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He who has conquered doubt and fear has conquered failure. — James Allen.

GOOD SUGGESTION

GEORGE G. McFARLAND, laying before the Rotary Club the possibility of a movement for the reouting of vehicular traffic down town in order to expedite travel and of making some rulings regarding the parking of cars in the center of the city, makes an excellent suggestion.

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that was ever overpaid for an hour or two of give-and-take, a la Marquis de Queensbury. If you doubt it, read what Mr. Willard has to say of himself; he admits it all, and more.

As for Mr. Dempsey, his manager wasn't brought enough to think of the syndicate stuff (gotten out with the assistance of a bright but modest newspaper Boswell, paid so much of the total receipts for his part in putting before the public what the man who signs his name to the title would have said if he had said it), but he's getting plenty of publicity for all that; oh, yes, indeed. A half score of sporting editors who could have written just as good stuff from their home offices have barked their employers out of the price of care and hotel accommodations on the ground that they must have first hand information for the army of subscribers who spend their evenings reading ream upon ream of expert opinion from the training quarters, and they are putting Mr. Dempsey not only on the newspaper map, but all over it. Enough space is being used to give publicity to the two fighters to make a new brand of chewing gum earn profits for its promoter the first month. If an advertiser could get hold of it free he could make himself a millionaire by use of it over night. Did any national advertiser want it he would have to pay for it a staggering price. But these two bruisers get it for nothing, actually paid good hard money for providing the "dope." Either one can have a column or a page to-day free, but after next Friday one of them isn't going to be good for a two-inch item once a month. Such is public taste. Such is also fame.

HAPPY DAYS IN HUNGARY

HAPPY days in Hungary! The soviet lawmakers at Budapest have adjourned and gone home, largely for the reason that the food supply has been exhausted in that city, and the only consolation the people are given is that they can choose between scattering throughout the country or starving to death.

Farther bolshevists in the United States will please sit up and take notice, for if there is one plank more important than another in the parlor radical's platform it is that calling for three square meals a day, without work, if possible. The radical social reformer, as we know him, loves nothing so much as to tell other folks how to do things without having to do anything himself more enervating than that involved in the occasional combing of bushy hair, the tying of Windsor neckwear and the dining well at somebody else's expense.

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pain, what is left of the Democratic party in this county is split wide open with old-line Democrats holding the strings and ready to pull them in a case a contest should develop for national delegates.

Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman

Appointment of Public Service Commissioner Samuel M. Clement, Jr., for the ten-year term following the end of the tenure of Commissioner James Alcorn and the selection of John W. Brumback, Philadelphia newspaper man, to fill out the two-year term vacated by Mr. Clement on his promotion, which were announced from the Governor's office last night, are subjects of purely personal appointments. Mr. Clement is a close personal friend of Governor William C. Sproul, while Mr. Brumback is generally believed to have been named through the influence of Attorney General William I. Schaffer. He is credited with having done much to get the Philadelphia North American in line for Sproul in the primary campaign.

The dropping of Mr. Alcorn was not unexpected at the Capitol. He was named July 1, 1915, by Dr. Martin B. Brumbaugh, a former state senator and his tenure ends with today. He was former city solicitor of Philadelphia and close personal friend of Edward S. Pratt. He was regarded as a Vire man. He has been one of the most active commissioners and handled many water and fire cases, some of which have not been finished. He was in consultation with his colleagues yesterday afternoon when the word of the changes came and was greatly surprised. He gratefully accepted the fortunes of politics.

The shake-up is the second to occur in the commission since the Sproul two-term tenure. Brumbaugh appointees, H. J. Ryan and William A. Magee, were dropped February 11 for S. Ray Shelby and Mr. Clement. H. M. McClure, who died recently, was also a appointee. He was succeeded by Judge John W. Reed, of Clearfield. With Mr. Benn Governor Sproul has named four new members, although in office only half a year.

Mr. Benn's appointment makes two laymen on the commission. All others except Commissioner Milton Street are attorneys. Mr. Benn has been in newspaper work in long time and years ago traveled with the Attorney General on campaign tours. He has been a frequent visitor here since the Sproul administration began.

Democratic affairs seem to be engaging the attention of many newspaper editors, to whom we are frankly curious as to what is going to happen to Palmer, McCormick, Guffy and the rest of the "New Deal" messes. The recent dinner to Attorney General Palmer at Scranton and the visit of the chief law officer to Bedford when the State Bar Association was meeting were not without their significance.

