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"One man pins me to the wall, while with another I walk among the stars."—EMERSON.

THE SPIRIT OF SACRIFICE ONE of the things which must impress every observer of the people of Pennsylvania, be he native, resident of a sister commonwealth or a man from beyond the seas, is the spirit of sacrifice manifested since the nation entered the war to make the world safe for democracy.

When the nation made its business war it called upon the business men who had made Pennsylvania a world factor in industry, transportation and science to give their aid to the national defense.

COAL PRICES SO far as Harrisburg is concerned it would have been better for the consumer of coal if Dr. Garfield had remained head of the college which he graced with so much ability.

The best Dr. Garfield has been able to do is to safeguard the public against further extortions, but since he has enabled the operators to sell their coal at the mines at higher prices than they ever hoped to realize and has transferred that burden over the heads of the retailers to the shoulders of the consumers, the only difference in the advance, so far as the consumer is concerned, is in name.

Perhaps the fault is not so much in what Dr. Garfield has done as in the false hopes the President held out for cheaper coal. The whole subject of fuel and its transportation is so complicated that even the most expert could not be expected to settle it in a month, or a year.

THE NEW DRIVE THE new drive to take Harrisburg and Dauphin county entirely out of the second draft is in good hands.

large hand in placing Harrisburg in the proud place the city was assigned as the only municipality in the State to escape the first draft, and it was like him to go about this latest recruiting campaign in the original and energetic manner just announced.

There are many advantages which the volunteer has over the drafted man, not the least of which is that he may choose his own branch of the service, whereas if he waits until summoned he must go where he is put and misses the help of being trained beside seasoned men of older units.

But best of all is the opportunity offered by the recruiting officers who are endeavoring to organize a Dauphin county unit for service during the war. A soldier who is associated with his friends and neighbors in the service is happier than the man who goes among strangers.

AS MAN TO MAN NONE of us has given much thought to the horrors of this war we've entered. We've stood at the curb, cheered the boys as they left for training camps, and then hurried lest we be late for dinner.

and then turned hurriedly to the sports page. We've told ourselves that we're bound to win, but we haven't stopped to count the cost.

This is a real war. Before it is over tremendous changes will have occurred in this country—as they have occurred in England and France and all the other belligerent countries.

As man to man, we people of Harrisburg must get down to brass tacks in the matter of this war. We can't all go to the front. We can't all go over the top.

Within a couple of weeks this district's share of the second Liberty Loan is to be sold here. And if the district does not better its first performance there will be reason for the remainder of Pennsylvania to ridicule Harrisburg.

Perhaps the man who is reading this editorial does not have \$50 in cash; and for that reason will hesitate about buying a bond of that denomination.

Perhaps this will be a long-distance war. That is, perhaps it will be drawn out to an extent little dreamed of. And in that case the side that can endure will be victorious.

Those nations will win in which the men and women co-operate and devote themselves to the serious task of winning. We've cheered the thousands of

Harrisburg boys—the Dauphin county boys, who've gone to war.

And now are we going to buy a bond and back them?

Or, through our careless indifference and our failure to realize that this is war, are we going to say "To the devil with 'em"?

As man to man, what's your answer?

A DAY OF PRAYER

THE Harrisburg Ministerial Association evidently believes in the old adage which bids us "Pray devoutly but hammer stoutly!"

The proposed Day of Prayer for Soldiers, endorsed yesterday by the Rotary Club, is the suggestion of an organization that has contributed in no small degree to the patriotic efforts of the city since war with Germany was declared and which has contributed of its own membership to the armed forces now in training.

Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman

Steps which may lead to a court action to obtain a decision on what really constitutes the fifty-one per cent. of the votes to entitle a candidate to a sole place on the ballot will likely be taken at the State Capitol to-day by Auditor General Snyder and President Judge H. O. Bechtel, of Schuylkill county.

The matter will be taken up with Attorney General Brown and Secretary of the Commonwealth Woods, and if it is decided to make a test it will be started here at once.

Attorney General Brown and Secretary Woods are working on a new angle of the soldiers' voting. The original plan was for commissioners to be sent to each of the camps where there are bodies of Pennsylvania troops, drafted men or student officers.

Counties are commencing to send lists of candidates for the offices to be filled by the voters at the November election to the Department of the Secretary of the Commonwealth for the making up of the pamphlet for the soldiers' voting.

People up the state are watching with the closest interest the developments in Philadelphia. Fifth ward scandal and the result is bound to have more or less effect on Mayoralty elections and in some instances directly on the election of men from various counties who have been here on business at the Capitol departments.

