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THE ROOTS OF THE TRAGEDY

THE impossibility of accurately appraising human life in terms of dollars is demonstrated in Agnew T. Dice's estimate of \$17,000,000 as the cost of supplanting the wooden cars of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway with modern steel coaches.

DOING IT THEMSELVES

IT WAS understood that when the trustees elected General Leonard Wood he was to take charge of the business affairs of the University of Pennsylvania and to do what was possible to put them in proper shape.

"FILTHY LUCRE"

DR. WHITE, of the Laboratory of Hygiene, will undoubtedly relieve a great strain on the public mind when he announces that, although bacilli have been known to live eighty days on a penny and seventy-one days on a nickel, coins are not great factors in the transmission of disease.

EQUAL RIGHTS TO TOBACCO

THE co-eds of the University of Chicago are up against a hard proposition. Notice has been posted in their dormitories advising them not to be allowed in the building unless the question naturally arises if the girls may not smoke in the dormitories, where shall they smoke?

UTILIZING THE SCHUYLKILL

THE MUNICIPAL utilization of its navigable rivers Philadelphia is not only far behind the cities of Europe, but also in the rear of many large urban communities in the United States.

along the stream at the comparatively reasonable cost of fifty-nine cents a cubic yard. Large-scale commerce and the fact that it is a State frontier under the Delaware less fit for such departures than its tributary. But the Schuylkill, lying within the city limits, will not be forced to surrender its charms as a Park ornament and is, below the Fairmount dam, well suited to practical uses.

INFIRMITY CAN'T OUST THE CAPTAIN FROM HIS SOUL

Blindness Deafened Sir Arthur Pearson No More Than Similar Afflictions Have Broken the Spirit of Thousands of Others

AMONG all the theories about the nature of man, there is none which can ignore the fact that he is something more than a mere bundle of physical forces which react to the stimulus of the nerves.

Something dwells in the remotest of clay that passes comprehension. There is Sir Arthur Pearson, just dead from an accident, who, though blind in his later years, refused to succumb to his affliction and faced the world with his head erect and undimmed.

IRISH MARPLOTS AND PATRIOTS

NO GREAT reform was ever accomplished unaccompanied by the squeals of marplots and chronic irreconcilables. Up to the present Eamon de Valera's record has been one of shrewdness and an impressionable and comprehensible patriotism.

TREATIES ARE INDISPENSABLE

THE possibility of the emergence of a "New Deal" Pacific agreement from the Washington sessions is exceedingly strong. When the facts are known it is not unlikely that the recent meetings in the capital will prove to be among the most momentous in the annals of American foreign relations.

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SLOWLY BUT SURELY

THE business is improving and I am able to save some money. I have several Liberty bonds and have \$1000 worth of insurance, some money in the bank, and in the spring expect to take out five shares of building and loan stock.

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SHORT CUTS

The alternative seems to be: Sign peace pact or Semi peace packing. Life with Lloyd George is just one darned conference after another. When a professional agitator says he is stricken dumb by events he is probably lying. Do you suppose that Henry Ford, Midas like, hates gold because he has so much of it? Whiskey was found hidden in barrels of onions in Norfolk, Va. Hooch was, as usual, in bad odor. Local victims of frenzied finance incline to the belief that a chandler is a guy who burns your surplus talow. Not the least interesting of the President's disarmament plans is that directed against criticism in the Senate. No desire for limitation of armament will justify a man in withholding from Santa Claus the sinews of war. It is becoming increasingly hard to imagine how the Washington Conference dream can have an effective final act without a treaty. What's in a name? asked Shakespeare. Query referred to Bloomsburg, Pa. Discharged states that the rose now blooms in that burg despite the snow. A New York beauty specialist urges women to cover their legs when the legs are unattractive. But where is the woman who admits her understanding at fault? Paris dressmakers report that Mary Pickford bought forty gowns and costumes. "One for every mood." We don't believe it. Femininity knows no such limitations. Twenty-eight in each hundred American families own their own homes. The ratio ought to be increased. Love for one's country increases when one owns a bit of it. The fact that Judge Landis is in favor of the draft in baseball causes one "Bible" author to venture the opinion that the Judge was always a breezy guy. Or was "windy" the word he used? The Federal Government, during the fiscal year of 1923, will spend \$20 for every man, woman and child in the United States on wars past and wars to come. Santa Claus could do a lot of good with that money. A French scientist, after careful experiment, has figured that in the course of a single season a housewife becomes the parent of ten million flies. 3,985,989,387,775,000—other flies, and not a housewife in the country will care to dispute his word. The hundreds of blackbirds that have been roosting on the local Bourne during the last few days are doubtless related to those immortalized in the Song of Solomon, and that for reason foregathered where the sovereign citizen might conceivably be found in his counting houses counting out his money. The president of a New York bank says bootleggers invest their profits in securities that pay no tax to the Government, and Arthur Brisbane sees in the fact an endorsement of the plan to tax all income derived from State, city and private bonds. Less vivid thinkers see in it merely the necessity for wiping out the bootleggers. A suit for non-support in Washington developed the fact that the defendant, a fellow, made \$100 a week in tips. It never has been conclusively proved that a helpline earns that much money. It must, therefore, follow that the money is handed to him by suckers without courage enough to withstand being blind. If the suckers ever organize we'll all be eligible for membership. The report of the Secretary of the Interior shows that the undeveloped resources of the country still lie in the hands of the Government—oil, phosphates, water power, etc.—amount in the neighborhood of fifteen hundred billions of dollars. But there is nothing hereon contained which is designed to curb the industry of General Haves. Uncle Sam's nephews and nieces will have to work for those dollars before they get them and there is no excuse for throwing away the dollars they have.