his fortune.

DO YOU KNOW

That Harrisburg could supply an army corps with footwear? HISTORIC HARRISBURG. In old days recruiting parties used to take places in Market Square and stir up patriots with c'rams and files.

Evening Chat

While the child labor law of 1915 did work some hardships in causing some youngsters who were bread-winners to lose their jobs it unquestionably braced up the messenger service in Harrisburg. It may seem incongruous to be, and in some cases actually, a grandfather, going along the streets wearing a messenger's cap, but the fact remains that they do things.

Gus Catherman, who keeps watch and ward for the Western Union in Harrisburg, says that the messengers are called for all kinds of service that the average person never dreams of. He has made up a list of some of the things for which "boys" have been called.

Probably, if the messengers were qualified, they would be called in to run automobiles when the chauffeur is not fired or fired and even to run an elevator. Requests have actually been made for messengers for such services when a pinch occurred.

While none of the Harrisburg messengers probably ever had the experience of a New Jersey boy who was called to carry furniture out of a burning building, they have been sent to strike fire alarms.

There are a few residents of Harrisburg who do not know J. Augustus Beck, the distinguished artist who this week celebrated his 86th birthday with his brother, who is 85, and who came from Lancaster county, Pa., to the famous painter. The writer of this paragraph has a vivid recollection of his first meeting with Mr. Beck years ago in the Juniata Valley.

Harrisburg people were delighted last night to welcome J. Cattell, the city statistician of Philadelphia, who is a son of one of the city's best loved ministers, the late Rev. William C. Cattell, who was pastor of First Street Church and later president of Lafayette College.

SEEMS SO

Pa, what are the fortunes of war? Stock dividends, my boy. BRUTE! Does he like to fasten his wife's gowns. Yes, he believes it is the only way he can shut her up.

MADE HIM MAD.

Tommy Bug: Why don't the elevators stop for a fellow—I've been standing here for an hour.

THE READINESS IS ALL

[From the Philadelphia Press.] They didn't catch Senator Lodge on the watchful waiting list and unprepared. He was recruited up to the full strength, and recognized the overt act immediately.