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A good many people are waiting for their ships to come in, when the fact is the ships were never launched.—ANON.

PUNISH THEM

ROBERT T. SMALL, writing from Washington to the Philadelphia Public Ledger, strikes a popular chord when he asserts that "the great German peace drive of the coming fall and winter is to be met, in America at least, by an implacable sentiment that the men of Berlin and Vienna responsible for the war and all its Hunnish cruelty shall pay the supreme penalty for their unspeakable crimes against humanity."

The thought is not new, and it has been gaining in force recently. Never before, however, has it been put in concrete form by a newspaper of the Ledger's circulation and influence.

Prussian militarists may declare in their usual bombastic style that they will "defend the Fatherland" to the last man so long as they have breath, but if we are to judge from the way they have been racing toward the Rhine in France their boastings are for home consumption only.

There may be here and there an American so soft-hearted and weak-kneed that he is willing to make peace with this bloodthirsty and inhuman crew on any terms, but he must be extremely lonesome in the average American community.

Our day of hesitation and watchful waiting and procrastination is past. We mean to kill this beast on his own dunghill and our leaders at Washington would do well to correctly interpret the thought and purpose of the people. Let us not deceive ourselves for one moment. We are fighting an enemy that knows no pity, is without honor and outside the pale of civilization.

BONNIWELL MAKES ISSUE

JUDGE E. C. BONNIWELL, the Democratic candidate for Governor is now of the opinion that a new third party, dedicated to boozing would promote his gubernatorial aspirations. He appears to think that such a move is absolutely essential and that the placing in the field of an entirely wet ticket with himself at the head will meet the expectations of many independent voters.

GIVE YOUR RUBBER

RUBBER has outlived its usefulness in personal, domestic or industrial service is of no good where it lies stored. It merely clutters up the premises and occupies room needed for other things.

Solomon Sought Wisdom

Now, O Lord God, let thy promise unto David be established. Give me now wisdom and knowledge.—II Chronicles I. 9 and 10.

amendment. Bonniwell now insists that those who wish the support of the liquor interests shall line up with him on a ticket of his own selection. Under the circumstances, the Republican candidates who still choose to assume a neutral or noncommittal attitude on this question have no course left save an open declaration in favor of the prohibition amendment or acceptance of Bonniwell's decree.

Let the issue be joined that Pennsylvania may determine at the November election whether this question shall further annoy and perplex our people.

Candidates for the Legislature should consider well the temper of the voters this year. We are passing through an unprecedented period in the history and life of the nation. Men who are usually subject to partisan thought and purpose are likely this year to give party second place when it stands in the way of a patriotic principle or falls in its proper attitude toward the winning of the war.

Dr. Bernhard Durnburg is one of those Germans who is thinking more of the future of the Kaiser's deluded subjects than of the present. He is strong for a league of nations to provide a pool of raw materials "out of which all countries shall be supplied according to their needs."

NEW YORK'S EXPERIENCE

THOSE who are doubtful as to the wisdom of borrowing extensively for the creation of a vast system of improved highways in Pennsylvania would profit by a perusal of a recent article by Controller Travis, of New York State, on "Financing New York Highways."

Perhaps the most significant act on the State's part in aiding the roads movement, however, arose in connection with the method of financing its share.

The benefits derived from the State's construction, maintenance and operation of these highways seems to be of a more far-reaching character than was appreciated by the State's commissioners.

Senator William C. Sproull's speech in Lehigh county is meeting with general editorial approval all over Pennsylvania and attracting attention from newspapers in other States.

Unintentionally will be the concern of Pennsylvania Republicans on Saturday, as was Lehigh county last Saturday.

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Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman

Scores of blank petitions for candidates for state, congressional and legislative offices to be filled in November were secured at the Department of the Secretary of the Commonwealth to-day by friends of Judge Eugene C. Bonniwell, the Democratic candidate for governor, who is about to launch a third party.

People at Democratic headquarters are preparing for a big gathering of Democrats when the state committee meets here next Wednesday and it is probable that almost every Democrat of any prominence aligned with the reorganization faction will be here.

While the Philadelphia Record announces that candidates for various congressional and legislative nominations are flocking to the Bonniwell banner and that "representative Democracy is pledging to support the Judge, the other Philadelphia newspapers do not pay much attention to the new venture.

