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The bankrupt in virtue is not abashed at

#### being called crooked. Cured Into Helplessness

MARRANZA may submit until he is weary, J and Zapata submit, and Villa submit, and Obregon and all the others submit, but while the one is busy making his promises to the United States the others are merrily shooting the defenseless and pillaging right and

There is no Government in Mexico, wherefore there is no responsibility. There is no authority capable of protecting American or any other interests. The capital is an alternate prize of war, now sacked by one bandit and now by another.

A second dose of "watchful waiting" is the cure, says Washington; but when the condition of the patient, after previous treatment of the same kind is considered, ordinary people are likely to think it a case of Jeb Hawkins all over again. Jeb was addicted to drink. When his wife heard him coming the first thing she did was to hide the rifle and sequestrate the china. Then she extracted a quart bottle of extract of alcohol from its concealment, filled a big glass with the stuff and set it on the dining table, after which she went into the kitchen and bolted the door. "When Jeb's just got enough in him to navigate," she confided to a friend, "like as not he'd tear up the house and me, too, But about five minutes after he swallows my offering he's limp as a rag and anybody could put him to bed." With a little more "watchful waiting" there will not be anything left in Mexico but the mountains and the trees, and what was the nation will be limp enough for even a lecturer to handle with impunity.

#### The Apparition of the Eitel Friedrich

THE German cruiser Eitel Friedrich might Laimost have dropped from the skies into the harbor of Newport News without causing more astonishment than she produced when she steamed in vesterday. Her whereabouts has been unknown for weeks. She was with the German squadron at the Falkland Islands, but escaped, and she has been reported as off the coast of Peru. But she has steamed around the continent of South America and has got as far north as Chesapeake Bay without any word of her movements reaching this country. That she has been active is proved by the presence on board of 326 prisoners, being the officers and crews of the ships she has sunk. She is in need of coal and provisions, and must also be repaired. But where did she get the coal and provisions to maintain her since she was last heard from and where has she been operating

These questions are not all fully answered at present. They form a romance of the sea which the officers could tell if they wished. Some day the story will be written, not only of the work this ship has done, but of the achievements of the other German commerce destroyers, and it will be absorbing reading, even though told without any of the artifices of literature. The Germans may not control the sea, but they seem to be at home

# A Joke That Is No Joke

Many a business man borrows his brains from his stenographer.

THIS sentence from the humorous column Lof the Boston Post is not a joke. It is the solemn truth, and in its 10 words there is a probable explanation of the new woman movement. The capable woman who goes into a business office and discovers that she has more brains, more initiative, more foresight and more judgment than the average man with whom she works begins to think, She does not think very long before she de cides that she will not consent to play a subordinate part in the work of the world, but will at once begin to demand that she be put on an economic and political equality with the men.

And what a woman wants she usually gets

# Bring the Two Cities Together

NAMDEN and Philadelphia are not "a cen-U tury behind the times" because there is neither tunnel nor bridge connecting the two cities, but both Philadelphia and Camden are seriously handicapped by the absence of so obviously necessary a convenience. The comprehensive transit plans of Director Taylor provide for a tube. It is now merely a question of how long the two cities must wait for the improvement they desire, for that they will ultimately have it is as certain as anything human ever is.

# America's Debt to the Foreign-born

A GERMAN immigrant boy landed in this country between 50 and 60 years ago. He found work in a cigar factory in Brooklyn. J. S. T. Stranahan, who was long known as the first citizen in that community, smoked a special brand of cigars made in the factory where this boy worked. The lad was selected to take a box of the cigars to Mr. Stranshan's house every week. This distinguished citizen was honored during his life by the erection of a statute of him in Brooklyn's greatest park.

The boy, with the energy and thrift of his race saved his money, engaged in the leather nummers and built up one of the biggest teather houses in the country. He was in prested in good government. He aligned himself with the reformers, and in due time he nocume the most available candidate for he Mayoralty of the city to run against the mires of the famous McLaughlin machine. He was triosophantly elected. Then a dinner was given to his henor, and among the eats at the head table was the same J. S. w pursuance, to whom he had carried a box | enlarged

of cigars every week. When it came his turn to apeak the Mayor-elect faced Mr. Stranahan, and with simple modesty told the story of the cigars. "And now," said he, "I find myself the guest of honor at this dinner, and seated at the same table with you."

