THE DAYS OF REAL SPORT

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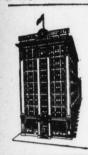
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THE FARSICAL CLARK ACT

CORE another bungle for the farsical Clark act! That pitiful attempt at municipal reform has been responsible for so manneylvania since its adoption that it might easily have been imagined it had run the full gamut of its possibilities in that direction. But another has been discovered. Unless an interpretation can be placed upon it that a careful study of the language does not appear to imply, Harrisburg will be unable to make its own collection of ashes. The "joker" in the law provides that such work must be done by contract. provides that such work must be done by contract.

timate that they could save money and give the people better service by General Goethals is an example. collecting the ashes through the whoever wrote the law—and it is said the author was paid a fabulous price for putting together the monstrosity that masquerades under the guise of a model municipal act—was very careful to see to it that ashes must be collected by contract, thus giving opportunity for such miscarriages of public service as Harrisburg has been compelled to endure under an old contract for many years, and from which it just now hoped to get away. The only escape from doing the work by contract is for the city to go back to the old method of letting every householder see to the removal of his own ashes. Either this clause of the law is made to be in direct opposition to the best in-

merits of the bill before the Legislature. In reality it has done little or nothing that was promised for it. Party politics still plays a dominant part in city affairs, the old faults when they have vanished have given place to others of kind, and now comes this stupid or vicious ash to be hoped that City Solicitor Fox may find some means of circumventing a rule that would result in nothing but loss and dissatisfaction to every that the vision of the places the men who run movies have seen patronage fall with a dull loss and dissatisfaction to every that the seen patronage fall with a dull provided the same right the Pittsburgh Dispatch: "Singular-the place that at the mitted without murmuring to one pretzel instead of two for a cent.

But some of our neighbors in other cities are not so complacent assistant district attorney of Allegheny county by District Attorney-elect Harry H. Rowland, Mr. Prichard occupied the same relative position in the Babcock mayoraity camp during the recent municipal election that Mr. Trent occupied with the Magee forces. Mr. Trent has held no political office. He was once the proposition to every that deal to get free with the Pittsburgh Dispatch: "Singular-the place that at the same time Mr. Trent's law partner, and the Pittsburgh Dispatch: "Singular-the place that at the same time Mr. Trent's law partner, and the Pittsburgh Dispatch: "Singular-the place that at the same time Mr. Trent's law partner, and the Pittsburgh Dispatch: "Singular-the place that at the same time Mr. Trent's law partner, and the Pittsburgh Dispatch: "Singular-the place the place that at the same time Mr. Trent's law partner, and the Pittsburgh Dispatch: "Singular-the place the people it is reported that at the same time Mr. Trent's law partner, and the Pittsburgh Dispatch: "Singular-the place the people of the pound in the Pittsburgh Dispatch: "Singular-the place the people

which runs counter to the precon-ceived notions of these who happen to be in power. Patriotism is defined hard to get. in these quarters as an unquestion- It is capable of being proved by ing acceptance of the views of men figures that the war gardens of Harsave their own.

WEDNESDAY EVENING,

big headedness to interfere this is the time to get ready. with a proper public appreciation of what is being done to make the United States effective in the war. If reasonable criticism of palpable

shortcomings shall bring about an improvement then there is no reato withhold that criticism. Colonel George Harvey, in a character-istic philipic anent the Colonel House mission and the general con-

"We take for granted that the President has formulated within himself some policy which he cone we would not venture to surmise, but surely he must realize that the American people are not going to be satisfied to hazard millions of lives and expend billions and billions of money in an indefinitely prolonged war without having something effective to say about how that war is waged. \* \* \* To guess at the working of the President's own mental processes during this trying period would be to speculate idly, because

no longer insists on "peace without Legislature. victory," but upon a crushing de-It so happens that collection by feat of the Prussian beast. contract has proved a failure here, are evidences also of his change and very expensive. Councilmen es- of attitude toward these Americans who are equipped for the big tasks. The people want to keep step with nedium of a municipal bureau. But the President and to do so they must

removal of his own ashes. Either through sheer stupidity or otherwise this clause of the law is made to be in direct opposition to the best interests of the city and directly fall. of the national expenses. We have in direct opposition to the best interests of the city and directly favorable to contractors.

