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And he shall judge between the nations, and shall decide concerning many peoples; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks; nations shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.—Isa. 2:4.

GOOD APPOINTMENTS GOVERNOR SPRUILL continues to gain in public confidence through the wisdom of his selections of fit public servants.

Political critics, of course, will endeavor to persuade their partisan followers that the Governor is always dominated by party considerations in his official actions, but the fact that Democratic as well as Republican approval has been given many of his appointments emphasizes the good sense which he is displaying in this matter.

Public opinion is rapidly crystallizing in favor of such reservations as to the League of Nations as will safeguard American sovereignty and American interests now and hereafter. Some such alliance of the principal nations opposed to Germany in the recent war as made possible the crushing of the Hun menace may be necessary for the preservation of peace, but this alliance need not necessarily involve the surrender of any of the freedom of action which has always characterized the conduct of our Government in the development of a great people.

THE Kansas City Star calls attention to what a small town can do in the way of helping itself, citing as an example the progressive borough of Brimfield, Ill., which, with a population of only 600, has erected for itself a community house at a cost of \$30,000.

Now the story of Brimfield relates, there is a different atmosphere in the town. The young people no longer say: "There is nothing going on in this old town." There is something "going on" in Brimfield, according to the Star's correspondent, in the way of wholesome, standard amusement and entertainment. The young people know Marguerite Clark and Mary Pickford and Dorothy Dalton and the "Talmadge Girls." The kids are all acquainted with Charlie Chaplin and Douglas Fairbanks. The boys play basketball according to the 1919 rules of the game, and they fill the gymnasium every night for healthful, purposeful exercise.

It is going to be difficult for the Secretary of War to explain to the people who have been compelled to purchase food stuffs at abnormal prices why the millions (\$121,000,000) of dollars worth of meats and canned goods of every description were permitted to remain in the great military depots for months without any real effort to place this hoarded food upon the market in some reasonable way.

community house answers every purpose. And, best of all, one can imagine the good fellowship of the community being increased and built up by the frequent community meetings at the public service house in Brimfield. It brings the community together in almost every activity of the social and business life.

Every stiff fine imposed upon the nose-makers, including the cut-out offenders, means a more livable city. No mercy should be shown the persistent violators of the anti-noise ordinance.

ONE LAW FOR ALL

IT IS gratifying to note that even in Germany former Prince Henry's appeal to the King of England not to bring the ex-Kaiser to trial is received with no applause. Prince Henry should have known that his plea would prove futile. The world wants William to pay for his crimes. No penalty that can be exacted is severe enough, but insofar as it is possible he must be punished.

Providing a suitable memorial in honor of the men who rallied to the colors in the great war is a community obligation and the Chamber of Commerce deserves public appreciation of its initiative in the matter.

EATING IN THE AIR

FROM press reports we learn that the R-34 was "well stocked up with cold ham, roast beef, steak pie, tea and coffee," and that all the little luxuries of a well appointed hotel table were in the larder.

Government spruill is using a double-billed ax in disposing of a lot of bills left for him to worry with by the Legislature. He is manifestly scrupulously concerned in the compilation of measures referred to him by the lawmaking branch.

Politics in Pennsylvania

Newspapers of Pennsylvania, especially those in the third class cities, seem to be far more interested in the activities of the politicians near and real, since the repeal of the nonpartisan election feature of the third class city code, than in commenting upon the action of the Governor in approving it.

From what the newspapers print there were many men surprised that the repealer was signed and some active interest has been shown in nonpartisan schemes were rather strange, although in this city approval of the repealer has been conceded.

The Philadelphia North American, which is generally credited with having kept the judicial nonpartisan act on the books this year, writes that the subject of repealing the act for approving the repealer, while Odell Hauser, writing in the Philadelphia Press, says: "After considering the bill with the greatest care, I suppose he did it on the principle that he had dragooned the faithful into voting for so much they didn't want, that he might as well give them something they did want for a desert. Anyway, he signed it. That will make the coming campaign for Mayor and Council a lively proposition in some of our best third-class cities this fall."

