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To be alive only to appetite, pleasure, pride, money-making, and not to goodness and kindness, purity and love, history, poetry, music, flowers, stars, God and eternal hopes, is to be all but dead.—MALTRE D. BARCOCK.

THANKSGIVING!

GIVE thanks unto the Lord; call upon His name; make known His deeds among the people.

2. Sing unto Him, sing psalms unto Him; talk ye of all His wondrous works.

3. Glory ye in His holy name; let the heart of them rejoice that seek the Lord.

4. Seek the Lord, and His strength; seek His face evermore.

5. Remember His marvelous works that He hath done, His wonders, and the judgments of His mouth.

6. O ye seed of Abraham His servant, ye children of Jacob His chosen.

7. He is the Lord our God; His judgments are in all the earth.

8. He hath remembered His covenant for ever, the word which He commanded to a thousand generations.

9. Which covenant he made with Abraham, and His oath unto Isaac;

10. And confirmed the same unto Jacob for a law, and to Israel for an everlasting covenant;

11. Saying, Unto thee will I give the land of Canaan, the lot of your inheritance;

12. When they were but a few men in number; yea, very few, and strangers in it.

13. When they went from one nation to another, from one kingdom to another people.

14. He suffered no man to do them wrong; yea, He reproved kings for their sakes;

15. Saying, Touch not mine anointed, and do my prophets no harm.

16. For He remembered His holy promise, and Abraham His servant.

17. And He brought forth His people with joy, and His chosen with gladness;

18. And gave them the lands of the heathen; and they inherited the labour of the people;

19. That they might observe His statutes, and keep His laws. Praise ye the Lord.—106th Psalm.

THE SUSQUEHANNA ISLANDS

It is no idle fancy that folks along the reaches of the north branch of the Susquehanna are indulging in when they plant willows to conserve the islands which are of economic or historic interest to their communities.

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Systematic study of conditions on some of the islands and taking of steps to prevent damage in event of some sudden notion of the suddenly rising river would seem worth thinking of around Harrisburg, as well as at county towns farther up the stream.

FIVE CENT BREAD

HOOVER would do well to give the public more light on the item coming out of Paris yesterday to the effect that bread in France henceforth by government decree shall sell for five cents a pound. Perhaps there is good and sufficient reason for the difference between the price of bread here, where flour is reasonably plentiful, and in France, where it is scarce, but on the surface it looks as though the American public is paying more for its bread than it should.

Of course, wages paid here are much higher than in France, and that enters largely into retail prices, but just how it happens that France is able to undersell America in this manner would provide an interesting chapter in the constant flow of public information that comes from the typewriters of the industrial publicity workers at the national capital. The American public shows no sign of indignation, but it certainly is curious.

FOOD, NOT MONEY

IT is not so much the saving of money that is important just now as the saving of food. In a Philadelphia restaurant the other day one woman rebuked a waiter for putting two lumps of sugar into her cup instead of one, and another chided an attendant because he served her two eggs instead of the one she had requested, although the price for two was the same as for one. These women understood the condition with which the world is confronted—which is that if one of us overeats it means another person in some part of the world must go hungry.

There is a great scarcity of provisions. This is hard to realize, in this land of plenty, where the market stalls are piled high with good things and the grocer will bring you almost anything you order, but the earth at large is living on starvation rations and unless we do our share to save next winter will be far worse than the present.

NEIGHBORLY GREETINGS

HARRISBURG was treated this week to an evidence of neighborliness between merchants that is worthy of passing mention, in that it illustrates a comparatively new note in business. When one progressive business house paid for space in the advertising columns of the Telegraph to extend its congratulations to another upon the opening of new and handsome quarters, it wrote large that all might read the passing of old-time ruthless methods of tradesmen whose prime thought was personal advantage, without any great consideration as to how that advantage might be gained.

And when the merchant addressed replied in kind, also through the columns of the newspaper, he endorsed this new spirit of friendliness and good feeling in a manner that caused widespread and very favorable comment.

