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He giveth power to the faint; and to him that hath no might he increaseth strength.—ISA. 40:29.

THE WM. PENN HIGHWAY

The freeing of the William Penn Highway of all toll gates between Harrisburg and Reading is just another step in the development of what is to become in a short time the main-traveled highway across Pennsylvania.

Not only do travelers save \$100,000 annually through the freeing of the old Berks-Dauphin pike, but every farmer in the territory affected and every resident of every city and town along the pike and with ten miles of it is a gainer, because the elimination of tolls means more farm products at a less cost.

The Telegraph has noted with pleasure the activities of the many counties through which the William Penn Highway passes. It is the desire of these counties to make this highway the backbone of a county system of permanent roads.

From a "paper" highway of March, 1916, the William Penn Highway is advancing by leaps and bounds. Before the close of 1918 nearly 60 miles of permanent road will be added to what has already been built and is now building.

ABAS THE CUTOFF! NOTWITHSTANDING the efforts of the Harrisburg Motor Club and the general reprobation of the community the cutoff persists.

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lennats to follow one another in close succession, and the most miserably sounds and making life miserable for scores and hundreds of people who have a right to expect that the ordinary ordinances of the city will be enforced.

And while on this subject may we not suggest, in all fairness as to the traffic officers, that they be provided with an umbrella stand and semaphor signals for the more efficient handling of the congestion in the central part of the city?

ASH COLLECTIONS

IT IS well nigh impossible to credit the report that City Council is seriously considering the collection of ashes and garbage from the curb. To install a system of that kind would be to go from bad to worse.

Now we are told that, to keep down expense, council means to let this temporary contract and then to require the people to place their ash cans and garbage cans on the curb in front of their homes for the collectors, wherever there is not a driveway in the rear.

The picture of this new system in operation is anything but attractive. Rows upon rows of ash and garbage cans transforming the city streets into public dumps, here and there a can upset, its unsavory contents scattered along the gutters, and the collector calling with his usual irregularity.

We are told that collections from backyards would be expensive. So are paved streets expensive, and parks, and filtered water, and adequate sewers, and playgrounds, and many other things that Harrisburg people insist upon having.

Another turpitude to be free! On Saturday residents of Berks, Lebanon and Dauphin counties will vote the Berks-Dauphin pike, where tolls have been collected for more than a century, and an important link in the William Penn highway will be well rid of the obstructive toll gates.

We are informed that the curb system is being considered in Harrisburg because New York and Philadelphia have had it for years. And if New York and Philadelphia choose to litter their streets and permit them to remain so dirty and unclean, that they are a by-word in the community and a reproach to the municipalities in which they exist.

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Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman
Pennsylvania has voted on over a score of proposed constitutional amendments in as many years and has a couple of important amendments ahead of it before the third decade of the century begins.

Maine has had a strenuous campaign with both the suffragists and the anti-placarding walls and billboards and having banners on the streets, but that has not got the system in the campaign that marked the suffragists' organization here a few years ago.

Perhaps when this war is over and Americans have a chance to look back and measure the danger that was in this alien press they will recognize the desirability of discouraging the use of all foreign languages in their country.

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Growth of Red Cross

To handle the business of the Red Cross a year ago there were seventy-five employees at Washington headquarters; to-day there are seven hundred paid workers and sixty-one full-time volunteers.

