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HYSTERIA SQUELCHED

THE defeat of the anti-secession bill, which cast discredit upon the existing laws of this state and contained the seeds of serious future perils is a gratifying exhibition of legislative sanity.

BRIDGE PLAN PROGRESS

DESPITE the cut made in the appropriation originally proposed, the Delaware river bridge project has been materially speeded by the Senate's favorable report on the bill at Harrisburg.

DROUGHT AND FISH

NO PRONOUNCEMENT of fate ever showed a more ironic twist than that which opens the bass season July 1 and shuts down the supply of "bait" on the same day.

SCHOOL IN SUMMER

BELIEVING that what school children need in the summer is not absolute rest, but less work and different work, the University of Pennsylvania from July 7 to August 15 will conduct a vacation school for Philadelphia boys and girls.

DIAMOND MANNERS

SOLDIERS at the Country Club for Enlisted Men at Rockledge may swat the ball on Sunday without breaking the law under the decision reached at Norristown.

TOO LATE FOR DODGING

THE favor with which Americans supported the war that was to bring Germany to terms is accorded with any disinclination contribute our share in making those terms valid.

that every American soldier will be out of France by September 1. It has been explained, however, that this statement has no reference to any time limit for the Rhine occupation.

NO NEED OF SELF-APPOINTED WATCHDOGS OF THE LAWS

Regularly Elected Authorities Must Enforce Statutes, Not Officious Bodies of Voluntary Origin

THAT Topeka clergyman who wrote a book a few years ago about what he would do if he were God was unfortunately not unique.

And it is fuller of self-appointed guardians of society, who know that everything is going to the demotion bowwows because their advice is not acted upon.

These people occasionally go into court and ask for a charter for some sort of a society to enforce some sort of laws, the enforcement of which they cannot trust to the regularly elected officials.

If government had broken down some extra-governmental machinery might be needed to perform its functions.

We have judges and district attorneys and detectives and other police officers chosen from among the citizenry and especially commissioned to enforce all the statutes and to bring to justice all law breakers.

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THE GOWNSMAN

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MCCUMBER, STATESMAN

AMERICAN honor and the honor of the United States Senate were courageously fortified yesterday in Senator Porter James McCumber's sincere and manly stand on behalf of the peace treaty and the league of nations.

In so doing his act squares with the ringing "Taft doctrine," succinctly expressed by the ex-President recently when he said: "I respect a man who opposes the covenant upon its merits, but I have no respect for a man who opposes it for the reason that it might help Mr. Wilson and the Democratic party and might hurt his own political ambitions.

The impression has been growing that the Republican party, to which the nation is so deeply indebted for innumerable measures of sound and clear-visioned statesmanship, contains members who must shrink from swallowing whole the cant which Mr. Knox and Mr. Lodge have been uttering.

Mr. McCumber's honest stand demonstrates that the party ranks are not yet devoid of political wisdom and patriotic habits may be forthcoming from other personal sources. The path of recovery is definitely outlined.

Sunny Mich. The Michigan Supreme Court has decided that the sale of any stock not listed by the State Securities Commission is void.

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Plane Trip for Plain Thrift The first letter to cross the Atlantic by airplane was from the savings division of the Treasury in Washington to the British national war savings committee, and its subject was national thrift.

Smoke Up! Home-baths in connection with the Asbury Park, N. J. have been found to be unhealthy.

Ready for New Drive Because of the fact that 100,000 men were rejected at the time of the draft for unsuspected tuberculosis and the additional fact that the white plague annually kills 150,000 people in this country, the Red Cross next Christmas will start a campaign for \$5,000,000 to prevent and control the disease.

Time Limit for Visitors The fact that two radicals under arrest on suspicion of being implicated in recent bomb outrages have been in this country twelve years and have never been naturalized draws attention to a phase of our immigration laws that might well be amended.

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WAKE UP AND START THE NEW CLEANER, MR. JANITOR!

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LIKE marriage, Commencement comes to most but once in a lifetime. One does not ordinarily commence and recommence.

APERTINENT and obvious inquiry asks why it is that we call the ceremony which concludes a college or a school career a Commencement and not rather a conclusion.

THE thought in the word Commencement is then of the future, the new state into which the student is inducted "with all its rights and privileges," as the current phrase goes, and not of any past condition of servitude.

TO LEAVE the dust of this ancient lore, the Commencement of our own fathers in America colleges was largely the affair of the student.

