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The sun aheays shines, as the heavenward side of the cloud remarked to the earthward side.

NO WAR TRUST

DREPAREDNESS can be stifled in its infancy beyond all hope of recovery by the simple process of forming a War Trust. Mr. Ford's millions would not be a drop in the bucket compared with the effect to be achieved by a thousand demagogues running about the country crying that the men irging preparation were those with money nvested in factories producing war munifone. Give Mr. Bryan a handle of that sort and he will find enough support in Congress to emasculate any program for relief. A War Trust would mean millions of the ablic money expended in Government plants. Already the propaganda against private mancture of munitions has won a large folowing. A War Trust, with the smell of the Krupp scandals yet in the air, would not ucive to enthusiastic acceptance of

QUALIFYING FOR BETTER THINGS

siys campaign of preparation.

and support by the people of a comprehen-

DEOMOTION may not always come to the man qualified for a higher place; but it is cortain that the man who is not qualified is always passed by when promotions are going around.

The ambitious young men and women who have enrolled in the evening schools have discovered this simple but fundamental fact of progress. Instead of abusing fate for their lack of preparation and denouncing society for not giving them a chance to get on, they are spending their surplus energy in hunting ut the chances that society has provided.

ne of the successful men in Philadelphia got their education in the night schools when thay were not so good as those which opened this week. History will repeat itself in their s in the case of many who are willing to pay the price in hard work.

DUMBA GETS OFF EASILY

DOCTOR DUMBA has discovered that when the American State Department asks that an Ambassador be recalled it does an that he shall go away from Washington on a leave of absence. Such a cuphelatio way of easing a man's dismissal may do in less strenuous times, but in these days, then all Europe is acting as if the United States has no rights which it is bound to respect, it is important that the Foreign Secretaries abroad should understand that when dismiss an Ambassador we dismiss him.

There is a man at the head of the State spartment with both knowledge and backsone, who thinks that it is more important that Uncle Sam should retain his self-respect than that Doctor Dumba should be wrapped in cotton lest his feelings be hurt.

CHURCHES AND POLITICS

RS. PHILLIPS, the English suffragist, is Ili-advised when ahe comes to Amerca and says that the Church should interest sif in politics. The Church is a political stitution in her country, but one of the easons which led the founders of this ation to come to America was to escape m the control of their religious views by State. After some difficulty they estabd here the right of every man to wor-God in the ways that best please him they knew that if the State was not to seddle with the Church then the Church not not meddle with the State.

No more disastrous thing can happen to marican politics than the injection of reus issues into political discussions. ere are righteous men in all parties and who are opposed to equal suffrage pray God as fervently as men who favor it. the suffrage lesue is not one of ethics or m, but of political expediency and jus-Every friend of American Institutions, re, whether he be a suffragiat or not. the effort to align the churches side or another of this or any other

FIFTY YEARS AFTER WAR

E parade of 20,000 veterans of the Civil War in Washington today in commemoa Army of the Potomac and the Army of a West in May, 1865, suggests a forward

is West in May, 1865, suggests a forward after than a backward look.

We are familiar with the great charges sat half a continy has wrought in the nation. The wanted of the war have healed at North and South are united in agree-ty that it is better that the Missistippi.

Lineals's sounding phrase, should flow wavefed to the sea than that it should in impough a divisied country. Vanquished at third and their decondants are profiting by the fruits of the behave of the men the truits of the bibors of the

many billions, that the Civil War seems but a skirmish in comparison. While we con template this nation, fifty years after P established, it is impossible to the temptation to wonder what the state of Europe will be fifty years from today, The seeds of hate that are being sy swn brondcast over the Continent will bear trult for a few seasons, but how soon will they become sterile? How long will it take the nations to recover from the exhaustion of their material resources? What can be done to comfort the widows, to succor the fatherless and to bind up the wounds of the brokenhearted? And how soon can the beneficent work begin?