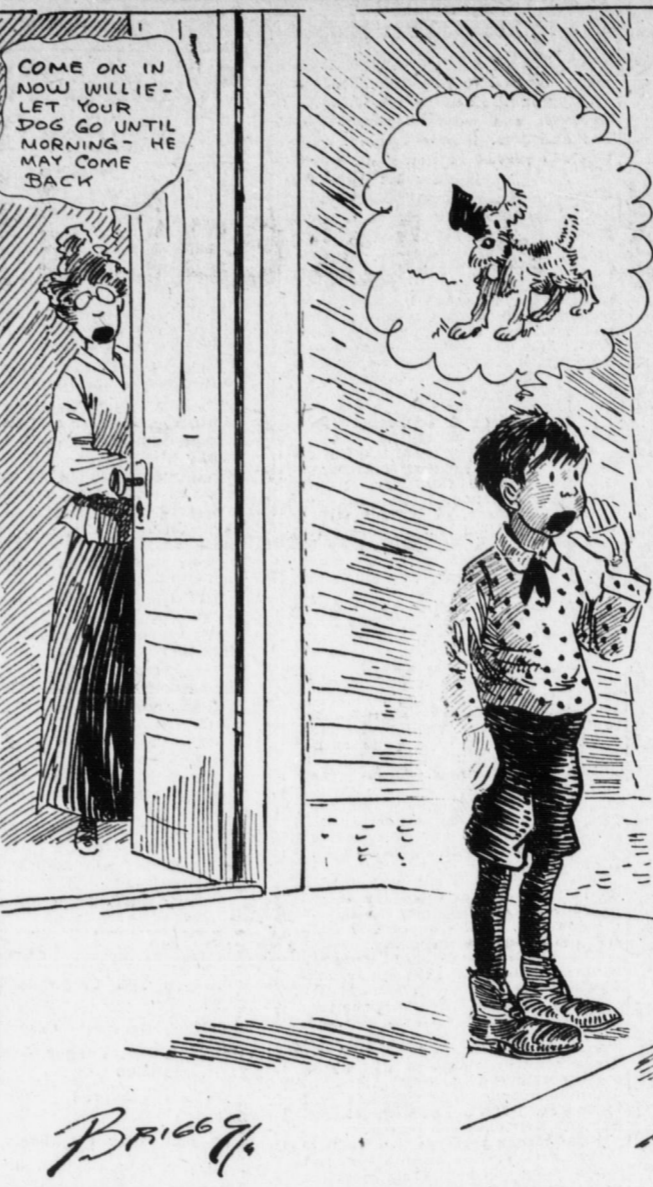
—Taking newspapers of Altoona, which is well up in the alphabetical list of third-class cities, for example we find the Altoona Mirror weeping over the repeal of the act, and the Altoona Mirror weeping over the repeal of the act, and the Altoona Mirror weeping over the repeal of the act.

—The York Gazette and Daily goes almost as far as the Harrisburg organ in the worst Democratic manner, in its editorial on the repeal of the act. This York paper says it is "a lamentable step backward" and then remarks: "It is silly and ridiculous. It is a step backward. It is a step backward. It is a step backward."

—The Reading Eagle feels badly about it, saying the Governor's action "surprised and chagrined" many of Reading's city officials and people. It says some candidates, including a Democratic candidate for mayor, called it "a freeze-out."

—Up in Carbondale and Pittston, where they are very practical in political matters, newspapers record great activity among the candidates for office on getting petitions signed and in perfecting their lines. Hazleton newspapers say the electoral college in that city will be the "liveliest" in years.

WHEN A FELLER NEEDS A FRIEND



SIDELIGHTS ON PERSONALITY AND CAREER OF THEODORE ROOSEVELT FROM HARVARD DAYS How From a Weakling Youth He Developed a Sturdy Constitution—He Cultivated Every Natural Advantage and Converted Liabilities Into Assets—A Potent Moral Influence

NO one who, like myself, met Theodore Roosevelt for the first time in 1876, when he entered college, would have failed to be surprised to find that he had been a frail child, afflicted with the attacks of asthma. He is described by a member of his family as having been a rather small patient and suffering boy, but always the head of the nursery at 28 East 40th street, New York, where he was born.

—The session of 1884 ended his service in the Assembly. He refused nomination and two nominations to Congress. His purpose to abandon political life seems clear. Several years ago I happened to be sitting at a public dinner—Roosevelt was then President. Mr. Elliot said to me that a certain prominent banker had told him that the banking fraternity would not then do things which would have done two years before.

