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THE PRIMARY FIZZLE

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RIFLE CLUB BENEFITS

ELSEWHERE to-day the Telegraph publishes a letter from Fred A. Godcharles, telling of the good work the Harrisburg rifle team is doing in the national shoot at Camp Perry, Ohio.

But it is incomprehensible that any citizen should believe he will be called more speedily for military service if he is an expert rifleman than if he is unacquainted with the use of military weapons.

COLONEL ROOSEVELT

COLONEL THEODORE ROOSEVELT'S recent editorial in a metropolitan magazine on "The Great Adventure" is generally regarded as commenting upon his son's death in France.

is made to obtain the services of men qualified for the task in no hand, yet the average rifleman is more liable for military service than is the totally untrained man.

There is no gaining, however, that the citizen who learns to shoot before he reports to the cantonment is rendering a patriotic service to the Government.

And, finally, there is another point which no citizen should overlook and one which cannot be too strongly emphasized, since it has a direct and personal bearing upon every man who may be called upon to serve.

SENATOR LODGE'S VIEWS

UNITED STATES SENATOR LODGE is giving full emphasis to the attitude of the Republican party in the support of all war activities and measures.

We shall press on until the only end worthy of attainment is fully reached, Germany has fought unhindered upon an innocent world.

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As suggested by Senator Lodge when Prussian militarism is crushed and the Germans throw up their hands, then the United States and its allies will tell them the terms of peace which they are to accept.

UNITING ON SPROUL

THE temperance forces of Pennsylvania are very properly united on Senator Sproul for Governor. His endorsement by the Anti-Saloon League takes to his support a non-partisan organization made up of voters of all parties and churches.

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struggle he was urging his countrymen to prepare for the crushing of the German menace. More and more he is being regarded as the foremost leader of his day.

Men of all parties now pay tribute to his greatness, to his remarkable vision and his sturdy Americanism. All sympathize with him in the loss of a brave son, but they do more than that; they recognize his usefulness and the strength of his character.

Politics in Pennsylvania

While the men at the Democratic state windmill are going through the motions commonly associated with the conduct of a real live party organization it is generally believed that there is not going to be much of a campaign made in Pennsylvania this year.

Judge Eugene C. Bonniwell, the nominee of the Democrats for the state for governor in spite of the losses, is in the lead in his assertion that he would not pay any attention to the machine and is running an active campaign of his own.

Senator Sproul is due to pass through here to-day on his way to Pittsburg and to visit Senator Peters here. He will start in the morning with Auditor General Snyder and Senator Beldien for Pittsburg.

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LABOR NOTES

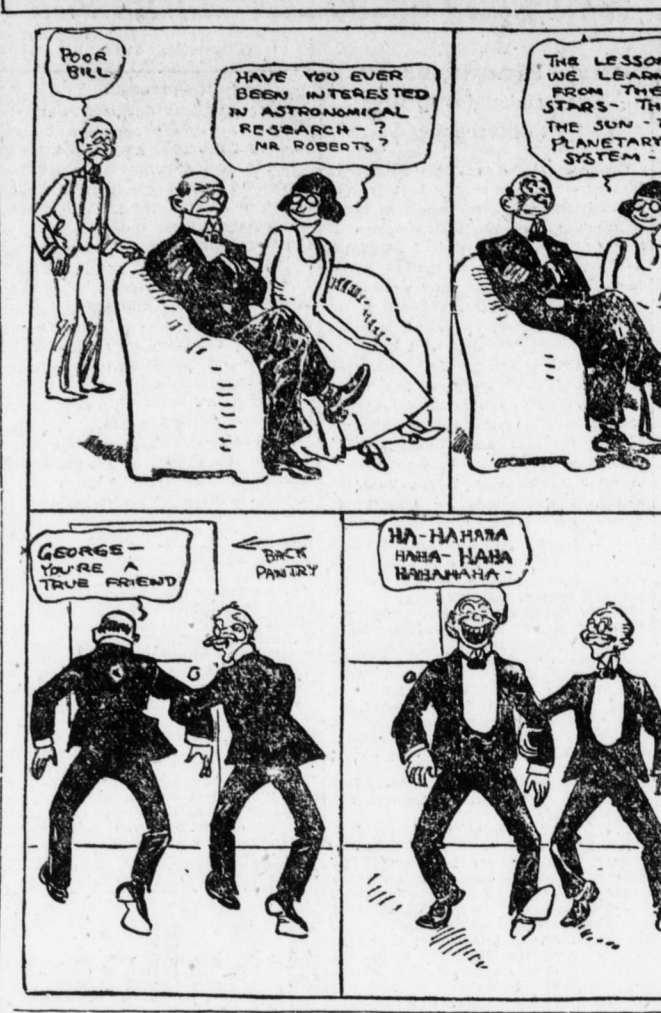
Barbers at Kansas City, Mo., have secured increased pay. Sacramento (Cal.) building laborers get \$3.50 for an eight-hour day.

