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for itself and goes through of its own accord. The Greeks were pikers in the arts of war.

loc will stand for no false peace. It insists with growing emphasis upon a decisive victory.

THE FIRST HUNDRED YEARS ARE THE HARDEST



Evening Chat

James Donald Cameron, who for years dominated the Republican party in this section of the state and who wielded a wonderful influence in Dauphin county, and Benjamin Franklin Meyers, for years a prominent figure in the affairs of the Democratic party...

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EMBARGO ON LIQUOR

NOW that the people of the United States have forced their will upon Congress and the President in the matter of prohibition of the liquor traffic for the period of the war, it is reasonable to expect that the President will exercise his power under the law to place an embargo upon the liquor business wherever it may be necessary to safeguard the interests vital to the prosecution of the war.

Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman

Men connected with the movement for a third party in behalf of Judge Eugene C. Bonnell's candidacy for Governor expect the Fair Play name pre-empted yesterday afternoon to be placed upon the Congressional, Senatorial and Legislative ballots in two-thirds of the state at the least and possibly in three-fourths.

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What does it mean that a bird has wings but that there is air in which to fly, or that men are moved to pray in an orderly universe, but that there is a God to answer them?—JOHN WATSON.

JAMES DONALD CAMERON

As a great Republican leader for many years and a forceful railroad executive, James Donald Cameron will be long remembered, but in Harrisburg his devotion to the best interests of this community and his conspicuous efforts to promote the prosperity and welfare of our people will be the outstanding features in popular discussion of his notable career.

But there is a larger aspect of the chilly coal prospect. On July 12 last the National Coal Association addressed the Fuel Administrator that in the opinion of the representative committee of operators the country cannot have both booze and sufficient coal this winter.

Our indignant correspondent says he has seen no rejoinder to this definite statement, but that he had been informed that President Wilson himself, as has been stated on the floor of Congress, is responsible for postponing the dropping of the prohibition gate until July 1, 1919.

Our correspondent also states that on the authority of the New York Independent (page 240, August 24, 1918), he learned that last year it required 157,915 cars to haul booze in the United States and that the liquor traffic burned 60,000,000 tons of coal while it was decreasing the production of that necessity.

As between coal and booze there can be no doubt whatever upon which side the people are aligned. It is a good thing to suspend the liquor traffic next July, it is a good thing now. Upon President Wilson must rest the entire responsibility for the postponement of a vital war measure.

Senator Shepard, of Texas, author of the prohibition amendment to the Constitution, informed the Senate that the President had asked for a postponement of prohibition until January 1, 1920, in order to obtain the revenues that would come from releasing the stores of distilled spirits now in bond.

It has been stated over and over again that while the people were freezing and industries were closed for want of fuel last year, the breweries were not hindered in their operation for lack of coal.

Senator Kirby, of Arkansas, mimes no words in a statement that the Federal Government has been favoring the liquor interests ever since the war began; that when industrial plants were closed last winter east of the Mississippi river not a brewery in the United States was shut down and when a limitation was placed upon the use of flour in bread one could buy all the beer he wanted.

Representative Kahn, Republican, promptly took up the fight for the administration, military bill when the Democrats failed to stand by the President. Yet we do not hear the President asking for Dent's defeat.

A DECISIVE VICTORY

GENERAL PERSHING says "it fills me with pride to forward in general orders a tribute to the service achievements of the First and Third Corps," which includes the Twenty-eighth or Pennsylvania Division. He says these troops came to the battlefield at a crucial hour for the allied cause and "gained a brilliant victory that marks the turning point of the war."

When the Democratic State Committee meets here next week to throw the hooks into Judge Bonnell, the party's wet candidate for Governor, it will be interesting to observe whether Bonnell is out of joint with the President.

WERE PIKERS

If you would "find the origin of the tank now in use in Europe, go back to the Greeks and the siege of Troy," writes a correspondent, referring to the wooden horse of Iliad history. "There is nothing really new under the sun," he adds.

Maybe not, but it's a far cry from the wooden horse to the military tank of to-day. They had to wait for action until the Trojans had made a breach in the walls of their city and had hauled the horse within, but when the Allies find a wall in their path they merely send a tank to the fore and it does the smashing

Bonnell's Mule Ticket

From the Philadelphia Press. All Democratic candidates for Congress and the Legislature are invited by letter just sent out to take a place on this mule ticket. The name of which the public will be allowed to know when the title is pre-empted, as the law requires, a day or two hence.

That cannot be regarded as an impossible proposition. It cannot be contemplated for a moment that either of these Republican candidates would permit his name to remain on a ticket headed by Judge Bonnell, and whose only purpose would be to divert Republican votes from the Republican candidate for Governor.

