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Jehovah lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.

PROHIBITION CAMPAIGN

It is regrettable that there is a disposition here and there among newspapers and partisans of one candidate or another to split hairs in the interpretation of views on the prohibition issue.

Supporters of prohibition are not going to advance this great cause by questioning the sincerity of those candidates who have declared in favor of the amendment after full consideration of the issues involved in the pending campaign.

So far as the Republican party is concerned, Senator Sprout, Highway Commissioner O'Neil and Ex-Representative Habgood have all made strong declarations in support of the amendment.

Inasmuch as the leading candidates for Governor have all aligned themselves with the prohibition forces, the Republican organizations throughout the State should lose no time in likewise declaring for prohibition and thereby absolutely remove this issue from further football tactics in the politics of Pennsylvania.

Many Republican candidates for the Legislature already have announced themselves on prohibition platforms and those aspirants for the Senate and House who still believe that they can be elected on a non-committal or "wet" platform are assuming that the tremendous sentiment in favor of prohibition is more imaginary than real.

After looking over a list of rents paid by people in Washington, we have no doubt there is a lot of conservation along other lines practiced down here.

RIVER COAL

In view of the serious coal situation of last winter, encouragement is given to river operators and all other coal producers, but in providing every facility for the enlargement of the river coal industry our city officials should insist that the river operators observe care in the handling of the coal to the end that the paved streets are not littered in every direction.

BEIDLEMAN A CANDIDATE

ANNOUNCEMENT by Senator E. A. Beidleman that he will be a candidate for Lieutenant Governor at the Republican primaries in May does not come unexpectedly.

friends among the laboring element of the State, and it would have been strange if labor leaders searching for a representative on the ticket had overlooked the Senator from this district, whose record as a champion of their legislation in House and Senate is well known.

Mr. Beidleman is experienced in legislative matters, and as an aspirant for the Lieutenant Governorship brings to his campaign the prestige of having been for one season president pro tem. of the Senate.

A GAME YOU CAN PLAY

THREE billion dollars worth of four and one-quarter per cent. Liberty Bonds will be offered for sale to the people of America shortly.

This appeal is made to YOU. You may have wondered how you can help in this war.

One \$50 bond will buy trench knives for a rifle company, or twenty-three hand grenades, or fourteen rifle grenades, or thirty-seven cases of surgical instruments for enlisted men's belts, or ten cases of surgical instruments for officers' belts.

A \$100 bond will clothe a soldier, or feed a soldier for eight months, or purchase five rifles, or thirty rifle grenades, or forty-three hand grenades, or twenty-five pounds of ether, or 145 hot-water bags, or 2,000 surgical needles.

Two \$100 bonds will purchase a horse or mule for cavalry, artillery, or other service.

Three \$100 bonds will clothe a soldier and feed him for one year in France, or buy a motorcycle for a machine gun company.

Four \$100 bonds will buy an X-ray outfit.

One \$500 bond will supply bicycles for the headquarters company of an infantry regiment.

A lonely \$50 bond will buy a box of machine gun cartridges any one of which may lay low one of the German officers who drive their men into the slaughter houses before the Allied lines.

Here's a game you can play. Dig up your money for bonds.

The British are not called "bulldozers" for nothing.

DEMOCRATS IN TROUBLE

It is interesting to watch the gyrations of certain Democratic bosses who are engaged in ground and lofty tumbling on the prohibition question. While attempting to camouflage their own embarrassment through flimsy efforts to make it appear that the Republicans are playing fast and loose with this issue, it is notable that no Democratic candidate has yet appeared in the open and the bosses themselves are fervently hoping that something may yet occur to help them get a footing in this campaign.

NOOSE FOR PRO-GERMANS

UPON all sides there is a demand for prompt and energetic treatment of the pro-German sympathizers who are engaged in squawking peace at every turn and bemoaning the awful fate in store for the United States because of our entrance into the war.

INCENDIARY FIRES

RECENT report of the National Board of Fire Underwriters reveals what many conservative thinkers have long suspected—that the number of incendiary fires throughout the country due to the activities of pro-German agents has been greatly exaggerated.

The report shows that of seventy-five large fires, six were of unknown but suspicious origin, twenty-three were of unknown origin, but not incendiary, forty-two were known not to be incendiary origin, while only four were known to have been caused by incendiaries.

until its cause has been investigated. But it is necessary to avoid hysteria, and in this sense, the data obtained is reassuring.

Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman

It seems to be the impression among Democratic county leaders throughout the State that Acting State Chairman Joseph F. Guffy has won over National Chairman Vance C. McCormick and the Pittsburgh utility magnate will announce his candidacy for Democratic gubernatorial nomination honors within a few days with the blessing of the national administration.