THE Bellevue-Stratford, we understand, gets the latter half of its name from the old Hotel Stratford, which Mr. Bald amalgamated with the Bellevue.

THERE is a cobbler's shop in South Fifteenth street—but all the cobblers nowadays call themselves shoe repairers.

DO YOU know Mule street? It is well named, for it is one of those small streets that have a habit of diving underground and reappearing a mile away.

SOMETHING may be said for our contented simplification of Commencement itself, however we have amplified it at student festivities.

Berlin shot an appraising glance at Washington, and then made a gesture of disdain toward Versailles.

The German delegates might better understand the "harshness" of the treaty if they were permitted to accompany President Wilson on his trip through Belgium.

The appropriation not being as big as the job, most of the street work will be done by the Good Intentions Contracting Company.

The Atlantic City convention of the Federation of Labor has so far demonstrated that the horny-handed arc level headed.

Given the right kind of men, a new charter would not have been needed. Given a vastly improved charter, the good is still greater for the right kind of men.



ELBOW ROOM

A City Notebook
ONE of the pleasantest glimpses we know is on Latimer street, the little byway just south of Locust between Fifteenth and Sixteenth.

TWO of the daintiest and most adorable lovers we have ever seen are the two delightful little birds—the wrens, or "titmice," or what's—serving time in an optimistic shop on Chestnut street.

IN a Market street window is a display of sporting goods, including the customary tennis racket with a ball suspended on its strings.

A SIGHT that always amuses us is the butter dropper in the window of a restaurant at Tenth and Market.

THE German peace envoys were received at Versailles, the Austrians at St. Germain and the Turks in the cloakroom at the Quai d'Orsay.

What, with breaking blossoms and auctioning souls, these are harrowing days on the screen.

The Route of All Evil
Rev. R. C. Pile, of Fall Mall, Tenn., apologizes for being seen at a vaudeville show in Nashville, which he was prevailed on to attend.

THE tongue of nations is bound to be a success, for we see that a little, lineal-edition of the covenant is on sale in the ten-cent stores.

ONE of the most serious disadvantages of being short-sighted is that we can hardly ever make out the titles of the books the department stores use to help out window displays of furniture.

A BIRD'S ELEGY

HE WAS the first to welcome Spring; Adventurous, he came To wake the dreaming buds and sing The crocus into flame.

He loved the morning and the dew; He fashioned lark as he flew With love for their refrain.

Poets of vines and blossoms, he, Beloved of them all; The timid leaves upon the tree Grew bold at his glad call.

He sang the rapture of the hills, And from the stary height He brought the melody that fills The meadows with delight.

And now, behold him dead, alas! Where he made joy so long: A his of blue amid the grass— A tiny, broken song. —Frank Dempster Sherman (1869-1916).

Henry's Relentless Logic
All of us together—the whole of human society—make the social system.

Now, if you allow relentless logic to take its course with this form of statement, and begin to speak of reforming the social system, then you find yourself confronted at once with the problem of making a profound and complete change in human nature.

Denmark's well-grounded fear that she may be forced to take territory she does not want is at once understandable and unique.

The protection of minorities is a doctrine not wholly foreign to the democratic idea of rule by the majorities.

What Do You Know?

- 1. When did the Turks acquire Constantinople?
2. What is the literal meaning of ineffable?
3. Who is Joseph Korzeniowski?
4. Who wrote "Darius Green and His Flying Machine"?
5. Where is Schleswig-Holstein?
6. In what war was the battle of Molino del Rey fought and what does the name mean?
7. What is asphalt made from?
8. What is a caret?
9. Who was the vice presidential candidate of the Progressive party in 1912?
10. What kind of a weapon is an assegai?

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz

- 1. Victoriano Huerta was Carranza's predecessor as president of Mexico.
2. Nickname is derived from "eke name," meaning "also name."
3. A creak is an iron-headed golf club.
4. By the terms of the peace treaty Germany yields to Belgium the territory of Prussian Eupen, east of the road from Liege to Aix-la-Chapelle, and Eupen and Malmédy, also near the Belgian border.
5. Shintoism is regarded as the national religion of Japan, although it receives no aid from the state.
6. The five-rail of a ship is the rail around the mainmast with belaying pins.
7. Henry James wrote the story of "Daisy Miller."
8. Strata is the plural of the word stratum.
9. Patriotic literature is literature of the church fathers.
10. Henry Clay was chiefly responsible for the Missouri Compromise, fixing the line for slave and free states in 1820.