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To love playthings well as a child, to lead an adventurous and honorable youth, and to settle when the time arrives, into a green and smiling age, is to be a good artist in life and deserve well of yourself and your neighbor.—STEVENS.

TAKING MILITIA'S PLACE

WHO will take the place of the National Guardsmen who are guarding the railroad bridges of the State when these soldiers are called into active service, is a question that is being asked on every side.

The answer lies with the railroad companies. The State Police force is not large enough for this purpose and it is needed elsewhere for other service.

Unless the State shall provide some provisional guard, which would step into the shoes of the militia, and this does not at the moment appear likely, the patrolling of the bridges will fall to the companies themselves.

SIGNS OF THE TIMES

NO phase of the recent internal outbreak in Central Europe has been more important than the evident purpose of a large part of the population of Austria to break away from German domination.

Czechs are restless under the iron hand of the Prussian military group and any moment may see the breaking away of a large section of the Austrian combination.

COAL PRICES

HARRISBURG people are beginning to wonder whether their first taste of real war may not come through failure to get sufficient coal to keep them warm next winter.

EXPLOSION THREATENED

THE letter which Secretary Baker wrote in condemnation of his colleague, Secretary Lane, because the latter agreed that the price of coal should be "fixed" at three dollars a ton, bodes no good for the peace of mind of the administration.

Moreover, the country is prone to remember that Secretary Lane dealt with the coal situation by actually doing something, while his colleagues only talked about it.

he believed that he himself had done a helpful thing. And the country believes this, too.

Consequently, it is easy to see that the President will have an opportunity to practice the arts of peacemaking at home long before he can do so at an international council table where will be settled the problems of the war.

Mr. Lane, more than any other member of the Cabinet, commands public confidence. He has distinctly made good in every position he has filled, he hails from California to which State the President is under some political obligation, and Mr. Wilson's action in the premises will be taken as symptomatic of the policy under which the war is to be conducted and its collateral domestic problems dealt with.

It is counted here as a fortunate circumstance that the incident has arisen thus early in the course of the war, while so many of the problems of war procedure are under consideration in Congress.

THE ISLAND CAMP

THE TELEGRAPH publishes on another page this evening etchings from photographs of the girls' camp on McCormick's Island. Despite the frequent showers these little folks are having a gay time.

When it rains they simply put on bathing suits and laugh at the storm. They are acquiring health and vigor with which to combat the rigors of school life in winter.

TACKLING A BIG JOB

UNCLE SAM'S representatives at Washington are attempting the impossible. Not that we doubt their ability to lay plans that will circumvent the world-power ambitions of the Kaiser and his imperialistic fellow plotters against democratic ideals.

THE HERB GARDEN

Herbs, too, she knew and well of each could speak. That in the garden slipped the silvery dew, Where no vain flower disclosed a gaudy streak.

THE SINKING FUND

He who raises the submarine, Helps defeat the submarines; Who day long the pesky week hoos.

creation of silk, chiffon and lace as one might hope to see in the gliddest fashion journal.

Which, we feel, is the q. e. d. of the proposition we set out to demonstrate.

Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman

From all accounts the politics of the State seems to be more or less dependent upon the ability of rival Republican and Democratic leaders to get together on nominations and appointments.

The controversy over the Kane appointment is likely to reach Washington soon as the men opposed to Kane are making every effort to secure endorsement given to Kane by the Democratic bosses.

—Appointment of Ard C. Steel to a place in the State Treasury is likely to be the last appointment to be made in the department for some time as Treasurer Kephart is retaining the system and plans to make his changes very slowly.

—Governor Brumbaugh's sizzling veto of the birth control bill yesterday caused much comment in the State as many recalled that the Philadelphia member was the man who threw the veto.

—The question of a referee in compensation to succeed Paul W. House is not likely to cause any disturbance. It will probably be made where the bulk of the work is to be found.

—The Democratic windmill force is spending considerable time these days trying to get a stampede of benefit for the faction-trout Democracy as a result of the legislative session.

The Guards Came Through

Men of the 21st Up by the Chalk Pit Wood, Weak with our wounds and our thirst, Wanting our sleep and our food, After a day and night—

