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THE BEST FAIR OR NONE

ENTIRELY in keeping with the legitimate aims and laudable scope of the World's Fair of 1926 is the official impetus accorded the project by Council.

The pledge of \$5,000,000 in the resolution of the municipal body lends the stamp of practical authenticity to the undertaking and, by force of example, should prove an incentive to aid by the State and national legislatures.

Councilman Desvlin's charge of extravagance is unconvincing. If the exposition is worth holding at all it is worth developing on the most splendid and generous scale.

The success of the Centennial has been psychologically influential, and it was but natural that the thoughts of the majority of Philadelphians should turn toward repeating the venture upon a grander and even more comprehensive scale.

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cosmic laughter which descended on him can scarcely be re-echoed. He remains a bewildering adventurer, perhaps not entirely an object of antipathy.

A PRETTY CHEERLESS WEEK IN THE WORLD'S AFFAIRS

The Mad Scramble for Special Privilege is Being Renewed in Europe and in the United States

IF IT be true that the darkness is always most intense just before dawn, the world at large ought to be happy and brightly expectant at this moment.

French politicians led by Poincaré—or leading him?—and kicking violently at the horns of Europe, and seemingly determined to wreck any scheme that may be devised for the peace and safety of the white man's world.

Possibilities of international co-operation were never more remote than they are now," said Mr. Gilbert in his Washington dispatch of yesterday.

Meanwhile, Mr. Hoover seems to be convinced that a strike of the bituminous miners in this country is almost inevitable.

What can Washington do to avert such a strike? What can the public do? No one knows because it isn't fashionable to think about these things in advance.

It is abandoned there must be economic chaos in Europe and a terrible and disorderly scuffle for spoils that may lead to almost any sort of fresh disaster.

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is no less a patriot than J. J. Walsh. To this official, who was sentenced to death in Dublin in 1916, but eventually favored with commutation of sentence, will fall the task of sponsoring an issue of the new stamps of his native land.

Philately is among the most illuminating interpreters of history and historical changes. It has been said that, contemplating in the early days of the war an invasion of Switzerland, because of "military necessity," the painstaking Germans were fully equipped with an informative stamp series.

The sanction for the new Irish issue is of another complexion, consequent upon the accession of self-respect accruing to two self-governing nations on the ratification of a pact of progress.

They will joyously proclaim a step forward that is a public and universal gain for civilization. It is to be hoped they will be tastefully designed and admirably typical of the great event which they symbolize.

McCONNELL'S SUCCESSOR

IT WOULD be interesting to know what Senator Pepper thinks of the task now assigned to him of recommending a Federal Prohibition Director for Pennsylvania.

Part of the trouble that has grown out of the Volstead act—perhaps most of it—is due unquestionably to the unwritten law which makes it necessary for the responsible officials in Washington to choose their most important representatives from the relatively small company of the politically qualified.

Senator Crow leans toward a Pittsburgh druggist for the office. Without knowing anything about the Pittsburgh druggist, one feels that Mr. Crow is running true to form.

But it is necessary to admit that what the country needs in public offices are not zealots and fanatics, but public-spirited and efficient men with a respect for law and the rights and privileges which the law is supposed to guarantee equally to all citizens.

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SADLER'S MONUMENT

LEWIS S. SADLER was a type of public servant which the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania could ill afford to spare.

The active part which he took in the construction of the Lincoln Highway is an enduring memorial to his energies, and numerous other instances of reform effort in his administration could be cited.

SHORT CUTS
The bridge is panned at Harrisburg, but what about the black?
Bodeman may be held in on his run for Governor by a check-raise.

DRIZZLE and sleet, drizzle and drip, watch your step as you walk or you surely will slip.

Has anybody interviewed the City Statistician on the arrival of the sneetchless banquet?

The Joint Bridge Commission yesterday accepted a betk with the fervent hope that a banquet will be due later.

