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wend their way to the city, each to when desires the place Deputy Attorney General Emerson Collins will be little folks whose homes are so humble that they escape ofttimes even the watchful eye of good old Santa Claus. And they can be brought back from the land of dreams to the reality of the present without any of the painful joits that the ghosts of Christmas Past, Present and Future found necessary to jar Old Scrooge loose from his anti-Christmas moorings, if you will just let the spirit of the past work within your bosom this evening for an hour or two as you sit by the fire awaiting the clock on the mantle to notify you of bedtime.

Cast your mind back to the days when the smell of spruce spelt Christmas to you and when you wouldn't have traded the unex modern Nero," which, we submit, is wend their way to the city, each to torney General Emerson Collins will not stand in the way. Mr. Collins has been booked pretty industriously lately.

—Auditor General Snyder went away yesterday afternoon without seeing the Governor and the questions of extra places on the Hill, remains who were agree that the spirits has been that the room the control of the Infidel. Consequently, British arms have won a great noral victory in the taking of the city and the allied cause has great moral victory in the taking of the city and the allied cause has great moral victory in the taking of the city and the allied cause has great moral victory in the taking of the city and the allied cause has great moral victory in the taking of the city and the allied cause has great moral victory in the taking of the city and the allied cause has great moral victory in the taking of the city may be seen that the town the work are for the Infidel. Consequently, British arms have won a great noral victory in the taking of the city may be set a place power for industriously lately.

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ouldn't have traded the unex-lored Christmas stocking for a mil-pretty hard on Nero. wouldn't have traded the unexlion dollars in gold piled high on the old kitchen floor; when the Noah's Ark elephants that looked like lambs, the pigs that resembled dogs, and Mr. Noah who looked exactly like Mrs. Noah, . were more recious than a real, live mengerie would be to-day, when the in gee-gee was a charger bold and the toy engine and train trundled across the oilcloths and over the ight arm and puffing gusty austs from your own lusty lungs.

Great business, wasn't it?

And the Noah's Ark, and the tin ree-gee and the toy train and cars are just the same to-day as they were then. If there is anything changed it is somewhere inside yourself. The remedy lies also within yourself. Christmas is

ministrator says present coal prices are the "maximum;" everybody knew

CAPTURE OF JERUSÁLEM MERICANS who have not stud-A ied closely the eastern situation with respect to the war are not in position to understand or appre-Austria and Germany, where re- basis ligious convictions are deep and

City, as witness the Kaiser's churches and hospitals there, but as usual the German play to the people had its basis in military preparedness, for it has been charged and not depied that the well-placed catering to religious feeling was good jealous. politics on the Kaiser's part, the

the Crusaders.

left them to face alone the hopeless task of staying the British ad-

vance on the ancient city. All through Russia there will go up a mighty rejoicing when the capture of Jerusalem becomes known, and, as some writer has pointed out. if the British continue their advance the Turks may find it necessary to

Makdis, which means "the state-tuaryy". There is a big gap in its Biblical history, but enough has been learned from various sources concerning its earlier days to warrant the assertion that from its very foundation it was a city highly regarded as a place of worship and forever the object of conquest by covetous rulers or peoples. From the time when Ptolemy I laid low its walls to the present it has been fought over, captured and recaptured, and its walls and buildings have been so frequently thrown down and mingled with the dust that the modern city is built upon the vast debris of dead and gone generations and the exact lines of generations and the exact lines of Drudgery is the gray angel of success.—Dr. Gannet.

THE DAYS OF NOAH'S ARK
THE days of the Noah's Ark, the tin gee-gee, the toy engine and train! How we who have outgrown the period of the Christmas stocking look back upon them with reminiscent smiles that are half slighs and tugs at the heart that are half thrills, half pain. Dear days of Santa Claus and Christmas trees, of joys untinged by the cares and sorrows the years bring. Dear days; dead days, we sometimes think.

But they are not dead, no indeed! They're only sleeping, and very lightly at that, for those of us with young folks about the house, or grandchildren homecoming for the holidays, or even for those who must go out into the highways and byways to find the little folks whose homes are so hards. the original town are in doubt. One

which, we submit, is

unconcernedly up hill and down dale economy alone is not sufficient; that with renewed vigor, ability and with renewed vigor, ability and with determination to work more and

A prosperous nation can win
the war far sooner than if regular industry lagged. The great
and small businesses must be
spurred to larger profit-making
by every legitimate employment
of skill, industry and ingenuity.
The country must be made prosperous and kept prosperous, not
business as usual, but business
and profits more than usual, if
possible THENEVER THIS
DOES NOT INTERFERE WITH
THE INDUSTRIES OPERATING
FOR THE WAR.

