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Never be afraid of giving up your best, and God will give you his best.—James Hinton.

GOOD JOB WELL DONE THE Harrisburg School Board is to be commended for the promptness with which it acted upon the proposal to purchase the Hoffman's Wood plot as a High School site.

It is not a difficult problem and several suggestions of a practical nature have already been made by competent engineers.

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THE SUSQUEHANNA BASIN

WITH the coming of hot weather and the greater use of the noble river which washes our front steps there is wider interest in the proper development of the Susquehanna Basin.

The association known as the "Greater Harrisburg Navy" has within its membership men of vision and enthusiasm who are conducting a constructive campaign of education as to the advantages of our water front and the basin to the end that permanent improvement may be achieved at the earliest possible date.

No feature of our scenic attractions is more commended by the visitor than the river basin and the unique treatment of the embankment along the city front, and when the Hardscrabble district is converted into an additional park strip definite consideration ought to be given some adequate plan for boating and bathing facilities at that point.

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Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman

Pittsburgh's big bond issue election, in which a loan of \$2,000,000 is involved is the high point of interest in Pennsylvania politics today.

The Gazette-Times says the Mayor is confident that the \$6,000,000 sub-way item, which the Pittsburgh Dispatch has been fighting, will carry two to one.

There are seven items and the program in the campaign ever known in the State outside of Philadelphia.

—Pennsylvania Congressmen are commencing to discuss what an interesting situation will be presented at the judicial primaries and general elections in many counties of Pennsylvania.

Capitol Hill is commencing to display nervousness over the possibility that there may be a pay day on July 15 without pay, such as occurred a couple of times during the administration of Governor Emergency Appropriation, designed to take care of the pay of people connected with the State Government.

It is commencing to look like an old-fashioned fight for the mayoralty of Lebanon, as Mayor George T. Spang has announced that he will be a candidate.

Joseph S. McLaughlin, director of supplies of Philadelphia, is said to have a mayoralty idea, but it is not meeting with favor in the Yare camp where Kendrick stock is quoted at high figures.

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WONDER WHAT A MOSQUITO THINKS ABOUT

Cartoon by Briggs showing a mosquito talking to a man. Text: HELLO - HERE'S A FIND! - THIS IS A BRAND NEW HEAD TO ME - AND I DON'T BELIEVE THERE'S BEEN ANOTHER MOSQUITO ON IT!

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Evening Chat

With exception of the colors of the 110th Infantry, the 107th Machine Gun Battalion, which was attached to the 28th division headquarters and a few of the auxiliary organizations the flags of all of the units which made up the Keystone division in France have been received by Adjutant General Frank D. Beary and this month arrangements will be made by the State Board of Public Grounds and Buildings for the proper placing of the colors in the rotunda of the Capitol.

Recruitment of the new troop of the State Police is being made entirely of men who have had service with the United States army in the war. There have been numerous inquiries from men who had overseas service as to the requirements for service in the State force and the fact that the organization will be made up of men of experience will enable the troop to be ready for service earlier than expected.

In these days of draught there come from the returned ones stories of sunny France, which was not too sunny but very cheerful in spirits.

Air Policy 'Unthinkable'

[Richard Washburn Child in Collier's Weekly.] Upon one thing the British are firm. They saw the inefficiency resulting from scattering the control of aviation among various departments of government.

The good sense, the proved experience, the wisdom and foresight of this fact are so plain that it gives an American in London a shudder when he reads a dispatch from Washington which, instead of conveying the news that Congress is developing the policy of air flying depends on it.

It is unthinkable that a great country like the United States will allow this state of affairs (the decentralization of control, the lack of government assistance to the development of flying, and the reduction of permanent air stations to three) to continue.

The British know it! Does America?

Secretary Baker's Prodigality

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Wood on Preparedness

[From the Washington Star] A VERY interesting address was delivered by Gen. Leonard Wood in Washington, the other night to the graduating class of George Washington University.

General Wood, as all are aware, was an advocate of preparedness at a time when all the advocates of that policy were regarded and characterized as mere alarmists—as men speaking without warrant—and by some as spreaders of alarm for selfish purposes.

Naturally and logically General Wood advises against slipping back into the old and discredited condition. Now that we have discovered the value of preparedness, and are prepared, he wants us to remain prepared, and to take steps to make the future secure.

Takes up Billboard Fight

[From the New York Herald.] Opening a fight on billboards in city streets and avenues, the National Association of Real Estate Boards, in convention at Atlantic City, places its interested strength behind a public sentiment which has been able already in a number of cities to effect wholesome reforms in the indicated direction.

THE ENEMIES OF ORDER

[From the Scranton Republican.] The anti-sedition law, recently passed by the Pennsylvania Legislature and approved by Governor Sproul for the purpose of curbing the enemies of order in their insidious efforts to undermine the Government of State and Nation, by their advocacy of the vicious tenets of Bolshevism and anarchy, has promptly been invoked in this city by the commendable action of Superintendent of Police Day in apprehending certain persons on the charge of violating its provisions.

While great care should be taken not to deprive any man of his liberty unjustly, or condemn him without fair trial, conditions are such as to justify the guardians of the law in keeping a close watch upon the agents of mischief who are now active sowing the seeds of sedition in this Republic.

The agents of anarchy must be taught that America is not fertile soil for their pernicious and poisonous propaganda. If the common sense rule of the people, exercised at the polls and substantiated by the verdict of the majority, does not suit the Bolshevist breeders of discontent let them go to Russia or wherever else the atmosphere may be congenial to their wild-eyed theories.

Freedom of speech and of the press are guaranteed by the Organic Law of State and Nation, but not to the extent of promulgating doctrines aimed at the destruction of our institutions.

No Wonder Germany Quit

NUMBER TWENTY-TWO One of the great problems we had to contend with in France was the Boche spies, said Major Frank C. Mahin of the Army Recruiting station, 325 Market street, Harrisburg.

"Spies were gotten into France in four ways; those who were sent in before the war, those who got in by way of Switzerland, those who were brought over the lines in aeroplanes and landed at night, and the most dangerous for us were the spies the Germans got into our army in this country and sent over as soldiers.

We caught one spy right in our own recruitment. He was only about fifteen years old and was a very good soldier. The Stokes were sent up to me shortly after we got in the trenches, and they promptly started having trouble. The Boche apparently knew exactly where they were and shelled them unmercifully.

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DO YOU KNOW

—That Harrisburg's postal business is showing another spurt and that it is far ahead of what it was ten years ago?

HISTORIC HARRISBURG

The Harrisburg National bank corner has been occupied by that institution for more than any other has been continuously used by any establishment in Harrisburg.

A Self-supporting Poland

The boundaries fixed for Poland include the mining districts of the former Polish kingdom, thus furnishing practically all the minerals required in modern industries; they include also the rich agricultural lands of the Polish provinces and the manufacturing centers where the Polish industrial skill reaches its highest development.

PRAISE THE LORD

Praise ye the Lord. Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord, that delighteth greatly in his commandments.—Psalms cxi, 1.