The old soldier who looks back over fifty years of peace here at home must be thinking with profound sympathy of the conditions in the armies abroad, the nature of which he so well understands. As he marches, or remains at home because his strength has falled him, he must reflect with a great joy that time, which has healed his bruises, can cure even greater wounds.

IS THE CITY AGAINST TRANSIT?

THERE is one way to prevent universal I transfers and a comprehensive transit system in Philadelphia, and that is by the election of Smith and Connelly.

Dave Lane was the intermediary in putting Smith over on the Vares. Dave Lane's ideas on transit are well known. He believes that the people of the community were put here for the special purpose of producing dividends for the Union Traction Company, which company, according to Dave Lane, is a philanthropist because fares to West Philadelphia are five instead of ten cents. Davo Lane is one of those who believe that anything is good enough for people who do not own their own automobiles. Imagine him, or a creature of his, being really in favor of rapid transit! To spike the transit program was Dave Lane's first object in selecting a candidate. He chuckles when he thinks how cleverly he has put it over. He laughs outright when he reads the market and sees how his stocks have risen at the prospect of Smith in Blankenburg's seat and Connelly in the chair now occupied by Mr. Ryan.

Mr. Connelly, it may be remembered, as chairman of the Finance Committee of Counclis, was spensor for the fake ordinance that all but killed transit development. It was he who acquiesced in, if he did not father, an ordinance notoriously defective legally. Public opinion compelled a revision; but even then it was Connelly who kept it in such shape that the enemies of the Taylor plan were confident the Mayor would veto the measure. Fortunately, the Mayor was big enough to checkmare the whole scheme, relying on the voters this November to repudiate the obstructionists and place in office a new Councils heartily in sympathy with real rapid transit.

The City Solicitor must approve all contracts before the Mayor signs them. He can prevent rascallty through this power. He can hold a bad Mayor in check. But with Smith in the one seat and Connelly in the other, what power would there be to prevent handing the city over hog-tied to its explotters? With these two in the places of the mighty, citizens can imagine what kind of contract would be signed for the operation of the new lines and what chance there would be of universal transfers. There is no likeliheed of another ergy in ordinary franchises, mulcted of its advantages unless sincere, capable and true friends of transit represent the public interest.

The issue in November is larger than the candidacy of any man. The very future of the community is wrapped up in rapid trausit, and the next administration will determine in whose interests the contracts shall be signed. The construction work is important, but far more important are the contracts for operation.

The citizen who is for rapid transit is against Dave Lane, against Dave Lane's man and against Connelly, who has the hardihood, after his record in transit affairs, to come into the open and ask that he be given legal control over every transit contract and agreement into which the municipality may enter.

It is, indeed, time for citizens to wake up.

"THEM THAT HAS GITS"

THE money for the half billion dollar loan for the Allies will be provided by the great bankers and the captains of industry. No sooner was it announced that the Allies intended to spend the money here in the purchase of food and munitions than rumors of the formation of a great steel corporation began to be heard. The corporation was to include both producers of steel and those great industries which change the raw material into the implements of war,

Now we are given to understand that some of the bankers negotiating the loan are backing the new steel combination. They are planning to-make their commissions for raising a vast fund to be spent here and to make the vast profits on the business by supplying munitions to be paid for by the loan which they have negotiated, and an incidental profit in dealing in the shares of the

corporations to be combined. There never was a better illustration of the truth of the old adage that "Them that has gits."

The pennant is getting so near that you oun almost touch it.

President Wilson sets a good example to all differs by going home to vote at the pri-The new Steel Trust is sired by England's

Doctor Dumba is hoping there are no nails in the greated plank on which he is making

seitles and damned by Germany and

Santa Claus is a German exint, so who hould not be have all the German toys he cante to distribute?

As the Austrian Fursign Office contem-tates the diplomatic tensor of Constantin-tensor is to likely to conclude that it has been a tissue of the "not" passe.

