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cannot be tied up because of a fool requirement of a new law that does not increase the efficiency of the men at all.

AROUND THE WORLD WITH THE MARINES Colonel Waller Has Led the Navy's Infantry on Historic Occasions Which by No Means Were Destitute of Excitement

By COROLYN BULLEY MARINE and naval officers don't have personal opinions, but some of them have had considerably more experience and exercise than you would imagine.



COLONEL WALLER.

Colonel Waller began his career in the bombardment of Alexandria, and was next sent to the Argentine Republic. Then in the Spanish-American War he took part in all the engagements at Santiago, including the destruction of the Spanish fleet on July 3, 1898.

ESPECIALLY DESIGNED TO DELIVER THE GOODS... THE TRANSIT COMPANY... Illustration of a man in uniform holding a large sign that says 'TRANSIT COMPANY'.

THE AVERAGE NET PAID DAILY CIRCULATION OF THE EVENING LEDGER FOR SEPTEMBER WAS 100,000.

PHILADELPHIA, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28, 1915.

There is no drugstore to the man whose mind is filled with the completed task.

"CRATED AND TAGGED"

GEORGE W. NORRIS, in his masterful relation of the transit situation as it now exists, stated what every intelligent citizen of Philadelphia knows or ought to know when he declared, "If you elect an Organization Mayor and Council, you will be delivering yourselves bound and crated, crated and tagged, to the mercies of the Transit Company."

Smith and three-quarters of his candidates for Councils have refused to sign the Transit Pledge. Some of them have been frank enough to say that they refused under orders.

The organization is preparing to hold up the city and the Transit Company at the same time.

The truth is absolutely apparent. A vote for the organization is a vote against rapid transit, against the elimination of exchange tickets and against a universal five-cent fare.

NO JOB FOR AN OFFICE BOY

THERE have been few great Secretaries of the Navy. The job has been a plum to be given some politician who was able to demand a reward. Now and then the appointee happened to be worth his salt.

The nation is about to spend millions upon millions of dollars on this service. Walls of floating steel are to be constructed for the defense of the country at enormous cost.

TUESDAY'S BALLOT A CRIME

THE ballot to be used Tuesday is a crime. It would require an expert statistician to unravel its mysteries. Sam Lloyd never in his life concocted so maddening a thing.

SLOW DOWN

RAPID transit means rapid transit for small as well as for people. Yet under the thin guise of improving the service in this city the Postoffice Department seriously proposes to discontinue the use of the pneumatic tubes and subject the mails to the hazard of weather, storm and blockade.

SHIPPING CHAOS IS ABOUT TO BEGIN

IT LOOKS as if Secretary Redfield would have to resume his legislative functions and make some more amendments of the seamen's act. He has already informed shippers that the language section does not mean just what it says.

THE WHOLE TICKET

THE fierce light of public attention is beating now on the two candidates for Mayor, Porter and Smith. But they are not the only candidates on the tickets.

The nominees for Select and Common Councils will be chosen by those who know them best—their neighbors. Their choice will be influenced by various motives; but they have one sure test. They know that the men on Mr. Smith's ticket are men like Mr. Smith, are candidates in behalf of McNichol. They know that the men on Mr. Porter's ticket are men like Mr. Porter, are candidates in behalf of Philadelphia.

The other positions to be filled, the great offices of City Controller, City Solicitor and Recorder of Deeds, Sheriff, Coroner and Clerk of Quarter Sessions, County Commissioners and Magistrates, are all of such importance that they must be given to men heart and soul in sympathy with the principles of efficient government.

MORE BRITISH MUDDLING

A MORE pitiable confession of incompetence has seldom been made than that which Lord Lansdowne has made in behalf of the British Ministry. He says that the Germans are likely to force their way through Serbia, because they have surprised the defenders of the interests of the Allies in the Balkans.

THE WORD! THE WORD!

THE hard-headed and progressive business men of Walnut street are making no idle speculation when they offer \$25 for six words. At the rate of \$4,166 plus a word the association could employ Theodore Roosevelt, A. Conan Doyle, G. Bernard Shaw and Arnold Bennett together, but they might not get the right six words.

UNRAVELING THE GREAT MYSTERY

THERE are more theories about the cause of rheumatism than about any other common fact. Every physician either has a theory of his own, adopts the theory of another man or just gives it up and prescribes blindly when the rheumatics apply to him.

ON SPEAKING ENGLISH

IT should be a point of conscience with those who can speak English perfectly to do so in all their associations with newcomers. A foreigner who is trying to better his mastery of the language will be grateful for the opportunity to hear clear, careful and correct speech.

OCTOBER TWILIGHT

A bracing breeze Through leafless trees, (The pines alone dark green) Day leaves around On all the ground Where flowers and grass have been.

