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The man of pleasure does not know what pleasure means.—SAVAGE.

SAME OLD STORY

BWARE of a petty woman with a smile and a scheme to raise money.

It ought not to be necessary to warn businessmen against the wiles of this type, but recent occurrences in Harrisburg would indicate that while such women continue to be very efficient as collectors they are by no means reliable when it comes to turning over the cash.

The Chamber of Commerce should be consulted every time a collector for charity solicits a subscription.

PROPER MOVE

ACTION of the Harrisburg Rotary Club, in pledging not only its moral support, but in offering the services of its members in any way the authorities may need in the campaign now being waged to free the country from dangerous radicals, should inspire other organizations to similar action.

Blow at Radicalism

NOW that the full results of the French elections have become known and it is evident that France has elected the most conservative Chamber of Deputies since 1871, isn't it about time for ultra-radicals to take a lesson from events?

Indeed, there is no indication anywhere that any considerable portion of the populace of any nation outside Russia has been contaminated by "red" doctrines.

have exploded a few bombs. They have well laid plans by which they expect to stampede the people or to gain the upper hand over the people, but Americans are not terrorized nor are they fooled by the doctrines that have ruined Russia.

NEWS FROM RUSSIA

WE SUSPECT that the correspondent who sent out the dispatches from Ohio following the recent elections has transferred his base of operations to Moscow.

Both sides—or all the sides—in Russia are prone to the drawing of the long bow when they get possession of the cables and some times we suspect that not a little of the "news" that does leak out may be tinged with the feelings and sentiments of some of our recent—we almost said late—allies in Europe.

We must not fear too much or hope too much of Russia. This much only we know—that Bolshevism has failed there as an orderly governing force, that bloodshed is an everyday occurrence, that the people are worse off than when the Czar ruled them and that years will be required to re-establish the nation on a decent, law-abiding basis.

THEY COME IN FORDS

What has become of the country folks. The farmers we used to see? Where have they all gone? On Saturday morn'g hitched to a track on Market Square.

Dear hard, we think we know. Most of them are still coming to town, but they are driving Fords, and the rest are being driven in once a week. In winter they ride in closed cars; in summer they hit the landscape with tops down and whisks blowing free.

But they are not the farmers we used to know; not the fellows the city lads used to advise to "take the hayseed out of their hair."

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What has become of the country folks? Oh, they're all quite plain to see. They've been up and down in the city folks.

Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committee

The wide difference between the total in the official count of the vote for superior court judge this month and that cast at the September primary is being studied with interest by officials in the State Capitol.

The scattering vote against Judge Keller was one of the smallest known in recent years. Generally there are a couple of hundreds of such votes at State-wide elections.

Chester people fully expect Governor William C. Sprout to be a receptive candidate for the presidency. The Governor has been like a clam on the subject, but his friends have been enthused by the splendid things he has said about him in the West as the result of the Governors' Conference at Salt Lake City and in New England because of his speeches for Coolidge.

General Wahl, the Commanding Officer of the 7th Division, has lately written to Mr. Kirtley, the secretary at Camp Funston.

In France the great value of these fine young women was proved beyond doubt. They were the backbone of the organization with which they served and devoted service to the men contributed greatly not only to the morale of the command but also to the moral and physical well-being of the men.

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WHEN A FELLER NEEDS A FRIEND



A HOME ROOM IN THE "Y."

THERE were 2,823 women secretaries of the Y. M. C. A. in the European war work. There were 215 women secretaries of the Y. M. C. A. in the East. Since the beginning of the war the total number of women secretaries who have been trained and directed into service is 3,038, three-fifths the number of all secretaries listed as employed officers of the Y. M. C. A. in the United States previous to the war.

The woman secretary is in uniform. She has been trained for her work. Her presence in the building means no change in the organization of association activities. She classifies as a special secretary, doing a special piece of work. She is the soul of the Home Room and whether she is the center of the room of dormitory men who gather there in the evening, she manifests the leadership which gives to the best American home the attractiveness and power. She does in the Association the same thing that she has done so well in her work overseas and in the camps of the Department of the Navy.

What is the heart of the matter so far as the Home work is concerned? What is the ideal? It is very clear about it. It does not imply structural changes in the organization of the Association. It does not imply that women shall go on the board of directors. It does not imply that an Association shall introduce groups of volunteer workers into the lobby or other parts of the building.

Such distinguished service as this challenges the thinking and the practice of the Association throughout the United States to adopt and adapt this great new asset in the extension of the character-forming work with men and boys.

acter-building efforts, and is on the basis of thoroughly tested experience and clearly defined principles. Perhaps the strongest tradition of the Y. M. C. A. is to render the largest possible service in the character formation of men and boys. This idea is in line with that tradition.

What is necessary to incorporate the Home Room in any Association? Very little. Procure the furniture and decorations. Vote the small sum necessary for incidental expenses. Get a trained woman secretary with overseas experience from the Women's Division of the War Personnel Board, War Work Council, or long as that work continues.

Group upon group do the soft birds cluster Over the fields where the seeds are sown. Then, in a hurry of sudden flurry, Sweep away in a flare of brown.

Irregular lines of the wild duck fly, Seek a harbor in southern streams, All through the night the gray geese hying, "Honk and honk" till the dull dawn gleams.

Other People's Money (Girard in Public Ledger) Operators offer miners \$1.50 a day increase in wages, says a newspaper headline.

Beating H. C. L. (From the Philadelphia Record) The sailor who crept under a bunghole at Newport, slept 61 days, has discovered the real remedy for "blue" is high cost of living.

Washing 'em in a Glass Now (From the Dallas News.) What has become of the old-fashioned belle who used to manure her teeth with a snuffstick?

New Industrial Conference

(From the Public Ledger)

No one can doubt the individual professional or business ability of the men who have just been appointed by the President as members of the new industrial conference which he has called for December 1. Their personal qualifications as men of affairs and as thinkers and publicists will also not be questioned by any one.

It is true that each individual composing the coming conference is probably in position, as are hundreds and thousands of other Americans prominent in finance, in business and in public and educational circles, to offer sage counsel that might profit the country on any issue.

In other words, the first conference was considered too little representative, though it was composed of many practical men, to solve really the broader problems which it had been able to secure some common labor action from the industrial groups.

Reading an American City (Williamsport Gazette and Bulletin.) Evidently there is a considerable portion of the population of Reading, Pa., which is determined to counteract the influence of the large number of amendments ever made in 1909, when nine, with a schedule for operation, were adopted.

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Evening Chat

The Sprout administration plans to make the study of the Constitution of 1873 by the Commission of Twenty-five announced by the Governor last night one of the monumental achievements of the Delaware countian's term and it is the plan to have the work of the body which will be called to meet in Harrisburg within a month or so go before the people the November following the inauguration of the Sprout successor.

The Constitution of 1873 was ratified by 253,744 to 108,594. A dozen years later dissatisfaction with it led to a new amendment, the non-conviction, but the only such proposition to go before the people was defeated November 3, 1891, by the decisive vote of 175,813 to 173,813. Since then there have been no more amendments for constitutional conventions, the campaign of 1913 stimulating such projects. In the present session three bills for constitutional amendments appeared, but the administration sponsored the idea of a commission to study and recommend revision of the Constitution. At this time, a course which has been approved in many letters coming to the State Capitol.

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HISTORIC HARRISBURG

John Harris' advertisement in Philadelphia newspapers announcing the sale of lots here called attention to the fact that it was on the main highway from Philadelphia to Pittsburgh. It still is.