

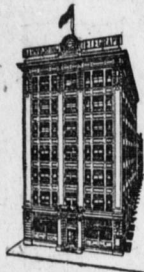
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TUESDAY, JULY 3, 1917.

Think of your forefathers! Think of your posterity!—JOHN QUINCY ADAMS.

CONSENSENCY? CONGRESS and the President proposes to waste 11,000,000 loaves of bread daily in order that beer drinkers may have their daily "ration."

SAVING \$100,000 YEARLY WHEN the Berks-Dauphin turnpike is declared free and open to the public about August 1 the people of Pennsylvania will begin to save not less than \$100,000 annually, because the \$1.02 charged through travelers between Reading and Harrisburg totaled not less than that sum each year.

THE elimination of this toll road is a monument to what can be done through concerted action on the part of organized forces. Opposition to the turnpike had existed for many years, but individual effort failed to free the thoroughfare.

THE William Penn Highway Association aided materially in the enactment of legislation of benefit to road users of Pennsylvania. It obtained passage of a law intended to shorten the Penn way fifteen miles between Harrisburg and Newport.

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desire nothing more than to perform their work to the best of their ability, but even though here and there might be found one who would like to favor a friend, he knows that a single misstep would bring down upon him the condemnation of all who know him.

THE FOURTH OF JULY

WE COME to understand, in this year of fateful decision, more of what the Fourth of July means to America than we ever knew before. Upon the threshold of another such conflict as that in which our forefathers risked their all for the cause of liberty upon this continent, we begin to comprehend the magnitude of their sacrifice and the high purpose that prompted it.

Harrisburg will have no public celebration to-morrow, but that does not mean it will not observe the day. If there be no booming of cannon, no blare of bands or speeches of the spread eagle variety, there will be many quiet little family reunions throughout this city and vicinity that will mean more than all the mass meetings and parades the city ever has held.

Somewhat, across the long reaches of the years, we have caught the Spirit of '76. Washington, Lafayette and others of heroic stature who forged the structure of American liberties, those heroes who made real the dream of a "government of the people, by the people and for the people," have come very near to us.

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quite, as properly these insurance concerns declined. It was right that private business be given opportunity to take these risks if so inclined, but it is to the credit of those in control of the large life companies that they declined to jeopardize their holdings by the assumption of possible losses, the extent of which nobody can estimate.

Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman

Decision by Governor Martin G. Brumbaugh on a plan suggested for a general shakeup of the personnel of the State governmental offices is expected to be made within a few days. This plan was conceived after the Chicago convention last year, but the Governor declined to agree to it and surprisingly few changes, considering the developments at the convention, followed.

—A. Mitchell Palmer was yesterday called a plain liar by Mayor Smith, of Philadelphia, in a discussion of the exemption boards.

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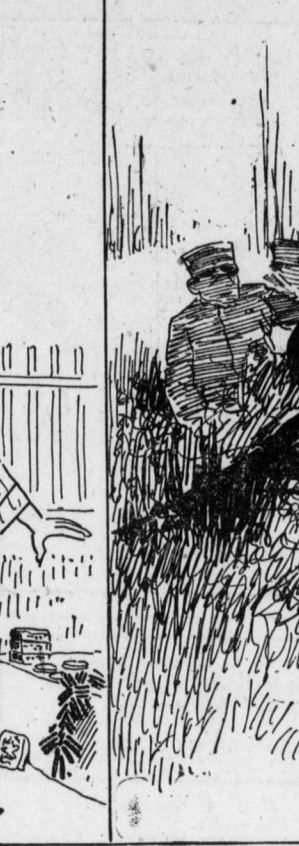
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OUR DAILY LAUGH

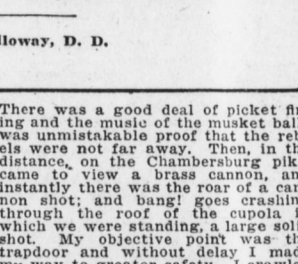
AN EXCEPTION. Mrs. Knags: After all, I suppose we're about as happy as any married couple.



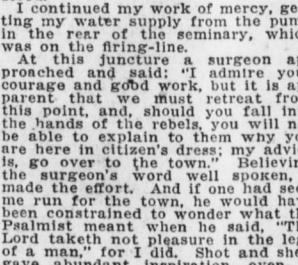
GOOD ADVICE. Every time I take a vacation I get lonesome for my work.