TAKING COLLEGE TO THE PEOPLE

The "Pennsylvania Idea" at Work. University Renders Many Services in Various Ways to the

By FORREST DUNNE

THE "Pennsylvania Idea", antedated the Wisconsin Idea, which is widely known. by a decade or mere.

Public at Large

It is true that Wisconsin developed what the University of Pennsylvania originated; this much is admitted by publicists and scholars of this city who investigated at Madison, but they concede merely elaboration and advertising, not inception of the system, which makes available the expert training of scientists and sociologists for the public service. For this is what the Wisconsin Idea really is, broadly speaking; this, combined with University Extension work.

Reference to the University of Pennsylvania catalogues of recent years will demonstrate how important a part the University of Pennsylvania has taken in public affairs. 'Absent on public business" appears after many names

Active Leave of Absence So long ago as 1892 Samuel McCune Lindsay, then Professor of Sociology at the University of Pennsylvania and now Professor of Social Legislation at Columbia, was appointed special agent of the United States Senate Finance Committee to report on wholesale prices in Europe. He was in 1839 and 1999 the expert on the United States Industrial Commission on Railroad Labor. And from 1900 to 1902, Governor Brumbaugh, then Professor of Pedagogy at the University, was the first of several Commissioners of Education Pennsylvania furnished to Porto Rico. The catalogues abound with many other instances too numerous to mention.

Unlike Wisconsin, the University of Pennsylvania has not yet attempted to cover the entire State in its extension work. But it has reached out by degrees to various industrial and commercial centres in the years since the quiet inception of the service, and definite results have been accomplished. The idea of looking after the public welfare instead of restricting its opportunities to the classes was old at Pennsylvania before it had been heard of elsewhere, for the present great institution is founded on the "Charity School," organized in 1740, continued as the "Academy" in 1749, and chartered by Thomas and Richard Fenn in 1753 as "The Academy and Charitable School." This, two years later, by a confirmatory charter from the "Lord Proprietors," developed into "The College, Academy and Charitable School." Out of it rose the University of Pennsylvania, incorporated in 1791, and the first American institution chartered as a university.

University Extension proper, as originated at Oxford and developed in this country by the Society for the Extension of University Teaching, has dealt almost exclusively with literary, esthetic, and, in general, cultural subjects. The University of Pennsylvania, through its Wharton School, however, has made a departure that represents a marked advance. It has carried out the original idea. of democratizing knowledge, of bringing the University to the people who cannot come to the University. It has maintained its academic ideals, but has tempered them to the practical demands of modern American

Reaching Out to Ambitious Youth

An innovator in its Wharton School of Accounts and Finance in 1881, three decades later, it decided upon the policy of making available the courses in economics, accounting, transportation, commerce and cognate subjects to out-of-town students. Previously it had made these courses accessible to amis young men employed during the day through the Evening School of Accounts and Finance. In 1912 the University created the Extension School of Accounts and Finance. Classes new meet in Scranton, Harrisburg, Wilkes-Barre and Reading. They pursue a course of study consisting of four subjects each year, extending over a period of three S'ears.

Members of the faculty, who give the same courses in the Wharton and Evening School, conduct the work of the Extension School. The plan adopted, which has proved successful in operation, has been to have the faculty member in charge of each course conduct every other session of the classes, which are held weekly. In alternate weeks the courses are in charge of assistants. Liberality of admission requirements is characteristic of the extension courses. Matriculates must be at least 18 years old. If less than 21 it is required that they have preparation equivalent to three years in a recognized high or preparatory school. Candidates more than Il years of age, who do not offer such a preparatory course of study, are admitted on satisfying the faculty that they have had an amount of business experience and general knowledge sufficient to pursue the work with benefit.