Yet this is the law which was heralded as advanced municipal legislation, designed to "take council out of politics and restore the government to the people," as one enthusiastic supporter put it when arguing the merits of the bill before the Legislative. In reality it has done little or interest of the cale of the properties of the bill before the Legislative. In reality it has done little or interest of the poople," as one little or interest of the bill before the Legislative. In reality it has done little or interest of the properties of the bill before the Legislative. In reality it has done little or interest of the properties of the bill before the Legislative. In reality it has done little or interest of the properties of the bill before the Legislative. In reality it has done little or interest of the properties of the bill before the Legislative. In reality it has done little or interest of the properties of the bill before the Legislative. In reality it has done little or interest of the properties of the bill before the Legislative. In reality it has done little or interest of the properties of the bill before the Legislative. In reality it has done little or interest of the properties. When the people date Monday the appointment of Edmund K. Trent of Pittsburgh at the office of Attorney General Francis Shunk Brown. Mr. Trent succeeds the purple date Monday the appointment of Edmund K. Trent of Pittsburgh to Pittsburgh to Pittsburgh and the proporties of Attorney General in the office of Attorney General Francis Shunk Brown. Mr. Trent of Pittsburgh Shunk Brown. Mr. Trent of Pittsburgh and whose business we have helped build at Monday the appointment of Edmund K. Trent of Pittsburgh to Pittsburgh to Pittsburgh and the purple when and whose business we have helped build at Monday the appointment of Edmund K. Trent of Pittsburgh to Pittsburgh to Pittsburgh to Pittsburgh to Pit

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highest of these public servants is has a lot can tell the would-be gar-said to have declared recently that dener how to go about it and tell he 'would like to see all the critics him where to get the seeds. There exported." There is a disposition also is more than one store that will sell to resent any expression of opinion tools cheap now. Encouragement

will not tolerate any viewpoint risburg saved thousands of dollars their own. to the wage-earners of this city. The American people are backing the government to the limit. They are ry other place in the State. All willing to do all that is necessary to crush the menace of Prussia, but they must be treated as a free people. American lives must not pay the penalty of official procrastination and red tape. Let us keep our military and naval secrets to ourselves, but why permit the camoufiage of official big headedness to interfere

### Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman

Presiding officers of the two branches of the Legislature have completed appointment of men to represent the General Assembly on himself some policy which he considers would better be kept from the public for the present. What it may public for the present. What it may be meaning the present of the next Legislature and to report to the next Legislature and to codify the insurance laws. health insurance commission will will meet in January.

Senators E. E. Beidleman, Dau-phin; James B. Weaver, Westmoreland, and Charles W. Sones, Lycoming, and Representatives John M. Flynn, Elk; William T. Ramsey Delaware, and Isadore Stern, Phila-delphia, were named on the health insurance commission on which Gov.

The name of the Town Meeting

The name of the Town Meeting party has been pre-empted for the Fifteenth Congressional district, comprising Tioga, Lycoming, Potter and Clinton counties and for the Tioga county legislative district. It has also been taken for the Clearfield-Center senatorial and Clearfield county legislative districts,

—A number of justices of the peace who failed to file acceptances of their elections within thirty days

Demand Republican Harmony

ments of troops and the important to cities. Practically every real estatement and there is general companies of the administration, they are restless under a censorship that too often treats them as children. Washington officials have frequently declared that they did not want to prevent criticism, but one of the charge who left level of water and the abound not prevent criticism, but one of the charge who left level of which the success of their party is left here, as the full need to which the success of their party is left here. We will, in the fullness of peace maintained by the Democrats ought to be enough warning. The Philar to get together, forget the past fends public of the United States to fall upon the soil of France in the cause of institution.

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Roderick, of the Department of Mines, has been sidetracked again, esting to note that Representative Corad G. Miller, of Hazleton, announces he is a candidate for Recommission for Judge H. G. Wasson, of Pittsburgh, was formed the commission for Judge H. G. Wasson, of Pittsburgh, was formed the commission for Judge H. G. Wasson, of Pittsburgh, was formed the commission for Judge H. G. Wasson, of Pittsburgh, was formed the commission for Judge H. G. Wasson, of Pittsburgh, was formed the commission for Judge H. G. Wasson, of Pittsburgh, was formed the commission for Judge H. G. Wasson, of Pittsburgh, was formed the commission for Judge H. G. Wasson, of Pittsburgh, was formed the first was decided for the togal committee of the commission for Judge H. G. Wasson, of Pittsburgh, was formed the first was decided from the city and the commission for Judge H. G. Wasson, of Pittsburgh, was formed the first was decided from the city and the commission for Judge H. G. Wasson, of Pittsburgh, was formed the first was decided from the city and the commission for Judge H. G. Wasson, of Pittsburgh, was formed the first was decided from the city and the commission for Judge H. G. Wasson, of Pittsburgh, was formed the first was decided from the city and the commission for Judge H. G. Wasson, of Pittsburgh, was formed the first was decided from the city and the commission for Judge H. G. Wasson, of Pittsburgh, was formed the first was decided from the city and the commission for Judge H. G. Wasson, of Pittsburgh, was formed the first was decided from the city and the commission for Judge H. G. Wasson, of Pittsburgh, was formed the first was decided from the city work of the first was decided from the city work of the first was decided from the city work of the first was decided from the city work of the first was decided from the city work of the first was decided from the city work of the first was decided from the city work of the first was decided from the city work of the first was decided from the city work of the first was d

