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THURSDAY EVENING, JUNE 21 Let our object be our country, our whole country, and nothing but our country.—DANIEL WEBSTER.

GOVERNMENT COAL "POOL" Government coal prices can be reduced and an adequate supply assured for the coming winter, the government will be excused for going so far out of the beaten path as is proposed in the creation of the proposed fuel "pool," whereby government agencies would take over for the war period the coal mines of the country and supervise the transportation of bituminous coal, anthracite and coke, for the benefit of the consumer, allowing only a reasonable profit to mine operators and the railroads.

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A COUNTY HOSPITAL AS was to have been expected, the Health Boards of Harrisburg and Steelton have lost no time in petitioning the county to erect and maintain a contagious disease hospital under the provisions of the Whitaker law recently signed by Governor Brumbaugh. This statute permits counties to erect such hospitals on or adjacent to poor farms, to be operated under the direction of all the people of the counties in which the institutions are located.

ways, it is very liberal in many respects, particularly as to the size of the creel. The time has come for a more rigid conservation of fish in this State than ever before. Probably there are more fishermen in Pennsylvania than in any other State of the Union, and the supply is the difficulty in fish culture resulting from the great industrial establishments of the Commonwealth which line a majority of its streams. To be sure, the new code provides against the pollution of streams and there are other strict laws on the statute books, but the State authorities must hearken quickly to Commissioner Buller's repeated requests for prosecutions if the proposed act is to count for much in this respect.

The code was drawn evidently with the thought of preserving game fish for those who find sport in angling for them with rod and line. This is as it should be, for the streams of the State do not abound in food fishes and the supply of all sorts will be exhausted, even with State hatchery replenishments, if indiscriminate fishing is allowed by those who care for nothing but the number of fish they can take from the water in a given time.

Most likely the Governor will sign the code. It is to be hoped that he will. ARE YOU IN LINE? NONE more the patriotic citizens of Harrisburg are showing their devotion to the cause of humanity in a community campaign for the Red Cross. Following closely upon a remarkable movement in the interest of the war loan the people are now giving to the support of the work in behalf of the soldiers of the United States and our Allies abroad. No movement rests upon a cause more appealing than this movement for the relief of suffering and the protection and care of the boys who will go into the jaws of death in support of a great principle. If we never before realized we are at war, we shall soon do so and the raising of an adequate fund is absolutely necessary to give force and effect to the preparations which have already been made under the national organization. EX-PRÉSIDENT TAFT SAID THE OTHER DAY: The Red Cross is the only recognized agency through which we may help to take care of the wounded of the armies and the nations that are fighting our battles.

It is an admirable arrangement that should be supplied to give vent to the patriotic desire of those who cannot go to the front, to help in behalf of their country and the world. Every country has a Red Cross, and every country must have it, because no army can furnish the instrumentalities adequate to meet the needs of a war. Think of it. Forty million in the colors, seven million dead, six million on beds of pain, and the whole of Europe taken up with the holocaust.

You cannot exaggerate the function that our Red Cross will have to perform merely in attending to the wounded of our army and other agencies in carrying on this fight. Therefore, one hundred million dollars, great as the sum seems, is inadequate to meet the needs of this war. The need is for a hundred million dollars will be the hundred million million to raise. And we must do it.

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CHERRY PIE CAN all the cherries you can," is the catch phrase the Department of Agriculture is using to induce housewives to take advantage of the generous crop now on the markets. It's a grand thought, for canned cherries are no mean dish in whatsoever form they appear during the long, lean months of winter. But the idea can be carried to extremes. There is cherry pie, for instance. Fresh, juicy cherry pie, we mean; the kind made from cherries only a few hours from the tree, which never knew the inside of tin can or glass jar, and with the warmth of the oven, the crispness of lightly-browned crust and the honey sweetness of rich syrup glorifying the luscious contents.

