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There are no bad herbs or bad men; there are only bad cultivators. —Hugo.

FOR ALL SECTS

THE Young Men's Christian Association has made it possible for men in prison camps of the warring countries to observe religious services according to the desires of the different groups.

On one Sunday morning, in a little building in a detention camp, a priest came in and held services for the Roman Catholic prisoners.

A little later a young man with strong leanings toward the "cloth" who had heard the call of his country conducted services for the Protestant boys.

Prisoners in the camps respond quickly to the appeal to their better natures, and not the least important of the Y. M. C. A. activities are the religious services which carry the soldiers, for a few hours each week, back to the scenes of their childhood.

This is only a part of the great work to be carried on by the fund now being raised in the United States for War Work by the Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A. and in which Dauphin county is playing a leading part.

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Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman

Official count of the votes cast by Pennsylvania citizens at their homes on the camps and cantonments on Tuesday began to-day before judges of the courts of the several counties and from reports reaching here the ballots of the soldiers will have even greater influence upon results than anticipated on election day.

INEFICIENT AND STUPID WHEN such a prominent newspaper publication as the Fourth Estate finds it necessary to carry at the head of its editorial columns a notice like the following, it is time for all publishers and the reading public to ask what is the matter with the postal department:

Subscribers who do not receive their paper through the mails in the proper time are hereby advised that it is no fault of the publishers.

This advice applies quite as much to readers of the Telegraph as to subscribers to the Fourth Estate. Conditions in the mail service out of Harrisburg are well-nigh intolerable.

What happened to the Sunbury letter, so far as the Telegraph has been able to find from an outside investigation—inside investigations being mostly conducted for the purpose of covering up delinquencies—was this: The letter went into a pouch on a full car; the clerks employed are so few that they could not reach this letter until after the Sunbury bag was closed.

What inexcusable and expensive inefficiency is developed when the department cuts its clerical force to the minimum and then wastes money hauling letters back and forward and back and forward again along the main lines.

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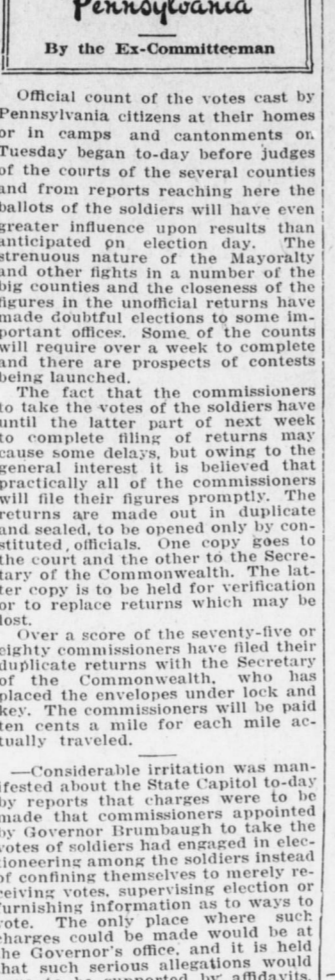
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THE DAYS OF REAL SPORT

BY BRIGGS



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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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LABOR NOTES

Packing plants in St. Joseph, Mo., are being organized following the successful strikes of butcher workmen in Kansas City and Omaha.

At the request of its federated shopmen to pay wages prevailing in its territory, the Washington Railroad announced a 50-cent hourly rate for mechanics and 33 cents for helpers.

The Swiss labor journal Metallurgiste gives official statistics showing that 63,137 munitionworkers from nineteen factories in Germany went out on strike during the first three months of 1917.

One million two hundred and fifty-six thousand women are to-day doing work in England which was done formerly by men who have joined the army or been set free for other forms of war service.

Philadelphia Boiler Makers Union is successfully enforcing its new wage scale, which calls for union recognition, a 50-cent minimum for journeymen and 37 1/2 cents for helpers.

Coal Hoisting Engineers Union, whose members are employed on the Boston and Maine Railroad, have secured a two-year agreement which provides for a nine-hour day and wage increases.

OUR DAILY LAUGH A NEW KIND OF SALE. Hubby—Were you at Marshall Bros., special sale today? Wife—Why, no, I'm always missing those special sales—what were they selling? Hubby—Liberty Bonds.

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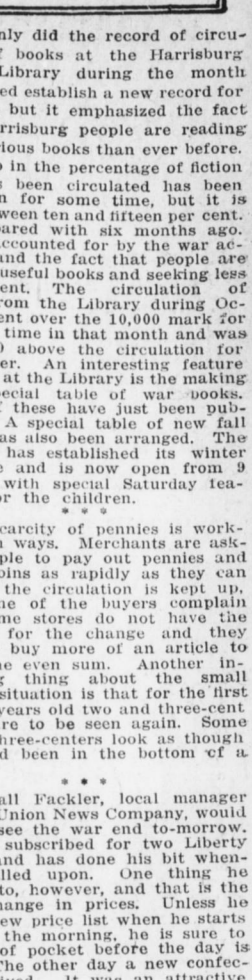
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