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If only the steel sour would make a child learn as it will make a horse go, the problem of education would be solved.

## OVER IN JERSEY

SUFFRAGISTS in Pennsylvania will untomorrow's balloting across the Delaware. If suffrage, with the help of Mr. Woodrow Wilson, acting as a private citizen, be carried, Pennsylvanians will take it as an omen of good fortune for themselves. If it unhappily fails, they will know that they must work harder still for their own victory.

Both sides are hopeful. Both sides, on this bank of the river, send best wishes. The suffragists in New Jersey, as everywhere else, have put up a good, clean fight, and they ought to win. The antis have fought back so straight and so deftly that they have almost proved their opponents' contentions. Those who have been so capable in the heat of battle are certainly capable of the secondary struggle of an ordinary election.

#### THE BIGGER LEAGUE ISLAND

THERE should be no objection anywhere to the proposed enlargement of the facilities of the League Island Navy Yard so that battleships can be built there.

There are more expert shipbuilders in and around Philadelphia than in any other similar territory in the United States. And there is no other navy yard which occupies such a strong strategic position. The naval experts have long been aware of these facts; but they have not been able to persuade the lay powers that be to make use of the facilities that can easily be assembled here for building the biggest fighting machines.

If Secretary Daniels can persuade Congress to adopt his League Island plans as part of the general program of naval expansion he will deserve well of his country, for the development of the navy yard here is not a local but a national issue.

ANOTHER CENSORSHIP FARCE

enough of them to provide competition and to keep freights at a reasonable figure. But the bunglers in Washington have in a single year transformed the great western ocean into a Japanese lake and have put the whole western coast of the continent at the mercy of the able and alert Orientals, who have long been planning to dominate that ocean as the British now dominate the Atlantic. It is difficult to understand how even the

Democrats can look on this achievement of their leaders with any degree of mtisfaction.

#### MORTGAGING THE CANAL

FTHERE seems to be no immediate way sout of mortgaging the Panama Canal to raise money for national defense. The Government closed the last fiscal year with a deficit of about \$70,000,000. Plans are under way for increasing the appropriations for the army and navy by \$140,000,000, making a total of \$400,000,000, and no new sources of revenue have been found.

The situation is so exigent that it has already been announced that the free sugar sections of the tariff law are to be repealed and that the temporary war tax is to be continued. But more must be done if the Government is to close the next fiscal year with a deficit under \$150,000,000 or \$200,000,000. The easiest thing to do is to hock the

canal. When the construction of that great waterway was authorized Congress provided for the issue of bonds to pay for the work. But under a Republican Administration and under Republican taxation laws there was surplus enough above the ordinary expenses of government to pay for about all the digging on the isthmus as it went along. A few bonds were issued, but not many.

It is as though a business man enlarged his factory and arranged to mortgage it to raise the money, but found that business was so good that he could pay for the building out of current profits. But he put a new manager in charge, who was not only unable to meet current expenses, but found it necessary to mortgage the building paid for out of previous profits to get money to keep the business moving.

The Administration cannot get away from this indictment of its financial efficiency. It has failed, and failed miserably. Of course the war has had something to do with the case; but the efficient manager would have provided last winter against the contingencies of the war. The failure to make adequate provision then is only another item in the indictment.

While the leaders in Washington are making their plans for national defense the hard-headed voters throughout the country are making their plans. They know that borrowing money on long-term bonds to pay for warships is as stupid as putting a tenyear mortgage on a farm to buy a mowing machine. Maintenance of the army and navy is properly a charge on current revenues. The importance of putting men in power in Washington who are able to frame laws that will raise needed revenues, and at the same time protect the industries of the nation, is so great that it cannot be ignored. The Democracy which slipped into power by accident has failed again, and all its floundering about in an attempted mastery of problems too big for it for the next year will only make its incompetence more and more evident.

## TO THE SHOP IN WEST THIRD STREET

Thither Orville Wright Returns to Devote His Genius to Further Conquests in the Science of

## Human Flight

### By HENRI BAZIN

ORVILLE WRIGHT, relieved from every possible material care at 44, will devote his life to scientific research in developing an absolutely safe aeroplane. The recent sale of the Wright Company to a group of New York capitalists

for \$1,500,000 is rela-

tively an unimpor-

tant thing to this

staid, modest, retir-

ing citizen of Day-

ton, who has literally worked his passage

again in that little



and hewn his way to the undying pinnacle he occupies. Rather, to use his own words: "It will give me time to think, to study, to experiment, to take up the work

shop over in West 3d ORVILLE WRIGHT street that the world

has kept me from, there to devote the rest of my life to the thing dearest to my soulscientific research."