It is the policy of the University to "extend the extension" as rapidly as possible to other centres. The growth of the out-oftown courses has been extremely encouraging. Each year large numbers of aspiring young men have availed themselves of the opportunity to make themselves more efficient business men, offered by the extension school. Its success has paralleled that of its progenitor, the Evening School, which, since its foundation in 1904, has been the leader as well as pioneer of similar institutions.

Premoting Public Health

The University comes in close contact with the general welfare at another and vital point—the public school system. Through the college courses for teachers it opens out to the schoolmarms and pedagogues of the city's schools the rich resources of learning of the most eminent members of its faculties. These courses, in which are enrolled a large proportion of Phliadelphia's teachers, are given in the afternoons and evenings and on Saturdays.

Another public service activity in which the University blazed the way was the ectablishment of the courses in public health, graduates of which are eagerly anapped up by municipalities all over the country. For completion of these courses, the degree Dr. H. P. (Doctor of Public Health) awarded. In charge of this school is Dr. A. C. Abbott, for many years chief of the Bu-

MANAGERS

A "city manager" in the Duyton system man-ages the city's business for the people. A "city manager" in Kaness City's best system man-ages are city's lessiness for the him.—Kaness City Star.

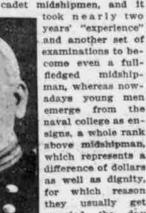


CAPTAIN KNAPP; ALL-ROUND SAILOR

The Dead Commandant of the Navy Yard Had Seen Service in All Sorts of Ships in All Parts of the World and Won Honor Everywhere.

By COROLYN BULLEY

night, was unfortunate enough to get through Annapolis in '78 when they graduated young men as cadet midshipmen, and it



years' "experience" and another set of examinations to become even a fullfledged midshipman, whereas nowadays young men emerge from the naval college as ensigns, a whole rank shove midshipman. which represents a difference of dollars as well as dignity, for which reason they usually get married the day

CAPT. J. J. KNAPP. after they graduate. Now, do the sons of any of our standard alma maters automatically land \$1700 jobs on

graduation? Captain Knapp got ahead about as fast as he could, however, and in 1881, as a past midshipman, was ordered aboard the U. S. S. Wachusett, on which he cruised round Alaska and in the South Pacific for about three years. In those days, you know, there really weren't any fleets, but usually separate skips, or possibly two or three together at times, going their own ways.

Next the captain served on the training ship New Hampshire at the job of making seamen out of raw recruits who didn't even go to Annapolis, and then in 1885 was ordered to St. Louis as assistant inspector of lights on the Mississippi River, between St. Paul and New Orleans. Possibly the following years of Captain Knapp's career were not so exciting and fascinating as you may imagine, if, like myself, you see that part of the Mississippi entirely through the eyes of Huck Finn.

In 1887 Captain Knapp indulged in another cruise in the Southern Pacific waters, around the Hawaiian and Samoan Islands.

When he was detached from this service on returning to San Francisco, the captain was sent on duty to the naval-proving grounds-the place where they try out our guns-not so satisfactory as a war, by a long chast, but better than nothing. Not long after that he was put in charge of a class of seamen whom he instructed in ordnance (i. e., how guns are put together, set up and operated) in a gun factory.

In 1892 the United States sort of spread herself socially, as it were, by having Admiral Gherardi bring his squadron, to whose flagship Captain Knapp was attached, from Port Townsend, Washington, by way of the Magellan Straits, up to New York, and drop in at the various countries on the way to invite Governments to take part in the naval review, to be held at Hampton Roads in connection with the Chicago World's Fair. It rather reminds one of the way it used to be the smart thing in small towns when you were giving a party to send a man in livery (or the best-looking substitute you could get) round to all the houses with a flat of the guests to be invited, and if you had a nicer engagement or serious differences with some of the crowd you saw on the list, you crossed your name off. Fighting Poisonous Gases

After this graceful little performance was over, Captain Knapp was ordered to the Washington Navy Yard as ald to the commandant, and while to this post was also recorder of the labor board, which was atrecorder of the labor board, which was attempting to devise some sort of civil service means of selecting the employes in the many yard. You see, a navy yard employe acts beet or 4000 civilians in its machine shops and other works, so that the commandant is not only a king pin of brain buttons, but has intech the lab of the general manager of a factory as well. What the navy efficers have been working for is to have those civilian positions in the yard efficiently alled instead of having the salation attached handed out promisemently is political rewards after elections. There is a contain comment pulse to their point of view. These politics out of the navy is the significant politics out of the navy.