President Wilson is believed now

in his report to Congress, sounds a more hopeful note in this paragraph:

It is my earnest conviction that the general economy of the coun-try should be permitted to re-adjust itself to the new revenue laws before consideration should be given to the imposition of ad-ditional tax burdens.

It is his judgment that further revenue legislation to distribute that will revenue legislation of in the face of iously considered only in the face of be actached to the capture by the a situation making it impossible to British of Jerusalem, in Russia, the sell controvertible and partly tax Balkans and even in some parts of empt bonds upon a four per cent.

In short, it is dawning upon thos where the redemption of Jerusalem at Washington, as well as the people generally, that business cannot be hamstrung without seriously impaira household prayer and as strong a desire in the heart of the woring the revenues of the country and the credit necessary to a forceful prosecution of the war. The people Germany understood this passion for Christian possession of the Holy give to the utmost, but we must be Germany understood this passion of the United States are ready to for Christian possession of the Holy give to the utmost, but we must be

imperial buildings were all con-structed so as to be turned into fortresses at a day's notice. This

We used to rejoice in a heavy snow we used to rejoice in a heavy snow because that permitted us to go the ununderstandable desertion of the Turks by the Germans, who

# Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman

Partisans of Senator William C. fight their last decisive battle at Armageddon, thus fulfilling in a Denny O'Neil and other men who measure Biblical prophecy. The measure Biblical prophecy. The laws been in the "mentioned colcapture of Jerusalem, followed by 
such a victory for Christian arms as 
described, would have a powerful 
political and moral effect upon millions of people in favor of the allies. 
Jerusalem from earliest times has 
port and had thrown a hay rake over Jerusalem from earliest times has been a center of religious and military activity. Early authors trace the name to a phrase meaning "vision of peace" and while there may be some doubt as to the authenticity of this, certain it is that the trace that the call it Beite of several men close to the state and the other farmers proposed to be recognized. Three weeks ago Mr. Pinchot turned up in Harrisburg with a substantial corps of labor men backing him, and while the partisance of several men close to the state and Arabs were wont to call it Beite
Makdis, which means "the sanctuary" There is a big gap in its

-Highway Commissioner J. Denny

BUSINESS AND THE WAR

Through a species of hysteria in some quarters the impression has gotten abroad that economy should be practiced to such an extent as to practically eliminate business. One of the business authorities of the country says that economy alone is not sufficient; that each one must bend to his daily task with renewed vigor, ability and with determination to work more and earn more. He says further:

A prosperous nation can win

within yourself. Christmas is the child's holiday, and so you cannot enjoy Christmas fully unless you do so as a child, and as you "become as one of these" so do you practice best the doctrines of the Great Founder of Christmas. It's an experiment worth trying, and you've no idea how enjoyable the trying of it can be.

We see no reason why the coal administrator says present coal prices are the "maximum;" everybody knew recomber the child's holiday, and so you cannot profit to consider the more than usual, if yesterday ordered the police to close possible — WHENEVER WITH THE INDUSTRIES OPERATING FOR THE WAR.

President Wilson is believed now to be fully advised as to the business situation and Congress is also hear in grown the people so that it may be expected that conservative action will be taken with respect to any matters affecting the business interests of the nation.

Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo, in his report to Congress, sounds a chilef of the Bureau of City Property.

Arthur's term as a member of the every place of this character in the city at once. The Thirteenth ward includes a large section of the Tenderloin district. While this was because the city at once. The Thirteenth ward includes a large section of the Tenderloin district. While this was because the city at once. The Thirteenth ward includes a large section of the Tenderloin district. While this was because the city at once. The Thirteenth ward includes a large section of the Tenderloin district. While this was because the city at once. The Thirteenth ward includes a large section of the Tenderloin district. While this was because the city at once. The City at once the city at once that it at once the city at once the