Then he turned to the other diners, and with a thrill in his voice, remarked, "Gentlemen, that is what America means to me!"

This man was Charles A. Schleren, who has just died at the age of 73 years. Is it any vonder that a man to whom America meant so much should have done his best to keep its government clean and honest in order that the faith of other immigrant boys in the purity of democratic institutions might be preserved? Say what we may about the problem of the foreign born, if it had not been for their activity in the great reform movements in the cities and the nation at large, progress would have been much slower.

Bring the Olympic Games to Philadelphia THE Olympic games for 1916 have been awarded to the United States. They thould be held in Philadelphia, and they will be if the prompt action of the business in-

terests of the community means anything. There are many excellent sites for the kind of stadium necessary. Excellent plans have already been completed. Only the financial part of the problem is unsolved, and to it

consideration must be directed. It has been pointed out over and over again that a great stadium would be self-supporting from the beginning. In additional seats for the Army and Navy game alone more than \$50,000 annually would be realized, a large part of which would doubtless be available for interest and amortization payments There are innumerable other purposes to which the plant could be put-pageants, open-door theatrical presentations, spring games, world series contests, etc.

Philadelphia has been for a long time the athletic capital of the nation. To retain its supremacy the city must be provided with the best possible facilities. To provide those facilities is to make a good investment, the kind of investment which they can afford to make and cannot afford not to make.

With splendid initiative a committee of business men has already cabled to the International Olympic Committee offering this city as the proper place for the games. An acceptance of the invitation will make the construction of an adequate stadium absolutely imperative. The situation is decidedly

#### The Sinking of the William P. Frye

FIGHE sinking of the William P. Frye was I not an act of war against the United States, but against the Allies. This is the fundamental proposition with which all consideration of the case must start.

If a mistake was made and if wheat were not contraband of war, even though destined for British ports, Germany has no defense when a demand for reparation is made by the United States. We must assume that Germany will recognize its obligations under international law in this case until the contrary is proved. But this does not affect in any way the

obligation of the State Department to insist that reparation be made to the full extent of the righteous claims of the owners of the ship and of the cargo.

The affair contains no threat of war and becomes at once a diplomatic incident.

## The Human Side of Politics

EN are human beings before they are M politicians. The machine leaders never make the mistake of appealing for votes on grounds of abstract justice and they never seek to secure the adoption of theories. They are intensely practical and prudently human. This is the secret of their ascend-

The late Charles B. Quigley, the leader of the 10th Ward, was a fine specimen of the type. The 10th Ward runs between Arch and line streets, from 7th street to the Schuyl kill River. It contains nearly 5000 voters. and almost every one of them supports the Republican ticket. Or, perhaps it would be truer to say that they all support the Quigley ticket. This man was a friend to those in need whether they were deserving or not. He is credited with securing the discharge of scores of men accused of petty crimes, and in return the men have voted as he directed. He paid coal bills stayed off the rent collector, looked after the undertaker whenever he was needed, and acted as a sort of feudal lord in the protection of his retainers. He had a glad hand and a hearty smile for his followers, even if they were dirty outside and inside.

Quigley was a valuable man to the Organization, and the Organization took care of him as he took care of the voters, and reformers found it impossible to weaken his hold in the ward.

He was not a philanthropist, but a very common sort of man who knew how to carry his point by getting into human touch with he voters and keeping in touch with them. He paid the price and he got the goods. Any other man who is willing to pay the price can get what he wants. It is not necessary to deal with crooks and blacklegs to reform city politics. But it is important that the men who think more of honest government than of their personal profit should also remember that a friendly smile, a companionable manner, and the treatment of even the humblest voters as equals will win more votes for a cause than the most elaborately argued thesis on the advantages of a unicameral Council can ever win for legislative reform in this or in any other town.

