

Evening Chat

Combination of war time activity and the demand for every pair of hands and the opening of the telegraph has caused more comfortable minutes for heads of various establishments than any one imagines who has not had to deal with the wage-earners.

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Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life
And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord, for ever.
—Ps. 23: 6.

THE CZECHO-SLOVAKS

RECOGNITION by President Wilson of the Czechoslovaks is without precedent in the annals of the nation, but it was a very proper step taken at psychologically the right moment.

DEMOCRATS HOPELESS

THE Democratic party is a small factor in Pennsylvania politics this year, interest in today's gathering being chiefly confined to the road-roller methods of which the Palmer wing will crush out the ambitions of the Bonniwell faction.

A NAVIGABLE RIVER

IT is natural that Major Gray's belief in the possibility of making the Susquehanna river navigable should arouse wide interest in Harrisburg.

HOLIDAY GIVING

THE decision of the Council of National Defense not to interfere seriously with Christmas shopping this year is wise.

found ways and means of circumventing it.
The Council's request that the shopping season be spread over October, November and December and that only useful gifts—aside from toys for children—be given this year, ought to be observed by everybody.

Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman

While the Democrats of Pennsylvania hold the center of the stage because of the meeting of their state committee to frame a platform and decide about the chairmanship there is considerable doing in other parties today and the activity will not all be confined to the warring representatives of the party advertised as united and effective in the Keystone State.

AS TO HOUSING

THE attention of those who have been belittling the efforts of this newspaper to focus the attention of the public upon the necessity of improving the housing conditions in Harrisburg is directed to the government order, issued yesterday, barring sixty towns and cities of the United States from further participation in war orders, due to lack of houses.

AN ALL-BOOZE TICKET

IN selecting the name of Fair Play party for the top of his exclusive booze ticket, Judge Bonniwell aims his well-known feelings that the man's right to take a drink whenever he wants it and wherever it can be had.

JUST AN INCIDENT

THE Philadelphia Inquirer today says: "Mayor Smith has again been defeated in his efforts to turn the care of the school children of Philadelphia to the control of ward politicians."

LABOR NOTES

EMPLOYEES of the transportation motive power, car and passenger department of the Pennsylvania Railroad have given increases of wages.

LET THE SOLDIERS VOTE

AN announcement is made which should be incredible and impossible. It is that something like a million and a half citizens of the United States are to be disfranchised this year.

of the railroads against water ways and the immense expenditures required to bring the contemplated river improvement to completion.
When this war is at an end we shall have new ideas as to what the country can do in the way of public works.

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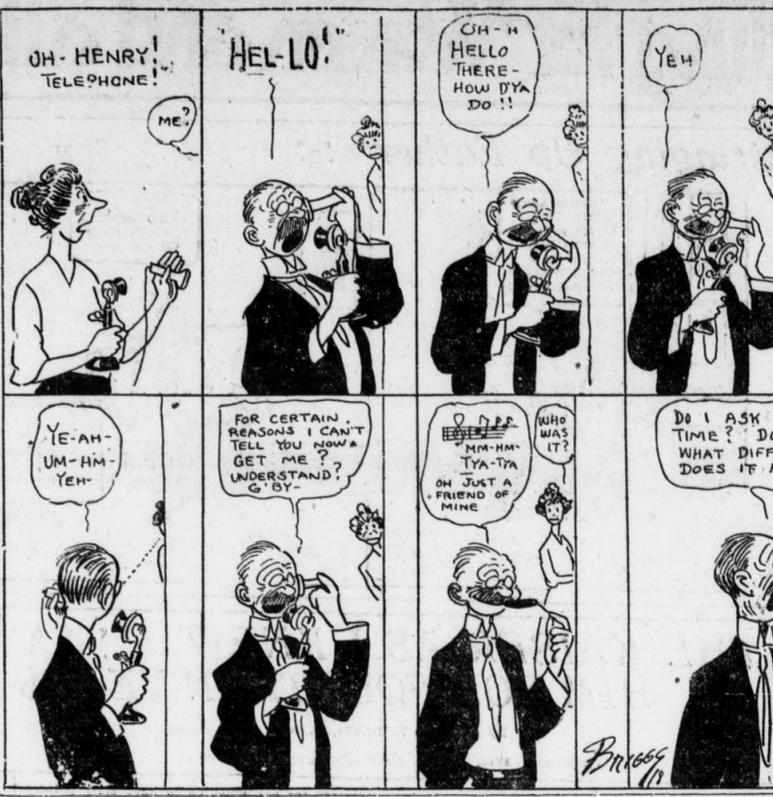
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MOVIE OF A WOMAN TRYING TO GET A LINE ON A PHONE CONVERSATION



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A good war story is told about Roy W. Miller, a former member of Company C, 1st New York Infantry, who was one of "Captain Stine's boys" and came from Scotland, Franklin county. He was in the battle of the Marne and was a soldier in the 1st New York Infantry.

The windows of the buildings along Fourth street below Zion Lutheran Church which were burned out several years ago are serving various purposes. Some are used for display of advertising of various kinds and some of it is faded and antiquated.

It is not generally known that the late Frank P. Pritchard, the eminent Philadelphia lawyer, who died while in the West, was one of the great lawyers who handled matters in Pennsylvania. Mr. Pritchard, who was in the firm of which the late John G. Johnson was the head, paid many an attorney to Harrisburg. His writings were noted for their keen wit.

It must be confessed that Harrisburg is not a good town for soldiers from the western states who get off and march about the streets to stretch their legs. The canteen workers make the soldiers welcome, but as they go along the streets there is not a cheer and hardly a hand-clap.

Let me put him in the bathtub with my new Pennsylvania District, small boy in the case and permission was granted.
In the morning more pleadings resulted in a respite until evening, and the case was finally decided in favor of attachment for his friend, the bass, that he made strenuous objections to its being turned into a metal for the family.

So for whole days, when anybody in the house wanted to take a bath, the bass was fished out of the tub by the small boy and placed in the basin, and then the small boy was to the tub when the basin was to be used. Finally, while one of the women of the house was bathing, the bass leaped out of its shallow home and flung itself about the floor almost frightened her out of her wits.
That evening the bass appeared on the table at dinner.

WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

—William G. Landes, general secretary of the State Sunday School Association, says that forty per cent of the people active in Sunday school work will be in the draft.
The Rev. John E. Flood, prominent Catholic school official of Philadelphia, says that German is fast dying out as a course in schools.
—Dr. George K. Boyd, of Philadelphia, has been ordered to Camp Custer, as a surgeon.

—A. B. Samuels, prominent in the work of the Summer Outing Association, says that the new draft ordinance department at Washington.
—Judge Joseph Buffington, of the Western Pennsylvania District, is making a series of addresses to prospective citizens.
—Auditor General Charles A. Snyder was at the seashore over the weekend and had his feet in the water.

DO YOU KNOW

—That every branch of Harrisburg's railroad workers is represented in army railroad work in France?
—Historic Harrisburg As early as 1756 Governor Morris visited John Harris' ferry.