The Get There Spirit

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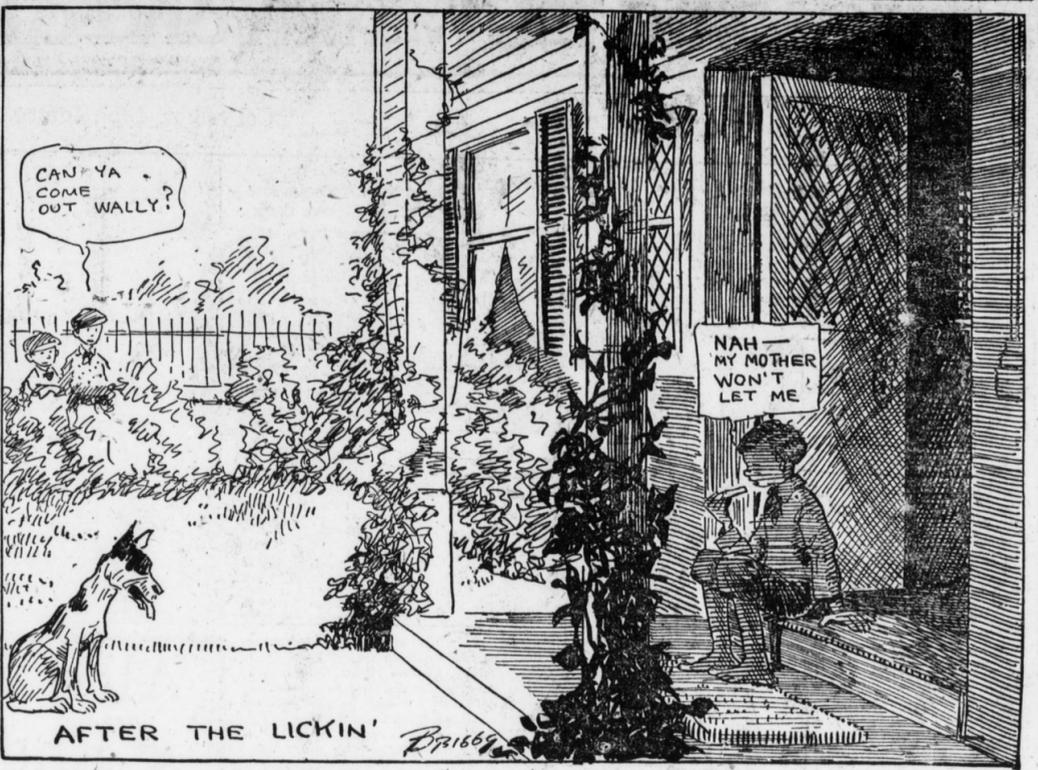
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Country Versus City Life

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When a Feller Needs a Friend

By BRIGGS



EDITORIAL COMMENT

Turks say all they want is the right to exist, but the Armenians said it first.—Wall Street Journal.

It is not true that United States money is refused in the counting-room of the Staats-Zeitung.—New York Sun.

The German general in East Africa permitted by the Belgians to retain his sword for honorable conduct in war probably will spend the rest of his life keeping away from Berlin.—Newark News.

"Let the American Army Come," says a Berlin paper, which is very sound advice under circumstances.—Indianapolis Star.

Queen Sophie of Greece is the first member of the Hohenzollern family to have the Ex- before the title, but will probably be a lonely long.—Wall Street Journal.

The voting age of Englishmen has been fixed at 21. There is little likelihood of a stampede to polling places that has been made a confession.—Newark News.

Gust J. Panathodorokounoudurgis-Tomichalakopoulos, of Chicago, bought an United States bond and says he is an American citizen. What's the name, please?—Kansas City Star.

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IN THE FIRST FLUSH OF VICTORY

An Incident of the Russian Revolution Reminiscent of the Fall of the Bastille by Paul Wharton in the Atlantic Monthly

PETROGRAD — On Wednesday, March 14, I visited the charred and smoking shell of the Courta of Justice. The courtyard, with its trees and walks, was crowded with curious people who wandered in and out, delving for souvenirs of that which was already a thing of yesterday.

Eventually I reached the commandant's office, which was gutted and wrecked. Since there were not many bidders for it, I walked away with an oil portrait of the emperor under my arm. The workrooms were depressing. It hurt to look at the wall-worn tools. I hurried on to the chapel, with its shattered door and its Byzantine fittings in wildest disarray.

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Labor Notes

Artificial rubber as a by-product of the manufacture of steel may be a possibility, as English scientists are experimenting with its production from coke gas ovens.

The oldest farmhand in the United States is Jacob Hoochback of Roxborough, Pa. He is 105 years old and has held his job for 82 years on the Kirker farm.

London Board of Trade returns show the following rate of pauperism per 10,000 population of the leading Irish towns: Belfast, 82; Dublin, 77; Cork and Limerick, 284, and Galway, 127.

Fifteen hundred thousand employees in the British Isles received increases in wages totaling \$1,500,000 in April, according to statistics prepared by the Labor Department of the Board of Trade.

Canada will announce a plan for compulsory retirement of all civil servants who have been in service more than thirty-five years, their places to be filled by returned soldiers.

More than ninety per cent. of the refining and smelting of drosses and scrap metals in the United States is carried on in the territory east of the Mississippi and north of the Ohio river.

OUR DAILY LAUGH



WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

Auditor General Snyder has an ambulance unit named after him. Emerson Collins, deputy State Treasurer, has been given the honor of having the Washington county camp of the Tenth regiment named for him.

RESIGNATION

"If you had your life to live over again you'd probably make the same mistakes."

DO YOU KNOW

That Harrisburg furnished men to help build the Pacific railroads? HISTORIC HARRISBURG. The first Pennsylvania Railroad station here was opened by the Governor and the Judges.

Peace With Justice

Nothing will satisfy this free republic but the definite assurance that democracy has been made safe. In the meantime those who permit themselves to be deceived by the rumors of restlessness and peace yearnings in Germany are weakening America's powers of resistance.

At Japanese Capital

Fifty years ago on July 12, the imperial decision was announced to remove the capital of Japan from Kyoto to Tokyo, then known as Edo. The late Emperor Meiji made his entry into the new capital on October 12, 1868.

FIT FOR AN ASYLUM

She—Why do they call that thing the plate? He—Why—because that's where the drops from the pitcher are caught.