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All the sorrow and worry On all this green-covered earth Is followed soon, if we wait and hope, By a generous measure of mirth.

LEE'S STATEMENT

MOST railroad men know personally or by reputation William G. Lee, the head of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, and his courageous declaration in Washington as to the prevailing cause of the high cost of living has caused something of a sensation.

"All of us are to blame," said he, "because we are exerting every effort to get more money for ourselves and better conditions, while the profiteers are taking double from the working man what is given him."

"I will admit to you," he further declared, "that we are going the wrong way and that it is time to call a halt. Until we get together to stop this there will be hell in this country."

Mr. Lee referred to the rather satisfactory conditions prior to the war and said that there was some peace "until the commodities that working people are compelled to pay for were permitted to be increased, doubled and trebled, without any question and often seemingly with the approval of the Government."

He accused the lawmakers of playing politics, instead of finding a way to bring about normal conditions, and indicated that the labor organizations were also playing politics. "It is the same down the line," was his conclusion.

It is such statements as Lee's that have aroused the Washington administration to its responsibility and its obligations to the people. With millions of dollars worth of foodstuffs stored in the military warehouses of the Government, it is little wonder that the labor leaders and others are calling the Washington authorities to account.

A CITY FOUNDATION

RECENTLY a good woman of Pittsburgh passed away leaving \$1,000,000 to establish a fund for the relief of the poverty and distress of children and babies in want through abandonment or the death or poverty of their parents.

might be accomplished. Under appointment by the court, trustees for the proposed Harrisburg Foundation would be elected and women would be eligible to membership on this committee.

No distinction should be made in the use of the money on account of race, color or creed and all receipts and disbursements, as at Cleveland, would be audited annually and the certified statement showing investments held, amount of income received, purposes for which it has been used and expenses of the committee would be published in newspapers of the city.

Harrisburg has many generous citizens who doubtless would be glad to have such a Foundation as has been outlined organized in this city.

MODERN CHIVALRY

WHO says the age of chivalry is dead, when 100 men and women will come forward to give their lifeblood to save an unknown hospital patient?

TURN ON THE LIGHT

HOMER S. CUMMINGS, the chairman of the Democratic National Committee, is quite perturbed over the probing by committees of Congress into some of the war expenditures.

A PERMANENT CAMP

MEMBERS of the Harrisburg Rotary Club who heard Arthur Dinsmore's plea for a permanent camp site during their visit to the Y. M. C. A. boys' camp at Big Pond understood how he felt about it.

The camp site ought to include certain permanent buildings and a lodge where boys and men, under proper regulations, could spend a few days or a night at any time during the year.

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outdoor life is coming to be part and parcel of the American boy's training. Whatever money is spent in that direction is well invested, but while we are at it we should get as much for our money as is possible.

Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman

The time for filing nominating petitions for judicial primaries will expire at the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth next Thursday.

Ten of the desks in the hall of the House of Representatives are in the hands of repairmen who are replacing parts which were broken or damaged during the session.

Efforts on the part of the Pinchot committee on organization of the State for election of Republican National delegates were abandoned.

Harrisburg canteen workers who have seen managed American prisoners go through this city on crowded railroad cars enroute to Leavenworth and other Government prisons are disposed to believe the stories of brutality which are now coming out through investigations.

The Unguarded Gates

When we read the interesting pages of the Atlantic Monthly, that venerable and remarkable magazine of New England which once embodied so much of what was pure Americanism, and when we note its present aspect, colored sometimes faintly, sometimes strongly, by the newer philosophies of socialism and internationalism, always restrained, however, by polite culture and the discernment of fine literary taste, we recall these verses, written many years ago by a former editor of the Atlantic:

Gratitude

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Fisher on Job

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Evening Chat

Clerks in the county recorder's office daily do track exercise through the three offices on the first floor of the court house searching for attorneys to answer telephone calls, and most of the time these lawyers are "out." Four of them, in particular, are called more frequently than others because usually they are busy at that office.

John B. Demming, president of the Junior class of the College and son of Benjamin W. Demming, chief clerk of the Adjutant General's Department, is a chip of the old block.

If you take a stroll on Allison Hill and notice long white chalk lines on the asphalt and the names of some of the larger cities in Pennsylvania adjacent states, you will have before you a panoramic view of the main lines of the "express wagon" railroad.

One of the recruiting officers stationed here who was with the Fifth Division in France and the following story from the weekly paper published by the division: Private Joseph Rinaldi, of Company K, 60th Infantry, was with his regiment near Esch, Luxembourg, and he and another of a seeming romantic disposition, Rinaldi thought he might look ahead and see if some nice Luxembourg girl might not want to come to this country as Mrs. Rinaldi.

Some of the men engaged in passing around the petition for candidates to have their names printed are running across peculiar situations. Some men insist on signing with pencils, although that method is no longer in vogue.

WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

Col. H. B. Ferguson, organizer of the tank corps, has been detailed as United States engineer officer at Pittsburgh.

DO YOU KNOW

That Harrisburg made cigars were among those taken to France?

Historic Harrisburg—This city used to have a woman's college located in Front street.