RIGHTS AS AMERICANS

Sir—In this campaign the naturalized citizens are called upon to decide whether they are going to exercise their right of suffrage conferred upon them in favor of candidates who stand for clean things in public life or in favor of returning into power a system which, before the advent of the present city administration, oppressed them and demoralized them.

A BURST OF SUNSHINE

Sir—Aha! So it's Tom Daly you've been egering a copy of the Evening Ledger containing the sunshine in a gloomy world! When I take the 5:15 after November 1 I'll bet I'll see a whole lot more EVERING LEDGERS in front of the passenger car on the crowded cars! The best thing in your ad of this morning is the picture. Any one can see from the twinkle on the lip that the "Irish Thrush" has just thought of something delightfully humorous to tell us. More power to you! One does not have to be a Polly Anna to be glad at this great news.

CONGRATULATIONS

Sir—You are to be congratulated on the Tom Daly column. With your successive achievements you'll have people sitting up and talking notice so continually that they'll never go to sleep.

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GAVE UP A FORTUNE

Colonel Waller captured a rather interesting treasure in Tien-tsin. It was a collection of silver shoes—I mean really silver metal shoes. The Chinese call them silver. That does seem a peculiar and rather inconvenient form in which to keep your wealth. Well, the forms were pretty well blighted by the time Colonel Waller got actual possession of the fortune, because the building in which it was stored had been set on fire, either by gun fire or purposely by the Boxers before they retired.

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SPEAKING THE PUBLIC MIND

Letters From Readers on Important Aspects of the Political Struggle in Philadelphia—"What Jim Says"—Expressions of Opinion on Other Topics of Timely Interest

To the Editor of Evening Ledger:

Sir—Shortly after the election of John K. Tener as Governor in 1910 the "Rialto," as the region in the neighborhood of what was then called the "Betz Building" was known, buzzed with gossip as to Cabinet and other appointments to be made by the newly-chosen State Executive. Among the possibilities for Insurance Commissioner whose names mingled in the daily chatter of the minor politicians who haunted the Rialto in the hope of picking up crumbs of comfort, was that of Thomas B. Smith. The office of the latter, then as now, a representative of a bonding company, was situated, as it is today, on an upper floor of the Broad street skyscraper and not far removed from the sacred precincts occupied by Senator James F. McNichol.

It was the dusk of an evening in November, 1910, that Mr. Smith, impecably attired and wearing the placid smile of contentment that so well becomes him, stepped from one of the elevators on the ground floor of the "Betz Building." He kindly saluted acquaintances in the lobby and was making his way toward the door when he encountered a reporter of one of the Philadelphia newspapers—the one who writes this reminiscence—and was immediately confronted with the following question, addressed in entire good faith by the seeker of information for his paper: "Mr. Smith, do you intend to be a candidate for the office of Insurance Commissioner?"

Mr. Smith smiled benevolently on his interrogator, paused a moment before answering, and his reply was then as full of rebuff as his utterances have been in the last few weeks on the subject of transit and other matters of municipal moment: "It depends on what Jim says."

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AMUSEMENTS

EVERYBODY HAS TIME AND AGAIN boasted that they carry the so-called "foreign vote" in their vest pocket, and the little boss of the various nationalities, devoid of every sense of decency and respect for themselves and for others, have "delivered" that vote for a miserable consideration to the detriment and demoralization of poor innocent voters.

No man is worthy of the name "American" who does not exercise his right of suffrage with independence and intelligence. Ever since I attained my majority I invariably voted for candidates who engaged the cause of the people against political parasites, and am proud to say that I have never allowed any one to dictate to me how I should cast my ballot, a privilege which I have always considered as the most sacred and valuable under our Constitution. It would be a disgrace to my American citizenship, which I value above all other things, if I did not follow the dictates of my own conscience.

HENRY DI BERARDINO, Philadelphia, October 27.

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Boston Grand Opera Co. PAVLOWA BALLET

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Wed. Mat. (pop. price, 50c to \$2.50)—"PUPPETS," "SNOWFLAKES AND DIVERTISSEMENT." Wed. Eve.—"LA MUTA DI PORTICI," ravlona, Lyne, Zenatello, Chalmers, Gay, Saroyu, Martin, Mardona, Pavlova and Ballet.

Thurs. Eve.—"CARMEN," Gay, Saroyu, Martin, Mardona, Pavlova and Ballet.

Fri. Eve.—"TOSCA," Villani, Zenatello, Baklanoff and Pavlova Ballet.

Sat. Eve.—"OTELLO," Villani, Zenatello, Baklanoff, Pavlova and Ballet Divertissements.

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