Camels and processions on the road

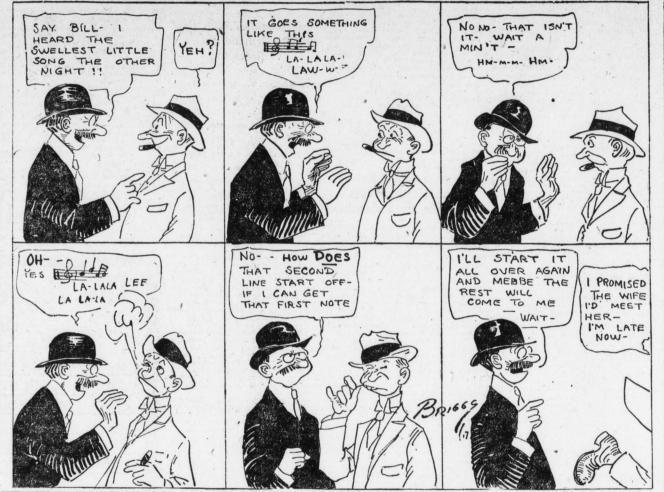
reasonable in our attitude toward business and industry, so that we shall not ignorantly or otherwise destroy the fountains of the country's prosperity.

A man on the car this morning told

Dream your wiry mustangs in the sage and chaparral, Broncho busters on the plains and ponies by the wall; Horse dealers and horse stealers my heart cannot command; I have strings of camels on the road to Samarkand!

Orderly and dutiful, the little door of years Opens up in wonder land; the camel

# SOMEBODY IS ALWAYS TAKING THE JOY OUT OF LIFE



## the Over Penna.

Marie Romanoff, one of the ex-Czar's daughters, is learning stenog-raphy now and a Western Pennsylvania newspaper comments: "We bet the little girl will have more fun sticking her gum under the office chair than she would under the

The oldest minister of the Lutheran Church died recently at Martinsburg, W. Va., the Rev. Dr. William Gerhardt, who was one hundred years old in October. He was born in Hesse-Darmstadt and came to this country at one year of age. He was also the oldest living graduate of Gettysburg College.

"Tighter and shorter" is the order for next spring's styles in women's raiment issued by the National Cloak, Sult and Skirt Manufacturer's Association. Shorter and tighter skirts and plainer garments of all kinds are advised.

"We go to church. Do you?" 1 "We go to church. Do you!" Is the sign posted generally over a cer-tain town of Pennsylvania and one was stuck up in the window of the county jail. The local paper won-ders if this means the sheriff's fam-ily or the prisoners.

There's a boy in our town perhaps of the Ninteenth ward, to succeed the late Frank J. Cummiskey as chief of the Bureau of City Property. Arthur's torm as a member of the House from the Twelith legislative district, which comprises the Nineteenth ward, does not expire until December, 1918. The appointment of Arthur is regarded as a slap at Megistrate-elect William J. Campbell as Arthur is a lieutenant of State Senator David Martin.

CAMELS

You may talk of horses, of the wild and speedy mares, Tunderers fire-footed, where the prophet's weapon fares, Saracens and Afghans out the highway of Jehad; Give me strings of camels on the road of Astrabad!

Second of the Bureau at the succeed that grown folks don't think much in the grown folks don't prome always getting into of because he's always getting into of because

# RED CROSS KNIGHTS

will help the goodly fight.
With the strength that's mine.

Some may blow the stirring fife, Some may win a sword, Some may give a precious life Fighting for the Lord. But at home my task is plain— Not the field for me, Yet with heart and hand and brain Soldier I may be!

I may knit and sew and fold;
I may save and give
Pennies, dollars, notes or gold
That our boys may live.

Opens up in wonder land, the train appears.

Who that knows the gorgeous East their magic gan withstand—
Velvet-footed camels on the road to Samarkand!

—Will Thompson in the Century Magazine.

Take the Cross and lend a hand in the godly fight, Children of a gallant land, Each a Red Cross knight!

—Abbie Farwell Brown, of Vigilantes, in the Worcester Time

# Well Are You?

FATE'S HAND AT HALIFAX!

Not the least astonishing aspect of the Halifax disaster is the seemingly trivial and avoidable cause of the

The unfortunate feature connected with this sinking of ships is that

with this sinking of ships is that they may have cargoes of food and munitions that cannot be so easily rebuilt as the ships.

