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Kind words produce their own image in men's souls, and a beautiful image it is.—Pascal.

CAN IT BE TRUE?

BRING your love to church. Urges the Rev. Clayton Albert Smucker, pastor of Stephens Memorial Methodist Church.

Why did we go? Well, there were two reasons. One was the witchery of her own charming presence and again there was the fear of "that other fellow."

It was never necessary to urge the girls to bring their beaus to church in those days. The trouble most of them had was keeping free of 'em for an evening to give some other young chap a chance, and if human nature has changed so much in a generation, we don't wonder folks are alarmed for the future of civilization.

Commissioner Lynch is showing a lot of energy in the resurfacing and repairing of the highways of the city.

AN IMPORTANT PLACE

NO appointment that Governor Sprout will make will be of more importance or have a greater effect on the future life of Pennsylvania people than that of State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

will have a difficult and arduous task on his hands. Much progress has been made since the State Board of Education came into being, but by the very nature of the situation brought about by what amounted in more or less degree to dual responsibility, the activities of the Board have been to a large extent limited.

We have come to a period in the school history of the State where the need is urgent for a big, unbiased, energetic, devoted man to head our Department of Education.

Much of the misunderstanding regarding the doings at the Paris Peace Conference is the result of the failure to make good the promise that there should be publicity of the most pitiless character.

FOR A MODEL CITY

COLONEL EDWARD MARTIN'S effort to make Harrisburg a model city from the standpoint of health and sanitation will meet with the hearty support and cordial co-operation of every loyal Harrisburg man and woman.

Harrisburg should grasp at the opportunity afforded by the Commissioner's offer. Both the city and the State have much to gain by the experiment.

Thousands of people come to Harrisburg every week to visit the seat of government, and Colonel Martin has wisely sensed the importance of sending them home impressed with what they have seen here and carrying with them lessons in public health and sanitation that will render fertile the ground of other cities for the seed the Health Department desires to sow.

Properly conducted, a campaign such as the Commissioner contemplates can be of vast good to both city and State. He will find the people here ready and willing to assist to the limit.

MAKE THEM WELCOME

ALL the returning soldiers should be given the most cordial welcome home, and the great reception which is being planned here for the Fourth of July, ought to be kept constantly in mind by our people.

So far as possible there ought to be union of effort in this homecoming reception and parade, but the uniting of the forces of the home folks need not interfere in any way with proper receptions of considerable units which may arrive from time to time before the Fourth of July.

Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman

Reports presented at the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Palmer Democratic State machine at Philadelphia a few days ago, are said to have been the most discouraging to reach the banded Democratic factional bosses since the day after the May primary when Judge Eugene C. Bonnell was shown to have upset their nomination for Governor.

The truth is that the demoralization of the so-called reorganization forces of the Pennsylvania Democracy, began with the Democratic rabble and the places and the timelag and forced every one to listen to praises of themselves, was hastened by the long well known night sentiment to rout by the rising popular sentiment against the national administration.

—In opinion of some people who have been studying the legislative situation, the recess will not be such a bad thing for the General Assembly.

—The Philadelphia Press in an article by Charles Downer, editor of the Philadelphia Inquirer, says, but at the same time much of the loss of time has been due to the lack of a comprehensive program.

—The Ohio Legislature has decided to start a recess on April 17 and return to Columbus on May 5.

—The Philadelphia Inquirer calls attention to the fact that returned soldiers are washing some plans in various counties.

—The Philadelphia Public Ledger says: "All talk of 'ripper' legislation in connection with the Philadelphia charter revision bill was discounted yesterday when it was learned that the Woodard bill will be passed by the Legislature."

Nations Scramble For Arctic

Spitzbergen for centuries was a poor relation of civilized countries, none of them thinking it worth claiming, but the discovery of immense deposits of coal has caused Germany, Great Britain, Russia and Scandinavia to scramble for ownership.

State Aid as Right, Not Favor

State aid for private and semi-private charities, as it has been given in Pennsylvania for many years, has been an important part of the system and offer with but small relation to the real merits of the institutions receiving State money.

WHEN A FELLER NEEDS A FRIEND

BY BRIGGS



WHEN YOUR FATHER TAKES YOU TO THE CIRCUS AND JUST AS YOU GET TO THE ENTRANCE AND YOU HEAR THE BAND PLAYING FOR THE GRAND OPENING, PAGEANT—FATHER MEETS AN OLD TIME FRIEND!!

Where Germany's Chance Lies

[Charles Downer Hazen in the Atlantic Monthly.] The one outstanding landmark in contemporary Russia is that set up on March 3, 1918—the treaty of Brest-Litovsk.

By that treaty Russia renounced an enormous territory, more than twice the size of the German Empire, and a population nearly as large as that of Germany.

HIS LETTER

Beyond the steel and the fire Gleams the old desire. War has not taken wonder away. More poignant where its lightning plays.

A BREEDER OF SLUMS.

[From the Literary Digest.]

AN intimate relation that we are in danger of ignoring is pointed out between a five-cent fare and the future of the world.

"We confront the necessity of building a new world on the ruins of one that has fallen, not without some signs of discredit. We have the free choice of building up a new era of real civilization or of reverting to another period of Dark Ages."

The Dusk of the Immortals

Along the silent galaxy And up the empty floors Dim figures move from desk to desk, And vanish through the doors.

FEDERAL DICTATION

[From the Philadelphia Inquirer]

Has the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania the right and the power to regulate the business of the courts and to enact and administer its own laws, or must it submit to the dictation and control of the Federal authorities?

Was that a good defense? The County Court, in the case which, before which the equity proceedings were instituted, adjudged not.

In these circumstances, as Postmaster General Burleson could not claim intangibility as an officer for which he was unwarranted, was done as an individual, the preliminary injunction was continued until final hearing.

SEEDS

[George F. Burlin in the Columbus Dispatch.] If we knew something about seeds, and the germ of life therein, we would know a great deal more about Nature than we do.

The cocoon is the seed of the cocoon tree and the grain of corn is the seed of the plant we call corn.

LABOR NOTES

A British dyestuff concern has been organized for the purpose of controlling the dye business heretofore held by German firms.

Evening Chat

Officials of the State Library, who have been making studies of the legislative enactments of the last century and a half in Pennsylvania, to-day, called attention to the fact that Susquehanna river fishermen, who have been making some vigorous protests against the State fish code provisions in regard to seines, fish baskets and the like, were doing the same thing just one hundred years ago.

State Highway Department officials are looking forward to an early start on some of the main highway contracts and from reports coming here called for a big contracting firm have commenced assembling equipment, material and labor on a scale which indicates that they regard Pennsylvania business pretty highly and in use of a new scale.

The Pennsylvania State Compensation Board has laid down the rule that compensation cannot be granted in cases where men inhale fumes, unless it is expressly shown that death or injury was directly due to such occurrences.

It is probable that the Pennsylvania Legislature will enact a resolution providing for an investigation into health insurance and abandon the proposed industrial accident compensation for investigation of conditions for the purpose of providing for the old age pension proposition, especially in industrial communities, was begun under action in 1917 and is now planned to continue the old age pension law along certain lines and to make the health insurance investigation one of wide extent.

Thousands of young peach, apple and other fruit trees will come bearing in countries in the lower tier of counties in Pennsylvania this year, which is the result of the extensive orchard re-planting which began a few years ago.

WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

—Philip W. Blake, Allentown Commerce Chamber secretary, says a new station is coming for that city.

DO YOU KNOW

—That Harrisburg has been improving its churches faster than any city of its size in the State the last ten years.