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MONDAY EVENING, AUGUST 27

A man's reputation is what his fellowmen think of him; his character is what God knows of him.—ANON.

REPUBLICAN HARMONY

GAIN the Republicans of Lehigh county have blazed the way for this year's party activities. Three thousand sat down at the feast prepared for the occasion.

The big outing of the Harrisburg Republican Club at Bolling Springs was another political event of Saturday which served to emphasize the harmony which prevails within the Republican ranks all over the State.

This newspaper has consistently and earnestly urged the leaders of the party in Pennsylvania to get aside their personal differences and it is gratifying to note a strong tendency in this direction.

Auditor General Charles A. Snyder was among the speakers at the great Republican harmony meeting in Lehigh county on Saturday, and took occasion to pay tribute to Pennsylvania and the conduct of its affairs.

KEEP THEM IN SCHOOL

WITH the usual standards of living demoralized by war conditions, with every industry in the land crying for laborers and with wages at figures most attractive to boys just arriving at the producing age, the temptation will be strong this fall to leave school for the workshop or the factory.

No more vital paper has come from the executive chamber during the present administration. The danger is very real indeed. It is true that the nation is demanding workmen of all classes, skilled and unskilled, but its present need is not nearly so important as is the future of its manhood.

PUBLIC ENDORSEMENT

JUDGE MCCARRELL will return from his summer vacation and go right on with his judicial duties undisturbed by a campaign for re-election. He will be given the people's commission for another term of ten years without any opposition whatever.

Thousands will vote for him this year, not because he needs their votes, but as an evidence of good will.

There is no scarcity in the labor situation so far as applications for Councilmanic jobs are concerned.

Harrisburg coal prices are to be reduced upward, it would appear.

The Allies have absolutely no regard for the German "will to victory."

Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman

In one of the first political gatherings in the country since the United States entered the world war, the Republicans of Lehigh county held their annual county meeting at Lehigh University on Saturday.

The meeting, the largest in recent years and attended by several thousand people, was graced by the presence of United States Senator James E. Watson, of Indiana; Lieutenant Governor Frank B. McClain of Lancaster, and Auditor General Charles A. Snyder, of Potsville, who made the principal speeches.

Other distinguished visitors included former State Insurance Commissioner Charles Johnson, Representative Isaac R. Haldeman and H. Stanley Drake, of Norristown, and Deputy Auditor General Gabriel H. Moyer, who responded to the toast to Perkasea to attend the Moyer family reunion.

Notable as a feature was the former councilor of the Hill Moyer and the Elephant, and the followers of the former, who had not done so before, coming back into the party in a body.

It is the business of the people to do the sifting and in proportion as they do it well will they perform their full duty to the community as a whole.

This is not a good fellowship contest and it must not degenerate into a game of tag in which the fellow most feet of foot and glib of tongue may win.

We are about to choose five persons to operate the government of Harrisburg and several other persons to conduct the school affairs of the city, in addition to choosing a number of county officials.

As for the city government, it is not reasonable to expect that the taxpayers will themselves manifest sufficient interest in the selection of mayor and councilmen to assure the choice of men who will give the city competent and efficient service?

Don't imagine that you can shift the personal responsibility upon you to others. Your neighbor is no more obligated to discharge the duty incumbent upon every good citizen than you are, and the city of which you are proud and which deserves full consideration never stood in greater need of your help than now.

Boys of New Jersey, through the cooperation of the Y. M. C. A. and its various branches, are saving an enormous peach crop which would otherwise have gone to waste for lack of workers to pick the ripened fruit.

Seed Stocks. The fact that in some sections the market for the good seed while in others there is a surplus makes it possible for the Committee on Seed Stocks of the United States Department of Agriculture to help in the distribution of these surpluses.

Gasoline From Natural Gas. Statistics just completed under the supervision of John D. Northrop, of the United States Geological Survey, Department of the Interior, show that the year 1916 was one of marked expansion in the natural gas gasoline industry in the United States.

The Cocoa Tree. Cast on the water by a careless hand Day after day the winds persuaded me; Onward I drifted till a coral-tree stayed me among its branches, where the sand and the sea were one.

The sea-birds build their nests against my roof, And eye my slender body's horny widowed within this solitary place into the thankless sea. I cast my joyful life, for no man may partake.

No more I heed the kisses of the morn; The harsh winds rob me of the wave, And hourly droop and nod my crest while all my fibers stiffen and grow numb.