Three companies of infantry

OUR DEAD IN FRANCE

Directly behind the front-line trenches there took place on November 4 the funeral of three American soldiers, the first to give their lives for the cause of right. The scene, under a gray sky and with rain falling steadily, was very impressive.

Three companies of infantry from France, from every Allied nation, from the United States, those who, in reverence and heart, will come to visit these battlefields of France, will deliberately go out of their way to visit these graves and bring to them tribute of respect and year in the name of France I thank you. God receive your souls. Adieu."

Our valued contemporary, the Harrisburg Telegraph, which has many years of faithful service in Three companies of infantry

### THE COLOR LINE

many years of faithful service in behalf of sound principles to its credit, sounds a strong call for Republican harmony in Pennsylvania as the neessary predude to victory in next year's campaign.

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The Republican harmony in Pennsylvania is sessential to success, and that the continuance of the fratricidal factional warfare, so desperately waged in Philadelphia, could not fail to be disastrous to prestige throughout the State.

We have had striking and costly demonstration in national politics of what party leaders, fired by personal ambition and harted of each other can accomplish, and the experience is not by any means encouraging for the perpetuation of factional strife in Pennsylvania.

The Telegraph has invited the views of the principal editors of the state on this subject and prints an interesting symposium of their opinions which the party leaders may have the lead at and landing in eneminute intervals.

portunity to make good, and he will improve it. Certain it is that the present heads Certain it is that the present heads of our Army department are not likely to err in the direction of excessively favoring the negro. But when our troops go into the battle, when they meet conditions that make impossible the distinguishing of a man by his color, but only by his quality of manhood, then some things worth while are going to cover that color line so deep that nobody can find it.—Hartford Times.

### OUTLOOK BRIGHT

William A. Thomson, director of the Bureau of Advertising, of the American Newspaper Publishers' As-

the Bureau of Advertising, of the American Newspaper Publishers' Association, returned this week from a trip to Chicago and points in the middle west.

A representative of The Editor and Publisher, interviewing Mr. Thomson on the newspaper advertising outlook found him not only optimistic, but inclined to be entusiastic over the prospect.

Mr. Thomson said:

"It appears certain that government regulation and restrictions of certain commodities will cause a readjustment in a number of advertising schedules. So far as I am able to judge, however, every line of advertising that drops out of the dailies will he replaced by a line or more of new business.

"This is particularly true in the food situation. Every manufacturer who has a substitute for any of the commodities on the restricted list is looking for markets for his output. Copy appearing in the dailies shows plainly that manufacturers like this are alive to the opportunities offered by 'margarines'; condensed milks; egg substitutes; meals and prepared foods—the list of newcomers is a long one.

PERFECT MAN'S COVEN-

Behold God will not east away a perfect man, neither will he help the aviidors...Job, viii, 36.

THE HARD COAL

BURNER



WHEN THE BILLS COME IN. Mrs. Hyflier-Now that Christmas what would you say to a

Mr. Hyflier-Yes, I expect a trip through the bankruptcy court would



BIRDVILLE ETIQUETTE.

Dude Sparrow-Hey you rube, don't you know enough not to wear a swallow-tail coat without a high



HER SUGGESTION. "There's no use talking we've co economize this year."

Suppose you shave yourself every other day instead o daily."



THE LAST THING. "Jones is down and out."

