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To travel hopefully is a better thing than to arrive, and the true success is to labor.—STEVENS.

WHEN THE LEAGUE COMES

HARRISBURG will put on its best bib and tucker when the Third Class City Leaguers come to town, August 28, for a three days' visit.

We have some things here of which we are so proud that we will gladly show them to the visitors. For example, we will point with usual pride to our river front and the rip-rapping and planting now being done there. We will conduct the delegates to Wildwood, to the Reservoir park, the island nursery and playgrounds, and we shall not hesitate to point out the assemblage of the Sons of Rest, self-appointed inspectors of the Penn-Harris million dollar hotel enterprise. We will point with pride to the work being done on the Capitol Park Extension and to numerous other things worthy of note and civic conceit.

WHAT WE ARE FIGHTING FOR

IN his strong and forceful speech at Pittsburgh yesterday Colonel Roosevelt stated the whole truth in one paragraph, when he said:

"Make no mistake. We are fighting for humanity, but we are also, primarily, fighting for our own vital interests. Our army in France will fight for France and Belgium; but most of all it will be fighting for America. Until we make the world safe for America (and incidentally until we make democracy safe in America), it is empty rhetoric to talk of making the world safe for democracy; and no one of these objects can be obtained merely by high-sounding words, or by anything else save earnest exercise of hard, grim, common sense in advance preparation and then by unflinching courage in the execution of the hard-earned strength which has thus been prepared."

There has been entirely too much talk of making the world safe for democracy and too little of the rights of the American people involved in this gigantic struggle. The United States is in this war for the defense of rights which have been invaded and our own people must get awake to the fact that while we also are in the war for humanity, we are primarily defending principles which involve the very life and future of the Republic.

THE NEW Y. M. C. A. SPIRIT

WHAT a delightful thing it is to observe the new spirit that is being developed by the Harrisburg Y. M. C. A. The offer of free service during the vacation months to the Boy Scouts of Harrisburg is both a step forward for the association and a recognition of the enlarged scope of the Scout movement in Harrisburg since the Rotary Club campaign.

Both the Y. M. C. A. and the Scout organization in Harrisburg are in good hands. This means much, for both have to do with the boys and the young men of the city, who are to be our future citizens. The time is fast coming when for Boy Scouts and old "scouts," too, "meet me at the Y. M. C. A." will be as commonplace as it has been heretofore unusual.

THE GASOLINE SHORTAGE

STUDY the figures of the State Highway Department for the first half of the present year as they relate to automobile licenses and you will understand why there is a shortage of gasoline in the country and why the government has issued warnings against the use of large amounts of this form of fuel in automobile pleasure-riding.

In the period named automobile licenses to the total of 368,275 have been issued and this number has been greatly increased since July 1 by the half-year license period going into effect. These figures represent a total increase of forty-two per cent. over the same figures last year. It is fair to assume that other States have kept pace with Pennsylvania, which means that in the country at large the increase of automobiles, and consequently of gasoline consumption, too, has been 42 per cent. In other words the country is

using approximately 42 per cent. more gasoline than it did during the first six months of 1916. This, with the automobile production increasing constantly and the intention of the government to throw 22,000 aeroplanes into the war within the next year, brings us face to face with a serious situation. Not only must we save gasoline so that the war may be properly conducted, but we must redouble our efforts to find a substitute for the petroleum derivative now universally used as automobile fuel.

PARK APPROPRIATION

ALL Harrisburg will rejoice that Governor Brumbaugh has found it possible to approve in total the full \$350,000 appropriated by the Legislature for the development of the Capitol Park extension area. This insures prompt beginning of work upon the grading and beautification of the zone.

The Governor's signature to the appropriation is the climax of a long and arduous campaign for the enlargement of Capitol Park. Many men have striven whole-heartedly for the success of the enterprise, among the pioneers being former Senator John E. Fox, Senator E. E. Beldeman, and former Representatives Tunis and Keister. The Capitol Park Extension Commission also comes in for a share of praise, for no public enterprise of the magnitude involved in these property purchases was ever more economically or fairly conducted.