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When He Can't Get a Drink

E. M. Statter, the hotel man, in the June American Magazine: As a result of prohibition, we seem to have these very definite effects: men go out with their wives and their families to the restaurants and theaters, more than they did; they drink soft drinks, and they eat more food, especially sweets; they walk more and ride less.

Wander Song Mad, restive city, you hold naught for me; Your glamour and your might; your music and your light

It speaks through halliards drumming on the mast; Beckons from alien lands and lone Pacific straits, And hails me from the northern storm-wind's blast.

Soaked Herr Scheid \$50,000 [From the Stars and Stripes.] Herr Josef Scheid, one of the leading citizens of the vacation town of Ocean City, Md., is now being concerned with the high cost of ice, beer or other necessities.

New York Cats Dempseys [From the New York Sun.] Among the worthiest creatures in the animal kingdom is the cat, and particularly the kind of cat that lives and works in lower Manhattan.

"China a Danger to Japan" Marquis Kinunochi Saloni, senior Japanese delegate at the Peace Conference, made the following remarks with regard to Japan's relations with China.

Only Particis Criminis [From the New York Times.] It was not Bethmann who conceived the Potsdam conference at which it was agreed to start the war, and the legal fiction by which responsibility cannot be stretched to cover a conclusion so absurd.

End Debt Next [From the New York Times.] The German confiscation seem less confiscatory to their opponents, who have for four years or more endured rates not very much less, and not for like reasons. It is one of the injustices and ironies of the victory that the way to end the war leaves the world, both victors and vanquished, under a burden of debt larger than the burden of military.

Evening Chat

One could come pretty near getting into the section devoted to names commencing with the letter H in Boyd's 1919 directory of Harrisburg and Steelton the whole of Napey's Harrisburg Directory and Strangers' Guide for 1919. A copy of this early directory, said to have been the first worth while in Harrisburg, has been made available for comparison with the 1919 guide to the homes of 100,000 people by D. C. Fadden, 112 Charles street.

Mr. Napey's director venture gave way the following year to J. A. Spofford's Harrisburg Pennsylvania Directory and Strangers' Guide. A copy of this 1843 directory has been loaned by John Gastrock to the Harrisburg Public Library and it, too, affords some interesting information. Mr. Spofford was a printer at 4 North Second street, now Market Square. Mr. Napey conducted his establishment at 63 South Second street, which was at Mulberry street before the borough abandoned the Broadway system of streets according to blocks.

It is of this sketch that much might be said because it has been taken as the foundation of nineteenth century Harrisburg since it is so richly and stamped and embellished by more than one ambitious historian, chronicler or annalist of our fair city. This sketch is a gem of enterprise and most of those plagiarisms can be traced by their use of certain facts and arrangement of narratives.

The classified business shows twenty-four attorneys, twenty taxors, twenty-five shoe and boot stores, with one last maker, forty-two grocery, dry goods and flour stores, eleven hardware stores, fourteen fourteen boarding houses, the latter occupied largely by State officials, attaches and Legislators, eighteen carpenters, seven hardware stores, nine cabinet makers, four hat stores, four justices of the peace, five chair makers, one potter, six blacksmiths, three tobacco stores, nine clerymen, fourteen smiths, four confectioners, four soap and candle makers, two dentists, six saddlers, seven cigar stores, ten bakers, ten painters, four warehouses, "at the canal," five tinware and stove manufacturers, fifteen milliners and Mantel makers, two tanners and "morocce drawers," two dressers, three clockmakers, five lumber merchants, six brickmakers, four book stores, three tinware stores, three auctioneers, eleven printing houses, three coal and wood yards, two locksmiths and the same number of gunsmiths, and nine churches, one of each denomination. In the business list are names of several towns whose families are in the same line of activity today. These are Gilbert, Gross, Roberts, Ott, Alicks, Shearer, Pazer, Orth, Maguachin, Jauss and Hutter. There are many firms listed whose names are familiar to older Harrisburgers such as John Brandt's warehouse and wharf, Peter Henschel, the builder, Zoller's store, the Felix candy store, Weych's book store, Duncan's tobacco store, the Haehulens, Greenwald's tannery, Clyde and Co., the book binders, and Feun and Wallace, who published the Telegraph.

WELL KNOWN PEOPLE —Martin Boland, well known Scranton dentist, will go to India.

DO YOU KNOW That Harrisburg made cigars are sold in Canada?