"Oh, yes, He told me the other day he was paying cash for every-

## Ebening Chat

Twenty-five years ago the bellnickle roamed the streets of Harrisburg on Christmas eve and the caroler sang before the homes of prominent citizens for a voluntary; consideration, on Christmas morn. The tin horn was a formidable means of amusement and the boy, that drew boots was envied. The mechanical toy was a rarity and the candy cane was indispensible. Harrisburg's war time Christmas even had all the recent memories of snowstorms and there was not a nummer to be seen. The grotesquely garbed boys who used to hold forth all over the city and crowdd Market and Third streets could not have found walking space in the throngs of Monday evening's late shoppers who slipped and slid over the pavements and the weather discouraged early morning seremades. The State Capital had a presented. caroler sang before the homes of

shoppers who slipped and slid over the pavements and the weather discouraged early morning seresades. The State Capital had a prosperous and matter of fact Christmas with most of the bar rooms closed. The contrast between the observance of the great holiday of the world yesterday and twenty-five years ago was certainly striking. Many of the traditional features of the induction of the day from belisnickies to jags were lacking and while we were fortunate in not having the big fire on the day from belisnickies to jags were lacking and while we were fortunate in not having the big fire on the day from belisnickies to zero weather of Christmas a quarter of a century ago it would have been pleasant to have had some of the old-time funmakers, whether fixed up as angels or darky minstrels, some singers or some the trombonists and other bandsmen who used to greet the rising sun or rather the hour when the alimana says the orb of the day should rise. As it was the church bells and the clatter of the trolley cars awoke Harrisburg yesterday morning to a Christmas with over a thousand of its sons under arms in camps and cantonments and in foreign service, land and afloat; more gifts to pass around and arcord of thousands of dollars given to the Nation and the charities which have become our duty to support.

These observations show how times have changed in Pennsylvania's capital. Twenty-five years ago we were sort of marking time. Now there is a busy, improved city. The customs which were part of the life of the smaller community have passed and the belisnickle cavorts on New Year's or Hallowejen while the joyous racket that used to mark Christmas morning breaks out on the midnight stroke that ushers in the Fourth of July at Zion church chimes. Even the church bells do not ring as much on Christmas morning breaks out on the midnight stroke that ushers in the Fourth of July at Zion church chimes. Even the church bells do not ring as much on Christmas morning breaks who are on such bad terms with their milkmen because of t

than usual.

The folks from Perry and Cumberland counties, from up the Juniata valley and out toward Linglestown, Hummelstown and Geyer's Church and the boroughs and counties of the upper end" who have come here to make Greater Harrisburg can get back to the old home a mighty sight easier than they could in 1892. The railroads run more trains, there are trolley gongs clanging now where sleighbells used to be the only sounds of transportation and the automobile honks up to many a farmhouse within a forty-mile radius of Harrisburg where gasoline was considered a deadly explosive a quarter of a century since. So there are many more Harrisburg people able to go to distant homesteads than there used to be and those who can not may go to the telephones and send their greetings where twenty-five years, ago there were only blue x marks on Len Kinnard's map of "proposed extensions."

Ancestors of some of the crows which flew into the city's districts yesterday morning in search of food vesterday morning in search of food denied them by the deep snow which covers the fields would have been inclined to resent the numbers of pigeons that they found in Harrisburg. The Capitol and Courthouse pigeons which have become fixtures are now back numbers. More Harrisburg boys and girls are keeping pigeons than ever before and the flocks are to be seen in almost every part of the city, even in the residen. flocks are to be seen in almost every part of the city, even in the residential Fourth and Fifth wards. The pigeon whose habitat is Harrisburg appears to be fat, lazy and far more numerous than twenty-five years ago. And from all we hear there are fewer dogs, but more cats. Poll parrots are fewer residents than they were twenty-five years ago and the squirrel has become a visitor more predatory than pleasant. And thank fortune the craze for white mice, which was so virulent twenty-five years ago, has passed as a watch in the night before Christmas to see if there is really a Santa Claus.

### WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

-W. H. Truesdale, president of the Lackawanna, has offered the road bed of an abandoned line of the railroad to the new Lackawanna Trail Highway Association. -The Rev. H. W. Stiles, of Al-toona, has isued a statement in which he calls on the churches of that city to form a forceful federa-tion.

tion, —Dr. J. P. Gleason, Scranton High School principal, was here yesterday on his way to Johnstown, where he will preside over the sessions of the State High School organization of the educational meet-

Ings.

—John J. O'Donnell, Wilkes-Barre
attorney, has been named as the
chairman of the Luzerne county as-

essors board.

—Judge S. E. Shull, of Monroe county, was stalled in a snowdrift in Pike county for hours last week and had a very trying time in zero weather before being able to reach

court.

The Rev. Dr. Maitland Alexan, der, in an address at Pittsburgh, sharply attacked lack of equipment at cantonment hospitals which he had visited,

### DO YOU KNOW

That Harrisburg gave thou-sands of dollars to the Christian Sanitary Commission Civil War?

HISTORIC HARRISBURG Camp Curtin officials marked lines of the old camp when the tonment was broken up, U tunately the lines were not