CAPTAIN J. J. KNAPP, commandant of the gan. "Politics" is a poisonous, iii-smelling Philadelphia Navy Yard, who died last substance, like the gas in German bombs, substance, like the gas in German bombs, that can penetrate proverbially airtight departments. All sorts of antidotes and protective muzzies are continually being devised, yet thousands of our true reforms, in fact, nearly all of them, die of it every year. It has another likeness to the gases used in the present war, in that sometimes when the wind changes suddenly men die of their own politics. If the navy is successful in excluding the nasty stuff we shall respect it as we never did before, even if it doesn't stand first in the world's series of navies.

In 1897 he set forth with Commodere G. A. Howell as flag lieutenant to the Mediterranean squadron. This meant more "peaceful cruising" till they arrived at Lisbon, Portugal, where they got word of the blowing up of the Maine. After various experiments with a "made-in-Germany" torpedoboat, which eventually proved unseaworthy, the captain returned to America in command of the U. S. S. Topeka. On arriving in New York, by the way, he had that uncanny experience of reading his own obituary in the newspapers, it having been reported that the Topeka had collided with a merchant vessel and sunk off the coast of England.

A Target for Spanish Guns

Captain Knapp's next real excitement arrived in August of 1898, when he was on the San Francisco in Commodore Howell's blockade of the north side of Cuba. One fine days the guns of Morro Castle (a fort, not a royal abode), let fire at the San Francisco at close range. The San Francisco (this was the exciting part of it) was given stringent orders not to return the fire. The confidence Washington apparently felt in the poor alm of the Cubans was justified, because only one shell did hit the mark, and at that did little harm and injured none. But still, one cannot help wondering if the officers and crew didn't feel rather nervous through inactivity with that bunch of express trains roaring over their heads.

As the captain has had an embarrassingly full life, I guess we will have to begin jumping down. The years 1899 to 1908 included more duty at the Washington Navy Yard, service in the Philippines, during the insurrection, a trip to the Lubang Islands to settle a domestic foment, a post as superintendent of the nautical school at Mantla, duty as inspector of guns at the naval gun factory in Washington, a record trip in the Celtic from the Bremerton Navy Yard through the Magellan straits to New York, three months in Cuban waters, when the

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United States forces occupied Havana, and lastly the job of inspector of lighthouses on the Mississippl.

In October of 1908 Captain Knapp was given command of the U. S. S. Wyoming. which changed her name to Cheyenne, the first ship of the navy to use crude oil as fuel. She was commissioned to try the thing out, and made exhaustive tests which established the value of oil for this purpose. It is understood that his report on the subject was accepted by the British Admiralty without further experiment, and caused them to build oil fuel dreadnoughts.

In the next few years the captain served as hydrographer at Washington, and in the Naval War College at Newport, and had command of the Connecticut for two years, during which he spent many months anchored off Tampleo, that time when the Mexicans made faces at us and wouldn't promise never to do it again.

In 1914 Captain Knapp took the new Minister down to Halti. It was an off season for revolutions, there being no election on at the time. Or, perhaps, it would be more truthful to say that there was no election on, there being no foreign capital at hand to finance a revolution.

After a short period of duty in Washington as a member of the naval examining board on promoting and retiring officers, Captain Knapp came on June 17, 1915, to fill the post of commandant of the yard at Philadelphia.

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