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Be strong, and of good courage; dread not, nor be dismayed.—BIBLE

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HUGH FRAYNE the New York labor leader, who has just taken action looking toward the deportation of the Bolshevik "ambassadors," Martens, persists along that line of patriotic effort he will find himself shortly even more prominent in labor circles than he is now and one of the most trusted advocates of labor unionism in the whole country.

Frayne, in demanding that the country and his own organization be rid of all dangerous radicals, has assumed a place of leadership from which he will not be easily shaken. He has very accurately sensed public opinion on the subject and has interpreted the thought of the American workmen more clearly than some of the hesitating leaders in higher places.

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pound and would be sold for sixteen cents a pound. On the face of it, this looks like an easy way of solving the high cost of living, but there is an element in it that will likely bring it to the rocks. A "profitless store" must also be a "serviceless" store. The customer must expect to "take or leave" the goods. There can be none of the little effort to please, none of the catering to special tastes, no taking of orders over the phone, no credit and no deliveries. The goods will be there—not in wide variety, for to keep down costs quantity purchasing must be paramount—but the personal attention of the clerk or proprietor who is trying to win or keep customers will be lacking.

We suspect the "profitless stores" will be profitless indeed. York county is going to take an important place in the road building program of Pennsylvania. Already the voters have approved a large loan for permanent highways in conjunction with the State system and in addition have authorized the payment of the county's share of the cost of eliminating five toll roads.

SPREADING THE "daylight saving" propaganda has reached Denver. Mayor Bailey has received petitions signed by practically all the business men and manufacturers of that city asking for the adoption of an ordinance that will save for the people of the city an extra hour of light each such day.

I am strongly in favor of daylight saving law. The old system of time is an economic handicap upon any industrial community. It was the scale in the electric light and power business in California. Our revenue from approximately 1,000,000 customers decreasing approximately \$1,000,000 over \$2,500 per year. An electric light company may lose a little temporary revenue, but the permanent prosperity of any utility corporation is dependent upon the prosperity and good will of the community it serves, and it will benefit in the long run.

Just as the competition of lead was produced in Mexico, New Jersey and Missouri were the determining factors in the fixing of the wage scale in Leadville, so does the competition of Eastern-made goods and mail order sales by mail order affect wages properly in Denver.

It is very much to be suspected that Congress hearkened to the siren song of the power interests to the old-time tune of "God Save the Farmer" when it repealed the daylight law, and the letter to mayor Bailey shows clearly how mistaken both Congress and the electrical companies are in their short-sighted policy.

IMPOSSIBLE THEORIES IT IS at last dawn upon the misguided leaders of millions of men that they have been doing those who they pretend to serve incalculable injury through theories which have no substantial basis and which only lead to intolerable suffering.

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Business continues good despite the frosts of nearly everybody to give it black eye.

Politics in Pennsylvania By the Ex-Committee

Election of E. C. McGreggor as clerk of the new orphans' court of Washington county, which was established by the Legislature this year, is declared by the Attorney General to be against the constitutional provision relative to such officers in an opinion just rendered to Secretary of the Commonwealth, E. W. Cressler, who is in charge of the bonding of officials. The opinion is the first to be given following the election of 1919.

As a preliminary to the meeting of the Constitutional Revision Commission the members will be furnished with copies of a study made of the United States constitution and the various State constitutions which have been adopted since the adoption of the Federal Constitution.

Head Advertising Agency Joseph W. Gannon, for sixteen years connected with the Royal Baking Powder Company, has resigned and organized an advertising agency under the name of J. W. Gannon, Inc., of which he is president and general manager.

Kindness If only all of us were kind In thought and action, we would find This world would more of joy suffice Than any dreamed of paradise.

The Service Man [From "Average American," by Theodore Roosevelt.] The army is the least of this country's fears as far as Bolshevism and its kindred anarchies are concerned.

Something For Nothing [Samuel Crowther in World's Work.] The American worker has been convinced for the moment that he can get wages or profits without work.

Well Known People —Mayor H. W. Heidenreich, of Hazleton, has served notice that city's under eighteen must not attend public dances unless they have escorts.

SOMEbody IS ALWAYS TAKING THE JOY OUT OF LIFE



By BRIGGS



TO ADVERTISERS--A WARNING

[Lord & Thomas in Printers' Ink.] There is always danger in prosperity—danger of an orgy. Almost every sort is followed by disaster.

Uncurbed enthusiasm drifts into speculation, then into recklessness. Wise efforts by unique success breed countless unwise ventures. There comes a feeling that nothing can go wrong.

Unhealthy growth is bound to be disastrous. Not alone to those who suffer, but in its displacement. In every boom the losses generally exceed the gains.

School Farms For Cities [Pittsburgh Gazette-Times.] The State Educational Congress having given at least passive approval to the suggestion that cities should provide practical courses in agriculture for public school pupils.

Ain't It Splendid Ain't it splendid to be livin' long about this time o' year, Just around before Thanksgivin', with the mornings crisp and clear.

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Constitutional Revision

Pittsburgh Post (Democrat).—The commission named by Governor Sprout to start the movement for revision of the State constitution strikes us as close to the ideal in composition, including not only men of eminent ability and training in public affairs, but also women, so that the subject may be dealt with wisely and sympathetically from every viewpoint.

Let nothing here contained be construed as a panacea that we are impelled to utter the cautions here stated.

Let this commission take up its work with the assurance that the people of to-day will back it up energetically. The commission commends the calling of a convention for general revision.

Wilkens-Barre Record (Republican).—On the whole Governor Sprout's appointments on the commission to consider the advisability of making changes in the Constitution of the State are commendable.

Evening Ledger (Independent).—However unsatisfactory the situation may be, it does not justify pessimism. It has been for years its opponents in the past have succeeded in obstructing all efforts toward a change.

Do You Know —That Harrisburg's Navy is the lineal descendant of boat clubs of 75 years ago?

Evening Chat

This year will be remembered by many residents of Harrisburg as that in which the mosquitoes came early and stayed late. Owing to weather conditions, which the records of Observer E. R. Demain at the Federal building show to have been very unusual during the ordinary winter period, everything was available for the propagation of insect life and as the experts of Col. Edward Martin's office have pointed out this city furnished very satisfactory places for pests to breed and multiply.

The fact that the river coal fleets were all in operation on Thanksgiving day and that the dredges and boats were fully manned is an interesting commentary upon the fuel conditions here.

Another viewpoint in regard to turkey came from two men who decided to do the marketing in honor of Thanksgiving and who eschewed raffish and expensive turkey in shape to buy.

State game officials, who have been getting a line on the kills and on general conditions, say that there have been few complaints about the same code in Berks county and the Juniata valley and no demands to speak of for changes except in regard to woodcock, which have been a cause of differences for years.

—Judge John Monaghan, whose life has been proclaimed in Philadelphia and who does not appear to mind it, is a former public service commissioner.

—Charles A. O'Brien, the Pittsburgh city editor, says that it is illegal for Pittsburgh firemen to join labor unions.

—S. M. Smith, prominent Waynesburg banker, has been elected head of the organized Greens County School Directors' Association.

—Congressman W. J. Hullings, of Oil City, in a speech declared he thought the rock pile offered best opportunities for the W. Z. Fosters and others of that type.