Isomelists are busy preparing for the ballroom at State and Spruce. "We must raise before they raise," say they.

The Crow-Baker-Vare candidate for Governor may be slated next week. Time may also have a sponge in pocket.

The Chicago Dental Society plans to reduce crime by pulling teeth. Something to that direction may be done by having them put in the law.

Batler curious. Is it not, that the coaches seem to disagree with the views of Harvard's president on the importance of football? Yes, as you surmise, it is not.

Omission of the capital ship ratio from the final draft of the naval treaty is said to be in defiance to Japanese sensitiveness. But that, it seems to us, has been long questioned. The doubt has been as to ability.

Now that we have learned that all House of Burgesses had for that pearl necklaces worth \$25,000, and not the \$1,500,000 previously reported, our interest is sensationally diminished. It is a mere bagatelle.

When one junior Senator declared he found in the important body to which he had been appointed, plank, purpose and program, he was speaking as a man of all-allocation, a promise wherein the populace might readily perceive that Pop of Pennsylvania would give the P's of progress-minded potency.

THE STATE IS PREPARED

Adjutant General Beary Ready to Cope With Fire, Flood or Disaster. General Lewis' Tribute—One Man Who Was Forced Into Office

By GEORGE NOX McCAIN
ADJUTANT GENERAL FRANK D. BEARY stated a curious fact and, incidentally, proposed a question the other day.

They are interesting in view of the present outbreak of influenza in England and France.

Are you aware that during the influenza epidemic in the fall and winter of 1918 more people died in Pennsylvania of the plague than all the battle-killed American soldiers in the World War?

Then he went on: "The total number of American troops killed outright in battle in Europe during the war was slightly in excess of 48,000. The total number of influenza deaths in this State was something over 50,000."

General Beary emphasized, as others since have done, the fact that the people did not at the time appreciate the full horror and extent of the influenza plague.

"We were in the midst of war," he said. "All our national and individual efforts were centered in winning. Under the circumstances the deadly influenza was merely a passing incident."

As a matter of fact, it was the most disastrous visitation of death this State and the country at large has ever experienced.

GENERAL BEARY'S experience with the pestilence and the story of the Halifax disaster were responsible for important changes in the State's military establishment.

The people are vitally interested in these important representations, which have never fully been set forth.

Lack of rapid and efficient transportation and the necessity of immediate supplies of food, shelter, medicine and surgical appliances, were sorely apparent in the Halifax horror.

The inadequacy of Pennsylvania's preparedness during the influenza epidemic or plague was emphasized.

There was inadequate auto transportation. The lack of instant readiness of surgical and medical supplies, largely the result of the war, was emphasized.

It was this experience that caused General Beary to begin the work that has put Pennsylvania squarely to the front in this respect.

Every minute of the day or night now the State is equipped ready to answer any emergency call in fire, flood or disaster.

His high-powered massive trucks with the readiness of the Philadelphia Fire Department stand waiting.

At the State Arsenal in Harrisburg and in State depots elsewhere are hundreds of war surplus automobiles and trucks.

They can be used as hospitals or dwellings with accompanying cots, camp chairs, tables and utensils.

EVERY conceivable necessity in case of calamity is available. There are stretchers, surgical instruments and bandages, anesthetics and antiseptics, things conceivable that might be needed, can be requisitioned and forwarded as rapidly as trucks can be loaded.

Within an hour after we get word in Harrisburg of a great calamity or disaster our trucks, fully manned and loaded with supplies, can be on the road," said General Beary.

It is well for the people of Pennsylvania to know this.

It is worth while for them to know and appreciate what real efficiency in our military establishment means outside the matter of arms and ammunition, drill and dress parade.

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"HAVE A HEART!"



NOW MY IDEA IS THIS!

Daily Talks With Thinking Philadelphians on Subjects They Know Best

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Many to Be Held in 1926
This statement applies not only to national organizations, but also to international ones as well. From the present outlook, it will be a great convention year in Philadelphia and many of the most distinguished bodies in the world will hold their meetings here that year.

