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God help us all to kindly view The world that we are passing through!

—Lydia Maria Child.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 12, 1919

WHY NOT COMMUTE?

RESIDENT WILSON is coming home from France for the end of Congress, but he is going back again. If necessary he will come home a second time and go back immediately for another session.

GOOD SELECTIONS

GOVERNOR Sproul gave recognition to merit and hard work when he re-appointed Adjutant General Beary and Fish Commissioner Buller yesterday.

A BIG PROBLEM

THE housing problem of the Chamber of Commerce Friday should be largely attended. Housing is one of the biggest of Harrisburg's problems, just as it is that of most other growing cities.

RESTORE CONFIDENCE

RESIDENT WILSON used to be a strong advocate of what he has termed "pitiless publicity," but in view of what has transpired during the last year or two in the conduct of public affairs the average intelligent citizen is forced to the conclusion that "pitiless publicity" in the President's mind must mean the absence of publicity of any sort.

THE Chevrons

Do you know what the chevrons mean? A red "V" inverted is worn on the left sleeve between elbow and shoulder by the driver of a soldier.

LABOR NOTES

The Scottish Institute of Accountants has decided to admit women to membership on the same terms as men.

Childhood's Explanations

"Ma, don't it smell solemn!" whispered a little girl to her mother in church. Another little tot on seeing her bite-frosted birthday cake, remarked: "That's a lovely cake. It looks just like a cemetery."

We Shall Not Sleep

To those who are passing Germany's land and showing signs of a compromise with the beast is respectfully suggested another reading of McRea's poem, "In Flanders Fields."

order to prevent a repetition of the evils that now exist to a degree abominably disgraceful.

Uncontrolled speculation would be so closely akin to exploitation that it is to be hoped that it will not be permitted here, much as we need dwellings at this moment. The community must have a hand in its own development, even though the money for that development comes from the pockets of those who are operating for profit.

A housing company, based on reasonable profits and organized for the purpose of giving the city a model building development, would be useful in setting an example for other builders, but it would not meet the needs of the community fully for the reason that, by the very nature of things, its capital would be too small and its opportunities too limited.

OUT WITH THEM

THE best news that the press dispatches have carried in many a long day is that the Government has arranged for the deportation of fifty-four aliens who have been stirring up trouble in this country.

SLAVS AN ANCIENT RACE

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Politics in Pennsylvania

Replacement of William A. Magee and Michael J. Ryan as members of the Public Service Commission by Sidney Ray Shelby, of Uniontown, and Samuel M. Clement, Jr., of Philadelphia, by the Governor yesterday afternoon and the prompt action of the Senate in confirming the appointments is held about the Capitol to remove the last of the partisan antagonists from the Commission. The men who remain are not active politically and neither of the new commissioners has been a leader in partisan affairs in recent years.

Both of the retiring commissioners were close friends of Francis Shunk Brown, the former attorney general, and were more or less politically antagonistic to the friends of Governor Sproul. Judge Harold M. McClure, of Lewisburg, reappointed and confirmed, was a Brumbaugh appointee, but always regarded as a friend of Sproul's men from the Commission. He is one of the strong men of the commission and has handled a large amount of work since he became a commissioner last summer.

WARNING

As long as you never marry me, and I never marry you, There's nothing on earth that we cannot do—and nothing we cannot do—

THE PARABLE OF THE PRODIGAL FATHER

A CERTAIN man had two sons and the youngest of them said to his father, "Father, give me the portion of thy time, and thy attention, and thy companionship, and thy counsels which falleth to me."

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"GEE THAT'S A SWEET LOOKING GIRL OVER THERE—SOME FELLOWS ARE LUCKY—BUT THEN I SPIDE IT'S HIS UNIFORM AND SAM BROWN BELT!"

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Ebbering Chat

Reference was made in this column yesterday to the famous visit of Abraham Lincoln to Harrisburg on Washington's Birthday in 1861, when he was on his way to Washington for his inauguration. It was one of the red letter days of Harrisburg and on Lincoln's Birthday it is fitting to reprint a few extracts from the files of the Harrisburg Telegraph of those days to show how the people of this city received him. Harrisburg had just become a city and not only its people, but the folks for miles and miles around came here to see Lincoln. This section, led by Cameo, Lincoln's friends, had gone heavily for Lincoln and in the days of the War for Independence, was intensely loyal. It was with Curtin to a man. Lincoln's visit was marked by a parade, a reception and speech at the Jones House, late on Commonwealth; a visit to the Capitol and to the Pennsylvania railroad roundhouse. It is a matter of history that the people of this city received him with a reception and speech at the Jones House, late on Commonwealth; a visit to the Capitol and to the Pennsylvania railroad roundhouse. It is a matter of history that the people of this city received him with a reception and speech at the Jones House, late on Commonwealth; a visit to the Capitol and to the Pennsylvania railroad roundhouse.

The real story of Lincoln's trip to Washington will probably never be written. Some interesting accounts have been told by old Harrisburgers of how the train, which was supposed to go some by the Central to New York, was quietly moved to Second and Vine streets and there Lincoln boarded it for Philadelphia. William Perrine has written in the Philadelphia Evening Bulletin a most interesting account of the incidents of the trip in Philadelphia and some recollections of that time have been contributed to the Philadelphia evening newspaper.

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