In the big plant that will be erected in Dayton Orville Wright will retain a financial interest, and to its trained force act in an advisory capacity; but it will be over "In the little shop in West 3d street," where his heart is, that will be evolved from his inventive and scientific genius a flying machine that will be absolutely safe for whomscever may wish to run one.

#### A French Toy

"Will be," it is here written; for if this man's life is spared, it will as surely come as tomorrow's dawn. Before the original flight of their power-driven, heavier-than-air machine upon the sandy shore at Kitty Hawk, North Carolina, on December 17, 1903, Orville and his brother Wilbur knew the machine would fly; knew it positively as a proved scientific fact. "It had to fly," they said; "we have worked out our formula for the actions of the air, verified them by repeated experiments that have shown the same results under identical conditions, and built the machine accordingly. It must fly: and it will." Which it did, with the inventors aboard, a distance of 800 feet at an elevation of 100 feet, for a period of five minutes, before three members of the Kill Devil Life-saving Station and two citizens of the nearby town of Manteo.

Orville and Wilbur were the younger of four brothers, who, with their sister, were the children of Bishop Wright, of the United Brethren Church, and his wife, who was a college graduate, then a rare distinction for a woman. Bishop Wright was an educator and editor of a religious paper, who, in the course of the pursuit of his profession, had traveled in many parts of the world. The boys did not go to college, like their elder brothers, the early death of their mother necessitating a change in the plans their father had for them. They had the advantage of access to their father's library of more than 2000 volumes, which included many works upon science and art. Late in the autumn of 1878, when Wilbur was 11 and Orville 7 years of age, their father brought home one evening a French toy, a helicoptere, which when thrown in the air flew of its own accord across the room and fluttered like a wounded bird at the ceiling for a minute ere it sank slowly to the floor. It did not last long, being of frail and delicate construction; but it left an abiding memory with Orville and his brother; it was the sun that generated into life the germ of science within their souls. So from tiny acorns do great oaks grow. In the scientific books in the family library the boys read of the experiments of Otto Lillenthal with a glider of his own invention; going to school meanwhile, playing, skating, fishing and bicycling with the boys of their neighborhood. When they left school they went into the printing business together, and very shortly afterward into the blevele business. In the meantime, quietly, unostentatiously, they were experimenting with air gliders and flying machines, basing their efforts upon scientific deduction. They sought and found the scientific reasons for the failures of Lilienthal and others. They experimented with little curved sheets of steel of different sizes and shapes, which they suspended in delicate balance within tubes, through which steady currents of air were blown, changing the angles of the steel sheets and the speed of the air, noting, comparing, studying, until they had perfected an apparatus that repeatedly gave identical results. They then "plotted" the shape of their plane accordingly: and the results were that scientifically the machine had to fly, which, practically, it did. With the plane perfected, they brought their genius to bear upon a propeller, solving a problem that had previously baffled all marine and aeronautical engi-Deers. Then, and not until then, they inquired of the United States Weather Bureau where upon the Eastern coast the winds blew strongest and steadlest, and were informed, "Kitty Hawk, North Carolina." Thence they went, built a shack upon the beach, living in it while putting their acroplane together and tuning it to perfection. "It just had to fly"; and it did. These men of genius, the elder of whom, Wilbur, died of typhoid fever in 1912, worked out their problem with little capital, in an industrial town far from any scientific centre, in the upper story of a little building their bleyele shop, in "West 3d street," bringing to birth without the knowledge of their townsmen a new wonder of the world. Presently, as time goes by, the world will be modestly informed that Orville Wright, scientist and inventor, has perfected in the "little shop in West 3d street" an absolutely safe acroplane, that will be controllable in all conditions of wind and weather, without danger to the life of the driver. It will be constructed scientifically: and it will do everything claimed for it, because it "will Just have to."