There may be those who don't like cherry pie, but if there are we would like to know their names so that they might be referred to the Federal authorities as persons under suspicion of not being good, loyal Americans. If our boys, when they get to the front in France, could be assured that they were awaited there an unlimited supply of this succulent dainty upon their arrival in Berlin we are

peruaded the war would be over in three days. It is just as natural for a native-born American to love cherry pie as it is for a German to be fond of Limburger and the difference between the qualities of the two articles of diet in question, unless we greatly mistake, are somewhat illustrative of the differences between the two peoples. Americans take to cherry pie as a duck to water, and while they are willing enough to lay by a generous supply for next winter they are not going to be denied of their rightful heritage of June-vintage pies, whether the Department likes it or not. And if this be treason, like Patrick Henry, they are willing to let the government "make the most of it."

Yes, mother, you may give us a third piece, and make it large.

Politics in Pennsylvania By the Ex-Committeeman

The temper of the House of Representatives in the closing three days of the remarkable session of 1917 is the most interesting thing in Pennsylvania politics to-day. The members have been insisting upon debating at length and at the same time indulging in considerable criticism of the failure to make progress on the calendar, this state of mind being reflected in repeated refusals to make special orders to consider measures.

A good bit of the fooling was stated by the refusal of a majority to make a special order for the workmen's compensation amendments. There have been no special orders since. An attempt to advance the bill to suspend the full enforcement of the effort to give the Philadelphia small council bill preference both brought emphatic objections.

The attempt to put up the bill to give Philadelphia a single chambered council caused some caustic remarks in the House. The bill's sponsor, Mr. Beyer, declared that Mr. McNichol, leader of the Vire forces, who are against the bill, which is members by Pennose and other people, was denying a hearing to the people, to which Mr. McNichol retorted that he would take the consequences. McNichol told the House to defeat the motion because the House had already devoted too much time to hearing Philadelphia squabbles.

Working Out the Plan Now let the elders till the fields, and gathering at night. Peace and love shall be their guide and many a gory fight. Fought breast to breast and eye to eye, where hot breath met hot breath. And hispurs rode with reins in teeth and shining saber bare; Of boys who lay beneath the moon with bloodclots on their hair.

I Remember, I Remember I remember, I remember, The quoniam price of corn; 'Twas fifteen cents a bushel in the State where it was born. And well the eggs I used to hunt With rapture in the hay; Ah me, nine cents a dozen then 'Was all they brought in pay.

CROP PEST LETTER By Prof. J. G. Sanders, State Economic Zoologist SQUASH BUGS are sturdy things, which are not effected by poisons and are almost immune to contact insecticides. If the young plants are watched carefully and the grasshoppers which are almost three-fourth of an inch long, are captured and killed, the future generation never becomes a serious pest. The orange-colored eggs cluster on the under sides of the leaves and crushing them is of material assistance, especially in the small areas of the average grower.

Pershing in Paris Joffre came to America and the country rose to him. Pershing in Paris is acclaimed as a soldier of the reticent, unconditional surrender, all-summer type. He does not make the mistake of ascribing to himself the glory in which he is least interested. He knows that what is accepted as the epic figure of a country which has registered three billions of dollars in help in the war—our war. What he wants most of all is to get down to business, the business of organizing, forwarding, concentrating toward the single visualized objective of victory. A year ago Pershing sat on a camp stool in the quivering, hot dust of Mexico with the cactus and the prickly pear for shade trees; in these days he stands by Napoleon's tomb where kings have paid their homage, and kisses the sword of the Little Corporal before whom the world trembled. It was a replica of the visit of Joffre to Washington's tomb; and the voice of the crowd acclaiming the fighting leader of America was the echo of the multitude greeting the hero of the Marne.

Labor Notes A. Bellamy, president of the British National Union of Railway Men, has predicted that women workers on the railways have come to stay.

By an order of the British Minister of Munitions women engaged on skilled munition work will receive the same wages as men.

Men in the employ of the pork-curing firms of London, Ireland, have been granted an advance of 50 cents a week.