In the present Legislature, Representative Woodward and Senator Buckman, chairmen of the House and Senate appropriations committees, gave sympathetic ear to the urgings of the entire Dauphin county delegation in the Legislature, which was unanimous in its advocacy of the \$350,000 appropriation item, and it is largely to their efforts that the sum went into the budget in the amount which the Governor approved. Just how fortunate Harrisburg is in this respect and how much it owes to those who guide the financial affairs of the Commonwealth may be judged from the cuts that have been made in many other very worthy appropriation measures.

The city may feel grateful also that the future of the Capitol Park development is to be in such competent and friendly hands as the men who make up the new Board of Public Buildings and Grounds, the Governor, Auditor General Snyder and State Treasurer Kephart. Both Mr. Snyder and Mr. Kephart have determined to make the Capitol improvement a monument to their administrations, feeling the same way about it as did Robert K. Young, who has just retired as State Treasurer, and at whose bedside news that the park appropriation has been approved will be welcome tidings. Harrisburg people will be happy to entrust the future of the park to three such enthusiasts, and will take pride in the thought that the actual working out of the plan will be under the supervision of Superintendent Shreiner, himself a well-known Harrisburger.

With respect to the Camp Curtin Memorial, it is to be regretted that the Governor found it necessary to reduce its appropriation from \$25,000 to \$13,000, but that sum at least will start the work and another Legislature may be expected to complete it. Senator Beldeman, who introduced the measure, will have the satisfaction of knowing that by his efforts the famous old Civil War camp site is not to be lost in a mass of buildings and thereby blotted from the memory of coming generations.

TAKE YOUR PICK

THERE is plenty of variety in the news just now.

One day you read that "Russia faces ruin," the next that "the Russian situation is serious but not hopeless." The day following it appears that the "Hindenburg line is impregnable." The morrow brings glad tidings to the effect that it's all a mistake; the allies can smash Hindenburg whenever the man and gun powder has been increased to the amount required by the commanders. One day Germany is starving to death and the next in the midst of plenty. To-day the Kaiser turns all his attention to the making of aero-

planes to combat the thousands of flying machines America is to throw into France, and an hour later brings news that the German warlords do not take the entrance of America as a serious factor in the war. Just about the time you reach the depths of despair they give you a fresh jab in the arm and you soar into the delightful realms of early and certain victory. It is powerful "dope" the foreign correspondents are using just now, but most all-froed hard on the nervous system these hot days.

Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman

Conferences held the last few days and to be continued to-morrow between Senator Penrose and men prominent in the Republican organization and between state administration leaders will have considerable importance to this fall's political situation. The leaders have been waiting until Governor Brumbaugh finishes work on the legislation, which is expected to have considerable weight in determining how things shall be done.

Auditor General Snyder saw Senator Penrose this week and it is expected that line of procedure was agreed upon. Administration men have been anxious to save some of their people who are in the fiscal department and the agreement on the method of bringing the mandamus suit may bring about some taming down in other lines.

The date of action on legislation has been so dwarfed in the newspapers and in political comment by the war, the draft and great national matters that comparatively few people have been following the fate of bills and their possible effect on state politics.

Things are steaming in Philadelphia and Pittsburgh. In Philadelphia Mayor Smith has put a Vireo in the maintenance of much influence on a siding for falling to obey orders and is engaged in a controversy with Secretary Daniels over vice in the city. The mayor charges that the secretary is peeved because Philadelphia demanded removal of interned sailors.

Governor Brumbaugh will leave either to-night or to-morrow for a vacation trip, but the place and time of departure is withheld at his office. G. S. DeWes may succeed County Coroner Isaac Y. A. Scholer, who died yesterday. An appointment may not be made.