Beckoning the tardy ships, the ships that never come all methods being about half a gallon.

By Charles Warren Stoddard

EDITORIAL COMMENT

Germany thus far has stood strongly for annexations and indemnities without peace.—Chicago Daily News.

In the great game now being contested in Flanders rain-checks play an important part.—New York Morning Telegraph.

Russia's salvation seems to lie only in some way to keep Kerensky on one side and in Petrograd at the same time.—Wichita Eagle.

A speaker in the Reichstag bewails the fact that German soldiers have been "cheated out of victory" by the number and strength of the allies.—New York Morning Telegraph.

Having collected 10,000 volumes on the war in all languages, the Kaiser should be sentenced to spend the rest of his life reading them.—Springfield Republican.

Draft objectors in Oklahoma seem to be awakening to the fact that resisting the government is about as hazardous an occupation as enlisting.—New York World.

Bethmann-Hollweg, like his successor, as chancellor, also talked peace and in December, 1916, and he afterward admitted that he talked peace to gain time to build more submarines.—Rochester Democrat and Chronicle.

Revelation of the fact that Germany had possession of Austria's ultimatum to Serbia fourteen hours before it was delivered is interesting as showing that Germany knew fourteen hours earlier than was hitherto admitted that war was to be forced upon her.—Chicago Tribune.

Conserve the Coal Supply

The situation with respect to the coal supply which has developed since the United States entered the great war has become alarming.

"The railways within the four months April, May, June and July, 1917, they handled 20 per cent. more anthracite and 20 per cent. more bituminous coal than they handled in any corresponding period.

Senator Watson, in his speech, paid tribute to the services of Senator Penrose and Knox. He devoted most of his time to a discussion of the war, declaring that it is unpopular, but must be fought to a successful finish, for the preservation of the liberty and justice of the world.

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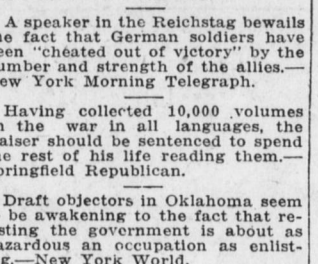
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WHEN A FELLER NEEDS A FRIEND

JUNIOR HAS FALLEN INTO A PUDDLE OF WATER AND IS NOW COMPELLED TO WEAR SISTER'S CLOTHING WHILE HIS OWN IS HUNG OUT TO DRY.



By Briggs

WHEN THIS MAN WENT TO ENLIST IN THE ARMY

THE American Magazine prints an article by a man who has had a war inside himself, a war between love of home and love of democracy.

Why Not Eat Rabbits? Rabbits have proved a valuable source of food in Europe during the war, and the experts of the United States Department of Agriculture advise that they be raised more extensively in America by way of reducing the drain on the ordinary meat supply.

Farm Labor Problem. The extension of the activities of the United States Department of Agriculture dealing with the farm labor problem is made possible through the food production act, which provides funds for this purpose.

The Wind Before the Dawn. [How wonderful upon the mountains are the feet of Him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace.—Isaiah 52:7.]

OUR DAILY LAUGH. JUST SO. "It is said that the soldiers at the front are making cigars out of roots, backs and cabbage leaves."

MOVE ON! Bug Cop: Hey, there, you bum, didn't I tell you to keep off my block!

RUIINED. Rabbit Landlord—Gosh, I'll never rent that cottage to a mouse family again!

VENTILATION. "Why is the cheese so full of holes?" "That's all right. It feeds all the rest air it can get."

Poverty of Auto Owners. Senator Smoot shouldn't be too sure that the petroleum and gasoline prices can afford to pay an additional tax. Some of them can hardly afford to eat, and some of them are doing their own laundry work as a measure of economy.—Indianapolis News.

LABOR NOTES

An eight-hour ordinance has been passed by City Councils at Idaho Falls, Idaho.

Organized labor is arranging for another trade-union "drive" on the meat-packing industry in Chicago.

Ottawa (Canada) book and job typographers have signed up an agreement for a \$24-per-week flat-scale rate.

Women street cleaners in London, England, have proved so efficient that it is proposed to employ more of them.

An arbitration board has raised Bridgeport (Conn.) plumbers' wages from \$4.25 to \$5 a day.

Londonderry (Ireland) boot and shoe repairers have gone on strike, having been refused a bonus of \$2.50 a week.

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