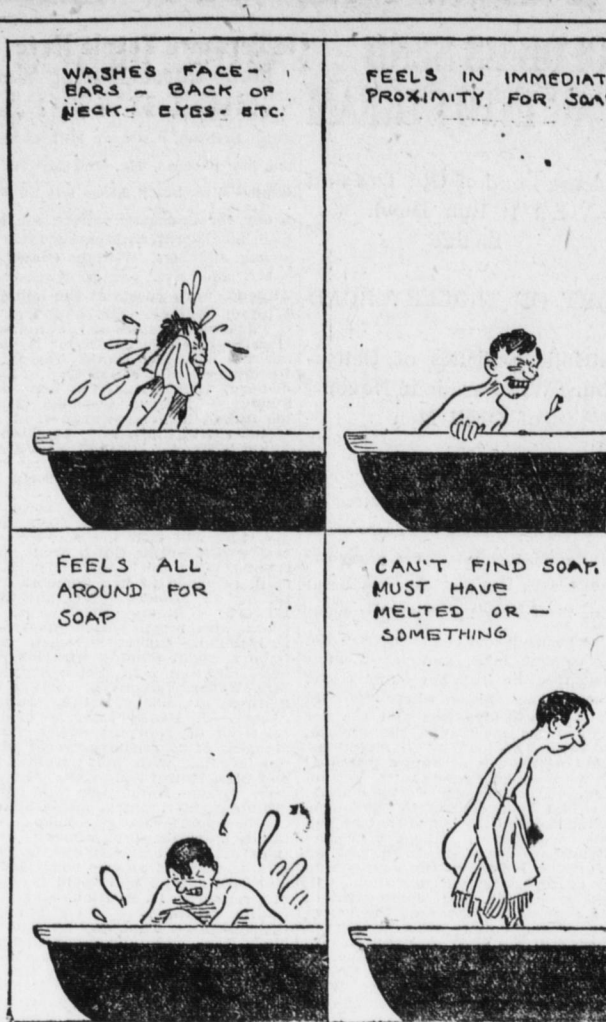
The Kaiser's Mistake

"Everyone knows England is our most spiteful adversary. She spreads the hatred of Germany over the whole world, filling her allies with a morose eagerness to fight."

The Same Old Story

Even the price of honey is to be 25 per cent higher. Costs more in wartime to feed the bees, of course.—Albany Argus.

MOVIE OF A MAN TRYING TO FIND THE SOAP



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The carving itself will be in full relief whenever it is necessary to so carve it for the difference in complete relief. Otherwise the work will be carved in simple relief, and frequently even only drawn with a chisel into the great wall.

In my exhaustive study of the best use of the mountain for memorial purposes I reviewed Egyptian and Greek methods of utilizing such an opportunity of carving great single figures and the use of groups and architecture, and after consulting with the three or four ablest men in America, it was agreed that the northeast wall of Stone Mountain only was available for great work.

Traffic Congestion

Some facts recently published in Service, a publication issued by the New York Railways Company, of New York City, show that in the retail section of Fifth avenue a pedestrian can beat a taxicab during crowded hours.

After-War Conditions

For the last two weeks the financial and business world has had its attention forcibly directed to the subject of peace, not only as to its possibility from the present movement and as to what changed conditions might bring about, but also as to what the ultimate effects of peace might be.

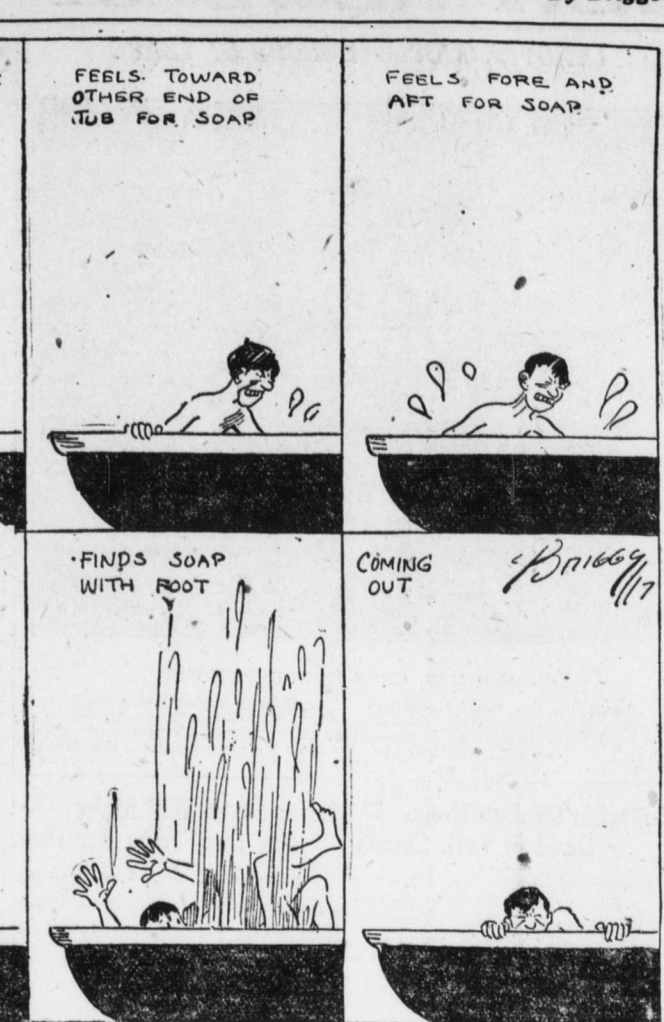
Wanted: Masters For Scouts.

