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Thrice blest is he to whom is given
The instinct that can tell
That God is on the field, when he is most invisible.

—ANON.

A COALITION COMMITTEE

It is the opinion of all unbiased persons that the Government is the better for the recent congressional probing of the conduct of the war, but it is to be hoped that the committees will make some positive recommendations to Congress for the improvement of conditions and the cutting of red tape.

GERMAN AND SPANISH

STUDY of German has been dropped by Rutgers College and Spanish has been substituted in its stead. There can be no question as to the advisability of teaching Spanish, both in our colleges and public schools, for much of our future business will be transacted with people who speak the Spanish language.

TRACTORS PREFERRED

IT SEEMS hard to understand why those in charge of railroad matters should not immediately accede to the request of the State's agricultural authorities that tractors and farming machinery be given priority rights over other freight not specifically listed as essential to National defense.

BLOOMERS AND MODESTY

THEODORE P. SHONTZ, head of the New York trolley system, defends the bloomer costume for women conductors on the ground of modesty.

TUMULTY'S ASPIRATIONS

It is announced that Secretary Tumulty will be a candidate on the Democratic ticket to succeed the late Senator Hughes, of New Jersey.

house of Congress has nothing whatsoever to do with a proper conduct of the war.

The million-dollar home of E. T. Stotenburg is to be loaned to the Government as a naval hospital.

FROG AND CAMPAIGN

It is not surprising that our Democratic brethren are showing great solicitude over the choice of the Republican candidate for Governor.

So the busy little machinists of the negative party now temporarily in power are sitting up nights scheming and plotting in the hope of taking over Pennsylvania as part of their party preserves.

Also, it may be observed in passing that there are very definite signs of a more sane attitude toward conditions among Republican leaders and workers.

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large part in stirring the people to the vigorous protests and assertions of their own rights and wishes, of which recent dispatches tell.

Politics in Pennsylvania.

By the Ex-Committeeman

People who follow politics in Pennsylvania can not help but be impressed by the number of important appointments which have been placed upon the desk of Governor Brumbaugh for disposal almost at the outset of a primary campaign.

Death has given the Governor what his partisans have wanted for years—the place of chief of mines. About once a month rumors of de-capitation which were industriously used by a Philadelphia newspaper when other news was dull were revived.

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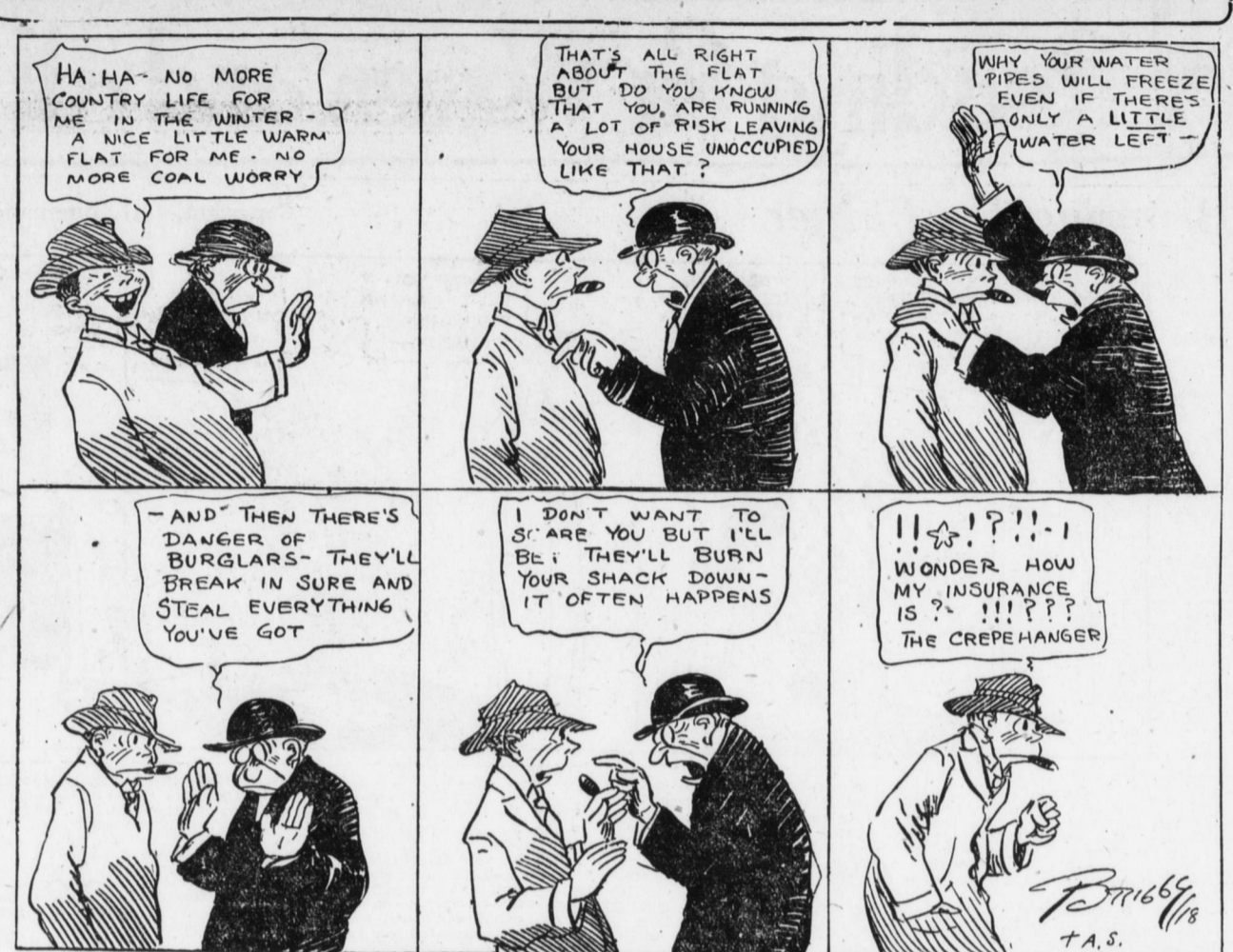
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SOMEBODY IS ALWAYS TAKING THE JOY OUT OF LIFE



