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PHILADELPHIA, SATURDAY, MAY 1, 1915. If clothes are worn for warmth, then wool is better than silk.

War Is Not Murder

ONE does not need to be the seventh son of a seventh son, nor even a first year student in a law school, to know that General Pearson's suit to prevent the sale of munitions of war to the Allies on the ground that a conspiracy to commit murder is involved in it, will be thrown out of the courts.

The First Guess on the Coal Tax

THE validity of the hard coal tax is sustained in the first skirmish in court. Judge Kunkel finds that, although the law is loosely drawn, it provides for the exercise of an undoubted power of the Commonwealth to tax commodities and businesses.

Take Her Out Once in a While

WHAT are the wives doing every day while their husbands are filling the seats at the ball game? The men are having an outing, but the women are hard at work at home. They do not care for baseball, but they do care for relaxation.

An Envoy of Futurities

PAUL FULLER, who conducted an investigation in Mexico for the benefit of President Wilson, will go to Haiti next month to investigate the finances of that populous and poverty-stricken country.

Modern Progress Rests on the Straw Hat

MANY and diverse reasons have been advanced to explain the progress of the world since the beginning of the 19th century. But insufficient attention has been given to what might be described as the real cause.

What Would Happen to the Clergy in the United States who should object to giving up alcohol and defend its use in public?

They do things differently in England.

Speaking of transit, Senator McNichol says "every true citizen of Philadelphia will be gratified with the result."

A lot, too, will be gratified with the wages on Saturday nights when construction is actually begun.

Judge Burlington is not the only one who admires the horses ridden by the mounted policemen.

No one knows how many men and women carry a lump of sugar from the lunch table every day to give a favorite horse standing at the curb. As to the sentiment of the officers themselves, well, the men have been seen coming from candy stores with chocolate creams to give to their mounts, and they have been heard to say, with a sigh, "It is pretty expensive horse feed."

VAUDEVILLE ON MONDAY MORNING

Weekly Rehearsal Which is a Show in Itself—How the Leader and the Singers Put Together the Week's Entertainment.

By KENNETH MACGOWAN

THE house was decidedly cold—both in the thermometer and the theatrical sense. An audience of one gazed into the glare of a "bunch" light whose bulbs sprayed out from a china reflector up on the stage.

Keith's was going through its regular Monday morning rehearsal. Ordinary players lump all their times of tribulation into a bunch and go over and over their lines and scenes and acts in three or four furious weeks before the "frat-night." Not so with the "two-a-day." Every week is a new production with it.

How They Do It

Here is a fair sample of the way he does it with a singing and talking team: The lady on the chair is Bonnie Thornton, 63 this week. She kisses her husband, "Jim," at every performance and they sing some of the famous old songs, like "Annie Rooney," which he wrote when he was not "the youngest of the old-timers."

"Good morning," says Mrs. Thornton to Mr. Schrader's shirt sleeves. And then, "We've resurrected a whole lot of dead ones." "They're sometimes the best," replies the courtly leader.

Some Trimmings

After that the "lady specialists," that hang from their teeth, and dance between times to give their jaws a rest, explain a few things in secretive tones, and make way for the acrobatic dancer. He knows he "opens the show," and is consequently a little nervous.

The Frontiers of Humor

The curse of Babel only fell among men when they learned to laugh. Laughter is the real frontier between races and kinds of people. We are agreed the world over as to what precisely is grievous. Laughter is another matter. A joke sets all nations by the ears.

AN ANARCHIST OF MUSIC

THE cables brought, the other day, news of the death of Alexander Nikolavitch Scriabin, the Russian pianist and composer, who was one of the most striking figures of the modern musical world.