## PHILADELPHIA. MEDICAL CAPITAL

Its History Has Justified Title-Demand That Only Trained Surgeons Should Do the Cutting Originated Here

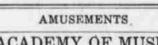
### By EDWARD R. BUSHNELL

DHILADELPHIA does not require a merger of the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania and the Medico-Chirurgical College to make this city the hub of America's medical learning and research. It is that already, and has been from the very beginnings of medical science on this continent. What the merger will do will be to give Philadelphia a post-graduate school, where advanced instruction may be obtained and research work prosecuted on a scale that only European schools have offered in the past. To accomplish this the educational and scientific bodies of the city hope the trustees of the two institutions will succeed.

Philadelphia may be pardoned if it seems a triffe boastful of the many institutions it has originated for the advancement of learning. The University of Pennsylvania Medical School, founded in 1765, was the first medical school in North America. Here also was founded in 1751 by Benjamin Franklin the Pennsylvania Hospital, likewise the first institution of its kind in America. This city also had the distinction of founding America's first medical school for women, in 1850, The medical school of the University of Pennsylvania was the first to establish its own hospital, with a school for the instruction of nurses. Today Philadelphia is the

erection of a statue. Other eminent surgeons of national reputation were Dr. D. Hayes Agnew, one of the consulting physiclans who were called upon when President Garfield was shot, and Dr. Alfred Stille, a linguist as well as a surgeon and head of the University's Medical School. One thing that has distinguished Philadel-

phia's medical men has been their broad culture. Such men as Dr. Benjamin Rush, Dr. Joseph Leidy and Dr. John Kearsley in the early days were quite as remarkable for their literary and administrative ability as for their medical attainments. In later years their mantles fell on Dr. William Pepper, Dr. William Osler and Dr. S. Weir Mitchell. Doctor Pepper has left his mark on many Philadelphia institutions. As Provost of the University, he raised the standards of medical education in America.



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FOR the fourth time in recent months the courts have reversed the photoplay censorship and have permitted plays to be shown which the board had refused to pass. The most recent and most notorious case is that of a film adaptation of a story and opera. Merimee and Bizet, and with them the hundreds of thousands who have read or seen their work, would have been put under a moral ban were it not for the sane discrimination of the Judges called upon to review the work of the Board of Censors.

In this case, at least, there was some talk by producers of all or nothing. In other recent cases the board has wilfully and arbitrarily refused permission to exhibitors without even fully admitting the possibility of cutting. In these very cases the board was overruled

Decidedly it is now the duty of the Board of Censors to prove by facts and figures that the moral tone of Philadelphia has deteriorated since these films were shown. If it cannot prove that Philadelphia has been degraded and demoralized by these films, the board will establish its right to be considered a fit companion for the Ohio Board. widely known as the stupidest film censors in the country.

#### SIGNS OF PROGRESS

DIERS five hundred and fifty feet long are all very well in their way, but if the port of Philadelphia is to take the place which its ship channel will soon justify it in expecting to hold among the ports of the world longer piers will have to be built. Seattle already has a pier half a mile long, and New York is constantly lengthening its piers to accommodate the new steamships. One of the great passenger ships would extend out Into the stream a couple of hundred feet if It were docked at the new Southwark piers turned over to the city on Saturday. The city has made a good beginning, however, in providing modern accommodations for ships. But we must all admit that it is only a beginning. More and larger plers must follow until we can offer dockage facilities unsurpassed in any other port.

AT THE MERCY OF JAPAN

THE Japanese Government subsidizes the Japanese-owned steamships in the Pacific trade. Of 490,000 tons of shipping available for transpacific business, United States Conaul General Anderson, of Hongkong, reports that 420,000 tons are owned in Japan. When the last of the ships of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company was transferred from American to Japanese entry, because under the conditions of the seamen's law it could not be operated profitably, the Japanese Government ordered the Japanese shipe, now monopolizing the trade, to raise the freight rates on all goods from American Pacific coast ports to Japan and China. The Eastern freight rates are unchanged.

The increased freight raics act as a protective tariff on Japanese goods. They make to sell his potton clothes, for example, on re favorable terms than those on which rican-made mode out be sold.

We had only a few ships engaged in the Kaleer with quite t

### OF THE FOREIGN LEGION

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DEFINITE news has come of the death, in the Foreign Legion fighting for France, of an American poet, Alan Seegar. His death came almost simultaneously with the public: tion of his first poem in a major magazine. Previous to that time he had written a prose article, "As a Soldier Thinks of War," which is one of the most penetrative studies of soldier-psychology ever penned by one engaged in actual warfare.