Business is not all dollars and cents. The Golden Rule is as applicable to the mercantile firm as to the individual. The corporation is not soulless. The milk of human kindness is a nourishing, sustaining force in our everyday life. Profits are not all to be reckoned in dividend percentages.

The truth of these things we have admitted for a long time, but only recently have we begun to make them active and important factors in our daily business activities. We may be a long way from "loving our neighbors as ourselves," but we are on the road.

LEARNING TO GIVE

MANIFESTLY the time is here when every man or woman who is not for us in this war is against us. Puss-footing and pacifist tommyrot should be squelched at every point. This war is not a wrist-tapping proposition. We must put every ounce of our energy into it. A valued reader of the Telegraph writes:

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Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman

Philadelphia Independents, Town Meeting men, Penrose adherents and others identified with the move against the Vare organization in the Quaker City to-day contended that the election of the Town Meeting ticket was practically assured by the disclosures regarding the opening of the ballot boxes yesterday. They asserted that their contentions had been proved. In Pittsburgh and Scranton the events are being closely followed, as there may be notable political results in the wake of the Vare organization.

Capitol Hill is following the developments in Philadelphia with eagerness and chances are that until something definite comes out of the trial proceedings that there will be little done in the way of appointments of a state-wide significance. Likewise, gubernatorial talk among members of the state administration will be soft pedaled.

Concerning what happened yesterday at the Town Meeting, Philadelphia Public Ledger says: "In one of the most spectacular recoups of an election ever held in Philadelphia, with the count of the votes and the ballot boxes and through the action of officials, petitioners, politicians and lawyers, the overflow filling the corridors of the meeting yesterday afternoon showed the possibility of upsetting the election of November 6 and bringing about the success of the Vare organization."

The usual fight over the Berks county mercantile appraiser is on. stood that Rex and Seiden are Hatfield's selections.

The Philadelphia North American is reviving the story that State Chief of Mines Roderick is to go. It has been predicting that from Harrisburg with the regularity of the changes of the moon.

LABOR NOTES

Colorado State Federation of Women's Clubs has a special fund out of which they lend girls money for education.

On December 3 at Buffalo, N. Y., International Seamen's Union of America will meet in convention.

Meriden, Conn., Council has introduced a resolution calling for the eight-hour day for municipal employees.

Detroit Iron Molders' Union asks employers to raise wages to \$6 for an eight-hour day.

Kingston, Canada, Street Railway Company has started to try the employment of girls as conductors.

Ann Arbor, Mich., railroad machinists have secured their first schedule and raised wages 2 1/2 cents an hour.

St. Louis and San Francisco Railroad has finally signed an eight-hour agreement with its federated shop men.

The Mayor's Committee of National Defense, New York City, has completed plans to establish a clearing-house for unemployed men and women.

Reference to a social affair was made to the young wives and their cooking experiences, when this anecdote was contributed by Representative Martin A. Morrison, of Indiana.

Afternoon Mrs. Jones called on Mrs. Smith, a young friend of hers, who had just been married, and found her in the kitchen with her sleeves rolled up, flour on her nose, and cook books and fashion books lying all around.

"Hello, Gladys!" cheerfully greeted the young wife. "So glad you came. Am just beginning to make my first cake."

"Yes, dear, so I see," smiled the visitor glancing over the culinary scene. "But what in the world are those fashion papers for?"

"That is just what I want to ask you about, Gladys," responded the young wife with perplexed expression. "Do you make a cake from a recipe or a pattern?"—Philadelphia Telegraph.

DOING THEIR BIT

Oh, the soldiers marched galli away to the fray, With a "hy oh de, de" and a "hy oh da, da."

"We'll conquer the foe, though our hair turns gray— But come back to you in the morning."

Oh the mothers stay bravely at home, though not gay, Still they sing "Hy oh de, de" and "hy oh da, da."

We'll keep the fires burning while our boys are away Till they come back to me in the morning."

And the sisters knit swiftly the sweaters so gray, As they sing "Hy oh de, de, de" and a "hy oh da, da."

"We'll help all we can, and be glad that we may, Till the boys come home in the morning."