Switzerland's watchmakers' federation has 4,500 female members. The principle of the eight-hour day is approved by the National War Labor Board.

Charleston (W. Va.) will have the greatest Labor Day demonstration in its history. Vancouver (British Columbia) Steam Engineers' Union has won its fight for an eight-hour day.

Toronto (Can.) Street Car Men's Union has secured a wage increase of seven cents an hour. Employees of the Canadian Express Company have been given a substantial increase in wages and a schedule of better working hours.

IT HAPPENS IN THE BEST REGULATED FAMILIES--



GERMANY'S PEACE DRIVE

The expected peace drive has begun. With German reserves depleted, with Foch delivering terrific blows, with the American Army flooding in, with its quality just dramatically demonstrated in the brilliant victory of St. Mihiel, with the U-boats failing, the Central Powers are looking for peace.

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Advertising Pays

Advertising is not a luxury in which pride-puffed manufacturers indulge themselves, but is a force which has been responsible for American prosperity.

Democratic Entanglement

If ever a worse situation was developed in politics than that of the Democratic party in Pennsylvania at present, it is not within memory. The candidate for Governor repudiates the dominant organization and the organization repudiates the candidate for Governor.

General Pershing

Among the host of deserved congratulations that have come upon General Pershing for his victory, that of President Menocal, of Cuba, must not be the least grateful.

The New Drill

She said with really pleading eyes, "Tell me dear, how will you drill the words I've heard your captain say."

There's a Job at Home

There's an American labor mission now in England and another in Italy. Let's now send one to the Schuylkill mining district.

By BRIGGS



SONG OF THE GUNS

This is the song that our guns keep singing. Here where the dark steel shines! This is the song with their big shells winking.

OUR DAILY LAUGH

TRUE GENERALLY. Did you up the waiter? Most liberal-ly. I ordered two boiled eggs and gave him one of them.

WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

A. G. Mitchell, who goes to the West Jersey division of the Pennsylvania, was for some time head of the Monongahela division.

POT AND KETTLE

Wife - That Mrs. Brown must be an awful foolish fellow! I never can tell her anything but what she's heard it before.

Evening Chat

If gasoline Sunday has managed to help make us all better people and more careful of the Sabbath it has certainly caused a revival of the popularity of the bicycle.

When it comes down to a good place to get out of the rain, commend us to the Capitol Park squirrels.

Col. Frank R. Keefe, of the United States Army, who was here yesterday at the conference between state officials and heads of state institutions, belongs to Harrisburg.

General Willis J. Hulings, former Quartermaster General and Congressman, who was here yesterday for a meeting of the State Armory Board and remarked that things were kind of quiet.

Hummelstown seems to be strictly on the map when it comes to having its men trained in the Pennsylvania Reserves.

Howard M. Hoke, secretary to the Attorney General, is home from his annual trip to Maine.

Daniel Winters, long prominent in Pittsburgh affairs, has been elected a member of the city council of Pittsburgh.

William E. Quinlan, head of the Schuylkill county War Savings campaign, is ill at his home in Pottsville.

Edgar Scott, prominent Philadelphia, active in war work in France, is home on a furlough.

C. B. Pritchard, Pittsburg director of the Liberty Loan drive, is taking prominent part in preparations for the Liberty Loan drive.

That Harrisburg is sending large amounts of steel to plants for the manufacture of rifles. HISTORIC HARRISBURG - The first move for a bridge over the Susquehanna at this point began in 1800. The subscriptions were opened in 1809.