Neither party is all wet, nor all dry. Judge Bonnell will very likely get votes from other than his own party because he is wet, and that's what his proposed independent ticket is all about.

"Pay-as-You-Enter-Inn"

There are many quaint bits of fact and fancy in Walter Pritchard Eaton's musings on the inspiration of locality in American letters, entitled "The Literary Inn." One place which appears in the September Bookman. Here is an amusing instance of the way the enterprising businessman makes capital out of literature.

On Some Recent Victories

Be humble, O my country! In this hour, Remember there are fiery paths to cross, Undreamed of anguish and unreckoned loss.

Persia's King Seeks a Queen

After these things, when the wrath of King Ahasuerus was appeased, he remembered Vashti, and what she had done, and what was decreed against her.

When Germany Can Hope

At Lunenburg stood until recently a huge bronze statue of the Kaiser. At last the thing has been put to some use—has been sent to a foundry to be converted into ordnance.

Company on Long, Long Trail

"Austro-Hungarian reinforcements have arrived on the western front"—just in time to help Fritz take the back trail.—From the New York World.

It's Ending in Run

The great German offensive began in March and ended in Halt.—From the Brooklyn Eagle.

Comfort For Mothers

From The Literary Digest

ONE word in the Kaiser's letter to Frau Meter after she had lost nine sons in the war strikes the majority of non-Germans with amazement. It has been often asserted by our enemies that the world outside their borders does not think as do the Germans, and the rebuke is accepted as praise, but when the Kaiser writes the bereaved mother that he is "gratified" by the extent of her sacrifices there is seen to be a depth yet unplumbed in the Emperor's psychology.

Lincoln's Letter

"Dear Madam—I have been shown in the files of the War Department a statement of the Adjutant General's office to the effect that you are the mother of five sons who have died gloriously on the field of battle. I feel how weak and fruitless must be any words of mine which should attempt to beguile you from the grief of a loss so overwhelming.

Disappearance of the Roosevelt

Progressive party from the list of state-wide nominations because of the withdrawal of men who had been made candidates under that name by scattering votes, leaves only the Washington party name as a reminder of the Roosevelt campaign of six years ago.

Mailing Packages to Soldiers

Here is the straight dope on packages from the folks at home to the boys here. Get your C. O. to make a written statement that you need the articles and then have the package pasted the statement on the package when they send it to you.

Maybe William Talks in Sleep

The German empress is seriously ill. Perhaps she is one German woman who is permitted to hear the truth about the war.—Kansas City Star.

Private Control Essential

Street car companies would never let McAdoo run their lines, if they could help it. The man believes in seats for all passengers.—From the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A Logical Reason

The belief in a hell will persist as long as everybody knows some one who has been caught to go there.—Albany Journal.

THE CRANE MAN

I'm the "man way up" at the very top

Where a wise guy ought to be, I'm the boy that's over the bloom-in' shop. An' you gotta look up to me; For I rides in my carriage to an' fro Like a millionaire's private train.

There ain't no burdens too large for us. Me an' this crane of mine. We lifts the biggest without no fuss. For that is the way we shines.

Forgiveness

The grave only knows how to forgive—it is the most refined and generous pitch of virtue human nature can arrive at.—Sterne.

OUR DAILY LAUGH

SAFETY FIRST. Why are you putting off your little brother? I'm going to send him to the store to buy me a charlotte russe.

SEVENTH AGE OF MAN. He is a very old man, isn't he? Well, he is in the second dancehood.

A DEFINITION. What is an effective black-ade? It happens when you don't tip the waiter.

NOT AN ECONOMIST. Are you practicing food economy? I tried it out, but it didn't work. My husband simply refused to eat the cold boiled egg that was left over from the day before.

PROGRESS. Willie, how are you getting along in school? Great! I can lick three kids who are two grades higher up than me.

WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

—J. A. Harris, Jr., Philadelphia banker, who has been ill, has returned.

—S. Gould, the State Elk secretary, will go to France in Y. M. C. A. work.

—Thomas G. Vincent, the respondent in the case of David Lewis, will be prothonotary of Montour county.

—John A. Thornton, postmaster of Philadelphia, who was also reappointed, used to be mentioned as being noted for independent proclivities.

—B. C. Atlee, the active head of the Lancaster Automobile Club, has issued a call for all members of his club to abide by the call not to run cars on Sunday.

DO YOU KNOW

—That Harrisburg was among the first state capitals to go over the top on the last Liberty Loan?

—Historic Harrisburg? —Almost every family in Harrisburg owned continental currency when the Revolution ended and many of them held on to it and made money.