Considerable speculation is being indulged in as to a number of appointments which Governor Brumbaugh is due to make. They are by the list and it is said to be the plan of the Governor to finish them within a few weeks. When the Governor returns from his vacation he will not have many such matters to bother about, however, that make the Liberty Loan bonds especially desirable investments for farmers.

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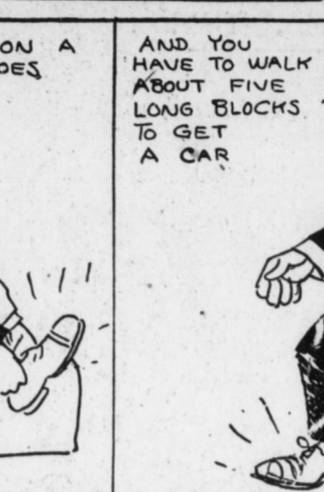
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AIN'T IT A GRAND AND GLORIOUS FEELIN'?

By BRIGGS



AFTER YOU PUT ON A PAIR OF NEW SHOES IN THE MORNING



AND YOU HAVE TO WALK ABOUT FIVE LONG BLOCKS TO GET A CAR



-AND YOU HAVE TO STAND UP ALL DAY AT YOUR COUNTER (OR DESK)



AND THE BOSS ASKS YOU TO DO AN EXTRA ERRAND DURING LUNCH HOUR



AND YOU HAVE TO STAND UP ALL THE WAY GOING HOME FROM WORK



IF YOU CAN DO THIS AS SOON AS YOU GET HOME—OH-H-H BABY. AIN'T IT A GRAND AND GLORIOUS FEELIN'?



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Liberty Bonds and Farmer

It has been repeatedly pointed out that in purchasing Liberty Loan bonds the farmers of the United States were furnishing the means to their best customers to purchase the products of their farms. Much of the proceeds of the Liberty Loan, both that used by the United States government and the amount loaned to the Allies, is to be expended in purchasing food and supplies for their armies. There are other reasons, however, that make the Liberty Loan bonds especially desirable investments for farmers.

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Public Opinion

"Says the Saturday Evening Post: 'The man who chooses to live in the United States because he finds it offers him attractions and opportunities superior to those in his own country, and yet rejects its offers of citizenship, is always in the rather dubious position of the passenger who insists on keeping his seat in the boat but declines either to bail or to pay for the ticket. He is in a position to enjoy the ride but he refuses to acknowledge his obligation to the community that makes him the opportunities.'"

Surrender to Reprisals

Coincidence, not connection, ruled that on the day our aviation bill was sent to the President for his signature the British cabinet made known its surrender to the policy of reprisals. We are appropriating \$640,000,000 with a praiseworthy celerity unusual in Washington; we are planning a fleet of 22,000 airplanes, and are drafting 100,000 picked youth to the perilous air, to beat down by force of arms the mightiest efforts German air forces can make to the people of our country, and who have no intention to become Americans, to come in and sit at the head of the table feasting upon the best we have in the shop.—Knoxville Journal and Tribune.

CLIP AS WELL AS KNIT

"Clip as well as Knit for the Sailor and Marine!" is now the slogan of the Comforts Committee of the Navy League of the United States.

The League is going to keep the sailor and marine, sent over the seas to battle for civilization, in touch with his "own hometown," or at least as far as possible in touch with events in the U. S. A., by sending him regularly clippings of every sort and description from magazines and newspapers. Everything from Mutt and Jeff to editorials will be included in the Jackie's literary menu. This work was initiated by and is under the direct supervision of Captain C. H. Harlow, U. S. N., who has his office with the Comforts Committee headquarters of the Navy League of the United States, in this city. His idea is to supplement the comfort outfits knit by patriotic women of the country, through the Comforts Committee of the Navy League, with clippings from newspapers and magazines, arranged in booklet form, which would be of interest to the men on board ship.

