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A lantern in hand is worth a dozen stars; but a lantern then with all your

It's well to be up to date, but it's fool-

WANTED-BUILDING CODE

HARRISBURG has talked a long time about a building code, but it has never gone far beyond the talking stage.

The latest instance was the proposed building of a large garage and service station in the northern section of the city.

If we had a comprehensive and sensible building code, these controversies would not arise, and it is the business of the City Council to devise such a code as will not only protect the builders but also the owners of residential property.

During the consideration of an appropriation of \$500,000 by Congress for the hunting down of the anarchists and bombthrowers who have been terrorizing the country,

A GREAT OLD STATE

WHEN the Sproul administration launched its constructive good roads program, it was never dreamed by anybody that the proposed issue of fifty millions in bonds would so quickly establish the superb credit of the Commonwealth as was done in the tenders for the first lot of these bonds yesterday.

Many manufacturers of advertised products report that they are unable to fill demands and are running behind on orders.

It is a fine thing for this grand old Commonwealth that now and then something comes along to look sky high the silly criticisms

which drift across the borders of the State regarding the conduct of our internal affairs and the official inefficiency of the State government.

It was a good day's work when almost a million dollars was gained in the sale of twelve millions of bonds, but, beyond the immediate profit in this transaction, is the comfortable feeling that the old Commonwealth can go right on developing its resources and making its great public improvements without fear of financial embarrassment from any quarter.

Superintendent Downes has called attention to the desirability of making the school buildings and grounds more attractive through the planting of shrubbery and vines.

BUILDING ACTIVITIES

ANOTHER big hotel is to be constructed in New York at a cost of \$7,500,000, the largest private building enterprise launched in the metropolis since America's entrance in the war.

"We believe America is on the threshold of unusual building activities, because all interests are finding that nothing is to be gained by holding off.

Harrisburg has done well by supplying through the Penn-Harris a great community need. It must do even better by providing smaller homes for sale and rental to care for the wage-earner and the family of limited income.

THE SESSION'S RECORD

NOW that the Legislature is on its last lap, there is bound to be a study of the results of the session. Many new laws have been added to those already in existence and the chances are that scores of these measures might just as well have died in committee.

The Republican Congress is hard at work and has already accomplished much in a short time. Millions of proposed expenditures have been lopped off and a close scrutiny is being applied to all appropriations.

NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING

WHEN the Sproul administration became active in ferreting out the criminals, there appears to be ample authority to seek out and punish the cowardly midnight assassins, but for some inscrutable reason the Department of Justice has not been as effective in tracking the bombers as might reasonably have been expected with all the power at its disposal.

While there are still some evidences of hand-to-mouth buying and a disposition to "play safe" in case of lowered prices, retail business has increased in a volume which indicates a bright outlook for "full speed ahead."

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Their important and patriotic part in the winning of the war has enlarged in every way the usefulness of the newspapers of the United States. More people are reading to-day than ever before in the history of the country and in

this period of readjustment the same press will do much to compose differences which too often arise through misunderstanding and lack of appreciation of the other fellow's viewpoint.

Good fellowship was the keynote of the outing of the Chamber of Commerce at the Colonial Country Club.

Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman

While Attorney General A. Mitchell Palmer was being hailed at the dinner given in his honor at Scranton last night, Judge Eugene C. Bonniwell, the Democratic candidate for Governor, repudiated Palmer last summer in this city, opened the attack on the Palmer presidential ambitions by sending a letter to Democratic members of the Legislature urging defeat of the sedition bill and incidentally attacking the Democratic bosses.

The letter assailed the sedition bill and then proceeded to take the hide off Palmer and Vance C. McCormick. "But mindful of the fact that there is another day coming, and that the majority of the honest Democrats of Pennsylvania selected me as their standard bearer, I am hopeful that you will join hands with us in rehabilitating the party and in restoring it to the respect of the freemen of Pennsylvania."

Palmer had a great party at Scranton last night and was honored by over 600 men, some of whom will no doubt be for him when the day comes to elect national delegates.

The House starts to-day with less than fifty bills to consider on its calendar. This is a usual record for the final Tuesday.

No Wonder Germany Quit

"The Gas Officer's life was not a happy one," said Major Frank C. Mahlin, of the Army Recruiting station, 325 Market street, Harrisburg, who has been denounced as a traitor and progressive, despite the reactionary conduct of some of their representatives.

Several candidates have entered the field for the office of State Senator from Luzerne county to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Senator J. H. Linnard. One of those in the race is Attorney Abram Salsburg, former Luzerne county district attorney, who will seek the nomination for the office of State Senator whose names have been connected with the senatorial fight are James Joyce, a Pittston banker and Attorney for the race, also of Pittston.

Major Pierce Mortimer, of Pittsville, who has a number of friends at the Capitol, has let it be known that he will support the ticket of Boulder, Col., to be city manager. The mayor says that he prefers the Schuykill county capital to any as mayor to any Western place.

Pittsburgh's bond issue seems to have started some of the "kicker" to working. The Pittsburgh Dispatch has been objecting to the proposed subway which it contends should be abandoned.

Methodists Like Music

It was eminently proper that the events incident to the Methodist Centenary should open with a song service. From its inception, Methodism has employed music as one of its forceful agencies. The glory of the human voice is prized as one of the most powerful appeals to the human heart.

WHEN A FELLER NEEDS A FRIEND



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor of the Telegraph: The writer has just arrived in Harrisburg in the interest of practically every voter in my city (Carbondale) and regrets very much to learn that there is some opposition to the registration bill.

COMMUNITY SALVAGE COMPANY

THROUGH the United States Department of Commerce an investigation has been made of Akron (Ohio) Industrial Salvage Company, a community incorporated waste-saving experiment.

EBENING CHAT

Harrisburg will be one of the gun centers of the United States during about a year from now when the State Sportsmen's Association will hold its thirtieth annual shoot in this city.

WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

The Rev. Dr. J. B. Stein, of Altoona, well known here, is attending the Methodist centenary at Columbus.

DO YOU KNOW

That Harrisburg's water carriage is to be limited in a number of up State cities this summer?

PERSONAL GUILT IN GERMANY

The purpose of the Allied and associated powers in demanding of Germany the surrender of the trial of those men chiefly responsible for the war and its unparalleled barbarities requires no explanation.

INFAMY OF GERMAN NAVY

The scuttling of the German ships surrendered to the British and American fleets may not be a bad thing in its results, but it removes a vexing question which has led to differences of opinion among the Allies.

BOLSHEVISM IMPOSSIBLE

Charles Edward Russell, who twice ran for Governor in the State of New York, and who left the Socialist party because of its attitude during the war believes that Americans are too intelligent to follow Lenin's horrible nightmare of Bolshevism.

HISTORIC HARRISBURG

The old State Arsenal in Capitol park used to furnish cannon for firing salutes.