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The glory of life is to love, not to be loved; to give, not to get; to serve, not to be served.—Hugh Black.

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A FREE SERVICE BASIS

FIGURES published by the State Board of Public Charities showing the free service rendered by hospitals of the State in definite statements of dollars and cents should prove both illuminative and instructive.

There is no reason for our county and city officials to hesitate on the plans for the proposed city and county building. The project has unanimous public approval.

GENERAL SNYDER'S PLAN

AUDITOR GENERAL CHARLES A. SNYDER'S plan to increase the pay of teachers in proportion to the salaries they now receive is practical, meets the needs of the case and doubtless will have the approval of the public.

GERMAN GUIDE

HOW to develop peace orders and get back on a normal business basis is what is challenging the commercial and industrial leaders of the United States.

orders essential to keep the wheels running, while prices generally must decline, and buyers everywhere are disposed to delay purchases until this decline seems really to have reached bottom.

It has recently been developed in an inquiry at Washington that an effort was made in the 1918 campaign to throw the German vote to Wilson and machinations of propagandists to keep America out of war have been revealed before a Senate committee.

No American workingman who has any conception of his own future interest will waste a minute on the vapors of the half-baked theorists of Russia and their wild-eyed imitators on this side of the Atlantic.

A WEATHER OPTIMIST

WE read that John Hartman, of York county, has dug his garden and is about to plant corn and potatoes.

Our advice in this case, if we were asked for it, would be to paraphrase that of Quay to Beaver, and say: "Dear John—don't."

The first robin nearly always gets stuck in a snowstorm, the man who takes off his winter underclothing too soon catches the "flu," but the man who plants corn and potatoes in February is daring beyond endurance.

FOREST POLITICS

EVERY clear thinking resident of Pennsylvania is a conservationist and will hail any legislation tending to increase the acreage of the State's forest reserves and provide adequate men to handle them.

Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeemen

Governor William C. Sproul seems to have struck a responsive chord in his declarations that the time has come for the men running the various activities of the federal government to take heed of the manner in which they are exercising their States rights.

The attention of many men in Pennsylvania and in other States as well has been attracted to the action started by Attorney General Schaffer in the Dauphin county court recently against the legality of the federal increase of telephone rates without pretense of recognition of the authority of the state over a corporation operating under a Pennsylvania charter and within the Commonwealth.

On Saturday, Pittsburgh Governor Sproul bluntly charged that the federal government had "invaded the rights of the states." Members of the Legislature were discussing the speech to-day.

Senator Vare will be in Florida this week and the charter revisionists "work to complete their draft fair to be one of the things this session. The teachers have organized to back the Weaver bill and Colonel General Snyder, the champion of the minimum salary act of 1903, will urge a higher minimum.

BOOKS AND MAGAZINES

The sad and untimely death of Colonel Roosevelt has brought out many interesting anecdotes of his career and character. But perhaps there is none more amusing and revealing of his personality than the one told by Charles G. Washburn in his "Theodore Roosevelt—the Logic of His Career."

"Dear Charley: Of the various books written of me this is the one I hope my grandchildren will accept as giving the real motive and purpose of my career. You are overpartial to me, old friend; but you have sketched the ideal to which, with many, many failings and shortcomings on my part, I have yet tried to be true. I am very proud of what you say in this book, and very thankful to you for having written it. Faithfully yours, Theodore Roosevelt."

HIS HANDICAP

"Look here, Holler!" severely began Constable Sam T. Slackputter, the well known sleuth of Petunia, addressing the chief of the fire department, "the mayor and council are kicking a good deal about your everlasting chess playing. S'pose a fire was to break out right now; you'd hang back and fool around till the time you got there the hood-cand would probably be all burn up."

Thrift-Day Note

Another good bet is that the happy-go-lucky young man isn't going to get that way when he gets old.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

One Can Always Worry

Mrs. Feavish says another thought that keeps her uneasy is that if the time should ever return when she can buy a steak for 10 cents she probably won't have the money.—Dallas News.

WHEN A FELLER NEEDS A FRIEND

BY BRIGGS



that must face a shortage of facilities. —H. E. Eppey, Burgess of York Haven, will quit. He is going to move to Goldsboro.

HE had been shot to pieces. Broken-bodied, he was unconscious when his journey towards the base hospital began. He was lifted and dropped, shaken by the inevitable difficulties of the journey, the darling, the epic labor that conquered the wilderness, swept through the prairies, climbed the mountains, and lined with steel the sunrise of the Atlantic with the foreign land of wars.

Cited in a Private's Dispatch

They closed the eyes and laid away to sleep. In nature's bosom but the flesh he wore, Dust unto dust; for while the angels keep Celestial records, he lives evermore. Lives, moves and has his being in the hearts Of all who knew and cherished him before!

The Mental Alarm Clock

We have in our brains a little alarm clock. Just as we often set that mental alarm clock to wake us at a certain hour, it can be set to remind us to do or not to do certain acts next day. Before going to sleep one says to the alarm clock, "If anything happens to make me lose my temper to-morrow, I want you to remind me to hang on to it."

DREAMS

If I come to speak of dreams concerning the dead, it must be with a tenderness and awe that all who have had them will share with me. Nothing is more remarkable in them than the fact that the dead, though they are dead, yet live, and are, to our commerce with them, quite like all other living persons. We may recognize, and they may recognize, that they are no longer in the body, but they are verily living as we are.