It does seem that a sufficient amount of money has been spent on the Navy to establish a line of destroyers and submarines across Germany's prohibitive sea zone to protect our shipping going that way. The great dreadnoughts don't figure much in this war. The destroyers might, More transports are needed, of course, but along with them more protection is needed to prevent the holes Germany is making in our shipping.—Ohlo State Journal.

BULLETS IN BLOOD

[From the Literary Digest]
Cases where shell fragments or
cullets have been carried through
the body by the circulation of blood the body by the circulation of blood are occasionally reported from the war hospitals. In one, described recently in the Lancet (London), a bit of shell migrated from a vein in the thigh to the heart, being unsuspected until the autopsy. This story, according to a last issue, has been capped by a German surgeon who found a shell fragment in the left ventricle at an autopsy.

ARE you a civic mendicant, receiving the unequaled benefits of the marrican citizenship without giving anything but the faxes forced from you? Are you a civic whiner, always complaining about the way "they" who govern you do things, despite the fact that "they is really you?

Are you a civic coward, afraid of losing worthless friends, or of "interfering with business," if you call attention to inadequate service or poor methods in public school administration, or in the street cleaning, or in some other portion of the figure of your defenseless neighbors? More avoid, just taxation by evasion or downright dishonesty, and thus puting upon your neighbor part of the puties with yours? Are you a civic waster, considering that the rewater supply, the food and fuel you buy, the service of collecting garbage and refuse, the city's parks, and in New York Independent.

## RUSSIA NO HELP

[From the Scientific American] So long as we speak in general terms, Russia as a source of sup-

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According to the New York Connectal, the public is being unconscionably gouged by wholesalers are retailers of necessities of fire. It making some revelations which a

retailers of necessities of life. It is making some revelations which are of interest in the hope that Mr. Hoover can put a stop to profitering. On the whole, it considers the retailer the great offender, but the manufacturer and jobber also come in for blame. The manufacturer faces heavy increases in all kinds of taxation and he is never sure as to the cost of raw materials in the future. He has marked up his rates, which in some instances are declared to be unfair, but the retailer goes him one better.

No one doubts the accuracy of these statements, but the situation is a very difficult one. When there is heavy demand and uncertain future most business men are inclined to charge as much as they can get. With luxuries there is less complaint, because most persons can do without them, but the actual necessities of life are growing so expensive that the wage-earner is suffering and but for the fact that the average family income is larger because of higher wages, the situation would be intolerable.—Philadelphia Enquirer.

# LABOR NOTES

The United States Shipping Board as opened a shipbuilding school at Newport News. Workmen from steel Newport News. Workmen from steel shippards in all sections of the coun-

Since last April, when this country declared that a state of war exists with Germany, the United States Gov-ernment has inaugurated a definite policy of recognition of organized

A point on the credit side of muni-tions factories is that in populous districts of England they are helping to solve the slum problem by elimi-nating the slums, for as fast as fac-tories spring up and extend slums

## **OUR DAILY LAUGH**



HER NEXT JOB. "Is your wife knitting for the sol-

"Yes. That is she intends to just as soon as she finishes a lovely pink and yellow sweater and a few other little things she needs for herself."



IN NO HURRY ABOUT IT.

Judge-Prisoner, it is your right challenge the jurymen you object

Prisoner-All right, your honor; Ill reserve the right until after they nake their decision.



A KICK FROM BIRDVILLE.

Sparrow-My, some people have a nerve sticking their waste paper right in my doorway!



NEWER LOVE.

"Does she think very much of that "Oh, yes. She worships the very ground he flies over.

# Evening Chat

"There is more saving being done n Harrisburg now than probably ever known before. The Liberty Loan campaigns and the numerous other calls which have been made upon the public for funds have checked reckless spending and I think that you will find there are more people laying by money now than you realize," said a man who has been con-nected with financial institutions for years and who is an observer of conditions. There are some people who do not agree with him and who say that before the people of this community can save much they must cut down their expenditures. As a matter of fact both are right. Their is more money being saved and there seems to be just as much money being spent as before for various things that go to make up the pleasant side of life. However, there is more money loose in Harrisburg now, to use a slang expression, than "for a coon's age." The amount of business done here has been increasing, wages on railroads and in mills are up and while living is high, wages are also up. Another man active in financial affairs said that one of the oddest things he ran across was that people persisted in regarding investments in Liberty Loan as expenditures. They have a totally different view regarding the thrift stamps which are considered as pure saving. The savings accounts at banks have been going right on up and there are probably more depositors to-day than ever before in Harrisburg. Incidentally, there will be more people required to make income tax reports than one would have believed possible a year ago.