McCormick has reiterated his refusal to be a candidate for governor, much to the disappointment of some leaders and at the same time Guffy has demolished the booms of ex-State Treasurer William H. Berry and United States District Attorney E. Lowry Humes, who was the best among Democrats that McCormick would designate some one as his choice.

Speaking of this latest Democratic development the Philadelphia Ledger says: "A crisis has been reached in the Democratic gubernatorial situation, and as a result it is expected that the candidacy of Joseph F. Guffy, of Pittsburgh, will be announced by the middle of the week."

A white-haired G. A. R. veteran who had fought with Grant in the early days of the war was contending that the American soldier would give a mighty good account of himself even before he was thoroughly trained. He illustrated with an anecdote telling how Grant had asked a colonel of some raw backwoods troops to stand at attention, then march with shotless arms in close column to the left flank.

A suspicious looking stranger went and stood a while by the well on the Hicks farm north of Altoona the other evening after explaining his presence by asking for a drink, refused to drink after the water was drawn from the well. His actions, however, after explaining his presence by asking for a drink, refused to drink after the water was drawn from the well.

LABOR AND FREEDOM

The hope of labor lies in the opportunity for freedom; military domination, supervision, checks, bondage, lie in Prussian rule. So declares the executive committee of the American Federation of Labor.

THEY ALSO SERVE!

They also serve who save, and save, For food must help to win. They fight who live on hardy fare—As well as they who face the glare Of battle and the din.

THE INCOME TAX

Architects' Fees are "Cost"—Not "Expense" If I employ an architect to prepare plans for a building to be used for business purposes, may the fee paid to the architect be claimed as a business expense?

SOMEBODY IS ALWAYS TAKING THE JOY OUT OF LIFE



Over the Top in Penna.

"She spends all her husband's salary on her back," informed the critical woman at a fashionable gathering. "Emph!" said the estimating male companion. "He must 'a' lost his job."

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CAN VENIZELOS SAVE GREECE?

FOR centuries the Greek people have suffered at the hands of friends and of foes. To-day they are poisoned with German lies and suffering from the treatment of their friends. Will Venizelos be able to fire them once more as he used to of old, or are the odds too great even for a man like him?

Let us then face facts squarely in the face. Let not the year 1918 bring about still another catastrophe on our side. Let the year 1918 be a year of redemption rather than the continuation of our blunders in the Near East thus far.

PRAYER FOR OUR MEN

Father, the hour has come! Thou art glorifying America by permitting her to go up the Calvary road, bearing her cross of sacrifice. These men of ours who march to the wars, are marching in step with Thee on that road to a world's redemption.

LABOR NOTES

It is proposed to order women employed at the British Ministry of Munitions to wear a khaki uniform. Terre Haute (Ind.) Brewery Workers' Union has raised wages twelve to twenty per cent.

Society's Secret Service

Irving Bacheller, the famous author and lecturer, says in the April American Magazine that secret service among men and women of which everyone is a member. This secret service is constantly taking and comparing notes on the character of all individuals within the circumference of its observation.

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BY BRIGGS



EDITORIAL COMMENT

Peace propaganda here is only another brand of poison-gas—Wall Street Journal.

We'll say this for Hoover: He's killed off a lot of incipient cases of indigestion.—Detroit Free Press.

Deaf in one ear, he can hear his country calling; blind in one eye, he can see his duty, and he will do it.—New York Morning Telegraph.

If only the Kaiser and the rest of us would talk less about "Trust in God," and consider the question of his trust in us!—Wall Street Journal.

Washington, with his early announced inability to tell a lie, probably stands out in Berlin as the supreme type of American inefficiency.—Chicago Herald.

That a German General is publishing lessons of this war to be learned for the next one is a big reason why this one has to be fought to a finish.—New York World.

In spite of the scarcity of farm-laborers, this department predicts that the crop of book-agents selling complete histories of the war will be as numerous this year as ever.—Emporia Gazette.

The German idea seems to be to both rule and ruin.—Detroit Free Press.

TAKING IT EASY

The Kaiser is willing to bear the troubles of his people, but they must continue to do the fighting.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

OUR DAILY LAUGH

SIC TRANSIT. The overcoat that once we were So very proud to own. Now sticketh I like a heavy burr. And hath a nuisance grown.

RIGHT PHRASE

He says she is the apple of his eye. Well? To use that expression seems a far-fetched. Not at all. She's a pippin.

NEEDN'T WORRY

Reggy: After all, fools make life amusing. When all are dead I don't want to be alive. Feggy: Don't worry you won't be.

