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If do well and say well were fitted in one frame.

All were won, all were done, and got were all the pain.

THE ROAD LOAN

ADOPTION of the \$50,000,000 road loan for Pennsylvania is an assurance that the State is at last to come into its own in the matter of improved highways.

We observe that some attention is to be given to the erection of armories by the Commonwealth, the program of armory construction having been suspended to some extent during the war.

THE NEW CONGRESS

INCOMPLETE returns of Tuesday's elections indicate a decisive Republican majority in the House and probable control of the Senate at Washington.

WHY NOT HOSTAGES?

U GERMAN has approached the fighting lines of democracy to learn under what terms he may save his armies from utter annihilation.

Prisoners Taken in Hosts

[From a letter of Sergt. Maj. Frank W. Sterns, 117th Ammunition Train, 8th Infantry Division, in the Hiawatha World.]

LABOR NOTES

On October 26 at New York city United Textile workers of America will meet in convention.

Records being made by ship workers on the Pacific coast are due to the fact that the men are thoroughly organized.

Stores have been started on the Rensselaer co-operative plan in Alton, Worden, Villa Grove, Marlissa and Salem, Ill.

Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman

While men who figured in the clash between the Republican and Democratic parties in Pennsylvania are exchanging compliments upon the results and the manner of conducting the campaign, now that it is all over and the people of the Keystone state are resuming their great work of adding materially in the winning of the war, it is to be noticed that there has been no sign of abatement of hostilities between the factions of the Pennsylvania Democracy.

There are many compliments being heard for Chairman William E. Crow and Secretary W. Harry Baker, of the Republican State Committee, who have been doing a splendid job in the matter of raising one of the most trying campaigns ever known by the Republicans of Pennsylvania, and whose predictions, in answer to an advertisement in the States flag because Columbus discovered America in 1492.

RETRIBUTION

THE New York Sun publishes the following account of what took place at the German general headquarters after the surrender at Sedan, when General Wimpfen went to plead with Von Moltke for some modification of the peace conditions laid down:

This cold and inflexible calculator had reduced war to mathematical formulas, was as incapable of generosity as of anger. He had decided that the entire army, with arms and baggage, should be prisoners. Bismarck took the conference. He made one remark that has historical importance. "Prussia will indemnify of four billion francs, but Alsace and Lorraine. We must have a good advanced strategic line."

And see how the prediction has come true. Retribution has overtaken the German. It is his turn to plead at the bar of international justice, and justice he will get, but no mercy. The power to repeat the horror he has imposed upon him. He would move in the dust of indignity and wear the sackcloth and ashes of the chastened offender before he can hope to be received in the congress of the nations.

The Allies will make no such mistakes as Bismarck made. The peace terms must be just to all and leave no such sores as Alsace to fester through the years. The rights of all peoples must be respected. But that does not mean there shall be no subtractions from German, Austrian or Turkish territory. What it does mean is that any territory which shall be taken away shall be inhabited by people who do not want to continue their alliance with any of the three arch international criminals. Germany must pay and pay in blood and money for her crimes, but there will be no forcible annexations.

Notwithstanding the great drawbacks growing out of the war period, the Penn-Harris Hotel is reaching the final stages of construction and ornamentation. It is creditable to all concerned that this great piece of public entertainment has been pushed through under the most discouraging circumstances.

She Knows It

We forgot to add, but Austria doubtless will understand that it won't be necessary for her to write again until she can enclose a map showing the boundaries of the Jugo-Slav republics—From the Kansas City Star.

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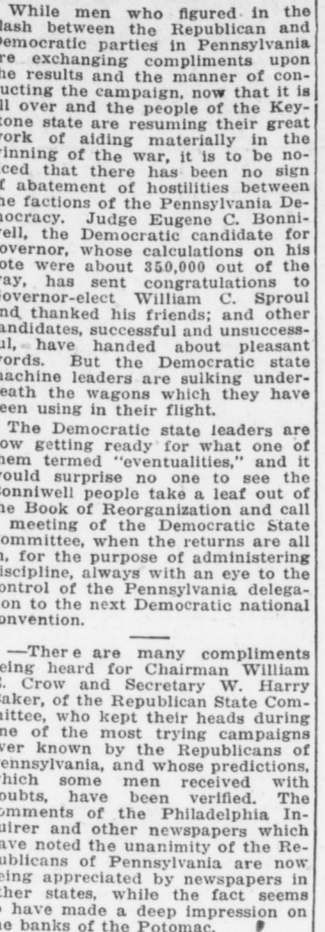
British postal employees demand increased wages, pensions and a better arrangement of working hours.

In the six years from 1911 to 1917 membership in trade unions in Canada has grown from 133,132 to 204,630.