Attorney General Brown has been asked to furnish some expert advice to a debater in a western county. This young man is on the negative side of a debate in his school, the subject being, "Resolved, that more crimes are committed in anger than for money." In order to put one over on his opponents he determined to seek the highest legal authority in the state, sending him a formal letter.

Dozens of justices of the peace are considered as likely to lose chance of do not agree with him and who say that before the people of this com-

Dozens of justices of the peace are considered as likely to lose chance of holding office for the terms for which they were elected last month because of their failure to file acceptances of the leave with prothograpies. To equalize unemployment in the winter months, members of Seattle Wash.) Painters' Union will work five days a week. Saturday will be the 'offday.

An immediate effort will be made to organize waitresses, stenographers, telephone workers cracker and phers, telephone workers cracker and mission and a vacancy is created. confectionery workers, cracker and industrial lines in Philadelphia.

An investigation of the conditions surrounding woman workers in big industrial plants engaged on war contracts for the Government will be made by the Pennsylvania State Committee of Women in Industry.

The United States Shipper has opened a conference of the conditions of the conditions of the Governor Brumbaneh in Covernor Under the law the justices have the ty days in which to file acceptance. Governor Brumbaugh is signing to commissions of the men elect judges or re-elected at the electilast month. The parchments, while bear the great seal of the state, who have sent to the men elected within few days.

Dr. Joseph Kalbfus, Secretary of the State Game Commission, to-da expressed the belief that the tot kill of deer this year would ru ahead of any previous year. Onl a few reports have come in from wardens, but Dr. Kalbfus says "deen have been plentiful and there have been many hunting parties. From what we hear there have been som fine bucks shot and the sportsne seem to have been successful amany parts of the state. I am sort to say that some does and faw have been shot and we are trying it trace the huntiers. The fall of snow however, prevented much killing of does for it would be easy to trace the persons responsible. To my min it will be a very successful deer segon and the kill will be a record."

All branches of the Pennsylvani Dr. Joseph Kalbfus, Secretary

it will be a very successful deer sea son and the kill will be a record."

All branches of the Pennsylvani railroad employes are important, but now employes are expected to the on the job every minute. Of cours some branches are more essentia than others and keep going day an night. On such a busy system or would suppose there is no time during working hours when any officis entirely deserted. Even at the noon lunch hour someone is on during working hours when any officis entirely deserted. Even at the noon lunch hour someone is on during working hours when any officis entirely deserted. Even at the noon lunch hour someone is on during working hours when any officis entirely deserted. Even at the noon lunch hour someone is on during working hours when expense of all employes. Calls to the ordepartment were abandoned. Fit times the other department we called without a response. "Car understand what is wrong up there said the telephone girl. "Just wa I will see if I can't get someone answer." At last someone we there. "What is it? said a man wit a husky voice. A request was mas for one of the clerks. "He is nhere. No one is here and there we he nobody here for a half-hour least. Don't you know what day the is? It is pay day and everybody up at the paycar. I just got bac The others will be along soon. The paycar won't wait for anyone, we have to hold up office busine until we get the cash."

Louis A. Watres, formere Lieute ant-Governor, who was here yest.

Louis A. Watres, formers Lieute ant-Governor, who was here yested day will retire on St. John's Day grand master of the Masons of Pen sylvania and while here met a nuber of friends who congratulated hupon his administration of affai Mr. Watres has been a very act official and has a host of friends this part of the state.

## WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

President Pro Tem. Buckman ring his services as chairman e of the draft legal advis -Judge Barber, of the Carl

courts, has asked the saloonkeep to close on Christmas.

—Dr. William T. Ellis, of Swar more, the traveler, is in England ter a tour of Russia. He thinks the Bolsheviki will win out in the e—Robert H. Norgang, the new phans' court clerk of Lehigh, is Allentown schoolteacher.

—Banking Commissioner Lafe says that he is awaiting the res of the bank call this week with terest because he thinks it will shome big savings.

## DO YOU KNOW

That Harrisburg is manufa turing dozens of things that ar used for national defense and doing its bit and more?

HISTORIC HARRISBURG
This place was a depot for calry during the War of 1812's la