LOW WAGES

I didn't know he was that hard up. What's the matter? He isn't hard up. He must be, I see by the papers that he's working for the government for a dollar a year.

DO YOU KNOW

—That Harrisburg is starting off war gardens on a more extensive scale than expected? —Historic Harrisburg Harris Ferry furnished grain for Forbes expedition for the Indiana.

Evening Chat

Every now and then someone rises to throw a shower of verbal brickbats at our courthouse. It has some shortcomings, but the truth of the matter is that they are internal. Externally, the Dauphin county temple of justice, has many good points and only the other day

"The Next Day Doctor Whitesides had the politeness to get Me access to the Harrisburg Courthouse, which has just been altered, and the legislature occupied it—It is quite a respectable and a Convenient Court Room—and made in the right way instead of (most injudiciously) elevating the bar and it is placed on the floor where it ought to be—The Court Seat is sufficiently elevated above the floor—The Court Seats elevated gradually and the spectators seats elevated on the back ground still more than the Jurors Seats—The Harrisburg Courthouse I heard the Court House at this place spoken of by Many Gentlemen (and some of them competent Judges) as being decidedly the most convenient and the most elegant one in our State and since I have examined the building thoroughly I do not hesitate in saying in beyond doubt the most convenient in the country and the most elegant Court House I ever saw in this State—This courthouse is nothing like any of the places that are talked about by the Court-worshippers of our County it was built in 1815 in deer times and the building cost \$26500—brick at that time cost here \$16 a thousand and every load of stone \$2.00 but boards were had at \$10 a thousand from Susquehanna I am of opinion a Court house could now be built embracing all the Conveniences of the present one for less than half the sum Above Stated."

"Daylight saving is going to be a cinch when you just figure it out," said the head of a big industrial establishment yesterday. "Get this. On June 1, most of us, who can, go to bed at 10 o'clock, and get up at 6 o'clock or else we plan some sort of things, such as working in a garden before breakfast, because there is daylight. Well, just put it forward two months. In the winter, most of our summer hours long before you expected to. Only this is my advice to Harrisburgers: Those who go to bed at 9 o'clock, start to get up at 10 o'clock, and go to bed at 11 o'clock, and don't do it all week and Monday you won't mind it."

"When the daylight saving comes around, we won't mind it," said a trolleyman yesterday. "We're used to getting up at 3 and 4 o'clock, you know. We start one week about 3 o'clock, and the next week about 4 o'clock, and about 11 in the morning. What's an hour, when you have to swing half a day, every other week or so?"

One of the most interesting of war time exhibits will be made at the Harrisburg Public Library, when Miss Alice E. Eaton, the librarian, has engaged in sweeping grass and posters. Miss Eaton has gone to a great deal of trouble to obtain government, state and national posters, which will probably be completed Thursday. The poster has a distinct appeal for everyone in this war and some of the most effective calls to the people have been made by ink.

"Being a candidate is an interesting experience. I have been a candidate for all sorts of things in my time, but I think that being a candidate for governor is the rarest of all," said J. Denny O'Neil, the Highway Commissioner, yesterday. "It was in Philadelphia, two days ago and I think I was asked questions on a hundred matters. And they were not all by newspaper reporters, either."

The final flowerbeds are being prepared on Capitol Hill by Farmer Shreiner's force of haymakers, who are engaged in sweeping grass and sort of "redding up" after the winter's feeding of the squirrels. The flowerbeds have been liberally planted with bulbs and similar plants, and when they have bloomed, Mr. Shreiner will have some shrubbery which has been worked out on a "Pennsylvania only" basis.

It may be of interest to some of the Harrisburg anglers to know that among the young trout put out into the waters of the Army, two days ago for the benefit of the fishermen, were some seven and a half inches long. The young fish distributed are also a size able to care for themselves.

WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

—Representative Ananias David Miller, of Westmoreland, who has filed a petition for renomination, now signs it A. David Miller. —Alisha B. Westmoreland, who spoke here Saturday, will speak in Pittsburgh on April 4. —General C. T. O'Neil, who retired from the Army, was formerly head of the state arsenal here. —Julian Huff, well-known Greensburg man, has been appointed fuel administrator for Westmoreland. —The Rev. Dr. C. F. Swift, former legislator and now active in the Anti-Saloon league, made a series of addresses in Western counties scoring the political zeal of the German-American Alliance. —Senator W. C. McConnell, of Shamokin, is home from a trip to Florida. —W. J. Richards, the Reading coal chief, is lending land for war gardens at Pottsville.