A Mexican Crisis Near

[Harvey's Weekly] What is to be done about Mexico? With all the rest of humanity regulated and psychologized according to the highest dominant ideals of our expatriated President, are the wretched millions next door to us to be left to stew in their own hell's broth of anarchy, famine and slaughter, of which our American citizens are perpetually the victims? Are we to continue watchful waiting and "sitting back and chucking" while this perennial orgy of murder, anarchy and ruin goes on at our doors?

Apartment Ditties

One more unfortunate Hunting a flat. Begging for an apartment. Doffing his hat. Kick him out scornfully. If he should say the United States are hopeless, "I cannot pay it."

Politics in Peace Treaties

[From the New York Sun.] Being in, of and by politics, a peace treaty must of necessity be a political issue and become involved with other political issues; and it is right, proper and salutary that it should be the case. The fact that every peace treaty is a political document and a political issue is a matter of course; that is to say, it is a fact that share, any more than the fact that bark grown on trees is a cause for shame.

MOVIE OF A MAN WAKING UP ON JULY 1ST



Senator Knox's Great Service

[From Harvey's Weekly] The Senate has done well. After the wind, the earthquake and the fire, comes the still small voice of patriotic judgment. In the history of that body has there been so fine a passage as that which has just recorded the successful campaign of reason over passion, of patriotism over partisanship, of American nationality over denationalizing fads.

TATARS WISH TO BECOME CHILDREN OF UNCLE SAM

[From a Bulletin of the National Geographic Society.] NOW add to the list of states that have asked the United States to be their mandatory—Nakhichevan. Never heard of Nakhichevan? Well, first consult Genesis viii, 4— for the district in question lies at the foot of Mount Ararat and the town of Nakhichevan contains the alleged graveyard of Noah. The builder of the Ark, local traditions affirm, went down into the land that now seeks the king of the United States, and died of thirst in the parched plain after his ark had broken up on the snowy peak of the world's most famous mountain.

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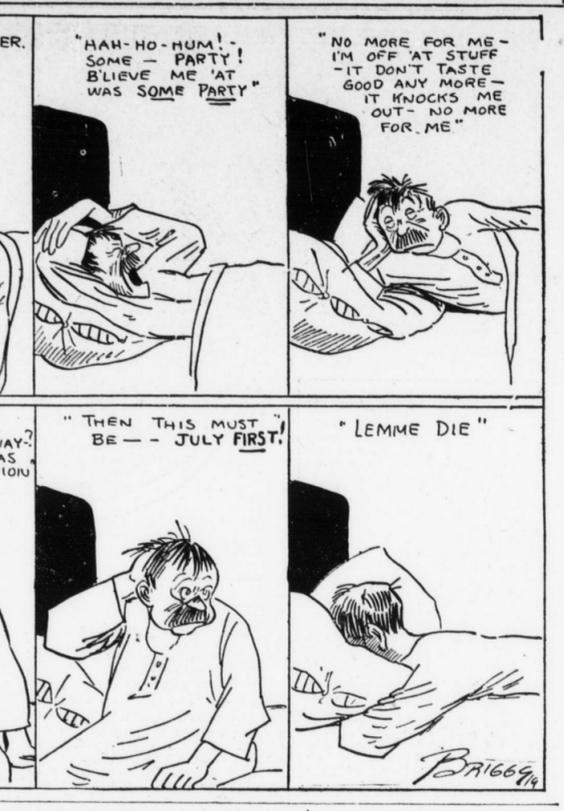
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By BRIGGS



Shall We Insure Europe?

[From the Kansas City Star] Frank H. Simonds, returning to America after six months in Europe, notes a complete contrast in the discussion of peace in America the discussion of peace in America the League of Nations. In Europe, he says, the League of Nations has ceased to exist.

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Evening Chat

"Why does not the city of Harrisburg do as some of the western towns have done in providing camp sites for motorists?" asked J. Frank Slaymaker, an automobile tourist from Missouri, who passed through this city last week on his way to the seashore where he and his family will spend the summer under canvas.