Peace, One With Another

Salt is good; but if the salt have lost its savor, whither will it go? Have salt in yourselves, and have peace one with another.—Mark ix, 50.

Simply Can't Pay 'Em Back

Justice will have to be merciful in dealing with the central powers. Justice has not punishment enough in her whole bag to give them their due.—Buffalo Enquirer.

He Takes a Chance Himself

The robin, however, wants it distinctly understood that his appearance guarantees nothing.—Indianapolis News.

Day of the Motor Truck

When the pink primordial pride and joy Of our antediluvian hot polloi Had achieved its suburban steak to tote He dragged it along on an old stone boat;

When Hannibal scampered across an Alp The rollicking Romans hollered "hail!" For they had been told that it had been done Hannibal fooled them, the son-of-a-gun!

And tress unfortunate, too, the fate Of Alexander the so-called great, Of Kid Vespasian, Brian Boru, Napoleon Bone and Stonewall, too, Copernicus, Newton and Peter and Paul,

Without the aid of the benzine shay, While you and I have superlative luck We have the Gazool motor truck. Then hail to the cam and the cog and wheel, The brass and copper, the wood and steel!

Burleson One-Hoss Shay

(Apologies to Oliver Wendell Holmes) "ONE-HOSS SHAY" TO BURLESON With Secretary Glass, He Objects to Motor Car For Personal Use.—Newspaper Headline. Have you heard of the postoffice one-hoss shay?

Now in our postal service chaise—tell you what— There was always somewhere a trouble spot. In some laws, railroads, the army band, Outside competition, how things ran, Unusual congestion, catch as catch can,

THE SECRET

You silly, frilly lady of the century anterior, What charm had you that makes you mean the modern girl inferior? What sweet, disarming, charming trait beneath your prim exterior,

Too Much For Her

"What's happened next door?" "The Jibbeely cock failed to show up and Gladys Jibbeely, to hold the local long distance tango record, fainted from exhaustion after washing the breakfast dishes."—From the Birmingham Age-Herald.

We Simply Can't Please 'Em

If America starts to feed Germany it will be just like the Huns to kick about the cooking.—Detroit Free Press.

Still We Send Missionaries

Eggs are said to be selling for six cents a dozen in China. That is one advantage of the primitive civilization.—Baltimore American.

LABOR NOTES

To release men for other work, Hog Island shipyards now employ women chauffeurs. The world's richest iron mine, in Lapland, has been equipped with electrical machinery. Women engaged in munition work number 1,302,000.

DO YOU KNOW

Harrisburg products are used to make soldiers' clothing for overseas service? HISTORIC HARRISBURG "As of the a dozen 'back' of 'brothrons' used to come down the Susquehanna in a week one hundred years ago. They brought coal, produce and lumber.

Evening Chat

First steps to secure for the Commonwealth the colors of Pennsylvania regiments in the war with Germany and Austria so that the flags may be displayed beside the standards of the Civil and Spanish Wars have been taken by Adjutant General Frank D. Beary. Letters have been sent to people connected with the regiments of the old National Guard which were later merged into regiments of the Twentieth Division and also to officers or friends of the old Cavalry and other units which were disbanded or whose identity was changed.

People in this county, which was one of the first to take up the proposition of working prisoners on the county farms and which produced good results both for the farms and the persons who got a chance to work, will be interested in the State plan to have prisoners handle mosquito eradication projects. This proposal comes from New Jersey and while "skeeters" do not grow as vicious beside the Susquehanna as along the Delaware there are some spots about Harrisburg which could be eliminated. In fact, it is a rather remarkable thing that the live real estate men have not gotten on the mosquito breeding places long ago. Some sections which have been undergoing development and which have possibilities are close to low places and the presence of cattails is something which doctors and people interested in sanitation can afford to watch.

The fact that the Philadelphia Press yesterday devoted a page to telling of the activities of Pennsylvania cities and towns in regard to memorials and other work for perpetuation of the services of their war dead is something that has brought to minds of some Harrisburgers the situation here. There has been much talk about honoring the men who fought, as befitted a city which has so many men in service as the capital of a State which was the very keystone of the Union in war.

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WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

The Rev. J. J. Curran, the Wilkes-Barre priest, who was a close friend of Roosevelt, made one address about him this month. —Judge Albert W. Johnson, of Lewisburg, will be one of the speakers at the Washington birthday exercises in Philadelphia. —General John W. Heavey, chief of militia affairs at the War Department and well known here, is expected to his work as a colonel in the regular army. —William Jennings Bryan is to be a speaker in Philadelphia this week. —Dr. J. P. Kerr, Pittsburgh oculist and major in the medical corps, is being highly praised in letters home for his work in the hospital. —E. C. Higbee, Uniontown lawyer, has started a battle with the Thompson estate creditors committee over the details of the will. —The Rev. W. E. McCulloch, Pittsburgh minister, is home from France where he did war work and is making a series of addresses in Allegheny county. —Congressman S. D. Fess, mentioned for speaker, has been a teachers' institute lecturer in almost every county in Pennsylvania. —The Corleyton, the Philadelphia district postal inspector who has just resigned has been in the service twenty years and halls from Brooklyn.