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A little philosophy inclineth a man's mind to atheism, but depth in philosophy bringeth men's minds about to religion.—Bacon.

HOUSES AND RENTS

SO LONG as the house supply is as far behind the demand for dwellings as it is now in Harrisburg, there will be more or less suspicion of profiteering in the increase of rental charges.

It is hoped, however, that there will be enough response to the housing demand to relieve the pressure somewhat and eventually restore more or less normal conditions.

The Philadelphia Record makes the amazing assertion that "four-armed men" robbed a bank. Why take such a risk when the side shows pay such large salaries to freakers?

THE NEW SCHOOLS

DID you see the parade of the Camp Curtin Junior High School after the football game the other evening? If you did you will understand what these two new schools mean for Harrisburg.

LAY OFF, THERE

IF HUNTING stories, like the Telegraph published yesterday, don't reach a limit pretty soon we shall be tempted to cease posing as a fisherman and buy a shotgun.

How do you expect us to compare our favorite story to the twenty-inch trout, taken from beneath a ledge of driftwood on a five-ounce outfit, with that story of a eighteen-year-old boy who knocked off the bobbing head of a wild turkey at 200 yards with a high-power 20-30 rifle?

Politics in Pennsylvania

Appointment of the commission of twenty-five to study and recommend revision of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, provided by the last Legislature, will be made by Governor William C. Sproul before the close of this week.

The Governor will select Attorney General William L. Schafer as the chief representative of the State Administration.

"SEE AMERICA FIRST"

AMERICAN hotelmen, despairing of ever being allowed again to sell liquor, are preparing to recoup their losses by encouraging "See America First" tours.

The secret of earning capacity is the large volume of travel through Harrisburg and the number of guests satisfactorily entertained. If hotels catered exclusively to the traveling public and forgot their barrooms, all of them would be enjoying greater prosperity than ever.

A PLEBIAN PRINCE

AND SO King Ferdinand and Queen Marie, of Rumania, are in tears because Prince Charles prefers his pretty young wife to the shaky old throne of his forefathers.

RECORDS IN DANGER

THE strongest argument for a new city and county public building is furnished in the menace which threatens invaluable records stored in the temporary quarters of the City Engineer.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

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Days and Days

Yesterday was "Father and Son's" day; today is "Mother and Daughter's" day.

WONDER WHAT A QUEEN OF HEARTS THINKS ABOUT?

WELL HERE I AM FOR THE FIRST TIME TONIGHT IN THIS GUYS HAND GOSH I'M TIRED TOO

CAN YOU BEAT IT? HE'D HAVE FILLED HIS FLUSH - S'POSE HE'S SORE AS A CRAB AT ME. I SHOULD WORRY

PIPE! WHAT GOOD WILL THAT DO? SOMEBODY'S SURE TO HAVE FILLED - COME ON WITH THAT NEXT CARD! WISH HE WOULDN'T PICK 'EM UP ONE BY ONE

WELL WILL YOU LOOK WHO'S HERE! OH LADY LADY! IF THIS HAND DOESN'T PUT HIM ON VELVET, GOOD NIGHT! (HIS HAND FEELS A TRIFLE TREMULOUS MY DEAR)

OUCH!! NEARLY BROKE MY NOSE THE WAY HE SLAMMED ME DOWN. 'T WASN'T MY FAULT THE DEALER HAD FOUR KINGS!! WELL TOLD YOU HOW I HATED HIM. [ANY WAY.]

The Price America Paid

[From the Kansas City Star.] Henry W. Ladd, writing in the World's Work, records that of thirty general officers in the American Expeditionary Forces who were asked what proportion of American battle losses he has been able to trace, twenty-six estimated it at one-half and the other four at one-third.

That is the price America paid for the unpreparedness and lack of military policy with which it entered the war.

A lieutenant general whose division was attached to General Dubonnet's corps and which had a French division on each side of it, gives this testimony: "The French commander spoke to me one day, before all his staff, at a council. He said, 'I wish you'd do something about your losses.'"

DOUGHBOYS PAID THE PRICE

Roosevelt's New Book Shows Sins of Unpreparedness; Swivel Chair Statemen May Glory in Our Unreadiness, But Those Who Fought Know Cost, Says the Ex-Lieutenant Colonel.

ONE may gain a vivid and true conception of the trials of the American doughboys, those of the American Expeditionary Force who saw actual fighting, by reading Lieut. Col. Theodore Roosevelt's recent book, "Average Americans" (G. P. Putnam's Sons, New York).

Contrasted against the unpreparedness of the Nation in material needs and knowledge of war is the spirit of the fighting men. Regarding the fighting men, Roosevelt writes: "The fighting man and at what cost. The writing is easily distinguished from the foot soldier's account of the fighting, and the whine of shells and zip of bullets. It is not the war stuff turned out by the usual correspondents writing from the front, but the actual account of a man who took an occasional dash to the front to get material for copy."

Colonel Roosevelt went overseas among the first of the American forces and in the war served the greater part of the time as a major in the 26th infantry. While his book incidents deal altogether with the life of a soldier, it is typical of the experience of all those combat divisions that met the enemy face to face.

The author declares that to the average man the worst of unpreparedness are not evident. "They read of battles, they read of the courage of the men, or the casualties, of the glorious deeds they do, and they are not aware of the unnecessary sacrifices and the unnecessary hardships on us by our policies."

