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THE AVERAGE NET PAID DAILY CIRCULATION OF THE EVENING LEDGER FOR JULY WAS 92,534. PHILADELPHIA, TUESDAY, AUGUST 24, 1915.

There may be too much rice in the world, but the market was never glutted with rice.

Loop-hole for the jitneys ONLY ten jitneys left of all that endless procession of crowded, rattling, jostling vehicles which filled Broad street from curb to curb!

The public demand for cheap automobile transportation was clearly shown by the prosperity of the jitneys while they were allowed to run. Now that prohibitive restrictions have stopped them, both "jitneys" and their erstwhile patrons are casting about for some method of furnishing and utilizing motor transportation at rates within the possibilities of the poor man's purse.

Apparently the loop-hole is there, for Councils in its enactment exempts from the bond and license requirements about every sort of vehicle for hire, except those operating over a fixed route.

So, even without resorting to the "sight-seeing car" device or the taximeter, the "jitney" may be able to render in part at least the service which the poor man wants; and if Councils really aims to eliminate entirely the convenience of cheap motor transportation, it will have to try again.

Register THURSDAY of next week is the first day of registration. The Committee of One Hundred has proved its alertness by calling the attention of the voters to their duty to qualify themselves to take part in the election when a Mayor and Councils are to be chosen.

Trade for Those Who Want It S. B. BRILL'S remarks about the opportunities for Philadelphia business men in the South American trade are a valuable contribution to the success of the campaign of education now in progress.

German publicists are now busily engaged in making munitions for the allies. More gold can be mined by digging hard at your job than by mining in Filbert street.

Doctor Dillon says that the Allies will be in Constantinople within a month. Now make a mark on your calendar and see how good a prophet he is.

Bryan Climbs the Heights of Asininity BRYAN is still a reputationist. The same old intellect and the same sense of moral responsibility that twenty years ago advocated reputationist of just debts through the free coinage of fifty-cent silver dollars is now advocating reputationist of national responsibility for the protection of the rights of Americans on the high seas by keeping American citizens from sailing on passenger ships belonging to belligerent nations.

the issue raised by the Lusitania and the Arabic and permit the Germans to set new precedents of wilful slaughter of non-combatants who happen to be traveling on ships engaged in trade.

The World's New Financial Centre THIS financial centre of the world today is in New York instead of in London. American stocks and bonds are the only securities for which there is a ready market in London.

No one doubts, however, that it will leave the nations so poor that they will be dependent on America to finance their enterprises, as they used to finance America in the years when it was developing this vast territory.

A Hotel De Gink for Philadelphia "MIGRATORY and Unemployed Workers," better known as tramps, predict a hard winter, and say that the burden of caring for their brethren will fall on the cities of the East.

Perhaps not even the Kaiser knows who "M. P." is. Did the British win that Russian naval battle after all? German publicists are now busily engaged in making munitions for the allies.

The Governor is off for San Francisco, and his friends are hoping that is the only way he is off. Diplomatic correspondence on the recent German submarine exploit ought to be in Arabic notation.

The massing of the Haitian rebels is trivial compared with the rebellion of the Haitian masses. The release of Abe Ruef from jail, after serving only half of his sentence, ought not to encourage other grafters.

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Private Citizen and Editor William Jennings Bryan lays the blame for the Arabic disaster on the foolhardy. The Government may go farther and add "Germans" to "foolhardy."

THE TARIFF AS A MORAL ISSUE

Protection Is Part of America's Obligation to the Signers of the Declaration of Independence. It's the Payment of a Debt

By B. K. LITTLE

STARTLING as it will seem to you, there is one thing left to say about the tariff. This is it: A protective tariff became a necessity to this country the moment that the Declaration of Independence was signed in this city on July 4, 1776.

They did enough in drawing up the political principles of this freer life for men. They did not actually define the means and terms by which their new system was to be sustained and maintained.

Thus far we have discharged the duty fairly well. We have thought and we have fought for those rights. But you cannot have merely by fiat a new political system and the new life growing out of it.

How Nations Succeed While the rest of the world remains as it is, men cannot set up men to live a larger life of free industry and opportunity without taking mighty good care to provide practical means of carrying out the principle.

But now their chance has to face new dangers. For a long time our tariff consisted of the Atlantic Ocean. It left us to develop our chances without competition—that is, competition with workers who yearned for no such chances as ours.

On the day the Declaration was signed we had to have a tariff. The necessity was postponed for a time. But on the day the first steamboat crossed the Atlantic the necessity of a tariff became immediate.

It asked just this—Are we going to have American workers and American homes in America? Or are we going to have German, Italian, Japanese workers and homes in America?