The Boy Scouts are finding it no easy task to find enough scoutmasters. The New York Morning Telegraph of July 14th states that 1,000 were needed to look after the rapidly growing and increasingly important organization.

Enjoyed the Fight

Mike was home wounded from the front and he was stopped by a friend one day as he was hobbling down the street on his newly acquired crutches.

By Briggs



OUR DAILY LAUGH

DESCRIBED. "Pa, what is that?" "That, my boy, is what a man has to practice so that his wife may be extravagant."

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Major Quinton O. Reitzel, who will command the machine gun battalion in the Fourth Infantry in the "Rainbow division" shows the effects of baseball. The major was detailed to go to Fort Sill to get instruction in machine gun practice and grenades and display so much skill in throwing that they asked about it. Baseball was the reason.

Lieutenant Governor Frank B. McClain is giving a couple of days a week to the business of the State Commission of Defense of which he is a member. Mr. McClain happens to be the treasurer and he is having the accounts of the Public Safety Committee, which got its funds from the State Commission kept in accord with the methods of the Auditor General's Department.

Senator W. J. Burke is applying to be a councilman in Pittsburgh and has taken leave from railroad work until the primary is over.

William E. Ralston, prominent in the Society of Veterans of Foreign Wars, is a Pittsburgher and active in the organization there.

Bishop Garvey, Altoona, Catholic and Bishop Hamilton, Pittsburg, Methodist, will speak with Council Roosevelt at Johnstown on September 30.

Mayor Miles B. Kitts, of Erie, new president of the Third Class City League, says he likes to come here for legislative sessions and conventions.

L. Replogle, who will be materials for the government, occasionally drops into Johnstown to visit to old friends.

Almon H. Fuller, new head of engineering at Lafayette, comes from Seattle where he ranked among the leading editors of the coast.

Dr. W. B. Keene, prominent Philadelphia physician, is in Maine.

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Evening Chat

If the plan generally believed to have been thought out for the organization of units of the Pennsylvania Reserve Militia later in the year is followed, it is improbable that Harrisburg will have any section of that force. The plan is to locate the units in such places as the State owns armories, and there are about forty-eight such buildings owned by the Commonwealth throughout the State.

The reserve force is to consist of the regiments of infantry and one squadron of cavalry, or a total of forty companies or troops as the case may be. This city's infantry armory may be used for park extension.

The Country Club of Harrisburg, which occupies its beautiful new site at Fort Hunter to-day without any formal observance, dates from the spring of 1896, but was incorporated on June 13, of that year by a number of prominent residents of Harrisburg and vicinity and occupied its clubhouse at Conestoga and Lucknow a year later.

When the American soldiers went abroad we were given to understand that the national government was performing a grand service in that this side could communicate with those near and dear to them who were in France with a minimum of expense and delay. It was a grand service and that letters from the soldiers would be facilitated in every way for the same folks.

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