The fact that Senator W. C. Sprout, of Delaware, headed the Delaware county firemen's delegation to the State Firemen's convention at Butler is rather significant in these strenuous political days.

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THE MRS. GAVIN—JERRY TRAVERS MATCH AT WYKAGYL



SO SPAKE CAPT. ANSON WHO FOLLOWED 'EM AROUND

IT'S AN AWFULLY EMBARRASSING MOMENT TO HAVE TO COUGH DURING THE PUTTING SILENCE

WHY WOULDN'T IT BE AN EXCELLENCE IDEA FOR THE KNITTERS TO EMPLOY A CADDY AS THEY GO AROUND THE COURSE?

HE NEVER MADE WYKAGYL UNDER 100.

THE PEOPLE'S FORUM

PEA COAL

To the Editor of the Telegraph: I will endeavor to tell you the story of pea coal—the "poor man's coal"—the price of which has just been fixed by the President of the United States at \$4 per ton at the mines. The operators had always been glad to sell it for \$2.80 per ton, and it was not until the direct order of the President was promulgated that the new price of \$4 per ton at the mines went into effect.

Do you know that the operators we mention in this article are sending out their coal in labor cost of less than thirteen cents a ton and that the President says, "Charge \$4.00 a ton for it?"

OTHER EVILS To the Editor of the Telegraph: To the Ministerial Association of Harrisburg—My attention has been called to an open letter to the Mayor and Council of Harrisburg by the Ministerial Association of this city which appeared in The Patriot on September 25.

Coal Mined by Dead Men When you read the story don't go away with the idea that I say deep-mined coal, coal cut from the mines, can be had at a labor cost of thirty cents a ton. It cannot. But also recollect the vast majority of our present pea coal was mined by dead men—gone and forgotten long years and years ago.

LABOR NOTES The war may help women teachers since New York is considering the breaking of the rule against re-employment of married ones.

PEA COAL (Continued) Perhaps you have never heard of Ashland. Many good things lie hidden from the public view. Ashland is in Schuylkill county. It is the former home of John Penn Brock, the founder of the present anthracite coal fields. John Penn Brock is dead.

Fortunes Taken From Waste The same banks have paid to the new operators within the last six months, it is said, \$700,000. Think of it, \$700,000 from a waste product scorned ten years ago, and all six months and with about forty employees. This single bank is good for several years to come.

OUR DAILY LAUGH INSIDE INFORMATION. Why did you give up the club? The other members talked so much about themselves, I didn't have a chance myself.

A CONSIDERATE HUBBY. Jones does everything in his power to make his wife happy. Yes, he even argues with her.

A PRACTICAL GIRL. Would you marry a man who loved you or one who could dress you? Well, love is a very desirable thing, but clothes are an absolute necessity.

Evening Chat

Officials connected with the fiscal end of the state government do not look to the direct inheritance tax law to begin to figure as extensively as expected in the revenue of the state until some time next year.

Three hundred bushels per acre has been found to be the average yield of onions in Pennsylvania by the statisticians of the State Department of Agriculture who looked up the matter for an inquirer living in the "Garden of Eden" of Crawford county, where onion raising is a specialty.

J. H. Gingrich, who retired as day chief operator of the Postal Telegraph Company here this week, was known to a generation of newspaper correspondents and businessmen and the friends of "lightning slingers" all over the state.

There is not going to be as much hunting in this neck of the woods as usual this fall, although in the deer hunting season the number of deer will be numerous parties.

The suggestion that automobile owners give soldiers a lift appears to be pretty generally observed hereabouts. There are, seemingly, as many soldiers about here as before the Guardsmen went away because of the proximity of the Gettysburg battle and the recruiting work and the soldiers have a good time getting rides, especially to and from Middletown.

Representative John McKay, of Luzerne county, was among visitors to the State Capitol here this week here in the interest of several matters at the departments.

WELL KNOWN PEOPLE —A. C. Robinson, well known in Pittsburgh banking affairs, is in Harrisburg on business.

DO YOU KNOW That Harrisburg has big industries, but lacks the small ones that have made York and Lancaster notable?

HEALTH IN LONDON London, said a prominent official of the Metropolitan Asylum Board, is wonderfully healthy just now. There is an exceptional shortage of disease, but a remarkable thing is that diphtheria cases are exceeding those of scarlet fever. There are 641 scarlet fever cases under treatment, and 3,086 cases of diphtheria, which is the lowest record in the annals of the board.—London Telegraph.