What does the Declaration say on this point? What are we going to make the tariff say? The man on the street is bored by the tariff. He thinks it is a complicated mathematical problem, a far-away business proposition.

The True Old Sayings All the old sayings about the tariff are truer than ever. It is as true as ever that, on brains, on business organization, on scientific economies, Yankee manufactures can compete with any other manufacturer.

No matter what are the economic aspects of the tariff, they all come down to a moral basis. Here is the American worker, the man who has made this country. He has done it because he has had his chance to do it.

That close interdependence between good and evil that Milton saw in life and therefore in books, the judge who presided in the New York Supreme Court in the case of the People against Olga Netherole et al.

TRANSVAAL GOLD MINING How little the war has affected the working of the Transvaal gold mining industry is shown by the value of the output for the first half of 1915.

SLIGHTLY DISFIGURED, BUT—



THE PUBLIC MORALS IN CUSTODY

Three Notable Occasions on Which Certain Principles Underlying the Limitation of Censorship Have Been Clearly Set Forth—The Siamese Twins of Morality

By ROBERT HILDRETH

CENSORSHIP long before the invention of the cinematograph and the widespread popularity of the moving pictures, and it is likely to continue to divide opinion so long as there is opinion to divide.

To undertake a comparative consideration of the freedom of the press, the freedom of the drama and the freedom of the movies would necessitate innumerable pros and cons and ifs and buts.

After the Dark Ages The Dark Ages were the heyday of censorship. Then came Gutenberg and the printing press—and still censorship. From that time on the landmarks in the history of intellectual and religious and artistic liberty are likewise landmarks in the history of modern democracy.

Autocratic Censorship I thank you for your favor of July 6. If it lay in my power to say whether the pictures should be exhibited it would not take me long to decide it.

THE SNAKE OF SILVER LAKE To the Editor of the Evening Ledger: Sir—Walter Fritchard Eaton's memory of the rattlesnake rhyme printed in the EVENING LEADER plays him false.

The Olga Netherole Case That close interdependence between good and evil that Milton saw in life and therefore in books, the judge who presided in the New York Supreme Court in the case of the People against Olga Netherole et al.

POLITICAL EXPLOITATION To the Editor of the Evening Ledger: Sir—Finding that a large number of my Afro-American friends are feeling very much irritated to see that the interests of their race should have approved a play that they consider increases race prejudice, I want to state that it is just because I am acquainted with so high a type of Afro-American, and because Mr. Griffith, the author of the play, recognized the type of men and women who have arisen, by showing scenes of Hampton, that I confined my remarks to what I perceived still exists—the exploitation of ignorant people, both white and colored, by politicians, who make racial progress subordinate to party interest.

But who can better able to decide what is prejudicial to the interest of the race than those who have risen to positions of social eminence, notwithstanding prejudice, and when these tell me such pictures as "Gus, the Renegade," intensify race hatred and embitter the lives of the large majority of negroes, and when I know that white men take advantage of negro girls often than negro men pursue white ones, I feel that it is only a matter of justice and wise foresight on the part of those in authority to eliminate those pictures that serve no good purpose and are proved by those who have the interest of their race deeply at heart to be productive of bad effects.

A FORMIDABLE CORPS In the event of war it would be well for the government to organize and arm a corps of medical specialists. They are famous for their charges and spare neither friend nor foe—New Orleans States.

NATIONAL POINT OF VIEW The greatest war order will be the one that ends it—Washington Post.

Everywhere throughout the United States business continues to extend and expand, and there is but one limitation that is apparent, and that is the illegal acts of Great Britain and its allies in their interference with our commerce with neutral nations—Cincinnati Enquirer.

HEART-BEATS OF OCEAN The moon-track streams across the silent sea! Its silvery splendor beams a vision rare. Such as the world of magic weaves of air. Yet each pulsating wavelet throbs with glee. Alive with joy of its white mystery. Strive mirth of ocean; calling us to share its fascination passionately fair. Sure of response from frail humanity.

AMUSEMENTS B. F. KEITH'S THEATRE CHESTNUT AND EWELETH STREETS ONE BIG LAUGH AFTER "MISTERIA" GRACE FISHER ANOTHER! ANITA CHAR OLCOTT THE METAKOS AND OTHER FEATURES

Stanley MARKET ST ABOVE 10TH IN "POOR SCHMALTZ" Symphony Orchestra and Soloists. Garrick Now Twice Daily—2:15 & 8:15. Howe's Grand "THE EARL AND THE GIRL" LAUREL MATINEE TODAY. Casino ROSEY POSEY GIRLS and LA BERGERE. Trocadero THE LAST HUCKLEBERRY AND MILO