Dr. E. J. Fithian, Prohibition candidate for Governor, has entered upon his campaign, notable reception was given him, according to the Mercer county Herald, in Grove City last week.

The New Jersey plan of sending two commissioners, a Republican and a Democrat, abroad to take the votes of the State at the November election, announced yesterday at Trenton, will not apply to Pennsylvania, according to officials at the State Capitol.

Senator Sproull made clear, nothing will be done to send the war to the country in a common effort and strengthen the administration in popular confidence than a Republican majority in the next Congress.

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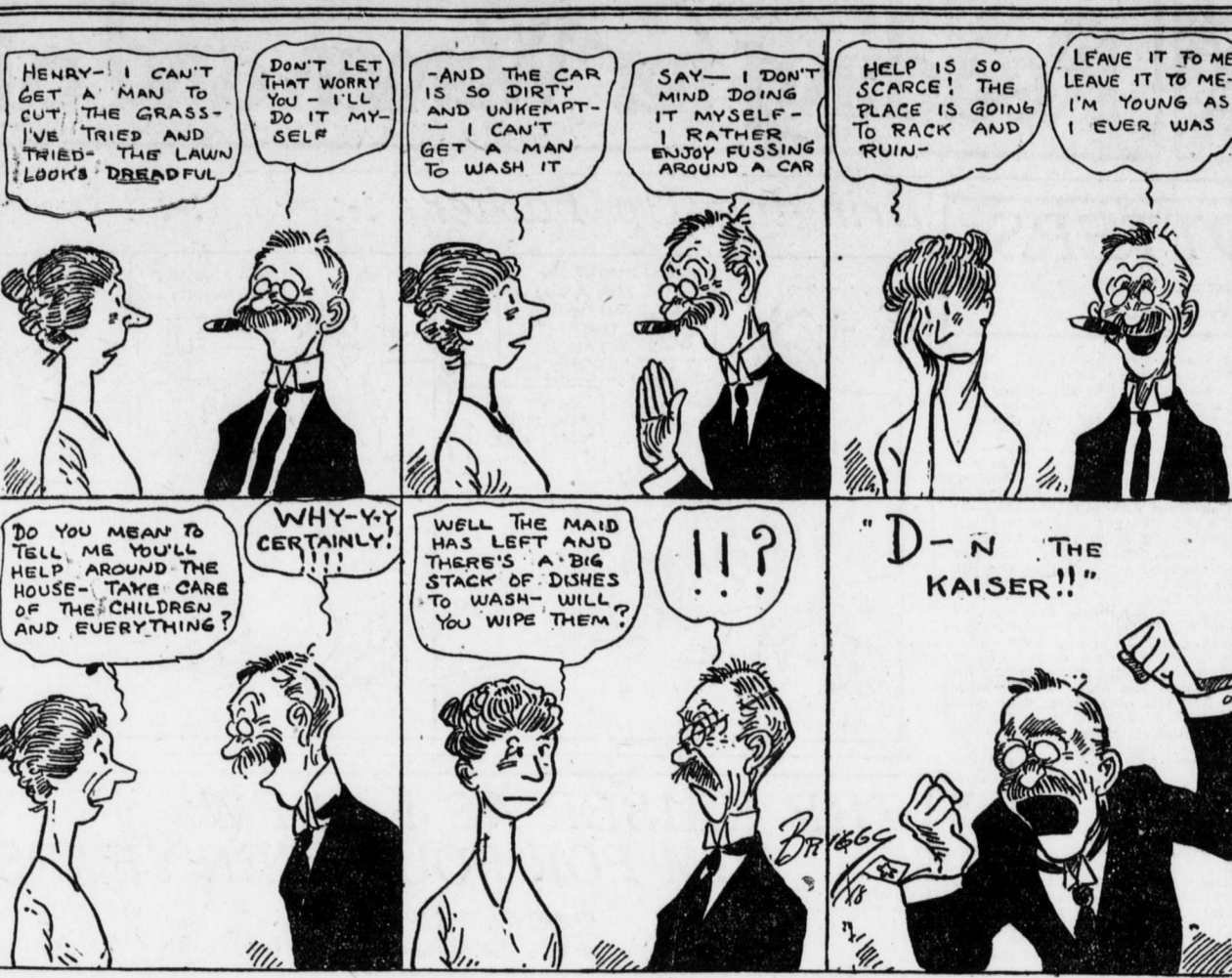
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SOMEBODY IS ALWAYS TAKING THE JOY OUT OF LIFE



SPROUL'S KEYNOTE

[From the Philadelphia Press.] Senator Sproull's opening speech in Lehigh county on Saturday put the campaign in Pennsylvania on a high plane.