The units in the political game are human heings, and not ivory figures on a chess board. If the reformers will cut this sentence out and paste it in their hats and read it every morning from now until the next election there will be better government here than there has ever been before.

Even with the jitney one must have the jit.

The guns in Europe cannot shoot too often

for the powder factories of the United States. Carranza has struck Villa a fearful financial blow by seeing to it that the prize fight is held somewhere else.

In the Dardanelles, as elsewhere, the victory depends a good deal on who happens to control the cables.

If Carranza meets the United States half way he'll be as surrounded with water as he

When the Governor attends the hearings on the child labor bill in Harrisburg an expert will be present.

Local option is working in Minoscota to the entire satisfaction of the temperance people. The towns which have decided that they want to abolish the sulpon have ordered in abolished, and the dry area in the State is

## ELECTION DAY IN TERRE HAUTE

Year Under Nero Culminates in an Orgy of Fraud and Thuggery at the Polls-Hands of Esau Man-

#### By IRWIN L. GORDON

EVERYTHING favored the Organization in Terre Haute, Roberts and Fairbanks cared not for the storm of complaints from property holders when the abnormal street improvement assessments were made. With the arrogance of a czar Roberts ordered the properties sold when the owner could not pay the excessive tribute.

The Organization was planning more grabs -buildings must be erected, more streets must be paved. A fine park must be placed in the middle of 2d street before some 150 ouses of ill fame where the women could sit on summer evenings. A band concert was planned for one night a week during spring and summer. This would attract men into

Disregarding public sentiment, believing itself impervious to attack and absolutely secure in the citadel of politics and liquor, the Organization continued its work of plunder. Roberts, however, always a good captain, knew that his piratical boat never bould weather the storm should an honest Judge be elected to the circuit bench.

#### No Honest Judge Would Do

The citizens of Terre Haute were planning to run Charles Pulliam, an able lawyer, for the position. Fairbanks and Roberts wanted to throw Judge Fortune from the bench, as he was too dangerous after the previous year's episode. Eli H. Redman, a Roberts-Fairbanks lieutenant, a man with scarcely any legal training, who had failed to secure a license to practice law in Illinois, was chosen as their candidate. Redman's son, Hilton, was a notorious Tenderioin character, who had been arrested with Roberts after the Mayoralty scandal and who had been mixed up with the police for years. Father and son are now under indictment.

Judge Fortune thought he had sufficient power to fight Roberts and Fairbanks to secure the communation last spring. He ran against Redman, but, lacking the support of the Organization, was snowed under. Pulliam secured the Republican and Progressive nominations.

In addition, a Congressman must be elected and a United States Senator-Representative Moss was up for re-election and Shively was the Taggart candidate for United States

The situation in Terre Haute resolved itself down to this: A United States Senator must be elected who would represent Taggart and Fairbanks; a Congressman must be elected in the 5th District who would represent Taggart and Fairbanks, and a Judge must be elected to the circuit bench in Terre Haute who would choke the paying suits, who would let off the crooks at the wink of Roberts and who would not lift his hand to stop the flow of Fairbanks beer in the largest Tenderloin in the Middle West

## Voters From the Cemeteries

The gang set to work-first a "slush fund" was raised. This was done in Pennsylvania. Tribute was exacted from every saloonkeeper in Torre Haute. This was done in Pennsylvania. Tribute was exacted from civic and State organizations. This was done in Pennsylvania.

When the registration days came the Organization sent out orders, as they did in Philadelphia, to get every available man on the lists. Cheap lodging houses were packed, saloons registered enormous numbers, while the houses of ill repute, vacant lots and 2500 fraudulent names were placed on the lists. This was exactly the number fraudulently registered in Uniontown, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, where State Republican Chairman Crow is political leader. No one, however, has been punished in Fayette

In other words, a direct parallel to the tactics of the Philadelphia Organization was drawn in Terre Haute-only not so many were registered. The foreign and the negro voters were whipped into line as they are in South Philadelphia. Along the river front wards the same conditions prevailed-the thugs, strong-arm men and dissolute characters got in their work.