And the brothers save up their small pennies a day, With a "hy oh de, de" and "a hy oh da, da."

And they give up their candy, and sing at their play—"Oh, brother'll come back in the morning."

So all over this land folks will sing and will pray, Will sing "Hy oh de, de" and "a hy oh da, da."

Will pray, "Bless us Lord, and hasten the day "When our boys come home in the morning!"

EDNA GROFF DEHL, Paxtang, Pa.

A HANDY MAN AROUND THE HOUSE



THE PEOPLE'S FORUM

H.B.G. GIRL WRITES POEM To the Editor of the Telegraph: Will you not publish the following and oblige Camp Meade boys? It was published in the Camp Meade Herald and was written by Lillian Wilensky, sister of a comrade, a Harrisburg girl, and is entitled "God Bless You, Boys."

GOD BLESS YOU, BOYS (From a sister of one of the boys at Camp Meade to the boys.) Go forth boys to the victories great, Fear not any hardships or shell, And we here will anxiously pray and wait, For your safety, peace, and freedom's day.

Over the Top in Penna.

James E. Horton, of Ashland, N. Y., had the humorous impulse on Halloween of scaping the front steps of a citizen named Ward and then ringing the bell. Ward slid down the steps as just cost Mr. Horton, by a supreme court decision, something over \$1,000 a step. He had recently been let \$75,000.

Thousands of Pennsylvania farmers are profiting from the enterprise of the early Spaniards who found alfalfa in Asia 400 years ago and imported it to South America. The word is Spanish.

There is one city in Pennsylvania where all hopping will never be popular, and that's Pittsburgh. A Canadian officer of the Royal Flying Corps undertook the other day to skin through the fog and smoke and gave it up as a bad job. "Hot air from the mills makes traveling so bumpy that I don't think any one would risk his life air-shipping around Pittsburgh," said he.

"If the food directors want to control the price of chickens during the holiday season in this city let them put some of the government's secret service on the trail of the government's secret service. A citizen to a Telegraph man on a street car today. "To my knowledge three of these raffish matches had been put in the pockets of the street car distance of the city, one of them near Penbrook on Sunday and others in Cumberland county where all hopping will never be popular, and that's Pittsburgh. I have asked the district attorneys to look up the offenders. These fellows go into the country districts, buy up the chickens, and then sell them at an old price and then chance them off at from 100 to 200 percent profit. If, as I have suggested, the government put these fellows out of business I feel sure prices will come down. It is natural for the farmer to take all the profit for himself and if a turkey paffer offers more than an ordinary consumer he gets the bird and the price to the next man is his own. And I might add that it wouldn't require a very expert secret service man to locate these gamblers."

"This sale of Liberty Bonds and \$5 certificates by the government is teaching a lot of people to save," said a downtown banker who has a large number of bond accounts in his books. "When the war is over it will find a great many people with the habit of saving. These, I take it, will be the nobles of the future. They won't be the kind of nobles that ride in their limousines and will take their savings with an inducement for saving."

"You suspect the new waiter of being a German agent?" "Yes. The other used to receive a tip with polite gratitude. This one acts as if he was collecting an indemnity."

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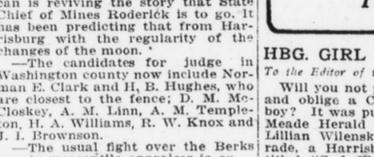
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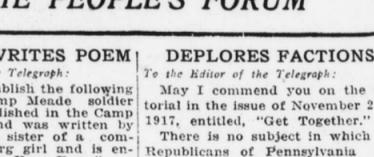
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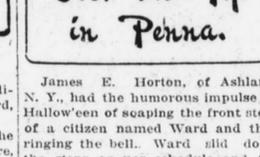
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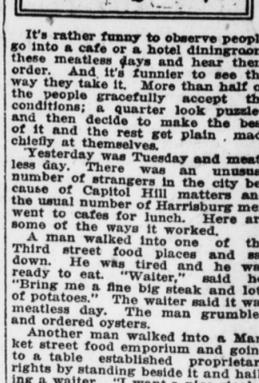
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