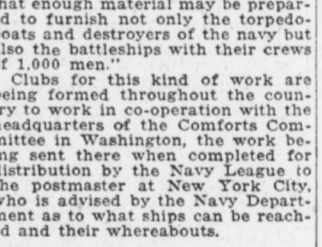
To reduce postage costs, and because space in shipment had to be prepared, it has been recommended that the stories be cut out separately from the book, stitched together with heavy thread, and, if possible, bound with brown paper to further protect it. The idea of this is to divide a single magazine, which may contain several stories among all the men on board a destroyer, so that while one man is reading a story several of his shipmates may be doing the same thing from the same book. In this way a man can easily trust such a booklet into his pocket, when suddenly called to quarters, or it can be passed around the ship in a short time, while a more bulky magazine would have to be thrown aside. As these torpedoboats and destroyers

House of Windsor

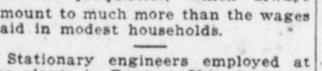
Henceforth the royal house of England will be known as the House of Windsor instead of the House of Saxe-Coburg. No more Hanoverian or Brunswickian or other German nomenclature will millinery the British royal title. But this act of expurgation of the English royalty from German family names will not change one iota the fact of the German derivation of that reigning house, although King George, the reigning monarch, is English in thought and habit and in intense animosity toward the foes of his country.

To Americans the occasion is reminiscent of the George whom the colonists fought in their successful endeavor to gain their independence. Germans have been fond of citing the historic friendship of Frederick the Great for the young American Revolution. So that in the present war with Germany there is more than a favor of retribution for the chapter of the nation's early struggle for liberty and freedom against a German king and his German troops.—Baltimore American.

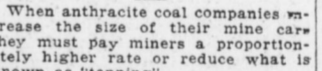
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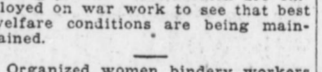
HARD BUT PLEASANT. She: What is the most difficult task you do? He: Trying to sleep while the alarm clock is going off.



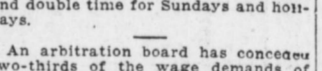
UNLUCKY. Bug Autoist—Drat it, who said a horse shoe was good luck anyway?



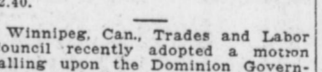
SO IT IS. "Why do they say that speech is silver, but silence is golden?" "Well, for one reason, silence is very much rarer than speech."



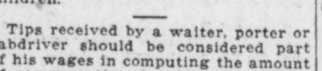
NOT MUCH. "How popular is he?" "Oh, about as popular as a pacifist at a recruiting stand."



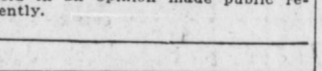
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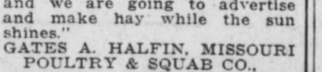
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WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

—Senator James P. McNichol is planning to go to see his fast horse race next month.

—Captain H. Clyde Miller, of the State military police, was formerly in the quartermaster's branch of the National Guard.

—General C. M. Clement headed the war parade at Sunbury, which has been his home for many years.

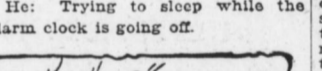
—Judge Aaron S. Swartz, of Montgomery, who will run again, finishing thirty years on the bench.

—George W. Ochs, former publisher of the Philadelphia Ledger, wants the courts to change his name to Oakes because Ochs is too German.

—Dr. Richard Harte, Philadelphia physician with American hospitals in France, has called that the hospital is getting down to work.



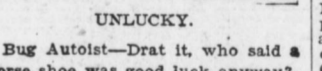
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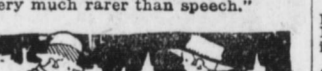
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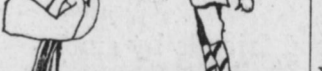
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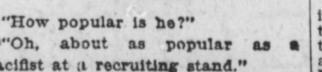
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