Comparisons
One can't damn Ford's Muscle Shoals scheme by calling him a vision-ary, Galileo. But, on the other hand, it is neither safe nor wise to compare him to Galileo. To one who discovers a hidden truth a thousand mistakes are forgiven.

Convention Attitude Changed
Not all every one hundred conventions now held fully seventy-five are business meetings. The other twenty-five are either fraternal or associations banded together for some purpose other than business.

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What Do You Know?

- QUIZ
1. Who elects the Pope?
2. How many Poles have been Englishmen?
3. What is the original meaning of the word See in the term Papal See?
4. What is the trifurcation of a church?
5. What is meant by the presentation of a theatre?
6. On what island was James Buchanan elected to the presidency of the United States?
7. Of what island was the Empress Josephine of France a native?
8. Who said "One touch of nature makes the whole world kin"?
9. What is the largest island in the East Indies?
10. What is the meaning of the French expression "en passant"?

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz

- 1. Rowland Hill (1775-1855) repropounded the question: "Who elected the devil have all the good things?"
2. The native name of Romania is Romania. The Chinese name is the Kingdom of Rumania. The official name of the country was changed in 1877 from Tai Han to Chosen, which is the term now used by the Japanese who now possess that region.
3. Pilectomy is blood-letting, as a medical operation.
4. The poetical testimony of Thomas Campbell's freedom included as Kosciuszko fell.
5. Three languages spoken in Spain are Castilian, Catalan and Basque. Castilian is the national official language throughout the language; Basque in most of the northern provinces; Catalan and Catalan in Catalonia, in the north-east, including the great city of Barcelona.
6. Blanketing is a desert made of gelatine and milk, is a name derived from the French, "blancher," which means to color, literally, "white to eat."
7. Blague is brag, humbug, particularly applied to speech.
8. Gifford Court House is the name of a battle fought in the American Revolutionary War, in 1781, in the American colonies, near the town of Gifford, North Carolina, on March 15, 1781. The American forces, under General Gates, were defeated by the British under Cornwallis.
9. Otho, Atropos and Lachesis were the fates, or the three Fates of Greek mythology.
10. Richard J. Oglesby, Governor of Illinois, was elected to the United States Senate.

Today's Anniversaries

- 1816—France observed a day of mourning for Louis XVI, twenty-three years after his execution.
1822—Ohio Legislature passed a measure creating a State Canal Board.
1824—General Thomas J. (Stonewall) Jackson, famous military leader of the Confederate States of America, born at Clark's Landing, Va., at Gunner's Station, Va., May 10, 1824.
1851—United States Senate passed an act to admit Kansas under the Wyandotté Constitution.
1852—Richard J. Oglesby, Governor of Illinois, was elected to the United States Senate.
1887—Henry M. Stanley left England for Zambesi, to lead an expedition for the relief of Emin Pasha.
1890—A statue of Queen Victoria was unveiled in front of the houses of Parliament at Cape Town.
1891—The Governor of Florida ordered troops to Jacksonville to prevent the Corbett-Mitchell prize fight.
1921—M. Briand received a vote of confidence on his Germany indemnity policy.

Today's Birthdays

- Dr. James Henry Morgan, president of Dickinson College, born near Concord, Del., sixty-five years ago.
Zelda Sears, a chorus girl who became a successful playwright, born at Brockway, Mich., forty-nine years ago.
James J. Storrow, noted New England banker and banker, born in Boston fifty-eight years ago.
Frederick Madison Smith, former president of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, born at Plano, Ill., forty-eight years ago.

Changing Standards

Cities in America which boasted their educational facilities a half a century ago, are now in the East, West, North and South, now rest their pride upon centers of learning reflecting annexations of suburbs and upon the number of automobile licenses issued.

High Rate of Exchange

In a photographer's window, "Being the baby and get a large one."