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Don't sit in the corner grieving For the praise you are denied; Take new hope and be achieving What shall bring you future pride.

EXCELLENT CHOICE

JUDGE KUNKEL'S choice of John F. Dapp to be school director for the unexpired term of Dr. William N. Yates, resigned, will be generally commended.

JOB AFTER THE WAR WHAT shall we do in the reconstruction period when the boys come home from France and are hunting for work if we do not wisely look ahead toward providing public improvements that may be utilized to meet the emergency?

One would imagine from reading the last German note that the Hun U-boats have been indulging in a yachting cruise and that France and Belgium have been strewn with flowers as the German armies retired.

WE'RE ALL CRAZY

DR. COTTON has discovered that bad teeth cause insanity and that bad teeth are often caused by kissing.

Therefore—no more kissing, no more insanity. But there will be those who will argue, and far be it from us to deny the truth of it, that a man who won't kiss a pretty girl when the chance offers is already crazy—so there you are.

Or, if we have to keep out of the asylum by refraining from kissing, there will be many who will hunt up a girl of their choice, lug her off to a sanitarium and go rip-tearing, raving crazy. It's a poor choice, this remaining sane and kissing or going crazy with kisses, and there will be oodles and oodles of young women who come along singing Frank Daniels old ditties—

I'm going crazy, I'm going crazy, Don't you want to be with me? We'll live in the madhouse over the hills And play the fiddle with the devil's daffodils. I'm going crazy; don't you want to go along?

If kissing pretty girls is insanity then the bulk male population ought to be in the violent ward, with plenty of straitjackets around for the worst cases.

Republicans throughout the country are determined that the country shall have the careful consideration of men big enough for the job, and with this view of the matter they are going to give special attention to the election of members of Congress next month.

A PROPER QUARANTINE GOVERNOR BRUMBAUGH feels called upon to deny the statements of Judge Bonniwell to the effect that Senator William C. Sprull was responsible for the influenza quarantine orders closing the churches, schools, amusement places and saloons of the State.

Senator Sprull has no reason to feel disturbed over the noisy activities of his repudiated Democratic competitor. Not even the hysterical effort to create the impression that the closing of drinking places as an epidemic emergency would enormously increase Bonniwell's strength will disturb the Republican candidate.

Dauphin county farmers learned this week that "pigs is pigs" when they kept in pens, and that when turned loose to pasture they are as clean as any other animal.

Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman

What is ordinarily the final and most strenuous week of a campaign may not even be the first week in Pennsylvania this year as a result of the influenza epidemic.

The same "gents" of small caliber who conducted the campaign of 1916 on the slogan "He kept us out of war," are now piping up with the other slogan, "Stand by the President."

EVIL COMMUNICATIONS WHEN one reads the tricky and insincere and double-tongued communications of the Berlin bandits he cannot doubt that President Wilson was absolutely right when he said last September:

We are all agreed that there can be no peace obtained by any kind of bargain or compromise with the Governments of the Central Empires, because we have dealt with them already and have seen them deal with other Governments that were parties to this struggle.

Germany cannot or will not understand our view and under the circumstances the President would seem to be entirely justified in putting an abrupt stop to any further correspondence with the outlaws.

With the rapidly-changing conditions in Russia, it must not be forgotten that the Y. M. C. A. has had much to do with maintaining the friendship of the Russian people for America.

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AIN'T IT A GRAND AND GLORIOUS FEELIN'?

By BRIGGS

AFTER YOU HAVE ENJOYED CORRESPONDING WITH AN UNKNOWN GIRL FOR SOME TIME

AND ONE DAY YOU RECEIVE AN INVITATION TO A DANCE FROM HER

AND YOU ACCEPT BUT CURSE THE LUCK THAT GOT YOU INTO THE AFFAIR - AND SPEND A LOT OF TIME KISSING YOURSELF

OH-H-H-SAILOR! AIN'T IT A GR-R-R-RAND AND GLOR-R-IOUS FEELIN'?