The police department made great preparations for the election. Nugent was appointed bagman, according to his own confession and that of his associates. He visited all the saloons and gambling joints. More than \$6000 was secured from the Tenderloin saoons. Chief of Police Holler let it be known that any place that did not "come across" would be "closed." There were no refusals among the saloonkeepers and gamblers. The highest single assessment was \$500 made against the Shay Brothers, who operate the largest gambling establishment in the city. This place is still open. One crap game alone has a backing of \$1000 house money. Scores of men were sworn in as deputy policemen. These were toughs from Taylor-

ville, a small settlement across the Wabash, who terrorized the citizens on election day.

One Foot in Each Camp One of the clever moves made in the preelection fight was the bi-partisan deal arranged with the Progressives. Nugent was a red hot Progressive. That is to say, he was hief of the "Progressive Department of Democratic Headquarters." He not only collected money for the party, but so ingratiated himself into the ranks that he could tell his chief every move of the opposition. As the Republican party had been third in the 1912 election, they had no representation on the election board-Democrats and Progressives alone remained. A large number of these Progressives became strong Roberts Democrats. Thus the Roberts-Fairbanks machine was tri-partisan,

Election day, November 3, came at last. Then began the fight to elect the Democratio ticket, to get through the machine liquor candidates. The Government contends that more than 2500 fraudulent votes were cast. Many of the men who have pleaded guilty informed the writer that the number was nearer 2800. Having the full protection of the police the repeaters worked at will. The only checks upon them were the women watchers at the polls.

Killed at the Polling Booth

In several precincts the duly qualified election officers were prevented from taking their seats. These men complained to the Superior Court Judge. Marshals were sent to the polling place. Shots were fired at these men. In one Tenderiois precinct a fight occurred when the Organisation men assumpted to three out as house Progressian. He was





jumped on, kicked and nearly killed by the thugs. Firing a revolver through his pocket, he killed one of the Organization men. This case it still pending. Universal public sentiment favors the man who fired the shot.

The Sheriff, Dennis Shea, operated the strong-arm forces from the City Hall, If there was trouble in any precinct he dispatched men to that point. Citizens were beaten-one minister was slugged, while scores of duly qualified voters were not allowed to cast their votes.

In Terre Haute both election machines and ballotboxes are used. In the foreign sections a plan was adopted which carried the Democratic vote with flying colors. A foreigner who could not read would appear. He would be assisted—the election officer would simply pull the Democratic lever. Should the man happen to vote in a place where ballots were used, his ballot would be marked for

In a number of cases men appeared at the polls and were informed that their vote had already been cast. There was absolutely no redress for this. Citizens stormed City Hall. were received kindly by the Mayor, the Sheriff and the Chief of Police, but nothing was done.

All the saloons in the Tenderloin were open during the day. That is to say, the side doors were open. Beer was freely distributed in alleys near the polling places.

In short, with the exception of the flagrant thuggery, the last election in Terre Haute, upon which the Government is basing its conspiracy case, was in no wise different from the elections which have taken place n Philadelphia for the past 15 years. Ever since the political ascendancy of John E. Lamb, the Quay of Terre Haute, the citizens knew that fraudulent work went on during election-but they never could catch the "men higher up."

# And Philadelphia?

Is this not true in Philadelphia? The Committee of Seventy in this city has prosecuted 560 cases of election fraud. Of this number 113 convictions have been obtained. Not a single politician of prominence has ever been implicated. Do these men repeat at their own volition?

The Committee of Seventy still has 44 cases of election violation which have not been tried. Would the tactics adopted in Terre Haute do anything toward improving conditions in Philadelphia?

The result of that election in Terre Haute may become more far-reaching than any other in the country-it has become a national issue. As far as local conditions were concerned the Democratic senatorial candidata received an enormous majority, the Congressman was elected, but the Roberts-Fairbanks candidate for Judge-Eii H. Redman-received only a majority of 10 votes.

# FULDA'S GERMAN WAR POEM

England Charged With Drawing an Eighth Enemy, the Lie, Into Service.