Women in England have helped in the making of every type of weapon of war, from heavy artillery to rifles, from huge shells to machine-gun bullets, and in the construction of aeroplanes, including their engines.

East Liverpool (Ohio) Retail Clerks' Union has secured an agreement with local merchants which closes stores every evening, except Saturdays, at 5 o'clock from July 5 to October 1. The usual holidays will also be observed.

A machine for stripping hemp fiber has been invented by an American in the Philippines which will produce 600 pounds of hemp a day, while under old methods a workman, with an assistant, produced only 15 pounds.

Private control of railroads in England is to be effected by the Government control was adopted as a war measure in August, 1914. It has worked so well that the principle will be retained when peace returns.

A new pension system under which aged clergymen can receive pensions went into effect recently in the Protestant Episcopal Church. Another provision makes widows and orphans of the clergy also eligible for pensions.

Butter is being sold in Leeds, England, at 47 cents a pound, and in consequence many people are turning to margarine at 26 and 24 cents a pound. People in the middle classes, as well as in the laboring classes, are now learning to use it.

The British government is campaigning to obtain 10,000 milkmaids. The girls will be given free training and be maintained during instruction and terms of unemployment, and will be paid \$4.50 a week, or the district wage where it is higher.

The Agricultural committee of the Eastern Townships Associated Boards of Trade of Canada has adopted a resolution urging the government to settle veterans on Eastern as well as Western lands.

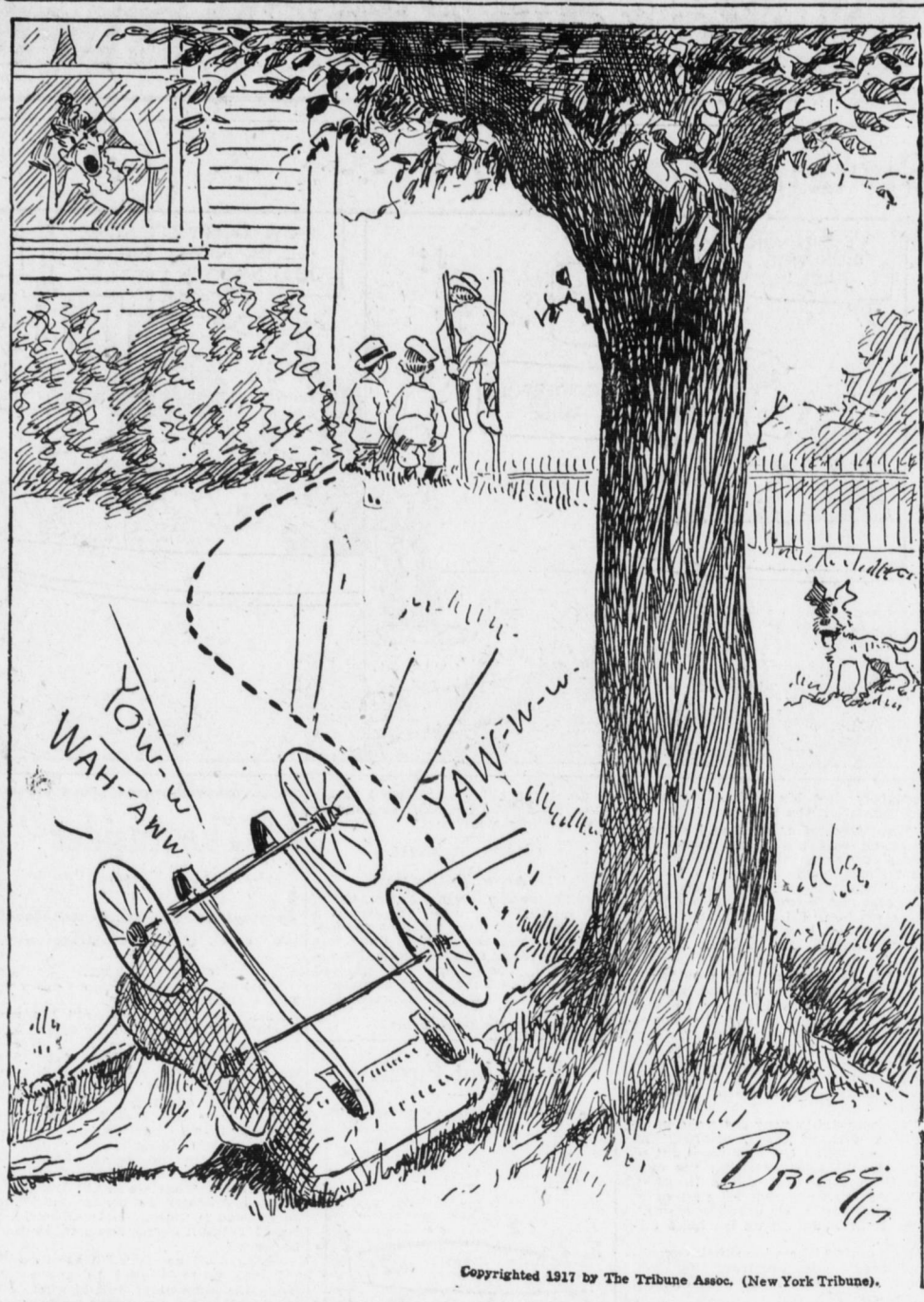
Omaha (Neb.) hodcarriers and building laborers are enforcing their new wage scale of 37 1/2 cents an hour for common laborers and 42 1/2 cents an hour for mortar-mixers, hodcarriers and scaffold builders.