AND WHEN THE FATEFUL EVENING ARRIVES YOU DOLL UP BUT YOU JUST KNOW SHE IS GOING TO BE A PILL--

AND WHEN YOU ARRIVE AT HER HOME SHE TURNS OUT TO BE A LITTLE PEACH - AND YOU SPEND A FINE EVENING WITH HER AND MAKE YOURSELF SOLID -

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Belgium Good Accountants

[New York Times]

While the great majority of the Belgian cities just freed from German rule are alternately weeping and cheering for joy at the termination of a bitter slavery extending over four years, as has been so aptly noted in the dispatches of Philip Gibbs, others of that persecuted people are engaged in a sterner task.

It is in the quiet of the night that they are sitting down at tables with pen and paper and making out a bill which they are going to present to Germany for payment.

In it they are letting down what promises to be an almost endless list of items which when added up will make a colossal total, and they are compiling it from what is evidently a carefully kept account of damages inflicted, thefts committed, and of ruthless extortions practiced.

As creditors, the position of the Belgians is in essential respects different from that of their co-belligerents, for the Germans entered their country, not as soldiers waging war, but as outlaws and bandits—deliberate violators of a solemn treaty and precluded from appealing there, as they can elsewhere, to "military necessity," as an internationally recognized excuse for the destruction of life and property.

It is a suit under what amounts to criminal, as distinguished from either civil or military, law that they can bring against the Germans, and they are privileged to demand punitive and exemplary damages as well as mere remuneration.

How much of their bill will be paid depends, more or less, of course, on Germany's ability to pay, but of her legal and moral liability to undo as much as possible of the harm she has done in Belgium there can be no question. Not a little of her regard for property, and all as regards life, is irreparable by the delivery of money, but it is none the less well that the full score should be formally made out and presented for the inspection of the world as well as that of Germany.

Highway Commissioner J. Denny O'Neil was talking the other day about the way men in charge of work on various sections of road had been through hard jobs. "I think that the three-mile stretch on the National pike was the best place. I had been chasing the man in charge pretty hard and he had his own troubles getting hands," said he. "Finally he organized some Sunday working excursions and went through with it. He reported that he had been 137 men and four women."

WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

J. Henry Scattergood, prominent in Philadelphia political affairs, is being mentioned as a possible candidate for commissioner in that county.

E. F. G. Harper, one of the county commissioners named to take soldier votes, is a former legislator.

W. R. Coyle, recently promoted from captain to major of marines, is another name mentioned.

Judge H. C. Quigley, of Bellefonte, has been seriously ill.

Frank A. Greene, the new Pennsylvania insurance agent, is well known to many residents of Harrisburg.

DO YOU KNOW

That Harrisburg mattresses were used to take care of people in state emergency hospitals this month?

HISTORIC HARRISBURG The first time troops camped on the big island in the Susquehanna was in the War of 1812.

Sort of Books Sent to Camps One of the results of the campaign for the book is the sending of an influx of reading material of the type which careful mothers take pains to remove from the environment of 15-year-old daughters.

That the gift horse had to be inspected carefully was demonstrated a number of times. To one camp library books entitled "The Zola's As Sommers," "Daudet's 'Sapho,'" and "Maupassant's 'Bel-Ami.'" From the reading room in a church were sent copies of Snappy Stories.

An offer of a file of the Undertaker's Review, was graciously rejected and the copies sent to the Civil War were received.—American Library Association News.

Nearly \$12,000 Required to Take Votes of 45,000 Soldiers

[The Philadelphia Inquirer]

IT WILL take the bulk of the \$12,300 now available in the state treasury under the special appropriation of 1917 to take the votes of some 45,000 Pennsylvania soldiers scattered through the various camps and training stations of the Army and the stations and reserve depots of the Navy in this country if the present plan to send commissioners to take the votes of the soldiers is carried out. Each commissioner is allowed ten cents a mile for each mile actually traveled and the state provides the pollbooks, ballots and other supplies for the holding of elections which are conducted at camps by soldiers or sailors selected by the commissioners and sworn in by them. The state has already expended considerable money on books and ballots.