For the rest, Alan Seegar's name was unknown. As an undergraduate at Harvard he was a familiar figure. His poetry had a passion and a delicacy which are rare enough in the work of young men. But his preoccupation with blue roses could hardly have been chosen as a guarantee of his military efficiency. By practical standards he was a failure.

Yet the young man who dreamed his days away gave himself freely to the country he loved, and was a good soldier. Of such a soldier, dying in action, he wrote:

For his comfort is the sense of his life's blood flowing close to the heart of that cosmic entity of which he feels himself a fraction, and in whose movements it is the measure of his life's success to play the most essential, the most intimate part.

It is not often that a soldier becomes a

Chicago was dry again yesterday. Phila-

man and remains a poet.

delphia is used to it. The Porter primary vote is a long way

from representing the Porter strength.

Dr. John A. Brashear doesn't need a telescope to see the Woman Suffrage movement.

The Art Jury reports that signs projecting over the sidewalk are not artistic. No one will ask that the verdict be set aside.

The Lansdowns jitneys are so popular that every one out there is hoping that the Upper Darby Council will not bond them out of existence.

Senator Penrose will be chairman of the Republican National Committee if the convention nominates a Penrose kind of a candidate.

The policemen have presented a bronze plaque to Mr. Porter so that he may accept the mayoralty on it on the evening of November 2.

The courage of the ferryboat Peerless was greater than its discretion when it tried to ram a hole in the side of the battleship Oklahoma.

Tomorrow is the day when the New Jersey voters are to be tested. The women are con fident that the man will justify the confidence put in them.

The British used to think that Napoleon was a cannibal and dined on tender new-born bables. They have not yet credited the teer with quite this degree of brutality,

#### "STRAFFING"

We take from a Sumatra paper a list of some of the words which the Germans in their pa-triatic andor propose to substitute for the Eng-lish sporting terms formerly in use. Golf-Locherhallapiel.

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only city in America all of whose medical schools have their own hospitals. In 1786 was established the Philadelphia Dispensary, the first of its kind in America, and now located at 125 South 5th street.

In view of Philadelphia's pioneer relation to medical science it is not surprising that its history is in many respects also the national medical history. The University Medical School became to America what Edinburgh's famous medical school was to Europe. Its professors have written virtually one-half of the textbooks which are standard in medical colleges throughout the United States, and its graduates have been prominent on other medical faculties. Likewise, the leading physicians and surgeons of this city have been famous throughout the nation and even in Europe.

#### In Colonial Days

Dr. John Morgan was the man who founded the University Medical School in 1765. His influence in the teaching of medicine has been far reaching. Not only was he one of the pioneers in his insistence upon a thorough preparation for the practice of medicine, but he was the first to emphasize the essential difference between medicine and surgery. He declared that the two required different types of men and that a man should specialize in one or the other. The Wistar Institute of Anatomy, now a

part of the University, was named after Dr. Caspar Wistar, whose work on anatomy in 1811 was one of the first medical textbooks in America. An associate of Doctor Wistar, Dr. Nathaniel Chapman, was the originator of the present quiz system in our medical schools. Doctor Chapman also established the first permanent medical journal in America.

It was in Philadelphia, on the initiative of our own University, that the first definite step was taken to raise the educational requirements of medical schools. That was in 1848, when the representatives of 28 medical colleges and 40 medical societies met here to consider medical ethics. Doctor Chapman was the first president and Dr. Alfred Stille one of the secretaries of the association.

Probably the city's most famous physician after Doctor Morgan and Doctor Rush was Doctor Joseph Leidy. This man was so brilliant that no single field of activity could contain him. As a boy he was wonderfuly fond of natural history, and in later life developed remarkable skill in drawing. Although he graduated from the University Medical School in 1844, he did not seriously practice medicine. He was world-famous for his contributions to scientific literature, an anatomist, geologist, zoologist and botanist. His greatest achievement and the greatest boon he gave to humanity was his discovery in 1847 of the hog triching and his proof that man could become infected by eating infected meat.

One of the greatest of Philadelphia's surons was Dr. S. D. Gross, a graduate of fferson College, founded in 1854. He founded and edited the North American Medico-Chirurgical Roview and wrote extensively on surgery. He also founded the Acadamy of Surgery of Philadelphia in 1879, and a your later the American Surgical Ass tion. In 1876 he was chosen president of the International Medical Congress. Since his leath he has been nationally honored by the

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