EDITORIAL COMMENT

In time of fuel shortage, wooden beds are in danger. — Columbia State.

"England is planning to standardize woman's dress," says a news dispatch. She might end the war she has on hand before starting a new one.—Macon Telegraph.

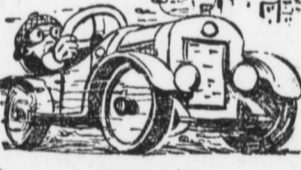
Fifteen Newark youths enlisted in the Navy to avenge the death of a chum lost on the Jacob Jones. The ratio ought to interest German mathematicians.—New York Sun.

Reports of unfavorable camp conditions fail to make as much impression as they would if the average soldier did not look so much happier and healthier than the average civilian.—Washington Star.

"Only a defeated Germany could accept the new terms," says the Kaiser's press. Perhaps it should be explained that in the consideration of terms this factor has not been overlooked.—Newark News.

And just as you say that you will not change your style of living a starving baby dies in France.—Florida Grower.

OUR DAILY LAUGH



George D. Thorn, Chief Clerk of the State Department, is the recipient of many letters these days because he has just issued his pamphlet telling the dates and facts to remember in connection with the war.

Harrisburg friends of Louis Seaber, who was one of the correspondents of the Philadelphia North American in this city, will be interested to know that he is now about at the top of the Boston branch of the big Ayer advertising house.

WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

—John Wannamaker is spending a short time in southern states. —Frederic C. Penfield, former ambassador to Austria, is spending this month at Atlantic City.

NOT ECONOMICAL OF SUGAR.

"See here, Miss Founder, in this letter I dictated to you you have spelled sugar 'Suggar.'" "How careless of me! I left out the 'h.'"

A HIGH LIVER.

"Oh, mamma, baby is trying to eat a lump of coal." "Mercy! That child never got his expensive tastes from my side of the family, I'm sure."

DO YOU KNOW

—That it is odd that Harrisburg does not have one of the numerous automobile factories? —Historic Harrisburg. One of the chief industries of Harrisburg is the building of coal-wagon wagons for the steadily flowing trains of people going south and west.

Even He Died

[From the Detroit Free Press] There was a man of our town who had been a very wise man. He never failed to boil the germ and waited for the flies. He faithfully did all the things that folks advise of late. He died at ninety-eight! —Kansas City Star.

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Army and Navy Y. M. C. A. Big Moving Picture Exhibitor

MOVIES to-night" cautiously queries the American counterpart of "Files on Parade" to the high private at his elbow.

"Movies to-night" three times a day the question runs down the long mess shack line of every camp and cantonment in this country.

It is pretty much as an old-timer, one of these picturesque military situations, the Regular Army drill sergeant put it. "Soldierin' ain't what it used to be. With the inoculation and the vaccination and the get sick or grouchy about, and you ain't really got any kick comin'."

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