The decision of the Governor to send commissioners was reached after Adjutant General F. D. Beary had secured from 120 camps statements as to the number of men from this state in their limits and when several state officials had advised against sending commissioners because at least 20,000 Pennsylvania soldiers now overseas will have no chance to vote at all and the men in this country may be moving before election day and also that some of them may be under the influenza conditions were also raised. The Governor, however, took the position that every Pennsylvania ought to be given a chance to vote, if in the United States.

To give the commissioners instruction and the cash and for delivery of supplies, for which each commissioner is personally responsible, they must meet here, and to get around the Royer order against meetings, it is proposed to have only the best soldiers and officers present. A number declined the honor will include the men to go to Seattle.

Reveries of a Cannoneer [From the New York Sun] It was only a year ago to-day (October 21) that the first of the Americans entered the trenches. A week later their people at the home heard of their going over the top, side by side with Frenchmen, not far from Lunerville. These were General Sibert's men, the first division of Regulars.

In the year that has passed we have heard often of our troops in the field, and so has Germany. At Cantigny, Seichprey, Chateau Thierry, Fismes, Mihiel, everywhere Foch asked Pershing to break a German line our men were not only ready but able to equal the work of the best soldiers of Europe. Those who doubt may consult the ghosts of the Prussian Guards.

We had a few more than 100,000 men in France a year ago; we have 2,000,000 now. In this Year of Reality we have made it evident to Germany that America not only could but would stake everything on the winning of the war. A year ago to-day America was to Germany a trifle and Germany was sending her soldiers to the Italian front to wrench from Cadorna the fruits of his patient work. Since then Italy has lost and won, and Germany has won—and lost.

The casualties of the American army since Sibert's men began the real business of war have been perhaps 60,000; a small number when compared with the losses of our Allies in a year. If it be the German decision that the war shall go on, then it has been just the beginning for America of her fighting. But America's army is trained, frugal, eager and increasing in number at the rate of 10,000 a day, so for Germany it is the beginning of the end.

FIRE PREVENTION

There will be no special observance of fire prevention day, a week from next Saturday, but fire losses to the extent of nearly \$23,000,000 in Pennsylvania during the year 1917 give us reason to think about eliminating unnecessary risks. Accumulation of inflammable material that might as well be thrown on the dump heap, carelessness with matches and with cigar and cigarette stubs—these are some of the things to be avoided, and it does not take much time or incur much trouble to avoid them.—Wilkes-Barre Record.

Unidentified

Recently, during the operations of the British Egyptian expeditionary force in Palestine, a town to the south of Beersheba was captured and in it was discovered a splendid example of mosaic pavement. The excavator of it was placed in charge of a chaplain, and while the work was proceeding some human bones were discovered.

Elated at the find the padre immediately wired to great headquarters: "Have found the bones of saint." Shortly after the reply came back: "Unable to trace Saint in casualty list. Obtain particulars of regimental number and regiment from his identity disc."

Rejoice and Do Good

"He hath made everything beautiful in his name; also he hath set eternity in their heart, yet so that man cannot find out the work that God hath done from the beginning even to the end. I know that there is nothing better for them, than to rejoice, and to do good so long as they live."—Eccles. 3: 11, 12.

Hard Luck

Bill—This war is fierce, Jill—What's wrong now? "Why, I got a letter from my girl who is Over there to-day, and the censor cut out sixteen of the woudest postscript in it."—From the Yonkers Statesman.

LABOR NOTES

Street Railway Employees Union of State Island is having a better condition and a 20 per cent. wage increase.

There is not a child under 16 employed in the cotton industry in Ohio.

Butchers' workmen at Madison, Wis., have secured a 10-hour day.

Bookbinders' International has a membership of almost 16,000.