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WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

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Evening Chat

The line of Pennsylvania's famous "boardwalk," the path in Capitol Park that has been trodden by thousands of men in public life in the Keystone State in the last ninety-eight years, is to be preserved in the laying out of the park under the general improvement plans. It was proposed that the approach to the Capitol should wind among the trees and along the Third street side of the park, but it has been decided to maintain the walk that was laid out when the Capitol was occupied almost a century ago.

In preparation for the improvements to be made to the Capitol grounds and the new wings, buildings had to be made and they have established that Pennsylvania's State House is built upon living rock. Almost 100 feet of the rock, covering 42 of them alone for the new office building and 20 or 30 for the section of the granite terrace which is to be constructed east of the Capitol building.

Death of Dr. J. F. Saehse, the Philadelphia physician, will be regretted by many who have been much interested in the history of this section of the State and in a measure in the importance of Harrisburg in Pennsylvania affairs. He recently visited here and was an authority on Masonic matters.

Mention in this column of the fine collection of Indian relics at the State Museum has stirred interest in such matters and it is probable that many of the relics, the members of fine arrow heads and other articles that have been picked up in this city and vicinity, The Dauphin County Historical Society has one of the finest of the smaller collections, showing a specimen of almost everything that has come down from the Indians who lived in this part of the State. Several of the schools also have collections, some of which were made by pupils.

Saturday's football game had a bad effect upon the Capitol Hill squirrels. Some of them are still recovering. The squirrels did not have anything on the game but they were the recipients of the attention from the Bucknell and Gettysburg students who appeared to think that their chief job was to buy peanuts for the animals. To be frank about it, some of the bushy-tails got indignant.

Attaches of the State Department of Health, who are required by departmental rules to relax and take exercise at stated intervals during the day, have turned regulations into pleasure. In some of the corridors at the Capitol when the hour for opening the windows and exercising comes around, the employees take to the open air. The rooms and after some simple calisthenics have some dances. These are popularly called "health dances" and are one of the most popular features of the day. They are on for five minutes, but no one appears to miss a single chance.

State Treasury officials are looking for the \$50,000,000 mark in State revenue to be passed by the time the State fiscal year ends on November 30. The income of the State for the fiscal year, with some big accounts in process of settlement, and it is believed that the remaining \$5,000,000 can be obtained by the end of the fiscal year of the fiscal year is marked by tremendous payments and some large settlements will appear. As far as the Auditor General's Department is concerned it has made up the settlements for this year and has proceeded vigorously in getting in back taxes.

At the great dramatic crisis Both my hands go cold as ice is. And my heart is pounding madly, and my nerves on the qui vive; For by all the signs I know it, That episode they're going to show.

Edict Against Face Paint [From the Brooklyn Eagle.] Rouge and powder, short dresses and openwork waists are not artistic. Neither do they show a balanced judgment. For those reasons Park College Institution here has banned them.

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Appropriate Plants

[From Cartoons Magazine] For students: Reed. For hustlers: Rush. For widows: Weeds. For cranks: Nettle. For babies: Creepers. For fortune-tellers: Palms. For masseurs: Rubber-plant. For vamps: Poison-ivy. For misers: Goldenrod. For gossip: Cat-tails. For treasurers: Bull-rushes.

Deport Them

[From Pittsburgh Gazette-Times] From a half score of cities located in as many widely separated States news has been received this week of the rounding up of professed anarchists and the seizure of their seditious literature. In most instances the persons arrested are aliens, and in some cases there was prima facie evidence that the propaganda was being directed and financed from Russia. Of the scores and hundreds arrested for crimes against the Government during the past few months, comparatively few have been tried and fewer still after conviction have been actually deported, as provided for by law.

The country demands more expedition in this connection, and this would assure not only an object lesson for the criminals who have thus far eluded the legal net, but would assure greater respect for judicial procedure on the part of normally law-abiding native-born Americans. The consumption of time, after conviction, over hair-splitting technicalities, as in the Goldman case, or the tardiness of courts to take action after the original arrest of Reds, are responsible in some degree for such scenes as those witnessed in Centralia, Washington, after the conviction and tearing up of members of the American Legion during the Armistice Day. There can be no justification for lynch law, although the provocation in this instance was almost irresistible.

A soldier boy overpowered by fatigue goes to sleep on his post in the face of the enemy. His trial is swift and upon conviction his life is the property of the State. The life of the Nation is not only openly menaced and the future welfare of its citizens jeopardized, but physical as well as verbal crimes are being committed by the Reds. The country does not advocate military law in times of peace, but it does demand the speeding up of the machinery of justice in the pursuit of the enemies of organized society. When any of these enemies are convicted of murder the penalty should be promptly executed. When they are convicted of crimes the penalty for which is deportation, they should be deported without unnecessary delay.

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[From Cartoons Magazine] I have viewed tense situations. With all kinds of complications In the good old melodrama; I'm a judge. You may believe— But there's naught that ever thrilled me. With elastic joy so filled me. As the close-up of the hero when his chest begins to heave.

I've seen frenzied, frantic love-scenes, And the sweetest turtle-dove scenes; I've seen the villain hiss and snarl, foiled; I've heard his parents grieve; But no intrigue nor devotion Could consume me with emotion Like the little act of the hero when his chest begins to heave.

At Saint Botolph-town's tea-party, Painted in june, halcyon days, I love King George's tea-chest's ver-board, without a "by-your-leave."

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