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When a Feller Needs a Friend. By BRIGGS



IF NEW YORK WERE PARIS WE WOULD KNOW HOW WAR "FEELS" By MARION BONSALE DAVIS

(Mrs. Davis spent six months in Paris as a volunteer relief worker and with clear journalistic vision has translated war-time Paris into terms of peaceful New York.) I HAVE never yet been able to visualize the situation in France. It is too big—too terrible—too dramatic. I do my small part here mechanically as a matter of course. I work a little and contribute my mite to the Red Cross. Why I do it I vaguely know, but cannot feel.

There would be days of crashing bands and flying banners; glittering detachments of cavalry, with hundreds of horseshoe streamers floating out from gold helmets; aeroplanes and dirigibles buzzing overhead; transport motors rumbling in the city; ambulances speeding in and out of every street; organs and cathedrals playing stately marches for the soldiers; the scrubwoman and the woman of fashion, the veteran of another war, the grimy private returning, the immaculate young officer starting out, the white-haired scholar, the mother from the country come to see her son in the city hospital, would all be there together.

Not the Highest Ideal But, to speak plainly, peace is not in itself a human ideal. As long as it leaves unsolved the problem of justice it is not even a desirable aspiration. It may even be repugnant to the moral sentiments of an enlightened conscience. It is to be desired only when it is the concomitant of realized social good, for it is in no sense an end in itself.

"The Roosevelt Rock" Down in Brazil, where Terpsichore seems to be trying out her last word in steps, they are dancing a new and thoroughly disconnected dance called "Roosevelt Rock," which has found its way to New York through Mr. and Mrs. A. Z. De Forez, who are at the Majestic hotel. Mr. DeForez is a banker and a disciple of the light toe exercise. It appears that the Oyster Bay exercise is performed with both parties to the dance distrustful each other, after the fashion of a late reunion between the Progressive and Republican parties. There are no holds. Each dancer waves his arms, and the final modern touch is the universal flourish note, which makes the man follow his fair partner, reversing the usual lead. The step is the good old one-step, with tango sway.—New York Herald.

