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A nickel does not make a fortune, but fortunes are made up of nickels.

WHO CARES ABOUT HIS TAX BILL?

MEN get excited over national systems of taxation which touch them slightly and indirectly, while they give no thought to local taxation, the burden of which they feel with every recurring autumn.

THE ONLY THING TO DO

THE President has pursued the only course I open to him in asking for the recall of Ambassador Dumba.

MR. TAFT BUTTERS NO PARSNIPS

THE kind words written by ex-President Taft on the subject of woman suffrage are butting no parsnips for the November festival which will follow a suffrage victory in this State.

THE OLDEST NEW YEAR'S DAY

THE Jews in Philadelphia and the rest of the world are engaged in celebrating the beginning of the year 5676, probably the oldest New Year festival now observed by human beings.

"NAGGING" AN ARMY INTO BEING

THAT the British trades unions would decline against conscription was as definitely to be expected as their approval of the war by the overwhelming vote of 699 to 7.

Belgium ravished and of France outraged, who could chat unmoved with widows and orphans, but who were finally driven to war by the reproachful nagging of spellbinders and fanatics.

TURN ON THE LIGHT

Printer's ink is saving more lives than any other single agency employed by modern health workers. E. A. Moree, of the New York State Charities Aid Association.

THE MAN WITHOUT A COUNTRY

BY CANCELING his passport, Secretary Lansing has made Archibald for the time being a man without a country.

THE IMPOSSIBLE BORDER SITUATION

WITH a singular disregard for the policy of watchful waiting General Funston has put the entire danger zone on the Texas border under martial law.

GIVING THE MELTING POT A REST

THE war is giving the United States a much needed opportunity to assimilate the foreign-born population. For the last ten years an average of 1,000,000 immigrants have entered the country every year.

THE ENDOWMENT QUESTION

Ought the Orchestra to have a State endowment? Quite apart from political considerations, there are grave objections to the plan.

FEATURES OF THE FAIR

Charles Chaplin enters as the last great money-making feature at the State fair. The big pumpkin and the gigantic shanghai rouser will soon be getting jealous.

CAN PHILADELPHIA PAY ITS ORCHESTRA?

Good Music Is Not a Profitable Business, But It Is a Good Public Enterprise, None the Less

By GILBERT V. SELDES

A LITTLE more than a month from now the Philadelphia Orchestra will begin its 16th season of concerts in the Academy of Music.

And yet, in spite of all this, the Philadelphia Orchestra does not pay expenses. To run the orchestra for a year costs about \$200,000; its receipts are only three-quarters of that amount.

TAFT ON THE VISIBLE GOVERNMENT

The Voter Is Everywhere in Evidence Through His Action or Inaction, Wisdom or Folly—Former President Discusses the Way to Rid Politics of Bossism and Corruption

The following discussion of the relation of governmental mechanism and the party system to honest, efficient government is part of the address delivered by ex-President Taft before the American Bankers' Association.

THE RIDDLE IN THE ORCHESTRA

All in all, the plight of an orchestra looks like a riddle. It looks like a bad business proposition, and there are many economists and efficiency experts who would say at once that an organization which serves the people and cannot make its expenses is not serving the people properly and ought to be abandoned.

HOW TO MASTER THE SILVERFISH

The silverfish, a 14 to 1 bookworm, is under condemnation by the Department of Agriculture. It eats the paste out of books in libraries.

A BAD GUESS

To the Editor of the Evening Ledger: Sir—You published, a few days ago, a letter accusing one of your editorial writers of being an ignoramus with a diseased mind.



THE VOTER IS EVERYWHERE IN EVIDENCE THROUGH HIS ACTION OR INACTION, WISDOM OR FOLLY—FORMER PRESIDENT DISCUSSES THE WAY TO RID POLITICS OF BOSSISM AND CORRUPTION

If the initial letter of the candidate's name comes early in the alphabet, and he is first in the list of candidates, he may receive thousands of votes more than the man whose name begins with W.

THE DUTY-DOGING VOTER

The general primary, in the opportunity which it offers to the use of money in organizing a campaign, expended, not corruptly but merely in giving publicity to the candidate, greatly increases the power of money.

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land, as German sympathizers insist it is, how does it come about that the severest and most uncompromising criticisms of England have appeared in the news and editorials of those same papers?

NATIONAL POINT OF VIEW

Perhaps Mr. Bryan will learn in time that it would have been wiser as well as more patriotic for him to stand by the captain and sail under his orders.—Baltimore Sun.

THE WITHDRAWAL OF ALL THE TRANS-PACIFIC LINES

Under the American flag engaged in the Oriental trade must be regarded as an accomplished fact, however the champions of the new seamen's law may explain it.—Springfield Republican.

AMUSEMENTS

FORREST—Now Twice Daily. Mat. 2:15 Evgs. 8:15

D. W. GRIFFITH'S THE BIRTH OF A NATION

WOODSIDE PARK FREE CONCERTS AND SINGING SOCIETY

EMMA DUNN (HERSELF) IN THE GOVERNOR'S LADY

LYRIC—Mat. Tomor. 2:15 Seats, 50c to \$1.00

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GLOBE THEATRE MARKET & JEFFERSON STS.

STANLEY CHARLOTTE WALKER

ADDELPHI MORROW 2:15 Seats, 50c to \$1.00

NIXON'S GRAND

DUMONT'S DUMONT'S MINSTERIA

PEOPLES—NOW THE WINNING OF BARBARA WORTH