Since the beginning of the war the Germans have shown a hatred for the English more pronounced than against the other Allies. This was evidenced in the now famous "Haszgesang gegen England" (Song of Hatred Toward English) by Ernest Lissauer. Probably the next most vitriolic of the many German war poems recently published is the one in which Ludwig Fulda, dramatist, novelist and poet, charges the English with drawing an eighth enemy, the lie, into service against the Germans. Much of the effectiveness of the original depends upon of the effectiveness of the original depends upon the verse form. A translation preserving this verse form made by Burton Razcoe, is presented

A league of seven to make us yield, You called against us in the field; You needed yet one more ally To give the combine greater weight As Number Eight: The Lie.

And as we pour out to the fight,
And fearlessly contest the right;
While you are battling desp'rately,
That colled serpent, born of fear,
Brings up your rear:
The Lie.

And among the people who knew us not.
Who're allen to our land and thought.
With whom we have no tie,
With blinded hate is credited
Where'er 'tis read,
The Lie.

As fast as one cuts off its head A dosen more grow in its stead; A million vessels could not dry Your slough of open to menace us, And sen of pus, The Lie. Soon will the poliched Gwman pinwa O'er blood-drained fields dig fertile rows Hanseth new houtle sky; The father will remove the statu; Will reads to reign

# NEW EXPLORATIONS OF THE PAST

Discoveries of Live Interest Are Being Made by the Museum of the University of Pennsylvania-A Story of Five Expeditions Into Little Known Regions of the Earth.

#### By WILLIAM A. McGARRY

THE mystery of the huge, quaintly deco- on exhibition at St. Petersburg, or Peters I rated bowls or vases sent to the museum of the University of Pennsylvania many months ago from the fastnesses of the Upper Amazon by Dr. William C. Farrabee has been solved at last. They are used by the Conebo Indians for making chici, the native wine. drunk almost exclusively at the "coming out" parties of the young women. This information was contained in a recent letter from Doctor Farrabee, written just before he and his party left the last outpost of civilization a second time and started up the slopes of the Andes in a hunt for more villages of hitherto unknown races of Indians. There probably will be no further message from the explorers for months.

Comparatively few Philadelphians know the extent of the ethnological and archaeological work under way, and the importance of the results so far achieved by the scientists conducting the explorations for the Museum of the University of Pennsylvania. No fewer than five expeditions are now busy in as many corners of the earth.

Twenty-five or thirty years ago museums were hardly more than curlo exhibitions. Specimens of the craft and art of the ancients picked up here and there by trav elers were displayed with a bare description of where they were found, and little effort was made to get at the real significance of such objects. The study of the races of men who lived and flourished when the world was young was confined almost solely to old manuscript records. Bits of baked clay with cunelform inscriptions, of which there are hundreds at the University Museum, attracted the attention only of a few scholars. But the methods of science in ethnology and archaeology have been changed of late years.

Nearly every spot in the world where races, since wiped out, are known to have lived in ancient times is being explored and studied. One of the University Museum expeditions is that which is at work in the Caribbean Archipelago. The others are the expedition to Siberia, headed by Doctor Fisher; the Egyptian expedition, financed by Eckley B. Coxe, Jr., president of the ruseum (the fifth, by the way, sent into land of the Pharaohs by Mr. Coxe); the Amazon expedition, in charge of Doctor Farrabee, and that of Dr. C. W. Bishop, to Japan and China, which has just reached the field.

# Extinct Americans

Mr. George C. Heye, a wealthy New York business man who pursues ethnology as an avocation with all the ardor of the greatest scientists, is in charge of the Caribbean explorers. For years he has been studying the extinct races of the American and nearby islands, and his collection of objects from these lands is one of the most comprehensive in the world. Most of his specimens are deposited with the University Museum. . "he present expedition is now making a second and more thorough exploration of Cuba, excellent results having been attained in the first.

A branch party sent out by Mr. Heye is work among the smaller islands for traces of the Arowak Indians, a race exterminated within 35 years after the arrival of the Spanlards. So far little is known of these Indians, but the expedition is meeting with marked success, and undoubtedly will make some important ethnological discoveries.