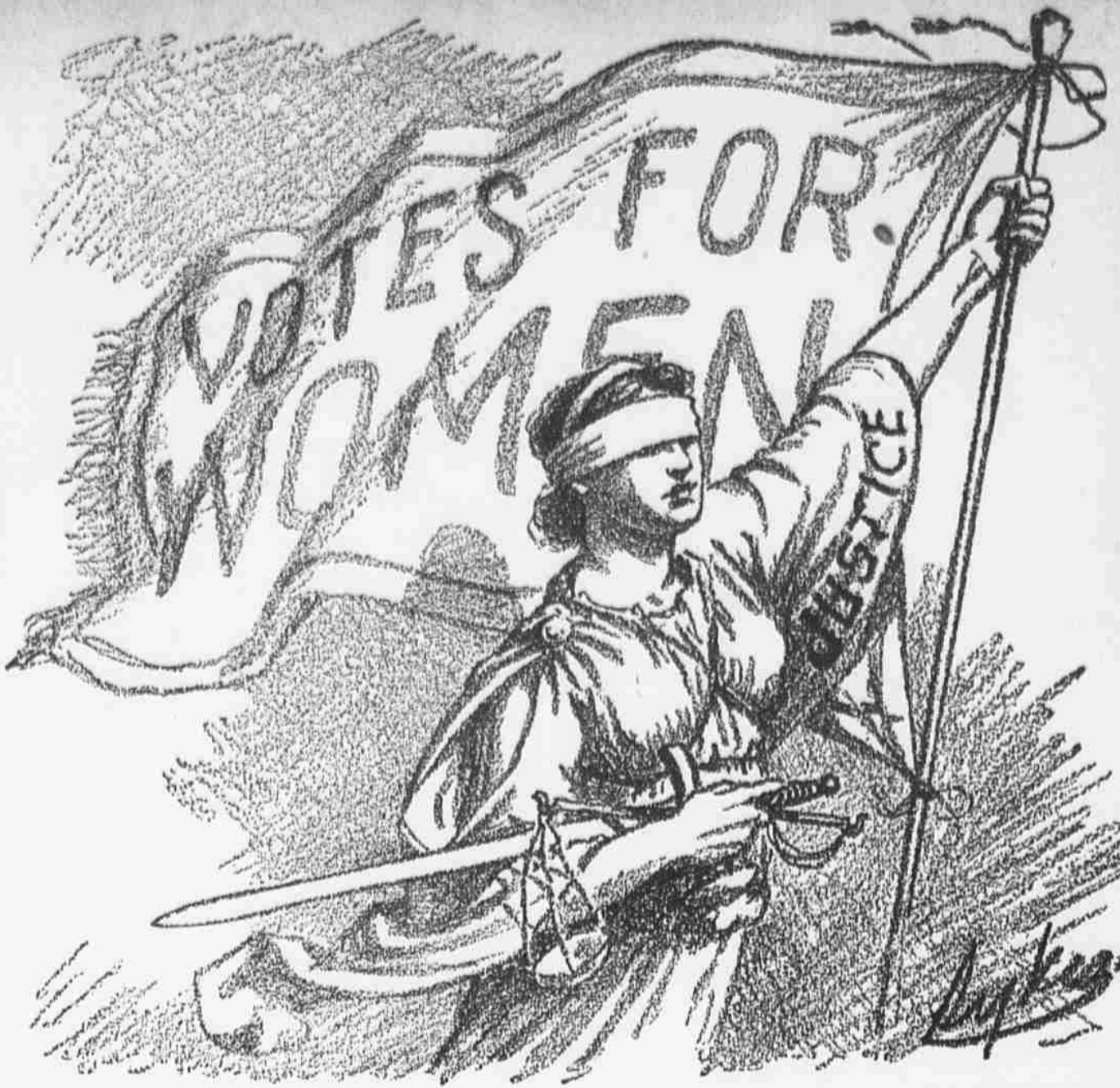


SCRIBAIN

Students of the technique of musical composition think of Scriabin as an anarchist in music because he has experimented far and wide with strange harmonies, has made strange and sometimes alarming innovations in scales and chords.

About two months ago his "Prometheus" was first performed in America. This astonishing production received a wide notoriety because for the first time music and color were joined in actual production. It is an established fact that certain chords, when struck on the piano, will bring up the impression of certain colors to those whose ears are sufficiently sensitive.

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WOMEN AND WAR IN AMERICA

Patriotic Heroines of the Revolution and the Struggle of '65. Some Reflections on the Brute Strength Theory of Fitness to Vote.

By RAYMOND G. FULLER

DEFINITIONS are sometimes inadequate, often unavoidably imperfect, but the stranger are those which are formulated in support of a weak argument.

As long as we MUST HAVE Government, though, to physically FORCE some people to be good—let us leave it in the HANDS OF THE MEN.

Government is not a sociable or Sunday school matter—but a great organization of LAW and FORCE to protect HONEST persons from CRIMINALS.

Nowhere has the force theory of fitness to vote been better stated—the theory which survives from the period of ancient history when man arrogated to himself the privilege of the ballot by sheer brute strength.

War and Welfare

In his recent book on "Organized Democracy," Doctor Cleveland, after grouping the functions and activities of government according to welfare relations, comments on one item in the list as follows:

"Both sexes are concerned in questions pertaining to national defense. While in case of war men are drawn into armies and incur the greater personal risk, the increased burden of civil life falls more largely on women.

While honoring women for their part in the promotion of peace, and working to the end that they have a more effective part, let us not neglect to pay tribute to the part which they are playing in the present war, and which they have played in past wars.

incident is recited by Miss Repplier in an essay, "Women and War": "In the town of Lexington, Massachusetts, where was shed the first blood spilled in the Revolution, there slept peacefully on the morning of April 19, 1775, a young man named Jonathan Harrington.

Read the story of the Revolution and you will read of heroines as well as heroes—heroines of the battlefield, of the farm and plantation, of patriotic toil and devotion.

Women of the Revolution

The anti, in their uninspiring literature, thus: "As women, we do not want the strife, bitterness, falsification and publicity which accompany political campaigns."

"And for all her hardihood and energy, she remained essentially womanly, finding her chief interest in her home, her husband and her children. It was for them she toiled and sacrificed, directing her every effort to the upbuilding and preservation of a happy home life."

THE ROAD TO MAY

When we were young in Eden, Remember how we'd stray From out the April shadows Into the sun of May? Well, every year the Eden That love knew comes again.