Evening Chat

South Cameron street, between Market and Berryhill, seems to be in danger of becoming Harrisburg's "White Way." This highway, the main thoroughfare to Steelton and one of the oldest streets in the city, was until this year one of the gloomiest and darkest of thoroughfares. It used to be lined with brickyards and lumber yards, but in recent years and warehouses, none of which went to get by. Right now, the street is fairly ablaze at night. There are electric signs on almost every corner. The lights in the Mulberry street bridge and the street lights it is a glittering highway. The reason is because it has been turned into an "Automobile row." There are garages and each one has its electric sign. And early in the evening, especially just after dark, when the automobiles are out to mobilize the old street hardly know itself. There are other streets which have undergone transformations as a result of the development of the electric sign and the automobile, but Cameron street has come to the front more than any of them.

"Bass may not be biting very well," said a Harrisburger who returned from a trip along the Juniata yesterday, "but eels are certainly on the jump. In an hour's time to-day I caught seven, and the lot weighed some for this season of the year." This report does not differ much from others that have come to the game fish lake since the beginning of the season, but unusually large numbers of large chub and fall fish. Fall fish, by the way, have been almost unknown among local fishermen in recent years. Another fish that used to be plentiful but is now not caught, often is the large catfish. The muddy condition of the streams is responsible very largely for the large catches of eels.

Few large catches of bass, or any other game fish for that matter have been reported by local fishermen this year. The reason for this, fishermen say, is because the water is in so very unfavorable a condition. It is dirty with coal dirt and mud and the bass refuse to take the bait. Fishermen expect their fishing will be better than for many years as soon as the water goes down a trifle more and clears up.

"Mel" James, who is putting across the Red Cross publicity campaign in Harrisburg in a big way, has been identified with many newspaper campaigns, not least of which was that for the election of William Kepford, brother of the State Treasurer, when he ran for judge of the Superior Court. There is no Red Cross money in the picture, but "Mel" wanders out and makes some of the editors feel is good enough for the first page.

The State Department of Agriculture, which has been putting farmers and owners of garden patches into the seed line from potatoes to beans, is being asked to locate large quantities of cans and jars for the use of the Red Cross. The effect of the propaganda for increasing the food production of the state is being noticed everywhere. Liberty Bonds, which are the same way, they will get results of working in gardens and vigilance against bugs and they will also have the bonds and see the money spent right in this country.

Ex-Speaker Charles A. Ambler, who presided over the session of the Philadelphia Inter-State Convention of interested visitors yesterday, Mr. Ambler said that he was glad to see everyone so busy and seemed to feel relieved that the directing work of the closing fortnight of a session.

It is a wonder the Capitol Park squirrels do not get indigestion from the varied diet that is forced upon them by visitors. The animals are the great objects of "petting" by visitors and they get every kind of nut from peanuts to pecans, walnuts and almonds. The squirrels have so much that they share with the fat pigeons and the "sassy" sparrows.

WELL KNOWN PEOPLE Colonel Edgar Jadwin, who is organizing the engineer regiment at Harrisburg, is one of the federal improvements along the rivers in Western Pennsylvania. The Rev. Rufus W. Miller, well known here as the chairman of the prohibition for the war organization in Philadelphia. A. W. Mellon, the Pittsburgh banker, is chairman of the executive committee in charge of the Red Cross work in his city. Dr. W. C. McClelland has returned from his European tour after thirty-one years of service. Collector E. Lederer, of the Philadelphia internal revenue office, has made hearts glad by increasing salaries of all attaches.

OUR DAILY LAUGH

USING 'EM AS MISSILES. I want something to kill moths. These moths are very efficacious. They look all right. Give me a few and also a gun to shoot 'em with.

TRUE PHILOSOPHY. Small—Carrying your own house around on your back is sure better than hunting one to rent.

A WATCHER. Why did you arrest this man? He says he was only watching a crowd in a safety zone? Watching is right, your honor. He had three already when I got him.

DO YOU KNOW That Harrisburg bookkeeping machines are used by the national government?

ALL SEEM ALIKE Von Bethmann-Hollweg demonstrates the fact that the statement of our own fair country haven't much on him when it comes to talking a couple of hours without saying anything.—Macon Telegraph.