Janitors of Seattle (Wash.) theaters have secured union recognition.

Franklin (Pa.) bookbinders have raised wages to \$25 a week.

Brewery Workers' International was organized in Baltimore August 29, 1886.

Milwaukee society women are taking temporary jobs in canneries.

OUR DAILY LAUGH

HE KNEW A REAL REST.

M y vacation starts next week. Going away. No—but my wife is!

THE FAMILY BUDGET. Her Father—Nonsense! Why your income wouldn't buy feathers for her hat. Her Sutor—That's all right. They're not wearing feathers now.

VALUABLE GUIDANCE. Are your children much of a help and comfort. Yes, indeed. I can always depend on them to tell me where the best moving picture is to be found.

HIS VIEWS. The headless horseman used to be a favorite character with novelists. I don't know much about headless horsemen, but plenty of people run automobiles that way.

A PUBLIC BENEFACTOR. Patriot—I'm starting a movement to establish a municipal rink. Mayor—Why a municipal rink? Patriot—To find some use for the cheap skates that are running the town.

Evening Chat

Some estimates as to what sums of money will be required to carry through the great plan for extension of Capitol Park, the improvement of the old park, construction of the formal entrance and place for ceremonies in the west front and the bridge to be dedicated to the counties of Pennsylvania will be the original park when the State Board of Public Grounds and Buildings meets to consider the plans of the architects and engineers. The plan calls for an appropriation of \$350,000 to start the work, but, owing to the war and the cost of materials the Board estimates it wise to have the plans fully worked out and all estimates made and to confine the actual operations to filling and grading, which will be done by the contractor in the old park, designed to fit it for inaugural and other ceremonies and to complete what was never finished of the original park which was allowed to go over. Similarly the construction of the new power plant was deferred. The funds appropriated for the plan for the extension of the park when the war is over. The plans of Arnold W. Brunner, the architect in charge, who was the creator of the Cleveland park, and the architect of the Morningside park in Manhattan; Warren H. Manning, landscape engineer, and J. H. Greiner, bridge engineer, were the ones showing the whole proposition in detail. The park extension plan dates back over a quarter of a century and the original plan would have been well under way.

Captain F. A. Godcharles, deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth, who was granted leave to enter the ordnance department, has been appointed on the staff of General Leonard Wood, who is in charge of the general's western headquarters. Captain Godcharles was stationed in Washington for a time and while in Florida was in charge of rifle practice. He is one of the best marksmen in the state. There have been reports that General Wood may be sent to Russia.

William Williams, the new secretary to the State Commissioner of Health, who comes upon the scene when the ambitious scheme of cleaning is an old newspaper friend. He is a close personal friend of H. Lindley Hostford, who was secretary of the health department and has been all over the country. Mr. Williams hails from Meadville and did newspaper work on the New York Herald for several years and has been in the circus publicity department for nine years and in winter time had charge of the editing end for Barnum's. He was in Florida when he got the hurry call to come home. He knows newspapermen all over Pennsylvania.

Major Walter T. Merrick, former senator and northern tier lawyer, was here yesterday with a number of his friends to see the capitol and called on officials. The major said he was renewing old acquaintances. He has many.

Friends of William H. Ball, secretary to the Governor, are "kidding" him about the inkstand presented to him by the Governor, a region admirer. It contains inkwells and match places and also a thermometer. The presence of the latter on a gift like that is a humorous touch, the cause of some of the jocose remarks.

"I don't see why they want the saloons open," mused a man leaning disconsolately against a pole in Market Square last evening. "The price has everything in so high that you can't buy much and what you do buy is no good any more." Again, it may be remarked that even in former times the price of saloons was not so high as it is now.

Another interesting sidelight upon Harrisburg and its life under epidemic conditions is furnished by the quick lunches. Midnight is ordinarily the closing time for these establishments, although some of them, in many instances, keep open all night. When the closing order began to be felt the lunch places were favorites for men