It is a grievous disappointment to electioneering Democrats that their campaign plans for the year to put the Republican party in a false position respecting the war and impeding its progress have dismally failed.

Not only did Senator Sproull conclusively demonstrate this in his address, but at the time he was speaking he was in the front lines.

It would be an unfortunate situation if the administration were to make a campaign issue of the fact that the President himself made this statement.

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BEFORE CANTIGNY

[JAMES HOPPER, IN COLLIER'S WEEKLY]

THE sunken way obliterated the right, but I followed it a few hundred feet—and suddenly I was near the top of the rise, with a packed shoulder to shoulder, and high against the first rosiness of dawn.

At the same time, as if a curtain had been raised, the morning came to its full light—a perfect morning, a light blue sky dappled here and there with very delicate white clouds.

TWO SHOWMEN

[New York Times] Artemus Ward would have called Representative Albert Johnson, of Washington, "an amosin' little cuss."

Standing beside me were two eighteen-year-old pages, employed by the House of Representatives. They are part of the manpower of the United States, (audible snickers) but I submit that they are hardly fit for life in the trenches.

They were not, nor would meagre and stunted men of 25 or of any other age, be conceivable in the trenches. Mr. Johnson had not thought of that.

Mr. Roosevelt's Prize Money

[Philadelphia Public Ledger.] Mr. Roosevelt's distribution of the Nobel Peace Prize money, which Congress recently returned to him, is characteristic.

WHEAT BREAD FOR A. E. F.

The American Army in France is getting good soft bread, made from pure wheat flour. There are several reasons why it is not advisable to vary out the wheat supply.

NOT ESSENTIAL

When a "wet" state ratifies the prohibition amendment you have the drinkers' testimony that alcoholic beverages are not essential.—Pittsburgh Gazette Times.

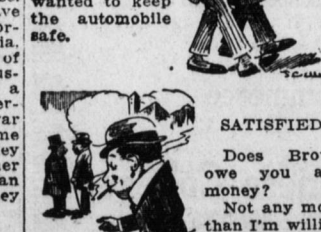
Alas! and Alack!

[Col. Harvey's War Weekly]

THE telegraph and telephone service of the United States has long been a legitimate source of national pride. It was unmatched anywhere in the world.

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OUR DAILY LAUGH



Evening Chat

Making the Susquehanna navigable, which no less an authority than Major W. B. Gray says is feasible, is a theme which has been given serious and even official attention in this community since about 1790.

What was brought here on a craft known as the "Cato" was a piece of Huntington county and the first anthracite coal was floated down the Susquehanna on flatboats. As early as 1818, three years after the war, the younger laid out the plan, in conjunction with his son-in-law, William Macneigh, for the work.

In the last half-dozen years reference to the successive movements to remove the obstructions, most of which appear to have blown up because of lack of means to blow up the rocks, it is interesting to note that in 1823 the business of transportation had grown so rapidly that the demand for making the Susquehanna something more useful than a water supply and stretch of wonderful scenery caused a revival.

Just as an illustration of what can be done, all one needs to do is to sit on the "steps" and watch the river in the fertile part of Maryland, tells a good story about himself.

"Yes, it is," said Mr. Brown. "You tell me Mr. Brown farms. I just love to see him," said the woman.

"Well, you're looking at him," quoth Mr. Brown.

One of Superintendent George A. Shreiner's patent spraying machines for sprinking the farms for locusts developed an unexpected range yesterday.

Did he lock the stable door after the horse was stolen?

Does Brown owe you any money? Not any more than I'm willing to pay for the privilege of not being bothered by him.

DO YOU KNOW —That Harrisburg is furnishing men for some of the highly-specialized branches of overseas war service?