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It is better only sometimes to be right than at all times to be wrong.

—Lincoln.

THIS IS THE DAY

THIS IS THE DAY. It's been a long time while coming, but it's here. Back at the entrance of the old Armory this afternoon, the men of Companies D and I will complete the long, weary circle they began when they marched out in columns of fours that day the Guard was summoned to the colors two years back. They have seen a lot since then. They went forth soldiers and they come back victorious veterans.

THE SHAFER BILL

THE Shaffer bill, now before the House, permitting boroughs to expend money for the erection of soldiers' monuments or memorials, would extend to municipalities the provisions of the law passed about twelve years ago granting such permission to county commissioners.

DESERVED PRAISE

SENATOR PENROSE compares Harrisburg's streets with those of Philadelphia, much to the advantage of Harrisburg. The city, with Commissioner William H. Lynch in charge, does its own work here, while in Philadelphia the streets are cleaned by contract.

OVER THE TOP AGAIN

HARRISBURG, to all intents, has gone over the top in the Victory Loan drive and we can look our returning soldiers in the face to-day happy in the consciousness that we are at home supported to the limit in every way activity undertaken since they went away.

Others who still had their positions were earning less money. Still others feared they might find themselves out of employment at any time. Many had not completed payments on former issues of bonds. And then there was lacking the enthusiasm of the war drives, which may be ascribed chiefly to the long drawn out dickerings over details in the preparation of a peace treaty.

Altogether it was a big job the bond salesmen had cut out for them in the Harrisburg district. Outside the city the conditions were more favorable. Farmers were never so prosperous and the crop outlook never so bright.

SPEAK UP, MR. BAKER

SECRETARY BAKER has repeatedly asserted that no injustice was done in the numerous court-martials during the war, despite the charges of Colonel Ansell that many soldiers were brutally and unjustly punished. His attention is therefore called to the following letter of Charles Grassel, of Ohio, sentenced to ten years imprisonment in the Atlanta penitentiary for no other reason than he was physically unable to obey the fool order of a second lieutenant who should never have been commissioned.

THE ARTFUL MR. BURLESON

[From the St. Louis Post-Dispatch.] Postmaster General Burleson, with the acumen of a small politician playing the part of a big boss, tries to divert public attention from his own official delinquencies by charging the newspapers with a conspiracy to ruin him.

INTERPRETING THE OMENS

In his youth Mark Twain edited a weekly journal in a small Western town. A subscriber wrote to him one day to remark that he had discovered a spider concealed in the folds of a recently delivered paper.

LABOR NOTES

Women workers employed in the mines in Ecuador receive 30 cents a day for their labor.

RETURN TO "CIRCUIT RIDERS"

To solve the problem of needs in rural church fields in Michigan, the State mission board of the Michigan Baptist convention voted to return to the old "circuit rider" system of special workers, but will equip their men with motor cars. They will send them to several neglected parts of the State where small churches find it hard to live.

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AIN'T IT A GRAND AND GLORIOUS FEELIN'?

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AND YOU HAVE TO EAT YOUR MEALS IN THE KITCHEN BECAUSE THE DINING ROOM FLOOR IS FRESHLY VARNISHED

AND YOU HAVE TO SLEEP ON THE DAVENPORT, BECAUSE YOUR BED IS BEING RE-BRASSED.

AND YOU COME HOME ONE EVENING TO FIND YOUR FRIEND WIFE AND COLLEGE BOY ON THE HOUSE IN ORDER

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

BY BRIGGS

Politics in Pennsylvania By the Ex-Committeeman

Developments in the Legislature rather indicate that there was good ground for the remark of Mayor Thomas B. Smith, of Philadelphia, to the effect that it looked as though Senator Boies Penrose could get anything he wanted in the General Assembly of Pennsylvania.

The Wilson bill providing for the repeal of the old class city nonpartisan elective system is just now a matter of considerable importance in the Legislature. In spite of assertions by the Governor that he is not his own critic, it is clear that he did not want it to come to him, the plan is to put through the measure, which passed the House finally on Monday night.

The average yearly output of coal per person employed in the coal mines in Great Britain was 236 tons in 1918, contrasted with 252 tons in 1914. The average wages per ton of coal raised for the six months to June 30, 1918, was \$2.96, as against an average of \$1.52 for the complete year of 1914.

When it's housecleaning time and the wife is too busy to change her houseapron for a dress, she greets you with a smile

And you have to eat your meals in the kitchen because the dining room floor is freshly varnished

And you have to sleep on the davenport, because your bed is being re-brassed

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Weather Lore [From the New York Sun.] That the average person is interested in the weather cannot be denied. In fact, it is the most talked of subject on the calendar.

Red in the morning the sailor's warning: Red at night the sailor's delight. When you see a mackerel sky, 'Twill not be many hours dry.

Invasion of Spain [From the Living Age.] The Barcelona Journal Vanguardia sounds a note of warning against the danger, very real in the writer's opinion, of the capture by foreigners of the natural wealth of Spain, and of her virtually becoming a colony of the United States.

Will Feed the World The story of the growing winter wheat is an unprecedented acreage, never before equaled, and a condition so high as to be without precedent or parallel.

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