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WHAT DOES A SOLDIER THINK ABOUT WHEN CALLING ON HIS BEST GIRL?

By BRIGGS



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

ENTER PROTEST To the Editor of the Telegraph: Please have this published in the Harrisburg Telegraph.

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WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

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OUR MODEST ADMIRAL

(From the Portland Oregonian)

Admiral Henry M. Wilson, commander-in-chief of the American naval forces in French waters, by his refusal to accept a proffered Cross of the Legion of Honor, has written himself down as the most modest of men.

The French government, in recognition of his services, had marked him for this distinguished honor. The French President invited him to a luncheon and a minister of the French Cabinet aided in the effort to persuade him.

To all pleas the admiral was obdurate. It appears, according to the Associated Press account of the incident, that he takes his stand upon the ground that one is forbidden to accept a decoration except for acts of war.

Because he has not been in actual contact with the enemy in a battle on the high seas, he prefers to cling to the notion that he has not distinguished himself by "acts of war." He does not consider that work done at sea is "work at the front."

One will not be disposed to criticize a spirit so commendable as the self-effacement of this sea-dog, who so admirably typifies the entire American Navy. It was Admiral Sims who the other day reminded us that the American Navy had performed only a fraction of the deeds which had drawn the fangs of the German submarine.

Yet our Allies are ready enough to acknowledge their obligation to our fighting men of the sea.

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THIS CHRISTMAS

[From the Philadelphia Evening Ledger.] Sentiment is still a great power in the world of human affairs.

The crumbling process in Europe, therefore, and the assemblage of what is in some respects a peace council at Versailles, with the approach of the Christmas season unite in what is one of the great coincidences of the age.

This moving interplay of events may present aspects of overwhelming drama as the days pass. To tired men in the armies of Europe, in the lonesome houses of the fighting nations, in the despairing heart of the German people the approach of Christmas, with attendant signs of peace, may yet bring about profound reactions. No one will be amazed if the fighting stops before Christmas.

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OF COURSE NOT. Does your husband do foolish things with his money? Well, I wouldn't say that. He gives it all to me.

DARED. Mr. W. tried to kiss me last evening. How dared he? He didn't—I dared him.

A SURE SIGN. The Maid: And is Madam's friend a real count? Miss Rocks: Oh yes! He offered to marry me for a settlement of fifty thousand dollars.

A PRECARIOUS POSITION. Where do you expect to spend the winter? If my wife continues in her extravagant ways, I'll spend it in jail.

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Evening Chat

Has senator-elect William C. Sprull as sat upon the inaugural stands and watched five Governors take the oath of office. He has served as chairman of a committee to have charge of arrangements for induction of a chief magistrate of Pennsylvania and has been a member of the committee a couple of additional times.

Not since the days of John F. Hartranft has there been a man chosen Governor as familiar with the governmental activities of his native state as Mr. Sprull. William A. Stone was a Congressman and Pittsburgh lawyer; Samuel L. Pennypacker, a Justice and lover of history; Edwin B. Stuart, a former Mayor of Philadelphia and businessman, who left an impress on business at the Capitol when it needed it; John K. Tener was a Congressman and banker and Martin G. Brumbaugh an educator and author. Senator Sprull since he became Senator in 1896 has achieved notable success as a businessman and accumulated a large amount of varied amount of experience in legislative and executive ways.

In singular measure he combines knowledge of the state government from almost every angle and with a good bit of the Stuart business methods about him. Happily for Harrisburg, too, the Senator knows all about the relation of the state to its capital. He knows how to get things done and has his own ideas about the official center of the Commonwealth. He will be keenly interested in the furtherance of the plan of Capitol Park extension and look for a good bit of his share in the monumental project. And he will mingle right in Harrisburg affairs and add to an already large number of friends here.

When Senator John E. Fox was struggling to get the Capitol Park bill through the upper house of the Legislature and standing right up to it in spite of setbacks, Senator Sprull was one of the men who supported him. The Governor-elect then pointed out to colleagues that it was good business to buy the property and it is interesting to note that it will be developed when he is Governor.

Every book that goes out of the Harrisburg Public Library during the United War Work drive is carrying a slip telling of the reasons for the drive. This is a very effective way of calling attention to the objects because every slip is passed along. Thousands of books are circulated in a week by the library and the slips move right along.

Harry E. Lowery, the big traffic officer who ensures the safety of pedestrians and the good behavior of motorists, reports the luckiest incident he ever heard of. While standing on his corner yesterday, a little girl came up to him and asked him to buy her a package. She had lost \$87 wrapped in a package, while she was on her way on her bicycle to pay a grocery bill. Officer Lowery told