# Waiting for Winter in Siberia

Material additions to our knowledge of the romantic, if sometimes bloody, history of the Mongols, the Tartars and the Huns, and the early stocks from which they sprang, may be made by the expedition which has gone into the Siberian wastes, a journey to which attackes some of the heroic glamour of a dash to the North Pole. Doctor Fisher and his party were last heard from in October. Until that month they had been waiting on the outskirts of a Siberian morass, 12 feet deep in summer. It is impassable save in the winter months. Beneath this swamp, now frozen over and being traversed by the party, is supposed to be about 50 feet of ice. it was in this country, near the Arctic Circle and west of the Lena, that Russian explorers some years ago discovered a mammoth with flesh still preserved. It had been frozen into the los in the glacial period, and may have lived 50,000 years ugo. The skeleton is now.

grad, as the Russians have it. The three races named are believed to him had their origin in this part of the world, by heretofore no systematic effort has been made to trace their early history by explortion in the region. It is the intention # Doctor Fisher to remain until forced out by the spring thaws of 1916, should the discoveries warrant so long a stay. When the piri was last heard from it had just started to penetrate the region along the bank of the Yenesel River. All supplies are carried a pack animals or sledges. No further word a

#### expected from Doctor Fisher until the apedition returns to civilization. Where the War Was a Help

Curiously enough the war in Europe has proven of immense benefit to the exploren in Egypt. Austrian and German scientific were conducting digging operations prior is the start of the war, and the English also were active. The demand for expert maily diggers was greater than the supply. Some difficulty had been experienced by the Pensylvania Museum workers, but when houldties started the German, Austrian and Earlish activities were suspended, and time the American explorations have been going forward with great rapidity. The inportance of this work is perhaps best is stanced by the discovery by one of the privious museum expeditions of a section of a clay tablet containing the earliest history of the flood known to be existent. This is now

on exhibition at the museum. The Amazon expedition has been in the field almost two years working near the storied land of the Ancient Incas, about the only South American race of olden times which much was known prior to Doctor Furabee's work. His party has penetrated the country on the borders of the Guianas at ! Brazil and at last accounts was 3500 miles up the Amazon on the eastern slope of the

Present-day potters may learn somethin new of their craft as the result of this etpedition, which has worked from the star against obstacles. For a time it was held up by the impossibility of getting cash, disto the collapse of international exchange when the war started. About a hundred specimens of pottery of varying sizes have been sent back by Doctor Farrabee.

They are the work of the Conebo Indian a race without traditions or the slights knowledge of its root-men who have other art, but who make wonderful vasts a secret clay. There is no kiln in the United States large enough to bake the biggest of these bowls, according to pottery experts when have inspected them at the museum, but the most remarkable fact about them is that their makers have no potter's wheel. Some of these pots are as thin as paper. The largest, three feet high and as many in diameter. are not more than half an inch thick full description of the Conebo Indians Denot yet been written by Doctor Farrabee, and it is being awaited with deep interest at its

museum. Actual work in China will not be started by the Bishop expedition for at least a year The interim will be spent in Japan examiing collections of ancient Chinese art of tained by the princes of the Land of Nippon Doctor Bishop expects to learn from the collections where to conduct his search ! China and what he may expect to find. The expedition is peculiar in that so little ! known of the Chinese art that the explored does not know exactly what he is looking

ENLARGE THE COMMITTEE, THEN

To the Editor of the Evening Ledge Sir-You ask if a one-legged man can receight times in Terre Haute, how many the a two-legged man can vote in Philadelle The answer is, until the Committee of Serie datches him. But when one looks at the bu-marching to the poils one wonders what

an do among so many.

CORRUPT, BUT NOT CONTENTED

Philadelphia, March 1L.

THE PLACE FOR ADJECTIVE

From the New York Evening Sun.
The Hopprable "Via" Murdock, leaving seems behind blue, plans to cell his Worker at "addingtiveless society Brasille Muriock that only had equal regard the Congressional Revers!