In the western tourist district many towns have set aside park reservations especially for the automobile camper," he continued. "The camp sites are furnished with running water, and some of them which have been placed built-in stoves of brick on which the tourist may prepare his meals. Of course you know you have lovely hotels here in the East for the tourist who feels he can afford them, but for the man who takes his family in the old Tin Lizzie, straps the tent and bedding on one running board and the trunk for clothing on the other there is no provision whatsoever and since leaving Ohio I have kept away from the larger cities because I could find no place near them suitable for camping. People look upon me here as something of a tramp, but I am not. I have money and a good business at home and I am taking a summer off with my folks after a year's service for the Government. This is my way of taking a vacation and we are having a most enjoyable time. But we do miss those western camping places. In Europe, he says, the League of Nations has ceased to exist.

He headed for the Rocky Mountain tours but my folks wanted to see the ocean and so here we are.

The Slaymaker family has a queer outfit, from the eastern viewpoint, but it travels in comfort and stops where night overtakes it, or where the family so desires. The advice of a "tourist" who has been refined down to the last notch for touring. It is a four cylinder car, not a Ford, but very little larger. On one side is the tent, which is made to fold out from the side of the car and which contains sleeping quarters for three. The little five year old boy sleeps in the automobile itself. Under the seats there has been arranged row after row of tin dishes and tin spoons, toilet articles and a few grocery staples held in for use in emergency but up to this time not needed. The family will go to the Atlantic Coast, which is the ancient spot where bathing and fishing were first introduced after visiting Atlantic City, Wildwood and other lively points will settle down for the summer, starting back home shortly after Labor Day.

"I predict that an outfit like mine will attract no attention whatever in the next year or two," said Mr. Slaymaker to a party of inquirers who were curious about his long journey, having been attracted by his foreign license tag. "The idea has gained great popularity throughout the west and I believe that with the coming of good roads through Iowa and Nebraska, a lot of people from the northern section of the country as well as from the South will be found flocking to the east in large numbers, following the lead of the west and one has heard of some of those westbound this summer told us they expected to come east next year."

Another stranger in town yesterday was the Rev. Clarence Platt, formerly a newspaperman of Harrisburg and afterward connected with Market Square Presbyterian church. Mr. Platt also is the possessor of a "tourist" license tag to bring his family back to Chambersburg and Harrisburg from his present location in New York State, near Rochester, by automobile, but as he is a "tourist" he is a "tourist" in Arizona for several years but for the past several years has been preaching in New York State, where he is spending his vacation with his aged father in Chambersburg.

Unusually large numbers of doves have taken up their abode near Harrisburg this year and one has not to go far from town to hear their cooing among the trees and shrubbery in the fields. There was a time, not so many years ago, that doves were almost extinct in this vicinity, so closely were they hunted. But with the coming of legal protection they have returned in large numbers and are now more numerous than at any time within the memory of man. Many of them have become tame, and while usually very timid may be approached within a very few feet before they will fly. The wood thrush and the blue jay are also very numerous than usual this summer.

Some of the fishermen who were out scouting last Saturday went to Sherman's creek bass fishing today. It was the only time in this vicinity where the water was anything like good for angling. Wise old rivermen say that if there is no more rain until the end of the week bass fishing will be very poor. It was made on July 4th which was a great fishing day in this vicinity, as the water will be clear enough for fishing and the bass will be hungry.

Dr. C. E. L. Keen, school director and well-known physician, has just returned from a trip through Yellowstone Park, following attendance at the Rotary convention in Salt Lake City. While in the park he stepped into a fissure in the rocks and broke a small bone of the foot. For a time he had difficulty in getting around. "But the trip was worth it," he said. During his visit to many cities he noted the type of the letter houses erected and especially the treatment of the high school problems. He brought back with him some suggestions for the local school board.

The Hitch in Hitchcock

[From the National Republican] The pro-leaguers, treaty-of-any-old-kind advocates and Wilson-can-do-no-mistake Democrats in the United States Senate charged that if any "interests" in New York got hold of a copy of the Peace Treaty they did so by theft, bribery or some other nefarious practice. But after all that squawk, the truth turned out to be that Mr. Lamont, Mr. Wilson's do-no-mistake Democrat, had secured the treaty, got the treaty by the President's authority and turned it over to Mr. Davison who gave it to Mr. Root who showed it to Mr. Lodge. And there you are. So Mr. Hitchcock went off half-cocked—as usual.