DO YOU KNOW That Harrisburg is making more iron and steel products now than ever before?



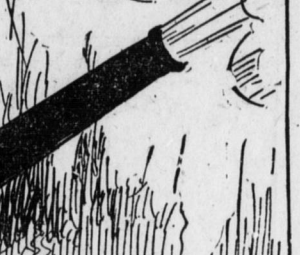
CROP PEST LETTER By Prof. J. G. Sanders, State Economic Zoologist.



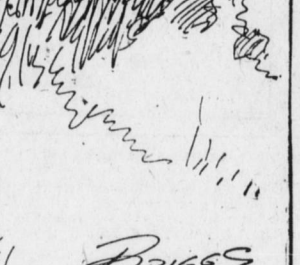
A TOUCH NIPPED IN THE BUD. "Say, boss, I have seen better days. I don't like the weather we are having, zavaal!"

WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

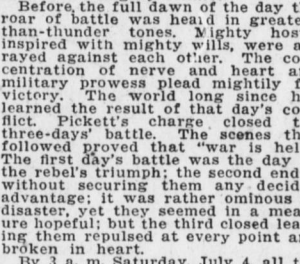
—Secretary of the Commonwealth Woods, who has been ill, was able to come to the city to-day. He will spend the Fourth in Center county.



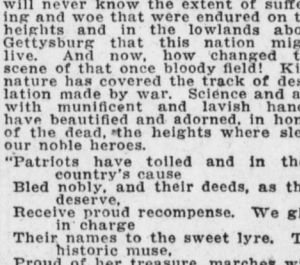
—Dr. F. G. Scharman, secretary of the Cambria County Medical Society, has returned to the city, the doctor of his county for war.



—Major John C. Groome has been given New York state pointers on organization of his state police.



—Dr. H. L. Anderson, of Harrisburg minister, says future generations will bless the course of the United States in this war.



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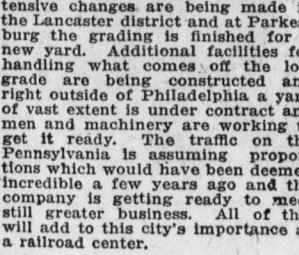
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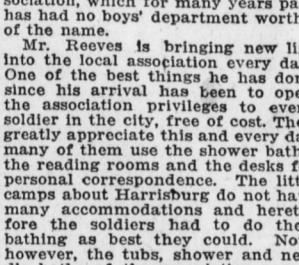
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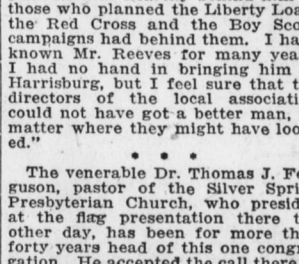
Some idea of what the Pennsylvania Railroad is preparing for may be gained by observing the construction work under way between this city and Philadelphia, where the immense amount of work is being done on the many states tapped by the system concentrates.



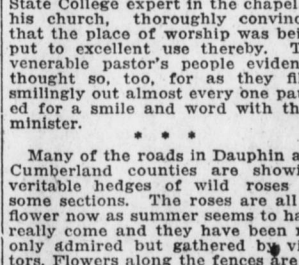
When fall time comes and the boys of the city turn from outdoor to indoor for most of their amusements and recreations, they will find at their disposal a new boys' department at the Y. M. C. A.



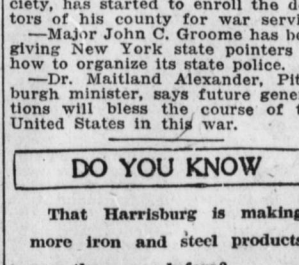
Edison J. Hockenbury, speaking before the Rotary Club on Monday, besought the support of that organization for Mr. Reeves and the good work he is doing here.



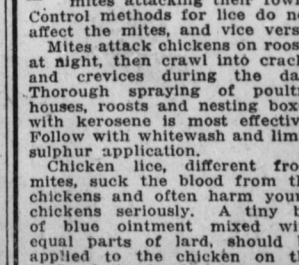
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